

ORDER OF SERVICE – 9 OCTOBER 2022

GREYFRIARS KIRK



WELCOME
TO WORSHIP

MINISTRY TEAM

Rev Dr Richard Frazer
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SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sunday 9 October 2022 – Eighteenth 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: Variations sur un theme de Clement Jannequin

Jehan Alain

Organ Introit: "Wem in Leidenstagen"

Peter Hurford

Welcome and Call to Worship: Rev Richard Frazer

Hymn 189:

1. *Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here;
come bow before him now with reverence and fear:
in him no sin is found — we stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here.*
2. *Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around;
he burns with holy fire, with splendour he is crowned;
how awesome is the sight — our radiant king of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.*
3. *Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place;
he comes to cleanse and heal, to minister his grace:
No work too hard for him — in faith receive from him.
Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.*

David Evans

Call to Prayer and Prayers of Approach, Confession and Pardon

Wait for the Lord, his day is near. Wait for the Lord: keep watch, take heart.

Collect for the Day:

Almighty God, you created the heavens and the earth; you made us in your image. Teach us to discern your hand in all your works and to serve you with reverence and thanksgiving, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Hymn 485:

1. *Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways;
re clothe us in our rightful mind;
in purer lives thy service find, in deeper reverence, praise.*
2. *In simple trust like theirs who heard, beside the Syrian sea,
the gracious calling of the Lord,
let us, like them, without a word rise up, and follow thee.*
3. *O Sabbath rest by Galilee! O calm of hills above,
where Jesus knelt to share with thee
the silence of eternity, interpreted by love!*
4. *With that deep hush subduing all our words and works that drown
the tender whisper of thy call,
as noiseless let thy blessing fall as fell thy manna down.*
5. *Drop thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease;
take from our souls the strain and stress,
and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of thy peace.*
6. *Breathe through the heats of our desire thy coolness and thy balm;
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
speak through the earthquake, wind and fire, O still small voice of calm!*

John Greenleaf Whittier

The Word of God

A version of Psalm 8

Reader: Laura Dunlop

Ground of Being, Nameless One, yet whose name resounds throughout the cosmos, all things having their origin in a word first spoken that brought stars and galaxies cascading into being. Even the smallest child is filled with wonder and awe as she explores the glory of all that is. How we have maligned and misinterpreted you – placing ourselves above all creation, commandeering the helm that we might control and use and plunder for our own use. Give us a sense of perspective, and a deeper reverence and humility, that we might know and love all that is and all that can be, when right relations are restored. May our sense of wonder overmaster our appetites, and our care for creation be manifest. May our wakeful listening reach towards the mystery at the heart of being. May our bold tenderness overcome our ignorance and enable wise action. For this life is wonder. We have been given all we need. Beauty and bounty, word and wisdom, skill of hand and pen, courage and companionship. May we enjoy and employ these gifts as befits those with large responsibility and the power to blight or bless. May all we make mirror the inner light we see and know to be good. May reverence for the Ground of Being be known and sung throughout the world by people who have learned the graces of blessed curiosity and love.

Hymn 81 (Psalm 121):

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1. *I to the hills will lift mine eyes. From whence doth come mine aid?
My safety cometh from the Lord, who heaven and earth hath made.*
2. *Thy foot he'll not let slide, nor will he slumber that thee keeps.
Behold, he that keeps Israel, he slumbers not, nor sleeps.*
3. *The Lord thee keeps, the Lord thy shade on thy right hand doth stay:
the moon by night thee shall not smite, nor yet the sun by day.*
4. *The Lord shall keep thy soul; he shall preserve thee from all ill.
Henceforth thy going out and in God keep for ever will.*

Scottish Psalter

Luke 17: 11 – 19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!' When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' Then he said to him, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'

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

Anthem:

Laudate Dominum omnes gentes: laudate eum omnes populi. Quoniam confirmata est super nos misericordia ejus: et veritas Domini, manet in aeternum. Gloria patri et filio et spiritui sancto, sicut erat in principio et nunc et semper et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

(O praise the Lord, all ye nations: praise him, all ye people. For his merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.)

Psalm 117

W.A. Mozart

Sermon

Affirmation of Faith:

We believe in God in whom is power and compassion.

*We believe in the Creator who gave birth to the universe, set solar systems dancing in space,
shaped molecules and mountains, and conceived beauty beyond our imagining.
God's power topples tyrants, and brings down walls of separation;
God's love embodies the tenderness of a mother and father,
encouraging and caring for each of us.*

*We believe in Jesus, born in obscurity in an occupied land; a human being,
vulnerable to hunger, thirst, persecution and grief. He understood the power of love
and confronted the powers of evil, spoke the truth with courage and clarity,
forgave his enemies and changed lives. In his living, dying and rising again
he showed love strong enough to save the world.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit who sustains, comforts and empowers us,
opens the scriptures, opens our minds, and illuminates earth's darkness.*

Amen

The Offering

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*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.'*

Pastoral Prayer: Rosemary Scott

Adoramus te, Domine Deus. Adoramus te, Domine Deus.

Adoramus te, adoramus te, adoramus te.

(Lord God, we adore you.)

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 543:

Christ be our Light

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

Benediction

Amen

*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: Allegro No.1, from Trio Sonata No.5 in C major, BWV 529

J.S. Bach

NOTES

Forthcoming Services:

Sunday 9 October	3.00 pm: Pets' Blessing Service
Thursday 13 October	1.10 pm: Midweek Prayers
Sunday 16 October	11.00 am: Harvest Thanksgiving 12.30 pm: Gaelic Service 7.00 pm: Refugio – Holy Communion with silence and symbol.
Sunday 23 October	11.00 am: Morning Worship 12.30 pm: Gaelic Service

Refreshments

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.

Lunchtime Concerts

The Greyfriars lunchtime concerts continue at 12 noon on Thursday week, 20 October, with a violin recital by Daniel Stroud. Admission is free.

Coffee Saints at GCP

Do drop in to the new café space at the Greyfriars Grassmarket Centre, which is now open as Coffee Saints, like our café beside St Mary's Cathedral at the top of Leith Walk. As always, there will be good food, good value and a lovely atmosphere, and all helping our vulnerable members. Thanks.

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 to visit it to share the solidarity, vigilance, and hope, wherever you are in the world at any time and from anywhere.

Greyfriars Charteris Centre – Coffee Morning

Ever since our union with Kirk o'Field in 2013, members of that congregation and of the local community have been gathering fortnightly for coffee in the St Ninian Hall. The completion of the refurbishment has given us the opportunity to relaunch, and we plan to publicise it more widely in the local community too, as a place to meet friends old and new. It's a lovely way for us all to enjoy the Centre as part of the Greyfriars community and to participate in the Southside community.

Do come: Thursday fortnightly, from 13 October, 10.30 am to 12 noon in the St Ninian Hall of the Greyfriars Charteris Centre, 139-141 Pleasance. The forward dates until Christmas are 27 October, 10 and 24 November, and 8 December.

Greyfriars Charteris Centre – Autumn Ceilidh

This will take place **this Thursday, 13 October**, from 6.00 pm to 11.00 pm.

As the nights start drawing in, and the weather turns cooler, you are warmly invited to a ceilidh at the Greyfriars Charteris Centre.

Ceilidh: A lively ceilidh band with an experienced caller will provide the , and dancing will be encouraged – up on your feet on the floor, or tapping your fingers and toes in your chair, as you're able.

Haggis, Neeps & Tatties or Vegan Stovies: enjoy a hearty bowl of food, prepared by the fantastic Grassmarket Community Project catering team.

"Cake off" Competition: Bring along a cake to share for pudding. There will be a ***PRIZE*** for the most creative cake!!

BYOB: soft drinks (water, squash, tea & coffee) will be available, bring your own other drinks of choice.

So, put it in your diaries, tell your friends, and please do come along. It should be a great night, warm atmosphere, friendly faces and good "Greyfriars family" fun!

Register on Eventbrite here:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/charteris-community-ceilidh-tickets-407978222847> or email Gillian Couper (parishassociate@greyfriarskirk.com) who can register you if you'd prefer.

It's a **free** event but we will welcome cash donations to cover the catering costs.

Harvest Sunday - 16 October

We look forward to a service full of harvest colours, music and thinking in the Kirk next Sunday, 16 October. This year we will be collecting donations of household goods for the local food bank, located at Greyfriars' ecumenical partner St Columba's by the Castle, on Johnstone Terrace, as part of the Edinburgh Food Project, co-ordinated by the Trussell Trust. It's a critical service for many in the community. Baskets will be placed at the back of the Kirk, where items can be dropped off either before the service, or during coffee after it.

The Edinburgh Food Project website is regularly updated to let donors know the sort of items that are required at present, and what might be more well stocked, as well as many other ways you can support the Project: see <https://edinburghfoodproject.org/donate-food/>. At present, the following are listed as required items: UHT milk, long life fruit juice, jam, tinned spaghetti in sauce, tinned desserts, tinned veg, tinned fruit, biscuits / sweets / chocolate, tinned cold meat (corned beef etc.), tinned fish, rice, toilet rolls and household cleaning products. Unopened and in date items will be gratefully received.

Giving with Gift Aid

When giving to the Kirk through an offering of cash during the service, do please use the Gift Aid envelope that you will find in the backs of the chairs. If you are a UK taxpayer we can reclaim a further 25p in the £ by way of tax refund, without cost to yourself. If you have already completed an envelope in full on a previous occasion, or completed a Gift Aid declaration, you need only fill in your name and the amount. Thank you so much for your support, which we depend on to maintain the life of the Kirk.

Please do not put the older paper bank notes into the envelopes or the open collection, as they can no longer be paid into our account. You can still change them at your own bank.

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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.