



## Changes and Updates are highlighted in blue

### Welcome to Worship:

Church is not a building – it is the family of God’s people and we are delighted that you are able to join us this morning! **We are pleased to have Rev Jim Cowan leading our worship this morning.**

### Minister’s Holiday

Scott will return from holiday tomorrow. Until then please phone the church office (**01324 713855**) regarding any pastoral issues. Our Pastoral Assistant, Ian Baillie, will then call you back.

### Communicating during Covid-19

We will be using our website and Facebook page as our main channels for news and updates. Check there for the latest information [www.brightonschurch.org.uk](http://www.brightonschurch.org.uk)

We have set up two Facebook groups within our page:

- **Prayer for the Braes** - a place to post prayer requests across the Braes area and to receive encouraging messages
- **Families and Online Worship** - a place to share ideas and resources for helping families to share in online worship

We have updated the website to make it easier to find information:

- **The front page** shows links to allow you to access the YouTube channel, sermons page and prayer points
- **A special Covid-19 page** with more information and resources is at <https://www.brightonschurch.org.uk/covid-19/>

### Prayer for the Nation

Christians in every part of the UK have been joining together in prayer and we would like to encourage you to keep setting aside 7pm on a Sunday for prayer, no matter how long you give. As you start, place a lit candle in the window of your home as a visible symbol of the light of life, Jesus Christ. **The latest update for prayer topics is on the website and includes information about “Thy Kingdom Come”**

### Pentecost Service

On **Sunday 31st May**, the Church of Scotland is streaming, on its website and Facebook page, a special service for Pentecost from 10.00 – 10.30 am, led by the Moderator, Rev Dr Martin Fair. You may wish to tune into this before our own service. We will still have the Zoom pre-church cuppa available for those who are interested – for details of how to access the Zoom meeting please email [info@brightonschurch.org.uk](mailto:info@brightonschurch.org.uk)

### Praise Playlist

Also on Sunday 31st May, in place of an evening service, there will be a praise playlist available – we would like your suggestions of songs/hymns for this – please email them to [info@brightonschurch.org.uk](mailto:info@brightonschurch.org.uk)

### Financial Update

There is a financial update in Bright Lights, including thanks from the Treasurer and Finance Team for your sustained giving at this time. One avenue to give which has now been put in place is the use of PayPal via the PayPal Charity Giving Fund – all you need is a PayPal account. Please go to the front page of the church website where you will be able to access this.

### Being Community

If you are self-isolating and need help with shopping, prescriptions or a friendly phone call then contact the church office on **01324 713855** and leave a message – we will get back to you

If you are able to help us with shopping, prescriptions or a friendly phone call for someone isolated then please also contact the church office on 01324 713855 and leave a message – we will get back to you

## Pre-service virtual “cuppa”

We are now meeting, using Zoom, for a virtual pre-service “cuppa” each Sunday morning from 10.00 to 10.40 am. Zoom allows us to “meet” in small groups for a chat and catch up prior to the service. If you are interested in taking part, please email [info@brightonschurch.org.uk](mailto:info@brightonschurch.org.uk) and we will send you a link. We look forward to seeing you!

## Bible reading notes

We still have some current copies of various bible reading notes which run until the end of June and are available **free of charge**. They include Daily Bread, Encounter With God, Every Day With Jesus, Topz and YPs. If you are interested, please email [info@brightonschurch.org.uk](mailto:info@brightonschurch.org.uk) as soon as possible – first come first served.

## Organisations and Events

All church organisations, events and regular meetings are cancelled until further notice, but...

## Tuesday Sermon

As from this Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> May, the discussion following the Tuesday sermon will take place as a Jitsi room chat rather than on Facebook. If you want to join then email [info@brightonschurch.org.uk](mailto:info@brightonschurch.org.uk) for the login details.

## Service Recordings

The most recent copies of our services are now available to listen to on your home phone or mobile including Sunday worship, Tuesday sermon and the recent special Testimony Tuesday.

**You now only need call one number: 01324 468811**

Call the number, choose which service you wish, wait 30 seconds and the recording will play!

## Thursday Evening Live Prayer

Join us for a time of prayer on Thursday evening from **8.15 – 8.50 pm**. (Note the change in time to allow those with younger families to take part). We will be using the YouTube channel and the Jitsi room this week – details on how to access these are on the website and Facebook page