

ORDER OF SERVICE – 31 JULY 2022

GREYFRIARS KIRK



WELCOME
TO WORSHIP

MINISTRY TEAM

Rev Dr Richard Frazer
Rev Ruth Halley
Gillian Couper



SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sunday 31 July 2022 – Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

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.

Organ: Andantino in D flat

Henry Davan Wetton

Welcome and Call to Worship: Gillian Couper

Hymn 124:

1. *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;
praise God, my soul, for in him are your health and salvation;
come all who hear, into his presence draw near, joining in glad adoration.*
2. *Praise to the Lord, who in all things is wondrously reigning,
shields you from harm and is gently but firmly sustaining.
Have you not seen how your heart's wishes have been granted by God's wise ordaining?*
3. *Praise to the Lord, who with blessing and power will defend you;
surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend you;
ponder anew what the Almighty can do: God will for ever befriend you.*
4. *Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen sound from God's people again: gladly for ever adore him.*

Joachim Neander,
tr. *Catherine Winkworth

Call to Prayer

Prayers of Approach, Confession and Pardon: Gillian Couper

Collect for the Day:

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom. Renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by the true and living bread, Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Hymn 502:

1. *Take my life, Lord, let it be consecrated, glad, and free;
take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.*
2. *Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of your love;
take my feet, that I may run bearing news of Christ your Son.*
3. *Take my voice, and let me sing always, only, for my King;
take my intellect, and use every power as you shall choose.*
4. *Take my will – your will be done, may my will and yours be one;
take my heart – it is your own, it shall be your royal throne.*
5. *Take my love – my Lord, I pour at your feet its treasure-store;
take myself, and I will be all for you, eternally.*

Frances Ridley Havergal

The Word of God

Psalm 49 :1 - 12

Reader: Leslie Munro

Hear this, all you peoples; give ear, all inhabitants of the world, both low and high, rich and poor together. My mouth shall speak wisdom; the meditation of my heart shall be understanding. I will incline my ear to a proverb; I will solve my riddle to the music of the harp. Why should I fear in times of trouble, when the iniquity of my persecutors surrounds me, those who trust in their wealth and boast of the abundance of their riches? Truly, no ransom avails for one's life, there is no price one can give to God for it. For the ransom of life is costly, and can never suffice, that one should live on for ever and never see the grave. When we look at the wise, they die; fool and dolt perish together and leave their wealth to others. Their graves are their homes for ever, their dwelling-places to all generations, though they named lands their own. Mortals cannot abide in their pomp; they are like the animals that perish.

Luke 12: 13 - 21

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.' But he said to him, 'Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?' And he said to them, 'Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.' Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?" Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.'

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

Anthem:

Ave verum corpus, natum de Maria Virgine, vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine.
Cuius latus perforatum, unda fluxit et sanguine: esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine.

(*Jesus, truly human Son of Mary, who suffered on the cross for all our sakes,
and from whose wounded side flowed blood and water, sustain us in this life as in the next.*
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attr. Innocent VI (c.1290-1362)

W A Mozart (1756-91)

Affirmation of Faith:

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

Dedication of the Offering: Rev Ruth Halley

*Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things has done, in whom his world rejoices;
who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.*

Invitation to Holy Communion

Hymn 661:

*Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and never be hungry.
Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.*

Taizé Community

Holy Communion

The Lord be with you. *And also with you.*

Lift up your hearts. *We lift them to the Lord.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessèd is he, O blessèd is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

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*

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

The Distribution

Music for Reflection: Chanson Triste, Op. 40 No.2

Peter Tchaikovsky
(Victoria Irvine, piano)

The Peace

May the peace of Christ be with you. *And also with you.*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn 177:

1. *O God of blessings, all praise to you! Your love surrounds us our whole life through.
You are the freedom of those oppressed; you are the comfort of all distressed.
Come now, O holy and welcome guest: Soli Deo Gloria! Soli Deo Gloria!*
2. *All praise for wisdom, great gift sublime, through words and teachers of every time;
for stories ancient and knowledge new, for coaches, mentors, and counsellors true
whose life of service brought us to you: Soli Deo Gloria! Soli Deo Gloria!*
5. *All praise for Jesus, best gift divine through word and witness, in bread and wine;
incarnate love song of boundless grace, priest, teacher, prophet in time and space,
your steadfast kindness with human face: Soli Deo Gloria! Soli Deo Gloria!*
6. *A billion voices in one great song, now soft and gentle, now deep and strong,
in every culture and style and key, from hill and valley, with sky and sea,
with Christ we praise you eternally: Soli Deo Gloria! Soli Deo Gloria!*

Marty Haugen

Benediction

Amen

Organ: Prelude in G major, BWV 541

J.S. Bach

NOTES

Forthcoming Services

Thursday 4 August	1.10 pm: Midweek Prayers
Sunday 7 August	9.30 am: Holy Communion 11.00 am: Morning Worship 12.30 pm: Gaelic Service
Sunday 14 August	11.00 am: Morning Worship 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 (if worn) can be removed when seated.

Greyfriars Lunchtime Concerts

The popular Greyfriars lunchtime concerts at 12 noon on Thursdays continue this Thursday, 4 August, with a flute and guitar recital by the Bruadar Duo. Admission is free.

Edinburgh Festival Fringe

Throughout August, there will be about **twenty** Fringe concerts in the Kirk, some instrumental and others choral. Visit the Kirk web site for all the details of these events with which the Kirk reaches out to the Edinburgh community of music lovers.

Pilgrimage Walk – Save the Date – Sunday 21 August

To celebrate the summer we are planning a pilgrimage walk at Dunbar with our ecumenical partners at Augustine United and St Columba's by the Castle. We will gather at 9.30 am in George IV Bridge on Sunday 21 August, and coaches will take us to the Dunbar East Links for a circular walk in the John Muir Country Park, with reflections along the way from our ministers on the John Muir theme. The coaches will then take us to Dunbar Parish Church for a picnic lunch (bring your own picnic). There will be alternative non-walking activities in Dunbar, but culminating in the same picnic. We should be back in Edinburgh by 4.00 pm.

The cost will be £10 per head.

Please secure your place by phoning Ellen McFadzen in the Kirk office on 0131 225 1900 or emailing her at communications@greyfriarskirk.com.

Refugio

Our Sunday evening reflective service of Holy Communion with silence and symbol will resume after the summer, at 7.00 pm on Sunday 18 September.

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.

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.

Greyfriars Charteris Centre

See overleaf for the Enterprise Hub, which is downstairs in the newly-refurbished Charteris Centre in the Pleasance.

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 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, or Ruth by phone on 07530 307 413 or by email at associate.minister@greyfriarskirk.com.



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