

ORDER OF SERVICE - 04 JUNE 2023

GREYFRIARS KIRK



WELCOME
TO WORSHIP

MINISTRY TEAM

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SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sunday 04 June 2023 – Trinity 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.

Organ: Improvisation and Meditation, from Suite Medievale

Jean Langlais

Welcome and Call to Worship: Sue MacGregor

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: *and also with you*

Leader: Through Christ we have access to the Father in the one Spirit. Blessèd God, Holy Three-in-One, we join with your people across the earth and in heaven as we bring our worship to you.

All: *Come and meet us now by your Holy Spirit and gather our voices into one single hymn of praise!*

Leader: Come now everyone, let us worship God!

Hymn 110:

Regent Square

1. *Glory be to God the Father, glory be to God the Son,
glory be to God the Spirit, great Jehovah, Three in One!
Glory, glory, glory, glory while eternal ages run!*
2. *Glory be to him who loved us, washed us from each spot and stain!
Glory be to him who bought us, made us Kings with him to reign!
Glory, glory, glory, glory to the Lamb that once was slain!*
3. *Glory to the King of angels, glory to the Church's King,
Glory to the King of nations! Heaven and earth, your praises bring;
Glory, glory, glory, glory to the King of Glory bring!*
4. *'Glory, blessing, praise eternal!' Thus the choir of angels sings;
'Honour, riches, power, dominion!' Thus its praise creation brings;
Glory, glory, glory, glory, glory to the King of kings!*

Horatius N. Bonar

Call to Prayer

Prayers of Approach, Confession and Pardon: Sue MacGregor

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison. (Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.)

Collect for the Day:

Almighty and eternal God, through your Word and Spirit you created all things. In Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh, you reveal your salvation in all the world. Through your Holy Spirit, you give us a share in your life and love. Keep us firm in this faith, and fill us with the vision of your glory, that we may serve and praise you all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*

Hymn 596:

Veni Spiritus

1. *Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life anew,
That I may love the way you love, and do what you would do.*
2. *Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure,
Until with you I will one will, to do and to endure.*
3. *Breathe on me, Breath of God, direct my heart's desire,
Till every earthly part of me glows with your holy fire.*
4. *Breathe on me, Breath of God; so shall I never die,
But live with you the perfect life of your eternity.*

Edwin Hatch

The Word of God

Genesis 1: 1 – 4a

Reader: Josie Williams

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said 'Let there be light' and there was light. And God saw that the light was good.

Matthew 28: 16 - 20

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

Hymn 4 (Psalm 8):

Winchester New

1. *How excellent in all the Earth, Lord, our Lord, is thy name!
Who hast thy glory far advanced above the starry frame.*
2. *When I look up unto the heavens, which thine own fingers framed,
Unto the moon, and to the stars, which were by thee ordained.*
3. *Then say I, What is man, that he remembered is by thee?
Or what the son of man, that thou so kind to him should'st be?*
4. *For thou a little lower hast him than the angels made;
With glory and with dignity thou crownèd hast his head.*

2 Corinthians 13: 11 - 13

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

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

Anthem:

Holy is the true light, and passing wonderful, lending radiance to them that endured in the heat of the conflict; from Christ they inherit a home of unfading splendour, wherein they rejoice with gladness evermore. Alleluia.

Salisbury Diurnal, by G.H. Palmer

William H. Harris (1883–1973)

Sermon: Rev Richard Frazer

Affirmation of Faith:

*We believe in God, who is love, whose love is manifest in all Creation,
in our lives, and in all people.*

*We follow Christ, who embodied God's love. In his life and ministry,
his death and resurrection, and his granting to us of his Spirit,
he filled us with that love as well.*

*We live by the Spirit, the presence of God's love in us. In that love we participate
in the Church, Body of Christ, in loving God by loving our neighbours
through our prayers, our presence, our gifts and our service.*

*Love is our faith, and it is a gift from God. We thank God,
and ask God's blessings, that we may love
in the name of Christ and the power of the Spirit, to God's glory.*

Amen

The Offering

St Magnus

*To Father, Son and Holy Ghost, the God whom we adore,
be glory, as it was, and is, and shall be evermore.*

Prayer of Dedication and Pastoral Prayer: Jo Elliot

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 562

Ar Hyd Y Nos

1. *Through the love of God, our Saviour, All will be well,
Free and changeless is his favour; All, all is well.
Precious is the blood that healed us, perfect is the grace that sealed us,
Strong the hand stretched forth to shield us; All must be well.*
2. *Though we pass through tribulation, All will be well.
Ours is such a full salvation, All, all is well.
Happy still in God confiding, fruitful, if in Christ abiding,
Holy, through the Spirit's guiding; All must be well.*
2. *We expect a bright tomorrow; All will be well.
Faith can sing through days of sorrow, 'All, all is well.'
On our Father's love relying, Jesus every need supplying,
In our living, in our dying, All must be well.*

Mary Peters

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: Fugue in G major, BWV 541

J. S. Bach

(Kirk notices overleaf)

NOTES

Forthcoming Services:

Thursday 8 June	1.10 pm: Midweek Prayers
Sunday 11 June	10.30 am: Morning Worship 12.30 pm: Gaelic Service
Sunday 18 June	10.30 am: Morning Worship 12.30 pm: Gaelic Service 7.00pm: Refugio

Refreshments

After the service, you are warmly invited to join the congregation for tea or coffee and biscuits at the west end of the Kirk, under the organ gallery.

Giving with Gift Aid

When giving to the Kirk with a cash offering 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.

Greyfriars Lunchtime Concerts

The popular Greyfriars lunchtime concerts continue at 12 noon on Thursday 8 June, with a performance by pupils of St. Aloysius' College in Glasgow. Admission is free.

Study Service

This month's Study Services, on Sundays 11 and 25 June, will be Bible Studies led by Jenny Floether while Bob Walker and his family are in Japan.

The Study Service meets by Zoom from 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm. For the Zoom link, email Bob Walker at bob@hebrides.u-net.com.

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.

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Coffee Mornings at the Charteris Centre

The next coffee morning is from 10.30 am to 12 noon on Thursday week, 15 June, and fortnightly thereafter. Do come along to enjoy the warm and welcoming atmosphere with coffee and cake, or tea and scones, or whatever takes your fancy.

Volunteer Welcomers Needed!

We are extremely short on Welcomers during Visitor Opening times, for various reasons. It would be great to see members of our congregation engaging with the public and spreading our message.

Welcomers are our friendly faces who greet visitors from all over the world, answering their questions and making their visit memorable. The usual time commitment is one day a week for 4 hours between 11am – 4pm.

If this is something you're interested in or would like to know more, please contact Ellen in the office: 0131 225 1900, communications@greyfriarskirk.com OR see the full description on <https://volunteergreyfriars.com>

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.