



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 Served in the small hall after this morning's worship.	Midweek Service Takes place every Wednesday morning in the small hall at 10.30am. A warm invitation is extended to all.
The Guild On 14 th March Mrs Hinshelwood from Largs will tell us the St. Kilda Story. This should be most interesting.	Visual System Over the coming weeks a new visual system will be installed within the Church. After a period of testing, the current order of service leaflet will be phased out. The congregation of Livingstone has always been forward thinking and we appreciate your patience as we move to this new system which will create further opportunities to enhance Sunday worship.	
Kirk Session Meeting There will be a joint meeting of the Kirk Sessions of Ardeer and Livingstone today, Sunday 12 th March, at 1.00pm in Livingstone Church.	Church website The address is: livingstonechurch.org.uk where you can listen to the service again and find out more about the wider life of the Church.	
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 . Thank you.		Sunday Smiles Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.
Tea Rota We are now looking for volunteers to be a part of the new tea rota. If you would like to be included on the rota please add your name to the sheet on the table in the vestibule.	Fire Alarm If you hear the fire alarm siren in the Sanctuary – except if instructed otherwise – you should proceed to the front doors of the church. If you are in the halls or kitchen you should exit by the side doors.	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 12 th March		Next Week - Sunday 19 th March
Mary Munn	Organist	Mary Munn
John Beck (Bible), Bobby Bendelow, Catherine Burns, Robbie Burns	Office Bearers	Charlie Campbell, Alan Cochrane (Bible), Anne Cochrane, Janet Gallagher
Mary Wilson	Tea/Coffee	May Burnett & Mattie Higgon
Catherine Reid	JAM Club	Helen White

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Welcome to
Livingstone Parish Church
Sunday 12th March 2017 at 11.30am
Preacher: Rev David A. Sutherland BD



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

Welcome

Call to Worship

Hymn 1 CH4 189

Be still, for the presence of the Lord
Some words from Wordsworth

Prayer

of Adoration & Confession and the Lord's Prayer

Hymn 2 CH4 641

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God

Scripture

Luke 15: 1-32

Hymn 3 CH4 153

Great is thy faithfulness

Prayer

for others

Hymn 4 CH4 555

Amazing Grace

Sermon

Searching for the lost; rejoicing in the found

Offering

Prayer

of Dedication

Hymn 5 CH4 167

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

Blessing & 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 189

**Be still,
for the presence of the Lord,**
the Holy one is here;
come bow before him now
with reverence and fear:
in him no sin is found –
we stand on holy ground.
Be still,
for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy one is here;
Be still,
for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around;
he burns with holy fire,
with splendour he is crowned:
how awesome is the sight –
our radiant king of light!
Be still,
for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.
Be still,
for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place;
he comes to cleanse and heal,
to minister his grace:
no work too hard for him –
in faith receive from him.
Be still,
for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.

David J. Evans (b. 1957)

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Hymn 2 CH4 641

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God
and his righteousness;
and all these things shall be added
unto you;
allelu, alleluia.
*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, allelu,
alleluia!*

Ask and it shall be given unto you,
seek, and ye shall find;
knock, and the door shall be opened
up to you;
allelu, alleluia.
*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, allelu,
alleluia!*

You shall not live by bread alone,
but by every word
that proceeds from the mouth of the
Lord;
allelu, alleluia.
*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, allelu,
alleluia!*

Karen Lafferty (b. 1948)

Hymn 3 CH4 153

Great is thy faithfulness,
O God my Father,
there is no shadow of turning with
thee;
thou changest not,
thy compassions they fail not,
as thou hast been
thou for ever wilt be.

Great is thy faithfulness!
Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning

*new mercies I see;
all I have needed
thy hand hath provided -
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto
me.*

Summer and winter,
and seed-time and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars
in their courses above,
join with all nature in manifold
witness

to thy great faithfulness,
mercy, and love.
Great is thy faithfulness...

Pardon for sin
and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence
to cheer and to guide;
strength for today
and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand
beside.

Great is thy faithfulness...

Thomas O. Chisholm (1866-1960)

Hymn 4 CH4 555

**Amazing grace! how sweet the
sound**

that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see.

‘Twas grace that taught my heart to
fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils, and
snares
I have already come;
‘tis grace has brought me safe thus
far,
and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.

John Newton (1725-1807)

Hymn 5 CH4 167

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,
pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
hold me with thy powerful hand:
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven,
feed me till my want is o’er. (x2)

Open now the crystal fountain
whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through:
strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer,
*be thou still my strength and shield.
(x2)*

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside!
Death of death, and hell’s
destruction,
land me safe on Canaan’s side!
Songs of praises, songs of praises,
I will ever give to thee. (x2)

William Williams (1717-1791)
translated Peter Williams (1727-1796)