

ORDER OF SERVICE – 14 November 2021

GREYFRIARS KIRK



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TO WORSHIP

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SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sunday 14 November 2021 – Remembrance Sunday

You are very warmly welcomed to Sunday Services at Greyfriars. All our services are available on our YouTube channel for viewing at any time at bit.ly/greyfriarstv.

Welcome

Hymn 63 (Psalm 100):

1. *All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.
Him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell, come ye before him and rejoice.*
2. *Know that the Lord is God indeed; without our aid he did us make;
We are his folk, he doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.*

Prayer and Call to Remembrance

Act of Remembrance

The Tryst

Reader: They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old.
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun, and in the morning, we will remember them.

All: *We will remember them.*

The Last Post

The Silence

The Reveille and laying of wreaths

Hymn 63:

3. *Oh, enter then his gates with praise, approach with joy his courts unto;
praise, laud and bless his name always, for it is seemly so to do.*
4. *For why? The Lord our God is good, his mercy is for ever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure.*

Scottish Psalter

The Word of God

Micah 4: 1 – 8

Reader: Kenneth Ballantine

In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised up above the hills. Peoples shall stream to it, and many nations shall come and say: 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.'

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between many peoples, and shall arbitrate between strong nations far away; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more; but they shall all sit under their own vines and under their own fig trees, and no one shall make them afraid; for the mouth of the Lord of hosts has spoken. For all the peoples walk, each in the name of its god, but we will walk in the name of the Lord our God for ever and ever. On that day, says the Lord, I will assemble the lame and gather those who have been driven away, and those whom I have afflicted. The lame I will make the remnant, and those who were cast off, a strong nation; and the Lord will reign over them in Mount Zion now and for evermore. And you, O tower of the flock, hill of daughter Zion, to you it shall come, the former dominion shall come, the sovereignty of daughter Jerusalem.

Luke 1: 68 - 79

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has looked favourably on his people and redeemed them. He has raised up a mighty saviour for us in the house of his servant David, as he spoke through the mouth of his holy prophets from of old, that we would be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us. Thus he has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors, and has remembered his holy covenant, the oath that he swore to our ancestor Abraham, to grant us that we, being rescued from the hands of our enemies, might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him all our days. And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways, to give knowledge of salvation to his people by the forgiveness of their sins. By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us, to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.

This is the word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Anthem:

Let us now praise famous men, and our fathers that begat us. Such as did bear rule in their kingdoms, men renowned for their power. Leaders of the people by their counsels and by their knowledge. Such as found out musical tunes, and recited verses in writing: all these were honoured in their generations, and were the glory of their times.

And some there be which have no memorial; who are perished, as though they had never been. Their bodies are buried in peace; but their name liveth for ever more.

Ecclesiasticus 44: 1 – 9

Ralph Vaughan Williams

Hymn 161:

1. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home!
2. Under the shadow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt secure;
sufficient is thine arm alone, and our defence is sure.
5. Time, like an ever-rolling stream, bears all its sons away;
they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day.
6. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
be thou our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.

Isaac Watts

Sermon

Hymn 715:

1. Behold! the mountain of the Lord in latter days shall rise
on mountain tops above the hills, and draw the wondering eyes.
2. To this the joyful nations round, all tribes and tongues, shall flow;
up to the hill of God, they'll say, and to his house we'll go.
5. No strife shall rage, nor hostile feud disturb those peaceful years;
to ploughshares men shall beat their swords, to pruning-hooks their spears.
6. No longer hosts, encountering hosts, shall crowds of slain deplore;
they hang the trumpet in the hall, and study war no more.
7. Come then, O house of Jacob! Come and worship at his shrine;
and, walking in the light of God, with holy beauties shine.

Isaiah 2: 2 - 5

Dedication of the Offering

Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn 159:

1. Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided,
urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,
sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided,
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.
4. Lord, for our world; when we disown and doubt him,
loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain;
hungry and helpless, lost indeed without him,
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.
5. Lord, for ourselves; in living power remake us,
self on the cross and Christ upon the throne;
past put behind us, for the future take us,
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

Timothy Dudley-Smith

Benediction

*God save our gracious Queen, long live our noble Queen; God save the Queen!
Send her victorious, happy and glorious, long to reign over us: God save the Queen!
Not on this land alone, but be God's mercies known from shore to shore.
Lord, make the nations see that all should kindred be,
and form one family the wide world o'er.*

Organ: Largo, from Xerxes

George F. Handel