



GREYFRIARS

kirk in worship

life in all its fullness / beatha na lànachd

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Sunday 26 May 2019

The mission of the Church is not to itself but to the world.

Richard Frazer, to the General Assembly

Welcome to Greyfriars Kirk

You are warmly invited to remain behind for coffee and biscuits, served at the back of the church beneath the organ at the end of the service.

Hymns, and other numbered items, can be found in the purple hymnbooks located in the seats in front of you. We invite you to join in saying and singing the parts of the service printed in italics, and to say *Amen* after the prayers.

All are welcome to share fully in the sacrament of Holy Communion.

Organ: Jesu, meines Lebens Leben

Johann Ludwig Krebs (1713-1780)

Call to Worship

Hymn 608: Spirit of truth and grace

Tune: Down Ampney

Call to Prayer

Prayers of Approach, Confession and Pardon

Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Tune at Hymn 776

Collect for the day:

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding. Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen

Anthem:

Like as the hart desireth the water brooks, so longeth my soul after thee, O God.

My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God.

When shall I come to appear before the presence of God?

My tears have been my meat day and night,

while they daily say unto me, Where is now thy God?

Psalm 42: 1-3

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

The Word of God

Hebrew Scripture: Psalm 67

OT, p. 558

New Testament: Acts 16: 6 – 15

NT, p. 145

Reader: Bob Walker

Hymn 252: *As a fire is meant for burning*

Tune: Beach Spring

Gospel: John 14: 23 – 29

NT, p. 117

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord,

All: *Thanks be to God.*

Sermon

Affirmation:

*We believe in God, maker of all things, provider of all things,
who loves all people.*

*We follow Jesus, in whom salvation has come to us; he sees us for who
we are, heals the wounds of our hearts, and makes us new.
In his death and resurrection we see the deepest truth of life.*

*We live by the power of the Holy Spirit, which empowers us
for self-giving love.*

*We give thanks for the Church, the Body of Christ,
and for the gift of forgiveness, the power of resurrection
and the mystery of eternal life.*

Amen

The Offering

*Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were an offering far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.*

Tune: Rockingham, at Hymn 392

Invitation to Holy Communion

Hymn 662: *Jesus, thou joy of loving hearts*
(vv. 1 – 3, remaining seated)

Tune: Maryton

Holy Communion

Sursum Corda and Sanctus

at Hymns 650 and 651

The Lord's Prayer

Words at Hymn 652

Agnus Dei

at Hymn 653

The Distribution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn 251: I, the Lord of sea and sky

Tune: Here I am, Lord

Benediction

Amen

Sung Response:

May the God of peace go with us as we travel from this place;

May the love of Jesus keep us firm in hope and full of grace.

Tune at Hymn 786

Organ: Alleluyas

Simon Preston (b. 1938)

NOTES

The Kirk **web site** is at www.greyfriarskirk.com. Please visit it for up-to-date information on all our activities.

The **Minister**, Richard Frazer or the **Associate Minister**, Ken Luscombe, are happy to meet anyone to discuss any matter. To arrange an appointment or a visit, whether you are a member or not, please contact either Richard on 667-6610 or by email at minister@greyfriarskirk.com, or Ken by email at associateminister@greyfriarskirk.com, or the Kirk office on 225-1900.

Children are welcome at Greyfriars: please feel free to use the creche and children's space at the back of the church. The **Gaelic Service** at 12.30 pm today will be led by Mr Alasdair MacLeod. Later, the **Study Service** at 7.00 pm in the Charteris Centre, 140 Pleasance, will be on the topic "The Utter Faithfulness of God in Old Testament thought."

Forthcoming Services:

Thursday 30 May: Mid-week Prayers at 1.10 pm – please join us for 20 minutes of quiet prayer and reflection.

Sunday 2 June: Holy Communion at 9.30 am, and Morning Service at 11.00 am.
Gaelic Service at 12.30 pm – Mr Roddy John MacLeod.

Sunday 9 June, Pentecost: Morning Service at 11.00 am.
Gaelic Service at 12.30 pm – Rev Ruairidh Maclean.

Sunday 16 June: Joint Service of Holy Communion, with our local ecumenical partner churches, at 11.00 am in **St Columba's by the Castle** at 14 Johnston Terrace.

Gaelic Service in Greyfriars at 12.30 pm – Rev Ruairidh Maclean.
Refugio at 7.00 pm – Holy Communion with silence and symbol.

Sunday 23 June: Morning Service at 11.00 am.
Gaelic Service at 12.30 pm – Mr Neil MacDonald.

The **Kirk Session** will meet in the Kirk at 7.30 pm this Wednesday, 29 May.

The Greyfriars **lunchtime concert** at 12 noon this Thursday, 30 May, will be a violin and piano recital by **Emma Donald** and **Ailsa Aitkenhead**.

Heart for Art continues on Thursday week, 6 June, from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm at the Charteris Centre, 140 Pleasance. There are information leaflets on one of the tables in the Kirk.