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.

Tea and coffee will be served in the small hall after this morning's worship.

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

Order of Service Recycling - If you don't need this Order of Service leaflet after the service this morning, will you please leave it on the table in the vestibule for use at the Care Home services through the week. Thank you

Sunday Smiles: Yesterday a man knocked on my door and asked for a small donation towards the local swimming pool. I gave him a glass of water.

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 is 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.

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.

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.

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.

| Today - Sunday 3 rd April 2016 | | Next Week - Sunday 10 th April 2016 |
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| Mary Munn | Organist | Anne Cochrane |
| John Pringle, Catherine Reid, | Office | Joan Smith, Arthur Taylor, |
| Alan Roy (Bible) | Bearers | Andrew Tomlinson, George White (Bible) |
| Mary Wilson & May Stevenson | Tea/Coffee | May Burnett & Mattie Higgon |
| ? | JAM Club | Catherine Reid |

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Welcome to

Livingstone Parish Church

Sunday 3rd April 2016 at 10.00am

Preacher: Rev David Hebenton BD MA



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

Hymn 1 - CH4 69Just as a father shows his love

Prayer

Hymn 2 - CH4 404 I danced in the morning

Reading Romans 8: 1-11

Reading Mark 6: 45-56

Hymn 3 - CH4 378 Praise to the Holiest in the height

Sermon Not a Ghost

Offering

Hymn 4 - CH4 485 Dear Lord and Father of mankind

Prayer

Hymn 5 - CH4 490 Jesus, lover of my soul

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 CH4 69

Just as a father shows his love to all his children dear.

so God bestows his love on those who worship him in fear.

For God knows well how we were made, Remembers we're but clay; our days, like grass, pass quickly by, a flower that fades away.

A wind blows, and the flower is gone, its place is known no more; but all the kindness of the Lord for ever shall endure.

From age to age God's love shall last for those who do his will; and righteousness he will extend to children's children still.

Hymn 2 CH4 404

I danced in the morning

when the world was begun, and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun, and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth - at Bethlehem I had my birth.

Dance, then, wherever you may be, I am the Lord of the Dance, said he, And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be, and I'll lead you all in the Dance. said he.

I danced for the scribe and the pharisee, but they would not dance and they wouldn't follow me. I danced for the fishermen, For James and John - they came with me and the Dance went on. Dance, then...

I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame, the holy people said it was a shame.
They whipped and they stripped and they hung me on high, and they left me there on a Cross to die.
Dance, then...

I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black - it's hard to dance with the devil on your back. They buried my body and they thought I'd gone — but I am the Dance and I still go on Dance, then...

They cut me down and I leapt up high — I am the life that'll never, never die. I'll live in you if you'll live in me, I am the Lord of the Dance, said he. Dance, then...

Hymn 3 CH4 378

Praise to the Holiest in the height,

and in the depth be praise, - in all his words most wonderful, most sure in all his ways.

O loving wisdom of our God! when all was sin and shame, a second Adam to the fight and to the rescue came.

O wisest love! that flesh and blood, which did in Adam fail, should strive afresh against the foe, should strive and should prevail;

O generous love! that he who smote in Man, for man, the foe,

the double agony in Man, for man, should undergo,

And in the garden secretly, and on the Cross on high, should teach his brethren, and inspire to suffer and to die.

Praise to the Holiest in the height, and in the depth be praise, - in all his words most wonderful, most sure in all his ways.

Hymn 4 CH4 485

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,

forgive our foolish ways; reclothe us in our rightful mind; in purer lives thy service find, in deeper reverence, praise. (x2)

In simple trust like theirs who heard, beside the Syrian sea, the gracious calling of the Lord, let us, like them, without a word rise up and follow thee. (x2)

O Sabbath rest by Galilee!
O calm of hills above,
where Jesus knelt to share with thee
the silence of eternity,
interpreted by love! (x2)

With that deep hush subduing all our words and works that drown the tender whisper of thy call, as noiseless let thy blessing fall as fell thy manna down. (x2)

Drop thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease; take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess

and let our ordered lives confest the beauty of thy peace. (×2)

Breathe through the heats of our desire thy coolness and thy balm; let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; speak through the earthquake, wind and fire, O still small voice of calm! (x2)

Hymn 5 CH4 490

Jesus, lover of my soul,

let me to thy bosom fly, while the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high. Hide me, O my Saviour, hide, till the storm of life is past; safe into the haven guide, oh, receive my soul at last!

Other refuge I have none, hangs my helpless soul on thee; leave, ah! leave me not alone, still support and comfort me. All my trust on thee is stayed, all my help from thee I bring; cover my defenceless head with the shadow of thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, art all I want; more than all in thee I find!
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is thy name,
I am all unrighteousness;
false and full of sin I am, thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with thee is found, grace to cover all my sin; let the healing streams abound, make and keep me pure within. Thou of life the fountain art, freely let me take of thee; spring thou up within my heart, rise to all eternity.

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