Stevenston Livingstone

Church of Scotland



Church Notices

Welcome to any visitors - Please sit in any seat and we hope you will feel at home and at peace as you share worship with us.

Wednesday morning service takes place in the small hall at 10.30am and a warm invitation is extended to all.

Holy Week Services: Thursday - 7.00pm Ardeer, Friday - 6.30pm Livingstone

Easter Day Breakfast - You are invited to breakfast in the Church hall on Sunday 27th March from 8.45am to 9.45am prior to morning worship.

ASFaCT are looking for volunteers to help re-introduce their Seashells Play and Stay service. Anyone interested can attend a meeting in Ardeer Church vestry on Wed 13th April at 7.00pm.

Ardeer Church are putting on a fashion show in aid of their restoration fund. It will take place on Thursday 14th April at 7.00pm for 7.30pm. Tickets cost £3.00 and can be paid at the door.

Townhead Christian Fellowship are holding an event on 26th March to celebrate the history of Sunday Schools over the years in the town. If you have any old photos, these can be sent in via the TCF's Facebook page.

Church website — The address is: <u>livingstonechurch.org.uk</u> where you can listen to the service again and find out more about the wider life of the Church.

Fire Alarm - If the fire alarm siren is activated within the Sanctuary or the halls - except if instructed otherwise - the congregation is to proceed to the front doors of the church without delay. Anyone within the halls or kitchen should exit by the side doors.

Intimations - I would ask that all intimations are received by the Wednesday before you would like them in print. E-mail **intimations@livingstonechurch.org.uk**. If I receive an email I will always send acknowledgement of receipt. Thank you, Ross.

Communications: If you wish a visit from the minister or your elder, or if you know of someone who is ill or in hospital, please leave a note on the memo sheets on the table in the vestibule.



Welcome to

Livingstone Parish Church

Wednesday 23rd March 2016 at 6.30pm

Preacher: Rev David Hebenton BD MA



Meet with God in silence as the Bible is borne into the church

Hymn 1 CH3 216 What grace, O Lord, and beauty shone

Prayer

Reading Matthew 25: 31-46

Hymn 2 CH4 187 There's a wideness in God's mercy

Address

Hymn 3 CH4 405 We sing the praise of him who died

Benediction

As we approached God in silence, let us give thanks to him in silence as The Bible is taken from the Sanctuary.

Hymn 1 CH3 216

What grace, O Lord, and beauty shone

Around thy steps below!
What patient love was seen in all
Thy life and death of woe!

Thy foes might hate, despise, revile, Thy friends unfaithful prove: Unwearied in forgiveness still, Thy heart could only love.

O give us hearts to love like thee Like thee, O lord, to grieve Far more for others' sin than all The wrongs that we receive.

One with thyself, may every eye
In us thy brethren, see
That gentleness and grace that spring
From union, Lord, with thee

Hymn 2 CH4 187

There's a wideness in God's mercy,

like the wideness of the sea; there's a kindness in his justice, which is more than liberty.

There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than in God's heaven: there is no place where earth's failings

have such kindly judgement given.

For the love of God is broader than the grasp of mortal mind; and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.

If our love were but more simple, we would take him at his word; and our lives be filled with glory from the glory of the Lord.

Hymn 3 CH4 405

We sing the praise of him who died,

of him who died upon the cross; the sinner's hope though all deride for this we count the world but loss.

Inscribed upon the cross we see, in shining letters, 'God is love'; he bears our sins upon the tree; he brings us mercy from above.

The cross! it takes our guilt away; it holds the fainting spirit up; it cheers with hope the gloomy day, and sweetens every bitter cup;

It makes the coward spirit brave, and nerves the feeble arm for fight; it takes its terror from the grave, and gilds the bed of death with light;

The balm of life, the cure of woe, the measure and the pledge of love, the sinner's refuge here below, the angels' theme in heaven above.

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