

**Welcome! We join in the sanctuary and online to worship God in the Name  
of Jesus Christ. Our Service to God is led today by Rev Scott Burton.**

**Order of Service – Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February (11.00 am)**

*We offer ourselves to God in worship*

Welcome and Notices

Gathering Moment

Call to Worship

**Hymn MP-1151 Amazing grace**

**Hymn MP-254 I believe in Jesus**

All Together Time: Our Missionary Partners

**Hymn – Be bold, be strong**

(children leave)

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

Prayer and Lord's Prayer\*

Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 3:1-7 (page 1219)

(Helen Brodie)

The Choir: 'Jesus loves even me'

Prayer for Others

(David MacAskill)

**Hymn MP-435 Lord Jesus Christ**

Message

*We respond to God*

**Hymn MP-465 Meekness and majesty**

Benediction and Threefold Amen

\* The words for the Lord's Prayer will appear on screen

## **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](http://www.brightonschurch.org.uk), all of which share more information about our church family. We also have a Welcome Pack at the front door.

## **Sunday Morning Prayer and Thursday Evening Live Prayer**

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

## **Would you like to help serve Communion?**

Our next time of sharing Communion together will be on Sunday 3rd March. Once again, we are inviting people to put forward your name if you wish to help serve the bread or wine and haven't been involved before, whether in March (which will be all-age) or on another occasion – anyone is invited, you do not need to be an Elder. If you are interested, please let Scott know **today**. Thank you.

## **Friendship Plus**

The next Friendship Plus meeting will be on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February at 2.00 pm when there will be a talk on the history of W Alexander & Sons. All are welcome.

## **Kirk Session**

Please note the next meeting of the Kirk Session will be on Tuesday 27th February at 7.45pm.

## **Accounts from Organisations**

It's that annual time of year when organisations who keep financial records need to send the details for 2023 over to Sharon Glass, our Treasurer, for checking as part of our own preparation of accounts. Please send these records to Sharon by Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February and if you have any issues or queries, please be in contact with her well ahead of that date.

## **Please Remember in your Prayers**

Jeanette Inglis' funeral will be on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February, 10am at Brightons Parish Church then onto Muiravonside Cemetery. Please remember her husband John and the wider family in your prayers at this time.

## **World Day of Prayer**

This year's World Day of Prayer service will be held on Friday the 1st March 2024, at 7.00 pm at Polmont Old Parish Church. The theme this year is “ I Beg You....Bear With One Another in Love” written by the women of Palestine. The service will be conducted by the Rev. Debbie van Welie. Please show your support for this worldwide movement of Christian women of all traditions by joining them. Feel free to bring a friend or two.

## **Youth Worker Update**

We are delighted to report that we have now received pledges for the complete amount! Thank you to the more than 50 responses from folk who are now supporting this work, to God's glory in the Upper Braes area. (If you have pledged, please do ensure your standing order is in place with the bank and the first payment has been made.) On this basis, the committee met last week to begin the process of preparing to advertise the post some time between Easter and summer. Our prayer is that God will be preparing the right person and that He will bring them to us. Please join us in prayer, and pray also that the processes and paperwork would proceed smoothly.

## **Do you have a heart for worship? Then join the team!**

On Saturday 20th April, Scott will be hosting the first yearly "conference" of the Worship Team 9.30am-12noon in the Rankine Hall, with the option to stay on for lunch. The team is principally made up of those who are already involved in shaping our shared worship times: worship leaders, preachers, prayer leaders, Scripture readers, musicians, choir, A/V operators, prayer ministry volunteers and others! We hope as many of these folks can join us for a time of reflecting, discussing and looking ahead. But we also invite anyone to join us who has a heart for worship, whether to simply listen in or actively contribute. Please use the sign up sheets at the front/rear door if you are interested in attending.

## **Stick Drama**

Would you like to be part of this drama team in our church? We are looking for people to form a stick drama team on an ongoing basis. We will be doing another stick drama performance for Easter and we are looking for people who are willing to join our team and take part. No drama or artistic skills required! If you would like to be part of the stick drama team or would even just like to try it out at our next performance, please speak to Cammy Dick in person or on 07845426655.

## **Thank You**

Jessie Wallace would like to thank Brightons Church family for their prayers, expressions of sympathy, cards and flowers following the passing of her brother. It was greatly appreciated.

## **Tea and Coffee**

18<sup>th</sup> February – Alison Cassells, Lesley Mann and Maralyn Stirling.

25<sup>th</sup> February – Eileen Hope, Jim Hope and Maralyn Stirling.

## **Flowers in Church**

Flowers are provided this week by Rev Sandra Mathers.

Delivering the flowers after today's service will be Kathleen Frew.

Delivery next week will be Sheila Colebrook.

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

Helen Brodie, Linda Clarke, Jill Dickson, Laura Eckles, David MacAskill, Neil Matheson, Susan McIntosh, Richard McManus, Jean Meek, Heather O'Neill, Andrew Philp, and the Choir.

## The Week Ahead at Brightons

Date	Time	Activity
TODAY	10.15 am	Congregational Prayer Time
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> February	11.00 am	Morning Service Live Streamed
	11.00 am	Sunday School Groups
	7.45 pm	Sunday Youth Fellowship
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	7.30 pm	Guild
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	9.30 am	Pre 5s
	1.00 pm	Pre 5s
	6.15 pm	BB Anchor Boys
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> February	2.00 pm	Friendship Plus
	6.15 pm	GB Explorers
	6.15 pm	GB Juniors
	7.30 pm	Band Practice
	7.30 pm	GB Brigaders
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	10.00 am	Coffee Morning
	6.45 pm	Friends of Jesus
	7.30 pm	Choir
	8.15 pm	Thursday Evening Live Prayer
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	6.15 pm	BB Junior Section
	7.30 pm	BB Company Section
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	10.15 am	Congregational Prayer Time
	11.00 am	Morning Service Live Streamed
	11.00 am	Sunday School Groups
	6.30 pm	Evening Service

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