



GREYFRIARS

kirk in worship

life in all its fullness / beatha na lànachd

Sunday after Epiphany

Sunday 12 January 2020

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: Improvisation, and

Méditation, from Suite Médiévale

Jean Langlais (1907-1991)

Welcome

Opening Fanfare

Call to Worship

Hymn 160: *Praise, my soul, the King of heaven*

Tune: Praise, my Soul

Call to Prayer

Prayer of adoration and wonder

Hymn 761: *Gloria in excelsis Deo (repeated 3 times)*

Prayer of confession and reconciliation

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Tune at Hymn 648

Responsive Prayer:

Leader: Spirit of the risen Christ, as the fiery sun lights up the morning sky,

All: *Shine into our hearts and kindle them with the flame of your love.*

Leader: Kindle in our hearts, O God, the flame of love that never ceases,

All: *That it may burn in us, giving light to others.*

Leader: May we shine forever in your world,

All: *Set on fire with your eternal light.*

Amen

A Time for All - Hopes for the Future Church

Hymn 198 (vv. 1-2 and 4-5): *Let us build a house where love can dwell*

Tune: Two Oaks

The Word of God

A Reading from the Psalms: Psalm 147: 1 – 6

OT, p. 611

A Reading from the Gospel: John 1: 1 – 14

NT, p. 98

Reader: Urzula Glienecke

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord,

All: *Thanks be to God.*

Anthem:

Praise ye the Lord.

Praise God in his holiness: praise him in the firmament of his power.

Praise him in his noble acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness.

Praise him in the sound of the trumpet: praise him upon the lute and harp.

Praise him in the cymbals and dances: praise him upon the strings and pipe.

Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals: praise him upon the loud cymbals.

Let ev'ry thing that hath breath praise the Lord. Praise ye the Lord.

Psalm 150

John Rutter (b. 1945)

Sermon

Rev Richard Frazer

Music for Reflection

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

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

Prayer of thanks, concern, hope and remembering

The Lord's Prayer

Words at Hymn 652

Hymn:

Tune: Thaxted, at Hymn 704

1. Lord, your loving hand is seen in all that you have made so well;
O'er the hills the eagle soars with grace that words can never tell.
Deep within our soul we sense you like our pulse, so very near;
The hands that we hold in life shall chase away our fear.
Yet this world is full of scars and many painful tears are shed,
So we ask your Spirit now to show the paths that we should tread.
2. Lead us now to cherish what we have instead of wanting more.
Fire us with that love that Jesus had, who always blessed the poor.
Bend our wills to plough the soil and serve all life by Holy Law.
As we seek to explain the world, fill all our minds with awe.
And help us hear anew the prophet's wise and timely word,
Living justly, loving mercy and humbly seeking God.

Richard Frazer

Benediction

Amen

Tune at Hymn 822

Music for Leaving

Organ: Dankpsalm, Op.145 No.2

Max Reger (1873-1916)

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 the Rev Murdo Macleod. Later, there will be an informal **Study Service** at 6.45 pm in Flat 1F2, 9 Warrender Park Terrace, on the topic "The wonder and mystery of incarnation and new creation." The normal Study Service will resume at 7.00 pm next Sunday, 19 January, in the Charteris Centre, 140 Pleasance.

Forthcoming Services:

Thursday 16 January: Mid-week Prayers at 1.10 pm – please join us
for 20 minutes of quiet prayer and reflection.

Sunday 19 January: Morning Service at 11.00 am.
Gaelic Service at 12.30 pm – Mr Roddy John MacLeod.
Refugio at 7.00 pm – Holy Communion with silence and symbol.

Sunday 26 January: Holy Communion at 11.00 am.
Gaelic Service at 12.30 pm – Mr John Archie MacMillan.

Sunday 2 February: Holy Communion at 9.30 am.
Morning Service at 11.00 am, and Gaelic Service at 12.30 pm.

Sunday 9 February: Morning Service at 11.00 am, and Gaelic Service at 12.30 pm.

Heart for Art resumes this Thursday, 16 January, 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 **Kirk Session** will meet in the Kirk at 7.30 pm on Wednesday week, 22 January.

The regular **Coffee Mornings** at the Charteris Centre, 140 Pleasance, will resume on Thursday week, 23 January, from 10.30 am to 12 noon.

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The Greyfriars **lunchtime concerts** will resume on Thursday 30 January with a guitar recital at 12 noon by **Jacopo Lazzaretti**.

Celebrating 400 Years of Ministry



Thank you to everyone who has supported the development of events so far. An exciting programme of events and activities is planned, if we can raise the funds! There is a wide variety of events that we hope will cater to all tastes.

Headline events include a Festival of Science, Wisdom and Faith over three days and ambitious plans for a truly spectacular Flower Festival to fill the Kirk with a dazzling display of colour, design, and wonderful scent. We will not be able to run these and other events without further support. All donations, large and small, are most gratefully received. Please pick up a Stewardship Sunday form from the congregational table at the door, or donate online using the link at the top of the Kirk's website home page. Thank you.

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.

WELCOME to this exciting anniversary year at Greyfriars Kirk! There is lots happening throughout the year. The developing calendar of events is on the back of this leaflet. Two exciting projects are also about to commence:

THURSDAY 16 JANUARY, 5PM AT THE KIRK – IDEAS FOR A GREYFRIARS "STATISTICAL ACCOUNT"

Upon reaching 400 years as a Kirk at the centre of Scotland's religious, cultural and civil life, it seems appropriate to reflect upon Greyfriars unique historical inheritance and consider how we see ourselves as a continuing place and community today. The historic Statistical Accounts of Scotland produced an invaluable documentary picture of Scotland's geography, people and economy on a parish by parish basis. The vision is to produce our own local account of the Parish today, reflecting on its history and providing future generations with a unique snapshot of our present community and the legacy we wish to leave for future centuries of worship, creativity, and outreach from this extraordinary place.

Join Richard Fraser and Jamie Sutherland at a meeting this Thursday 16 Jan at 5 pm to find out more. There is no expectation of any specific commitment from anyone. Rather, it will be an opportunity to contribute and hear ideas, and enjoy creative discussion. Please contact the office if you would like to come along by phoning 0131 225 1900 or emailing the office at communications@greyfriarskirk.com.

VOTE FOR HYMNS

Throughout the year we will be running this project, encouraging everyone involved in our congregation and community, and visitors from all over the world, to tell us their favourite hymns. This interesting and fun initiative is something everyone can join in, it will only take a minute and hopefully stimulate some great conversation about the music we love and cherish in worship, community and at special times of the year. Results will be published on our social media and used in a special service later in the year. A voting box and forms will be available during coffee after the service and generally in the Kirk during visiting hours.

We hope many of you will find much to enjoy during this special year and join us at events and in activities throughout.



CELEBRATORY EVENTS 2020

January & February

Greyfriars at 12: 21st Century Structured Improvisation

Thursday 13th February, 12 pm

SCO Chorus Concert: *Spem in Alium*

Saturday 29th February, 7.30 pm

March, April & May

Greyfriars at 12: 20th Century Concert

Accordion Duo

Thursday 12th March, 12 pm

Dunedin & the Scottish Ensemble Concert

Seven Last Words from the Cross

Friday 27th March, 8 pm

Greyfriars at 12: 17th Century Concert

Corde en Ciel

Thursday 9th April, 12 pm

Holyrood Art Club Annual Exhibition

18-24th April, 10.30 am
(Sat 11am, Sun 1.45 pm)-5.45 pm

Moments for Poetry and Reflection

Saturday 18th April, 11am-12 pm, 2-3 pm, 5-6 pm

Refugio Sunday 19th April, Compline 5 pm
Service 7 pm

Celebrate & Sing: *Brahms Requiem*

Saturday 25th April, time TBC

17 Churches: Walk & Talk, Potluck Supper

Sunday 26th April, 3-7 pm (TBC)

Greyfriars at 12: 18th & 19th Centuries

Thursday 30th April, 12 pm

Greyfriars at 12: Five Centuries Organ Recital

Thursday 14th May, 12 pm

Jazz Sunday: Worship & Event

Sunday 24th May, 11 am and afternoon (TBC)

June, July & August

Festival of Science, Wisdom & Faith

Friday 5th June to Sunday 7th June

Parish Boundary Walk with Poetry & Reflection

Sunday 26th July, afternoon

September & October

Flower Festival

24-28th September, 10.30 am
(Sat 11am, Sun 1.45 pm)- 5.45 pm

World Animal Day & Special Pet Blessing

Sunday 4th October, 3 pm

Greyfriars Bobby Film Screening

Sunday 4th October, 5 pm

Special Worship: Three Churches

Sunday 25th October, 11 am

November & December

Edinburgh Royal Choral Union Concert

Saturday 7th November, 7.30 pm

Celebrate 400 Party!

Friday 13th November, evening

Prayer Labyrinth

Friday 15-19th November, times TBC

SCO Chorus: *Christmas Journeys*

21st & 22nd December, 7.30 pm

INTERESTED IN MORE INFORMATION?

The *Celebrate 400* programme is still being confirmed, so check our website at greyfriarskirk.com/celebrate400 for the latest news, plans for Interfaith service with Rev John McCulloch, Good Friday event with Alistair McIntosh, laser light show and much more!