

**Welcome! We join in the sanctuary to worship God in the Name
of Jesus Christ. Our Service to God is led today by Rev Scott Burton
and God's Word is preached by Linzi Matheson.**

Order of Service – Sunday 26th May 2024 (6.30 pm)

Welcome and Notices

Gathering Moment and Call to Worship

Hymn MP-1040 Come now is the time to worship

Hymn MP-1141 You're the Word of God the Father

Hymn MP-896 My lips shall praise You

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Hymn MP-1019 You are my strength when I am weak

Message

(Linzi Matheson)

Time of Prayer

The Sacrament of Holy Communion during which we sing

Hymn MP-1087 Lord, I come before Your throne

Sharing the Peace and Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn MP-1151 Amazing grace

Benediction and The Grace

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, X, Instagram and YouTube as well as our church website www.brightonschurch.org.uk. You can download material from the website, see the calendar and news, as well as revisit previous sermons.

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 for Zoom login details if you would like to join.

Welcome to our Evening Service

Our evening service is deliberately different in many ways to our morning service, allowing for space to linger in God’s presence and respond to His preached Word. You will see in the order of service that we have a block of worship at the start – it’s good to all stand together for the first hymn, if you can, but afterwards, please feel free to sit, dance, kneel, etc at any point; you don’t need to stand for the whole time of praise. During the ‘Time of Prayer’ there is the opportunity to move around the sanctuary and engage with ‘prayer stations’, which will be explained at the time. During Communion, we will be inviting everyone to come forward to receive at the front, if you are able, and we will serve in the pew anyone who cannot manage; again, instructions will be given. At the end, we’ll all say The Grace together, which will appear on screen, as will the words for the Lord’s Prayer.

Next Week’s Service

Next week will be our Communion Service and there will be a retiring offering in aid of Strathcarron Hospice.

Widening connection and participation in our church family

Recently, an email was sent out about a new Governance page on our website – if you didn’t get the email, please contact Scott and he can add you to the distribution list. The material on the Governance page enables people to see our Office Bearers and key contacts, church policies and the latest minute for Kirk Session, Deacons’ Court and various teams. In the rear vestibule, all this info is now available too, in hard copy – the minutes and policies are in wall holders beside the picture display. We hope this will increase connection and participation in the life of our church family - maybe reading the minute can help you understand some of the vast amount of work done behind the scenes? Or what to pray for? Or how to get involved? Or who to approach if you have an idea or query? Do let Scott or Judith know any feedback or ideas.

Deacons’ Court and Kirk Session

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 28th May at 7.45pm in the Rankine Hall.

Half Hour Service - Thursday

The next Half Hour Service will be held in the Church on Thursday at 11.30 am. There will be no Communion this month, but it will be available at the end of June service.

Youth Development Leader Update

Over the last few months, we have made excellent progress. The committee has prepared the job description, contract, parish profile, advertisement, and detailed budget projection, and drafted additional church policies. The position is officially a "Youth Development Leader", which more accurately communicates the scope of the role. We've appointed and briefed the interview panel and agreed the project management structure. This week we got approval from the Presbytery committee! Unfortunately, we have learned that we also need approval from 121's Ministries Development Staff (MDS) recruitment panel, who next meet on 4th June and report on 13th June. We therefore hope to be able to advertise on 17th June in a number of key locations and on our church website. Please continue to pray for the process, and for the person God is preparing for us.

Show God's love to our local Primary School

Wallacestone Primary School is having a grounds day on Saturday 1st June 9.30am-11.30am. If you are able to attend and show God's love in action, then please complete this online form (if able), or simply turn up, every hand welcome: <https://tinyurl.com/WPSgroundsday>

Pastoral Care Team – items offered

The Pastoral Care Team has been contacted to see if anyone has a need for a Walker, a Riser-Recliner Chair or a brand new Single Bed (unused) with adjustable mattress. If you wish any more information, please contact Sandra Anderson, PCT Convener, or any member of the Team – John Anderson, Jean Callahan, Robert Callahan or Sheila MacLennan.

Additional Support Needs Meeting – Sunday Worship

Following on from a beneficial first meeting, we are now pursuing work along two strands – Sunday Worship and Sunday School. The meeting to explore how to develop Sunday Worship in light of ASN will be held on Sunday 9th June after the morning service, roughly 12.30-2.00 pm, in the small hall. If you can attend, please bring a lunch with your ideas! If you can't make it, then please share ideas with Scott.

Community Centre

A body of local people are hoping to take over the running of the Brightons' Village/Community Hall next door to our building. To meet the various requirements from the council to take this on, they need members to join the committee. As we ourselves are users of the hall we have a vested interest and it is important that we continue to work in harmony with the rest of the community. Should anyone feel they could offer their support by becoming a member please contact Moira Heeps at mheeps@gmail.com and also speak to Alie Drackford for more information.

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

Linda Clarke, Cammy Dick, James Falconer, Susan McIntosh, Richard McManus, Linzi Matheson, Neil Matheson, Jean Meek, Heather O'Neill and the Prayer Stations Team.

The Week Ahead at Brightons

Date	Time	Activity
TODAY	10.15 am	Congregational Prayer Time
Sunday 26 th May	11.00 am	Morning Service Live Streamed
	11.00 am	Sunday Club Groups
	6.30 pm	Evening Service
Tuesday 28 th May	9.30 am	Pre 5s Group
	7.45 pm	Deacons' Court Meeting
	8.15 pm	Kirk Session Meeting
Wednesday 29 th May	7.00 pm	CAP Training
	7.30 pm	Band Practice
Thursday 30 th May	10.00 am	Coffee Morning
	11.30 am	Thursday Service
	7.30 pm	Choir
	8.15 pm	Thursday Evening Live Prayer
Sunday 2 nd June	10.15 am	Congregational Prayer Time
	11.00 am	Morning Service Live Streamed
	11.00 am	Sunday Club Groups
	7.45 pm	Sunday Youth Fellowship

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