

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.

Isobel Beck - There will be a service of introduction for Isobel in her new position at Kilwinning Old Parish Church on **Wednesday 14th September** at 7.00pm. Everyone will be made most welcome.

The Guild - The opening of the Guild will be on Tuesday 13th September at 1.30pm in the Church hall. We will go over the syllabus for the whole session. Everyone is most welcome to join us.

Wednesday Morning Service - This will recommence on Wednesday 21st September at 10.30am in the small hall and a warm invitation is extended to all.

Sunday Smiles: Did you hear about the Italian Chef that died? He pasta way.

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 during the week. Thank you

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.

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.

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Today - Sunday 11th September		Next Week - Sunday 18th September
Mary Munn	Organist	Mary Munn
Bobby Bendelow (Bible), Catherine Burns,	Office	Alan Cochrane (Bible), Anne Cochrane,
Robbie Burns, Charlie Campbell	Bearers	Robert Erskine, Sandra Erskine
Jean Paterson	Tea/Coffee	Sadie McWilliam & Jean Gallagher
Catherine Burns	JAM Club	Sandra Erskine

Welcome to Livingstone Parish Church Sunday 11th September 2016 at 10.00am Preacher: Mr Sandy Hershaw



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

Hymn 1 MP 1008	The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want	
Prayer		
Hymn 2 MP 295	I serve a risen Saviour	
Reading	Matthew 6: 5-15	
Reading	Matthew 14: 13-21	
Hymn 3 Anglican 275	Help us to help each other, Lord	
Sermon	Daily needs	
Hymn 4 Anglican 325	Inspired by love and anger	
Offering		
Prayer		
Hymn 5 CH4 237	Look forward in faith	

Benediction

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

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Hymn 1

MP 1008

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want.

He makes me lie in pastures green. He leads me by the still, still waters, His goodness restores my soul. And I will trust in You alone, and I will trust in You alone, for Your endless mercy follows me, Your goodness will lead me home.

He guides my ways in righteousness, and He anoints my head with oil, and my cup, it overflows with joy, I feast on His pure delights. And I will trust...

And though I walk the darkest path, I will not fear the evil one, for You are with me, and Your rod and staff are the comfort I need to know. *And I will trust...*

> Psalm 23 adapted Stuart Townend

> > MP 295

Hymn 2

I serve a risen Saviour,

He's in the world today; I know that He is living, whatever men may say. I see His hand of mercy, I hear His voice of cheer; and just the time I need Him, He's always near. He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today! He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way. He lives, He lives, salvation to impart! You ask me how I know He lives? He lives within my heart. In all the world around me I see His loving care, and though my heart grows weary I never will despair; I know that He is leading, through all the stormy blast, the day of His appearing will come at last. *He lives...*

Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ the King! The hope of all who seek Him, The help of all who find, none other is so loving, so good and kind. *He lives...*

Alfred Henry Ackley (1872-1958)

Hymn 3 Anglican 275 Help us to help each other, Lord, each other's cross to bear; let each a helping hand afford, and feel each other's care.

Up into thee, our living head, let us in all things grow, and by thy sacrifice be led the fruits of love to show.

Drawn by the magner of thy love let all our hearts agree; and ever t'wards each other move, and ever move t'wards thee.

This is the bond of perfectness, thy spotless charity. O let us still we pray, possess the mind that was in thee.

After Charles Wesley (1707-1788) alt.

Hymn 4 Anglican 325

Inspired by love and anger,

disturbed by endless pain, aware of God's own bias, we ask him once again: 'How long must some folk suffer? How long can few folk mind? How long dare vain self-int'rest turn prayer and pity blind?'

From those for ever victims of heartless human greed, their cruel plight composes a litany of need: 'Where are the fruits of justice? Where are the signs of peace? When is the day when pris'ners and dreams find their release?'

From those for ever shackled to what their wealth can buy, the fear of lost advantage provokes the bitter cry: 'Don't query our position! Don't criticise our wealth! Don't mention those exploited by politics and stealth!'

To God, who through the prophets proclaimed a diff'rent age, we offer earth's indiff'rence, its agony and rage: 'When will the wronged be righted? When will the kingdom come? When will the korld be gen'rous to all instead of some?'

God asks: 'Who will go for me? Who will extend my reach? And who, when few will listen, will prophesy and preach? And who, when few bid welcome, will offer all they know? And who, when few dare follow,

will walk the road I show?'

Amused in someone's kitchen, asleep in someone's boat, attuned to what the ancients exposed, proclaimed and wrote, a Saviour without safety, a tradesman without tools has come to tip the balance with fishermen and fools.

> John L. Bell (b. 1949) and Graham Maule (b. 1958)

Hymn 5

CH4 237

Look forward in faith,

all time is in God's hand. Walk humbly with him and trust his future plan. God has wisely led his people by his power. Look forward in hope, he gives us each new hour.

Look forward in faith, the world is in God's care. His purpose of love he calls on us to share. In our neighbour's need the Lord is present still. He blesses the meek! The earth will know God's will.

Look forward in faith, God gives us life each day. Go onward with Christ, his Spirit guides our way. Now God lets us live within the sphere of grace. Trust ever in him, he rules o'er earth and space!

Andrew J. Scobie (1935-2010)