

ORDER OF SERVICE – 15 MAY 2022

# GREYFRIARS KIRK



WELCOME  
TO WORSHIP

**MINISTRY TEAM**

Rev Dr Richard Frazer  
Rev Ruth Halley  
Gillian Couper



## SUNDAY WORSHIP

**Sunday 15 May 2022 – Fifth Sunday of Easter**

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](https://bit.ly/greyfriarstv).

**Organ:** Plainchant Prelude

Marcel Dupré

**Welcome and Call to Worship:** Gillian Couper

**Hymn 104** (Psalm 148):

1. *The Lord of heaven confess, on high his glory raise.  
Him let all angels bless, him all his armies praise.  
Him glorify sun, moon and stars; ye higher spheres, and cloudy sky.*
2. *From God your beings are, him therefore famous make;  
you all created were, when he the word but spake.  
And from that place where fixed you be by his decree, you cannot pass.*
3. *Praise God from earth below, ye dragons and ye deeps:  
Fire, hail, clouds, wind, and snow, whom in command he keeps.  
Praise ye his name hills great and small, trees low and tall; beasts wild and tame;*
4. *All things that creep or fly. Ye kings, ye vulgar throng,  
all princes mean or high; both men and women young,  
Ev'n young and old, exalt his name; for much his fame should be extolled.*
5. *Oh, let God's name be praised above both earth and sky;  
for he his saints has raised, and set their horn on high;  
ev'n those that be of Israel's race, near to his grace. The Lord praise ye!*

Scottish Psalter

### Call to Prayer

**Prayers of Approach, Confession and Pardon:** Gillian Couper

*Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.*

**Collect for the Day:**

*Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another and walk in the way of his commandments, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.* Amen

## The Word of God

### Acts 11: 1 – 18

Reader: Jamie Sutherland

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, 'Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, 'I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." But I replied, "By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth." But a second time the voice answered from heaven, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane." This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, "Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved." And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, "John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?' When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, 'Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.'

### **Hymn 33** (from Psalms 42-43):

*As the deer longs for running streams,  
so I long, so I long, so I long for you.*

1. *Athirst my soul for you, the God who is my life!  
When shall I see, when shall I see, see the face of God?*
2. *Echoes meet as deep is calling unto deep,  
over my head, all your mighty waters, sweeping over me.*
3. *Continually the foe delights in taunting me:  
'Where is God, where is your God?' Where, O where are you?*
4. *Defend me, God, send forth your light and your truth.  
They will lead me to your holy mountain, to your dwelling place.*
5. *Then shall I go unto the altar of my God.  
Praising you, O my joy and gladness: I shall praise your name.*

Bob Hurd

### John 13: 31 – 35

When Judas had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

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

**Anthem:** Panis Angelicus

Panis angelicus  
fit panis hominum:  
dat panis caelicus  
figuris terminum:  
O res mirabilis!  
Manducat Dominum  
pauper, servus et humilis.  
Te, trina Deitas  
unaque, poscimus:  
sic nos tu visitas,  
sicut te colimus.  
Per tuas semitas  
duc nos quo tendimus,  
ad lucem quam inhabitas.

*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.  
Thee, therefore, we implore,  
O Godhead, One in Three,  
so may Thou visit us  
as we now worship Thee;  
and lead us on Thy way,  
that we at last may see  
the Light wherein Thou dwell'st for aye.*

Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274)

tr. John David Chambers (1805-1893)

Camille Saint-Saëns (1835-1921)

**Sermon:** Rev Richard Frazer

**An Invocation:**

**Leader:** Come, Spirit of Love, that goes to any lengths, that breaks through  
a lifetime's crippling habits, that wells up from the depths,

**All:** *Come, O Spirit of Love.*

**Leader:** Come, Spirit of Purity, that burns away lust and wastefulness of time,

**All:** *Come, O Spirit of Purity.*

**Leader:** Come, Spirit of Wisdom, that teaches us to see into the nature of things,  
to know and to do what is right.

**All:** *Come, O Spirit of Wisdom.*

**Leader:** Come, Spirit of Joy, that brings a song into blighted lives,  
a serenity into our roots and a sparkle into our eyes.

**All:** *Come, O Spirit of Joy.*

**Leader:** Come, Spirit of Power, that snaps the chains of fear  
and casts out the demons of hell and hopelessness,

**All:** *Come, O Spirit of Power.*

**Leader:** The Spirit of Love, of Purity, of Wisdom, of Joy and Power is coming.

**All:** *Even so, come, Lord Jesus. Come to us with wisdom. Come to us with understanding.*

*Come to us with patience. Come to us with truth.*

*Come to us with purity. Come to us with reverence.*

*Glory to Jesus. Glory to the Father. Glory to you, ever boundless Spirit.*

*Amen*

**Hymn 543:**

1. *Longing for light, we wait in darkness, longing for truth, we turn to you.  
Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see.*

*Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts, shine through the darkness.*

*Christ, be our light! Shine in your Church gathered today.*

2. *Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair.  
Your word alone has power to save us. Make us your living voice.*



3. *Longing for food, many are hungry. Longing for water, many still thirst.  
Make us your bread, broken for others, shared until all are fed.*
4. *Longing for shelter, many are homeless. Longing for warmth, many are cold.  
Make us your building, sheltering others, walls made of living stone.*
5. *Many the gifts, many the people, many the hearts that yearn to belong.  
Let us be servants to one another, making your kingdom come.  
Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts, shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light! Shine in your Church gathered today.*

Bernadette Farrell

### **The Baptism of Clara Mennie**

*The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you: the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.*

#### **Congregational Commitment:**

Do you welcome Clara 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?

**All:** *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.*

**Pastoral Prayer:** Rev Richard Frazer

**The Lord's Prayer:** *Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever.* Amen

#### **Hymn 167:**

1. *Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land;  
I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy powerful hand.  
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me till my want is o'er.*
2. *Open now the crystal fountain whence the healing stream doth flow;  
let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.  
Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield.*
3. *When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside!  
Death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side!  
Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to thee.*

William Williams

### **Benediction**

*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.*

**Organ:** Plainchant Postlude

Marcel Dupré

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# NOTES

## **Forthcoming Services:**

**Thursday 19 May**

1.10 pm: Midweek Prayers

**Sunday 22 May**

11.00 am: Morning Worship

12.30 pm: Gaelic Assembly Service with the Lothian Gaelic Choir  
and with the Moderator, the Rev Iain Greenshields,

**Sunday 29 May**

11.00 am: Holy Communion

12.30 pm: Gaelic Service

## **Refreshments**

With the easing of social restrictions, we are now able to offer biscuits and tea or coffee after our Sunday Service, hoping that this will be a welcome opportunity for those who feel comfortable and able to attend. There is plenty of room for social distancing, with tables and chairs set out appropriately, and face coverings can be removed when seated.

However, there will be no refreshments after the morning service next Sunday, because of catering after the Gaelic service for the Moderator and other visitors.

## **Coffee Morning**

The next of the fortnightly coffee mornings at the Greyfriars Charteris Centre will be on Thursday week, 26 May, from 10.30 am until 12 noon.

## **Lunchtime Concerts**

The popular Greyfriars lunchtime concerts continue at 12 noon this Thursday, 19 May, with a recital by Anne de Putter (soprano) and Aidan Horner (piano). Admission is free.

## **Guerilla Peace**

The University of Edinburgh Chaplaincy and their Associate Chaplain Dr Urzula Glienecke have set up a web site <https://guerillapeaceukraine.org> to answer the call to 'Light up our hearts for Ukraine'; they invite you visit it to share the solidarity, vigilance, and hope, wherever you are in the world at any time and from anywhere.

## **Refresh@TheRock**

On Sunday 22 May, St Cuthbert's Church (at 5 Lothian Road, Edinburgh, EH1 2EP) are holding an event from 2.00 pm to 4.30 pm which will provide a variety of opportunities to engage and find out about what is going on in the community. Events include an ecumenical service involving Drama Kirk and the Heart & Soul Jazz Band, along with Father Vasiliy of the Ukrainian Church and the Church of Scotland's new Moderator, the Rev Iain Greenshields. In the St Cuthbert's kirkyard, local charities, social enterprises and community groups will be hosting stalls. There will be something for everyone interested in the local community!

## **Heartedge Event: "Re-imagining the Church"**

You are invited to join a conversation on Tuesday 24 May, at St Columba's by the Castle from 12.30 pm to 2 pm, to discuss the challenges facing the churches in Scotland with the HeartEdge founder the Rev Dr Sam Wells of St Martin in the Fields and others. For full details of this event see:

<https://greyfriarskirk.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/HEART-EDGE-FOR-WEBSITE.pdf>

## **CAN YOU HELP?**

On Saturday 28 May **CoCo Counselling** will be holding a Makers Market to raise funds for their much in demand affordable counselling service.

The market will be held at the Greyfriars Charteris Centre in the Pleasance and will consist of 12 to 14 traders, all local makers and artists organised by Jay Frazer. There will be refreshments, live music and a silent auction where people can bid for a range of prizes that we are in the process of sourcing.

If you would like to help, we are looking for baking contributions as well as prizes for the silent auction. These can be in the form of a gift item, or a skill you are able to offer. Please call Kate on 07846-253905, or contact us on [info@cocoed.org.uk](mailto:info@cocoed.org.uk).

By supporting us in this way, you will be helping to ensure that counselling is accessible to all, regardless of their ability to pay. We look forward to hearing from you.

The CoCo team

## **News Items**

On the Kirk web site at <https://greyfriarskirk.com/community-notes>, below the orders of service there is now a section "OTHER NEWS" with items of interest for which there may not be space in our Sunday order.

## **Pastoral Care and Staying in Touch**

The ministry team and pastoral volunteers at the church enjoy staying in touch with folk in the congregation and community. It is great to hear how folk are getting on, share news about what is going on in the life of the community, enjoy friendship and support each other when it is needed. If you would like to chat, or you know someone that might need some help or would simply enjoy hearing from us, please do get in touch. The ministry team and elders welcoming people at the door are always happy to talk before or after Sunday Services, and will put you in touch with the pastoral team, or you can contact Gillian by email: [parishassociate@greyfriarskirk.com](mailto:parishassociate@greyfriarskirk.com) or by phone: 07808 472 464.

If you would like to speak to a minister, Richard or Ruth will be very pleased to hear from you too: Richard by phone on 07715 069 041 or by email at [minister@greyfriarskirk.com](mailto:minister@greyfriarskirk.com), or Ruth by phone on 07530 307 413 or by email at [associate.minister@greyfriarskirk.com](mailto:associate.minister@greyfriarskirk.com).