



**We seek to invite, encourage
and enable all ages to
follow Jesus Christ.**

Sunday 8th May 2022

Scripture reading: Nehemiah 2:10 – 3:5 (Page 485)

Welcome to Worship, keep in touch and informed

Church is not a building – it is the family of God's people, and we are delighted that you are able to join us today. We are on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and YouTube as well as our church website www.brightonschurch.org.uk. You can download material from the website as well as revisiting previous sermon videos and texts.

Thy Kingdom Come Prayer – 1st to 14th May

Christians across the UK have been setting time aside for prayer at 7pm on a Sunday and we would like to encourage this. Prayer points are on the website.

Jean Wheeler

Jean's funeral will be on Saturday May 14th at 10.00 am in Brightons Church followed by an interment at Polmont Cemetery. Please continue to remember her family in your prayers at this sad time.

Minister's Holidays

Please note that Scott will be on holiday from 13th – 15th May inclusive. Any pastoral care issues should be directed to Ian Baillie.

Christian Aid Week 15th to 21st May

The red envelope will be included with the Newsheet on Sunday 15th May. There will also be an opportunity to give electronically if preferred. You can also purchase a Quiz where the theme is Food and Drink. These are available from 1st May and can be purchased from the Outreach Team for £1 each. Feel free to also invite your family and friends to try this fun quiz.

Brightons Parish Church Memorial/Bereavement Service

We invite you, your family and friends to join us at Brightons Parish Church on **Sunday, 15th May, 2022 at 3pm** when we will be holding a Memorial/Bereavement Service led by Ian Baillie. It will be a time of Remembrance and Reflection for all of us, and for those we have loved and lost, especially during the last two years. We do hope to see you there. Tea/coffee will be served after the Service.

Joint Upper Braes Service – Sunday 29th May

The Kirk Sessions of the Upper Braes Churches have agreed to hold a joint service in Slamannan Community Centre on Sunday 29th May 11am. There will be no other services across the Upper Braes that Sunday. We plan to offer mini-bus transport, if you do not have your own – booking details to follow.

Wednesday Book Club

Are you interested in digging deeper in your faith by reading a Faith Book? Do you enjoy meeting with like-minded folk to talk about faith? Are you seeking fellowship and friendship? Are you free on a Wednesday morning once a month? Are you free on Wednesday 8th June at 10.00 to meet up for a cuppa and chat about it? If so contact Nadia Cowan on 07757 941034 or Marion Graham on 07501 057871.

Workshop on Gender Based Violence

Why does God care about Gender Based Violence? Why do we need to care, as disciples of Jesus? Come and find out at our Workshop event on Saturday 11th June, 10.00 till 12.00. More information to follow.

Card Stall

Again, today there will be a card stand at the front entrance of the Church. From next week, the stall will be through in the Rankine Hall. Why not bless your Christian and non-Christian friends and family with Christian cards as a way of gently sharing your faith and showing God's love to those around us? There will be a range of designs of different categories including "praying for you", "thinking of you" and sympathy cards. There will be an honesty box to cover the costs.

Date for your Diary – Church Family Fun Day – Saturday 28th May at Beecraigs

It's back! We're excited to be organising our Church Family Fun Day again at Beecraigs on Saturday 28th May. Join us from 11am. BBQ lunch around 12pm then lots of time afterwards to play games, sports, chat and explore the Beecraigs walking paths and adventure park! Look out for more information next week. Meantime, pop this date in your diary. We'd love if you can join us - there's no need to have young people to come along - we're all part of our church family!

Sunday Morning Tea and Coffee

We are planning to start the Teas and Coffees again after the morning Service from 15th May. If you would like to consider helping out with this, please speak to Heather O'Neill or email heather.oneill5@btinternet.com.

Falkirk Foodbank

Do you know where your next meal is coming from? If the answer is "Yes" then you are very blessed. Falkirk Foodbank requires more donations of tinned and packet food. Donations can be brought to the Church and left inside the entrances.

Thursday Evening Live Prayer

Join us for a time of prayer on Thursday evening from 8.15 pm – on YouTube, Facebook and Zoom – email info@brightonschurch.org.uk for login details if you would like to join.

Thanks to those who contributed in different ways to today's service

Linda Clarke, Laura Eckles, James Falconer, Marion Graham, Ian Huntley, Neil Matheson, Richard McManus, Jean Meek, Heather O'Neill, Andrew Philp, Charles Sim, Eric Smith, and the Choir.