



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

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

Scripture readings: Isaiah 2:1-5 (page 687) and Matthew 24:36-44 (page 994)

There will be groups available for children and young people today, and a creche room with live-streaming of the service is also offered.

Order of Service – Sunday 27th November 2022

We offer ourselves to God in worship

Welcome and Notices

Gathering Moment inc. Lighting of Advent wreath

Call to Worship

Hymn MP-575 Rejoice the Lord is King

Hymn MP-1227 The splendour of the King

All Together Time

Praise – Jesus, You are here with me

(Children and young people leave)

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

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Introduction to new teaching series

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5 and Matthew 24:36-44

Anthem: 'Love came down at Christmas' (Choir)

Prayer for Others

Hymn - I will wait for You (Psalm 130)

Message

We respond to God

Hymn MP-102 Come, Thou long-expected Jesus

Benediction & Threefold Amen

The Week Ahead at Brightons

Date	Time	Activity
Mon 28 th November	2.00 pm	Art Group
	7.00 pm	The Guild
	7.45pm	Fellowship Group (KW)
Tue 29 th November	9.30 am	Pre 5s
	1.00 pm	Pre 5s
	6.15 pm	BB Anchor Boys
	7.00 pm	BB Company Section
	8.00 pm	Huddle
Wed 30 th November	6.15 pm	GB Junior Section
	7.00 pm	Alpha Course
	7.30 pm	GB Brigaders
	7.30 pm	Praise Band
Thu 1 st December	10.00 am	Coffee Morning
	6.00 pm	Friends of Jesus Group
	6.15 pm	GB Explorers
	7.45 pm	Choir
	8.15 pm	Live Prayer (Zoom, YouTube, FB)
Fri 2 nd December	6.15 pm	BB Juniors
	7.30 pm	BB Company
Sat 3 rd December	1.00 pm	Sunday School Christmas Party
	2.00 pm	Beginners and Juniors Christmas Party
Sun 4 th December	10.15am	Congregational Prayer Time
	11.00 am	Morning Service Live Streamed
	11.00 am	Sunday School Groups
	7.00 pm	Fellowship Group (I Lawson)

Minister	Rev Scott Burton	☎: 341590 scott.burton@churchofscotland.org.uk Unavailable on a Friday from 14:30 - Saturday 14:30
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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 Facebook, You Tube or Zoom. (email info@brightonschurch.org.uk for Zoom login details if you would like to join).

Suggestions for new Session Clerk

As intimated last week, we are seeking a new Session Clerk and ideas for whom to consider should be passed directly to Scott. It would be essential that individuals are spiritually mature, pastorally sensitive, trustworthy, organised and good with details. Some of the key jobs include: working closely with minister for Kirk Session meetings and wider church oversight, clerking meetings, being a point of contact, collating annual records.

Nativity Fun Day: Saturday 17th December, 2-4:30pm.

Fun activities to explore the Christmas story, from babies to adults. Tea and snacks. Please invite your friends and neighbours to celebrate the real meaning of Christmas with us. Free. Flyers are also available with all the details.

Carol Concert – Prospects Across Scotland

The Prospects Advent Carol Concert is on Sunday 27th November at Westwoodhill Evangelical Church, 1 Blenheim Place, East Kilbride at 2.30pm. Everyone welcome

Wallacestone Primary School Scripture Union Group

We are looking to restart the SU group at the local primary school after the February break on a Friday lunchtime, but we are currently needing 2 extra helpers, attending on a fortnightly or monthly basis. If able to get involved, please speak with Scott.

Brass Band Concert

Now that things are beginning to return to a post-pandemic normality, Laurieston Church is looking forward to re-starting their annual Brass Band Concert. They look forward to welcoming the Bo’ness and Kinneil Band to their Church for the Concert starting at 7.30 on Thursday 8th of December. Tickets cost £10.00 inclusive of Tea/Coffee and biscuits. (Pay at the door)

Prospects Across Scotland Christmas Cards

Again this year PAS has Christmas card packs for sale. The design was created by one of our friends in the Dingwall group. The cost is £4.50 for a pack of ten. If you would like to buy them, please see Ann McFarlane. Thank you for your continuing support.

Faith Mission Bookshop Card Stall

A big thank you for all your support for our card stall. We are now selling Christmas cards as well as general cards. 10% of our sales goes to the church. Could you bless someone with a card to let them know you are thinking or praying for them? Then do come and look at our card stall in the Rankine Hall.

CrossReach

Grateful thanks to everyone who purchased Christmas Cards and Calendars to support the work of CrossReach. Total sales amounted to £371.60. As stocks are now very low, I will not be taking any new orders. Once again, many thanks for supporting the work of CrossReach.

Slamannan – Martha’s Pantry

Slamannan Parish Church have started a food pantry 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.

Falkirk Foodbank

Falkirk Foodbank would be delighted to receive donations. These can be brought to the Church and placed at either the front or back doors in the boxes provided. Donations such as tinned food, pasta and long-life milk are particularly welcome.

Flowers in Church

Flowers are provided this week by Sandra Anderson. Delivering the flowers after today’s service will be Shona Forrest. Delivery next week will be Kathleen Frew.

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

Neil Matheson, Jean Meek, Heather O’Neill, Eric Smith, Alistair McDonald, Rachel Meek, Andrew Philp, Laura Eckles, Linda Clarke, Jill Dickson, Richard McManus, Iona Lang and the Choir.