



GREYFRIARS

kirk in worship

life in all its fullness / beatha na lànachd

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday 25 August 2019

From little things big things grow.

Paul Kelly (b. 1955)

Welcome to Greyfriars Kirk

You are warmly invited to remain behind for coffee and sandwiches, 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.

Organ: Prière à Notre-Dame, No. 3 from Suite Gothique, Op. 25

Léon Boëllmann (1862-97)

Call to Worship

Hymn 123: God is love: let heaven adore him

Tune: Hyfrydol, at Hymn 445

Call to Prayer & Prayers of Approach, Confession and Pardon

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Tune at Hymn 648

Collect for the day: *Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen*

A Time for All

Hymn 116: Loving Creator

Tune: Halad

The Word of God

Old Testament: Psalm 71: 1 – 6

OT, p. 562

Hebrew Scripture: Jeremiah 1: 4 – 10

OT, p. 725

Reader: Anne Bradbury

Anthem:

O sing joyfully unto God our strength: make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob. Take the song, bring hither the tabret: the merry harp with the lute. Blow up the trumpet in the new moon: ev'n in the time appointed, and upon our solemn feastday. For this was made a statute for Israel: and a law of the God of Jacob.

Psalm 81: 1 – 4

Adrian Batten (1591-1637)

Gospel: Luke 13: 10 – 17

NT, p. 81

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord,

All: *Thanks be to God.*

Hymn 485: *Dear Lord and Father of mankind*

Tune: Repton

Sermon

Affirmation:

We believe in God, the source of all life, wholeness, and love.

*We believe that God is revealed in the life of Jesus Christ
in grace, mercy and justice.*

*We believe that in his death, Jesus reveals God's determined presence
in the world even in the face of hatred, violence, and pain.*

*We believe that in his resurrection, Jesus reveals God calling us
to abundant life both now and forever.*

*We believe that God lives among us, within us, and through us
by the power of the Holy Spirit.*

*We believe that God moves us to be together in communities
of faith, hope, and love.*

*We believe these things not out of certainty but out of faith;
as people who trust in the reality of God
revealed in Jesus Christ through the Holy Spirit. Amen*

Hymn 166: *Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy* *Tune: Slane, at Hymn 500*

The Baptism of Euphemia Kathleen Marie Weber-Steinhaus

The Blessing

Hymn 796

Congregational Commitment

Do you welcome Effie, and do you renew your commitment, with God's help, to live before all children in a kindly, encouraging and Christian way, and to share with them the knowledge and love of Christ?

*We do. We will nurture one another in faith, uphold one another in prayer,
and encourage one another in service.*

The Offering

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Tune: Old 100th, at Hymn 807

Prayers of Thanksgiving, Intercession and Commemoration

The Lord's Prayer

Words at Hymn 652

Hymn 577: Christ be beside me, Christ be before me

Tune: Bunessan

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: Toccata, No. 4 from Suite Gothique, Op. 25

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NOTES

The Kirk's new and improved **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 crèche, and the children's space, at the back of the church. The **Gaelic Service** at 12.30 pm today will be led by Mr Roddy John MacLeod. Later, the **Study Service** at 7.00 pm in the Baillie Room at the Charteris Centre, 140 Pleasance, will be on the topic "The centrality of the Trinity for Christian faith."

Forthcoming Services:

- Thursday 29 August: Mid-week Prayers at 1.10 pm – please join us for 20 minutes of quiet prayer and reflection.
- Sunday 1 September: Holy Communion at 9.30 am & Morning Service at 11.00 am.
Gaelic Service at 12.30 pm – Dr Duncan Sneddon.
- Sunday 8 September: Morning Service at 11.00 am, with the Rt Hon Frank Ross, Lord Provost, and the Kirking of the participants in this year's Edinburgh Riding of the Marches.
Gaelic Service at 12.30 pm.
- Sunday 15 September: Morning Service at 11.00 am & Gaelic Service at 12.30 pm.
Refugio at 7 pm - Holy Communion with silence and symbol.
- Sunday 22 September: Harvest Thanksgiving at 11.00 am.
Gaelic Service at 12.30 pm.

Heart for Art continues this Thursday, 29 August, 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.

The regular **Coffee Mornings** at the Charteris Centre, 140 Pleasance, will resume on Thursday fortnight, 12 September.

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NOTES (ctd)

CoCo Counselling is currently organising its third **Lochathon** at Loch Venachar in the Trossachs on Saturday 7 September. As in previous years, Kate Frazer will be swimming the length of Loch Venachar, but there are other options (walk, run, or cycle), and you are invited to join any of them for a physical challenge, no matter how long or short, or as a supporter. Please see the Justgiving page at <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/coco-counsellingincommunities-1> for full information about the event and details of CoCo Counselling. It will be a fun day out in a beautiful location and refreshments will be provided. All are welcome.

If you would like to join CoCo and friends in raising awareness and funds for mental health, please contact CoCo by email - info@cocoed.org.uk. If you would like to support CoCo's affordable counselling service by making a donation, please do so through the Justgiving page above.

Gift Aid Your Open Collection Donation

If you are a UK tax payer, please use **Gift Aid** to let Greyfriars Kirk claim 25p from HM Revenue & Customs for every £1 you donate, by putting your open collection donation in the Gift Aid envelopes provided - these can be found in the backs of the chairs, or ask one of the duty elders. If the church office already has your address, you need not put it on the envelope - just your name and the date.