



GREYFRIARS

kirk in worship

life in all its fullness / beatha na lànachd

**First Sunday in Lent
Sunday 01 March 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: Chorale Prelude on "St. Mary", Set 2 No 4

C H H Parry (1848-1918)

Call to Worship

Hymn 167: *Guide me, O thou great Jehovah*

Tune: Cwm Rhondda

Call to Prayer

Prayers of Approach, Confession and Pardon

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Tune at Hymn 648

Responsive Prayer:

Leader: Lord, you were born in an outhouse, an outsider:

All: *Help us to sense you in our own origins.*

Leader: You were thirty years at the carpenter's bench:

All: *Help us to sense you in our work.*

Leader: You were driven to the sands by the searching Spirit:

All: *Strip from us what is not of you.*

Leader: You were alone, without comfort or food:

All: *Help us to rely on you alone.*

Leader: You were tested by the evil one, yet clung to no falsehood:

All: *Break in us the hold of power and pride.*

Leader: You knew deep tears and weakness:

All: *Help us to be vulnerable for you.*

Leader: You followed to the end the way of the Cross:

All: *Help us to be faithful to you in all our ways.*

Amen

A Time for All

Anthem:

Turn thy face from my sins, and put out all my misdeeds. Make me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from thy presence, and take not thy Holy Spirit from me.

Psalm 51: 9-11

Thomas Attwood (1765-1838)

The Word of God

Old Testament: Genesis 2: 15 – 17, 3: 1 - 7

OT, p. 2

Reader: Peter Rae

Hymn 23 (*Psalm 27*): *The Lord is my light and my salvation* *Tune: Psalm 27*

Gospel: Matthew 4: 1 – 7

NT, p. 3

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord,

All: *Thanks be to God.*

Hymn 354: *O Love, how deep, how broad, how high!* *Tune: Eisenach*

Sermon

Rev Dr Richard Frazer

Solo/Duet: Panis Angelicus

Panis angelicus
fit panis hominum:
dat panis coelicus
figuris terminum:
O res mirabilis!
Manducat Dominum
pauper, servus et humilis.

*Thus angels' Bread is made
the Bread of man today:
the Living Bread from heaven
with symbols does away:
O wondrous gift indeed!
The poor and lowly may
upon their Lord and Master feed.*

St. Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274)
tr. John David Chambers (1805-1893)

Cèsar Franck (1822-1890)

Affirmation of Faith:

*We believe that God is present in the darkness before dawn;
in the waiting and uncertainty where fear and courage
join hands, conflict and caring link arms,
and the sun rises over barbed wire.*

*We believe in a with-us God who sits down in our midst
to share our humanity.*

*We affirm a faith that takes us beyond the safe place:
into action, into vulnerability and into the streets.*

*We commit ourselves to work for change and put ourselves on the line;
to bear responsibility, take risks, live powerfully
and face humiliation; to stand with those on the edge;
to choose life and be used by the Spirit
for God's new community of hope.*

Amen

The Offering

*Glory to God the Father, the unbegotten One;
All honour be to Jesus, his sole begotten Son;
And to the Holy Spirit - the perfect Trinity.
Let all the worlds give answer, 'Amen, so let it be'.*

Tune: Menville, at Hymn 814

Prayers of Thanksgiving, Intercession and Commemoration

The Lord's Prayer

Words at Hymn 652

Hymn 198: *Let us build a house where love can dwell*

Tune: Two Oaks

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: Prelude in C minor, BWV 546

J S Bach (1685-1750)

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 Charteris Centre, 140 Pleasance, will be on the topic " ETHICS AND GOD: PART 3 - LAW AND FREEDOM FROM LAW.."

Forthcoming Services:

Thursday 5 March: Mid-week Prayers at 1.10 pm – please join us
for 20 minutes of quiet prayer and reflection.

Sunday 8 March: Morning Service at 11.00 am, and Gaelic Service at 12.30 pm.

Sunday 15 March: Morning Service at 11.00 am, and Gaelic Service at 12.30 pm.

Refugio at 7.00 pm – Holy Communion with silence and symbol.

Sunday 22 March: Morning Service at 11.00 am, and Gaelic Service at 12.30 pm.

Sunday 29 March: Morning Service at 11.00 am, and Gaelic Service at 12.30 pm.

Traffic restriction: because of the replacement of a gas main in Teviot Place, there will be **no right turn** from Teviot Place into Forrest Road until 29 March. Meanwhile, the only vehicle access to the Kirk will be via Lauriston Place then turning **left** into Forrest Road.

The Greyfriars **lunchtime concert** at 12 noon this Thursday, 5 March, will be a recital by **Clarinet Quartet**.

Heart for Art continues on Thursday week, 12 March, 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.

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NOTES (ctd)

Invitation to the Robin Chapel, Craigmillar: in thanking Greyfriars Kirk Session and congregation for the recent welcome gift of Communion Silver, the Trustees of the Thistle Foundation would like to welcome any visitors to the **Robin Chapel** (in Niddrie Mains Road, EH16 4EA -- see www.robinchapel.org.uk) at 2.00 pm on Thursday 26 March. Visitors will be given the opportunity to learn of the history of the Robin Chapel, its Royal connections, and its ongoing work. There will be the opportunity to view the outstanding stained glass windows depicting scenes from the "Pilgrim's Progress", and the intricate wood carving which is unique. Visitors will also be invited to come to the Foundation's Centre for Wellbeing and learn something of the work done by its 450 staff with people facing various disabilities. Afternoon tea will round off the event which will end about 4.00 pm. The visit is free, but we would ask you to enrol for it on the Eventbrite website* so that we can have an indication of numbers for catering.

* <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/d/united-kingdom--edinburgh/events/> and search the events for 'robin chapel'.

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