

# Brightons Parish Church

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*Welcome to All*

We join together to worship God in the Name of Jesus Christ.

We are especially delighted to have you with us and if you are visiting we would be glad to have you sign our visitors' book in the Church vestibule.



*“We seek to show Christ’s love to all  
and to be a blessing to the wider world”*

**Worship 11.00 a.m. 28<sup>th</sup> April 2019**

- Introit **‘Spirit Song’**
- Welcome and Announcements
- Gathering Moment
  - **We offer Ourselves and Children to God in Worship**
- Call to Worship
- Mission Praise **33 And can it be (v1 and 3 - 5)**
- Sunday School Moving Up Celebration
- Praise **God’s love is the best love**
- **Offering Uplifted** - we remain seated to sing
- Mission Praise **1259 Bless the Lord, O my soul**
- **Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer**
  - **We listen for God speaking to us**
- Scripture Reading **Luke 15 v 1 - 32 page 1048/49** Sandra Anderson
- **Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession** Eric Smith
- Mission Praise **1350 Speak, O Lord**
- **Sermon**
  - **We respond to God**
- Mission Praise **564 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**
- Benediction and Threefold Amen

If you wish to contact anyone, or follow up anything mentioned in the newssheet, please email [info@brightonschurch.org.uk](mailto:info@brightonschurch.org.uk)

**Monthly Evening Service:** This will take place **tonight** at **6.30 p.m.** and will be led by Rev Scott Burton. A warm welcome is extended to all to this service.

**Life and Work** for May is now available and can be uplifted as you leave church this morning.

**Joining the Congregation and Upcoming Open Door Course:** On the 2<sup>nd</sup> June we hope to be welcoming at least one new person into membership. Anyone else who wishes to explore the meaning and means of joining the congregation in this way should speak with the Minister. If you have not been a member elsewhere, we would encourage you to attend our next Open Doors course, which will run for 6 weeks from **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May in the vestry at 7.30 p.m.** It explores some of the basics of membership but it is also helpful for any who wish to revisit the basics of the faith. Anyone interested please speak to or contact the Minister or Eric Smith, Session Clerk before **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May.**

**Daily Reading Notes:** The following notes will be available from Charles Lees after the service **today**, at the front of the church: Every Day with Jesus, Topz and YP's all at £3.25.

**Please remember in your prayers** the family of Henry Hunter, following his passing a week on Friday past. In particular, daughter Eunice, her husband David and the grandchildren Niamh and Luke. Henry's funeral will take place this **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May in the Church at 1.30 p.m.** and thereafter to Falkirk Crematorium at 2.30 p.m.

**Remembrance Book:** This has now been placed in the church vestibule. Spare cards and envelopes for details of any insertions are now beside the book as well as on the pews. Any completed cards can be handed to any member of the door duty team or Sandra Anderson, Pastoral Care Convenor.

**Friends of Jesus:** This Thursday the Friends of Jesus Group will have a visitors' evening at their usual meeting location, Redding Church Hall from 6.45 p.m. - 8.45 p.m. This is an ideal opportunity for anyone who may wish to volunteer to assist at the group next session to see what is involved.

**Bright Lights:** The deadline for articles for the next issue is next **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May.** This is the **very latest date** that articles can be submitted in order to meet the production and distribution deadlines. Articles can be submitted anytime from now by email to [brightlights@brightonschurch.org.uk](mailto:brightlights@brightonschurch.org.uk) or handwritten or typed and passed to Alan Macfarlane or Heather O'Neill or left in the box in the church vestibule.

**Easter Prayer Breakfast:** The collection at this last Sunday raised £100 and this will be forwarded to Tearfund. Many thanks to all who attended or contributed to this event.

**Prison Outreach at Easter:** A great big thank you for all the donations for the Easter Prison Outreach this Easter. Your generosity means an Easter card, Easter tract and small chocolate Easter egg has been given to the 500 people there. The sum of £175 raised covered these costs.

**Fire Drill Training:** There will be two training and refresher opportunities for trustees and all the organisations/groups leaders and helpers on either **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May or Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May at 10.00 a.m.** for around half an hour. This will be led by Gordon Scott, Property Convenor and Fire Safety Officer. Your attendance would be much appreciated at either of these times.

**Missionary Partner - The Duncans in South Africa:** The latest letter from the Duncans is on the hall vestibule noticeboard.

**Outing to Peebles:** The Guild are organising a coach trip to Peebles on **Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June**, leaving the church at 11.00 a.m. and returning in the early evening. The cost is £27 including lunch. Everyone is welcome to join the women and men of the Guild. To reserve a place, please speak to May Kennedy.

**Joint Golf Outing with Polmont Old Church:** Our annual outing to Gogarburn Golf Club will be on **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May**. All those interested in playing this year please give your name to Martin Miller by **today**.

**Refresher Training for Volunteers:** There is a Protection of Vulnerable Groups Refresher training course for Volunteers on **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May** at Bo'ness Old Kirk Church, Panbrae Road Bo'ness EH51 0EN. Registration from 6.00 p.m. Training from 6.30 p.m. - 9.30 p.m. As places are limited, please contact Linda Campbell, Safeguarding Co-ordinator. The details are also on the hall corridor noticeboard.

## Dates for your Diary

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>
Sun 28 <sup>th</sup> April	10.15 a.m. - 10.30 a.m.	Prayer Meeting (Vestry)
	10.50 a.m.	Crèche (Small Hall)
	10.50 a.m.	Sunday Schools, Triple S and Flaim
	11.00 a.m.	Morning Worship
	2.15 p.m.	Praise Group
	6.30 p.m.	Monthly Evening Service
Mon 29 <sup>th</sup> April	7.30 p.m.	Fellowship Group A
Tue 30 <sup>th</sup> April	9.45 a.m.	Pre Fives
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	6.15 p.m.	Boys' Brigade Anchor Boys Parents' Night
Thu 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	10.00 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.	Church open - Prayer & Meditation
	10.00 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.	Coffee Morning
	6.45 p.m. - 8.15 p.m.	Friends of Jesus – Visitors' Night External Location
	7.30 p.m.	Choir
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	7.30 p.m.	Praise Group Concert in aid of Christian Aid - Albert Halls, Stirling
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