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Sunday 9th October 2022

Scripture reading: Ephesians 4: 1-7, 11-16 (Page 1175)

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.

Sunday Morning Prayer and Thursday Evening Live Prayer

Join us for a time of prayer on Sunday mornings 10.15 to 10.30am in the small hall, or Thursday evenings at 8.15pm on Zoom only. (email info@brightonschurch.org.uk for Zoom login details if you would like to join).

Kirk Session

Elders are reminded that there will be a short Kirk Session meeting after this morning's service in the Small Hall.

Minister's Holidays

Scott will be on holiday from tomorrow until Monday 24th October. While he is on holiday, please contact Ian Baillie for pastoral issues.

Next Sunday

In Scott's absence, we look forward to welcoming Rev Melville Crosthwaite to lead the worship at our service next Sunday.

Sunday School Groups – October break

With the schools having a two-week holiday just now, only our Beginners group is running, although the creche room continues to be available.

Pastoral Care Visitors` Lunch

The Pastoral Care Team will be holding a get-together Snack Lunch with those who have been volunteer pastoral visitors over recent years. It will be after the Church Service on **Sunday, 16th October at 12.45pm** in the **Heriot Hall**. The Team would also like to extend an invitation to any member of the congregation who would like to consider joining our visitation team; or who would like to learn more about this service shown to our housebound and Care Home members.

If you would be interested in attending to learn more about this valuable extension of ministry, please speak to Sandra Anderson, John Anderson, Jean Callahan, Robert Callahan, or Sheila MacLennan to assist with numbers for catering on the day.

Half Hour Service

The next Thursday half-hour service will be at 11.00 on Thursday 27th October when Rev Sandra Mathers will lead worship. All are welcome.

BELONG

Light Party. Saturday 29th October, 6-7:30. Join our church family to celebrate God’s light and shine like stars. All-age activities, snacks and games. Children must be accompanied please.

Life and Work

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

Articles for Bright Lights

Any articles for the next edition of the Church Magazine should be emailed to brightlights@brightonschurch.org.uk or posted to the Church Office by Sunday 30th October.

A Call to Worship with Father's Song (men's vocal group)

This will take place at Slamannan Parish Church on Saturday 22nd October at 7.00pm. No ticket is required and entry is by donation (proceeds to Slamannan Church funds). Seat booking is essential – please email slamannanchurch@gmail.com. Doors open 6:30pm.

Slamannan – Martha's Pantry

Slamannan Parish Church are starting a food pantry on Monday 24th October to meet local needs in their more remote location. They are looking for volunteers to be part of a rota. If you would be interested in being involved, then please contact Rev Monica MacDonald monica.macdonald@churchofscotland.org.uk or 01324-832782

Blythswood Care Shoebox Appeal 2022

The latest copy of the Blythswood News highlights stories of the amazing transformation that last year's Shoebox Appeal had. Copies are available at the front of the church. Let's see how many lives we can transform this year! Please can you fill a shoebox? Shoebox Leaflets are at the front of the church. We can all make a difference to someone's life. November 6th is the LAST date that you can bring your filled boxes to the church. For more info please contact Jim Dick 714417

Cross Reach

Maralyn Stirling has taken delivery of the latest CrossReach News together with details of the Christmas Card and Calendar Collection for 2022. All profits CrossReach receives from the sale of cards, calendars, and gifts shown in the catalogue go towards the caring work of CrossReach in Scotland. Maralyn collates orders to save postage. It is good to place orders early as popular choices of cards sometimes run out! Please contact Maralyn – 712682 or 07999 861290.

Flowers in Church

Flowers are provided this week by Jean Meek.

Delivering the flowers after today's service will be Ray Heeps.

Delivery next week will be Sandra Anderson.

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

Jill Dickson, Laura Eckles, James Falconer, Jason Glass, Richard McManus, Adam Matheson, Neil Matheson, Jean Meek, Heather O'Neill, Andrew Philp, Jackie Sihota and Eric Smith.



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Order of Service - Sunday 9th October 2022

We offer ourselves to God in worship

Welcome and Notices

Gathering Moment

Call to Worship

Hymn MP-1259 Bless the Lord O my soul

Hymn MP-1024 All my days

All Together Time: Testimony

(Jackie Sihota)

Hymn MP-881 Lord, I lift Your name on high

[Children and young people leave]

We ask for God's help and listen for Him speaking to us

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

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(Jean Meek)

Prayer for Others

(Jason Glass)

Hymn MP-106 Come, you thankful people, come (v1-2, 4)

Message

We respond to God

Hymn MP-1201 Longing for light (Christ, be our light) (v1, 2, 5)

Benediction and Threefold Amen