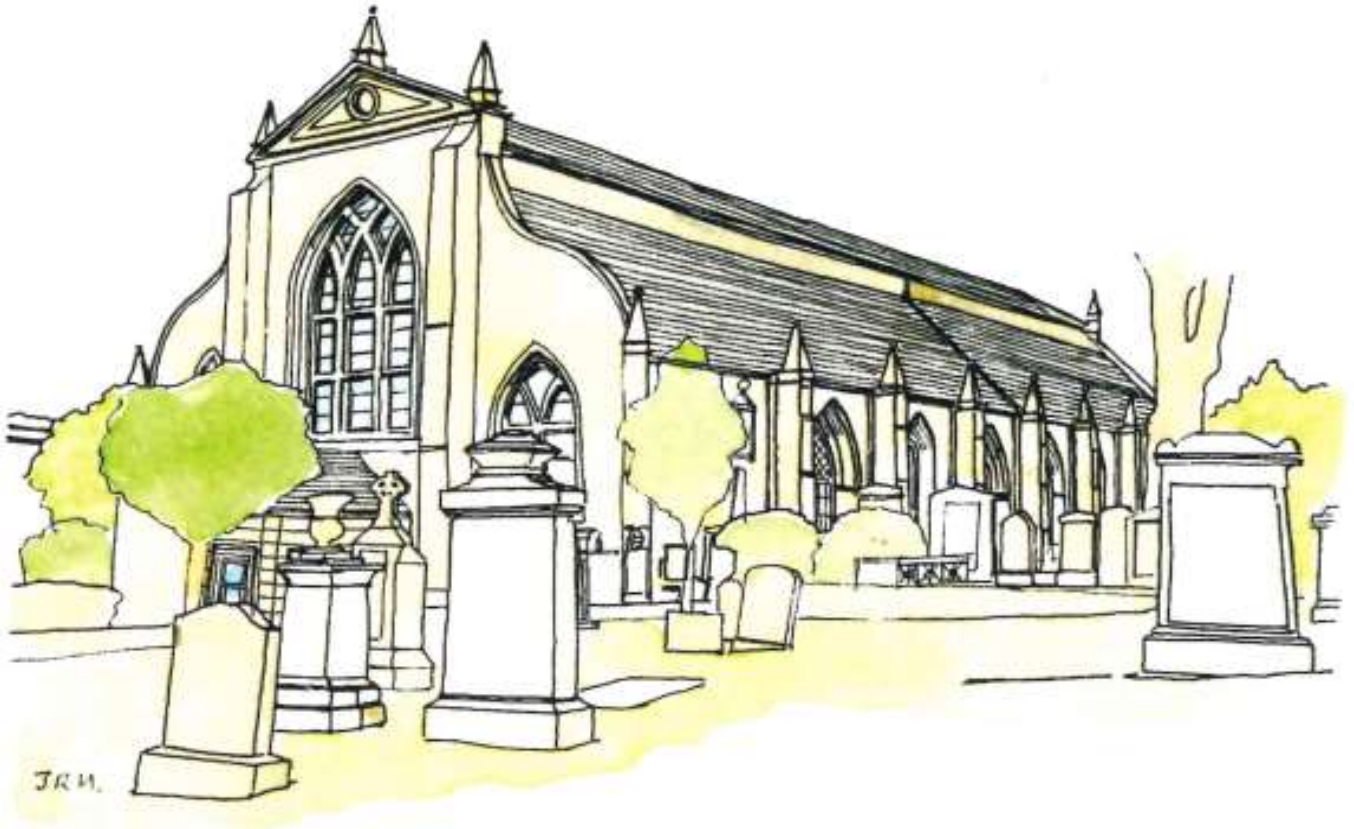


ORDER OF SERVICE - 7 JULY 2024

GREYFRIARS KIRK



WELCOME
TO WORSHIP

Today's Worship Leaders:

Rev. Dr. Karen Campbell
Sue MacGregor
Carol Stewart
Rosemary Scott
Dr Caroline Cradock, Organist



SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sunday 7 July 2024 – Seventh 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: Andante in G

Samuel Sebastian Wesley

Call to Worship

Hymn 465:

Slane

1. *Be thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
thou my best thought in the day or the night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.*
2. *Be thou my Wisdom, be thou my true Word; I ever with thee, and thou with me, Lord;
thou my great Father: thine own I would be; thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.*
3. *Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight; be thou my dignity, thou my delight,
thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower;
raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.*
4. *Riches I heed not, nor earth's empty praise, thou mine inheritance, now and always;
thou, and thou only, the first in my heart, High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.*
5. *High King of Heaven, after victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.*

8th c. Irish, tr. Mary Elizabeth Byrne

Call to Prayer and Prayers of Approach, Confession and Penitence

Collect for the Day:

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ has taught us that what we do for the least of your children we do also for him. Give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, who gave up his life and died for us, but lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Hymn 268 (Paraphrase 2):

Salzburg

1. *O God of Bethel! By whose hand thy people still are fed,
who through this weary pilgrimage hast all our fathers led:*
2. *Our vows, our prayers, we now present before thy throne of grace:
God of our fathers! be the God of their succeeding race.*
3. *Through each perplexing path of life our wandering footsteps guide;
give us each day our daily bread, and raiment fit provide.*
4. *O spread thy covering wings around, till all our wanderings cease,
and at our Father's loved abode our souls arrive in peace.*
5. *Such blessings from thy gracious hand our humble prayers implore;
and thou shalt be our chosen God, and portion evermore.*

Genesis 28: 20-22

The Ordination to the Eldership of Gillian Couper

Hymn 509:

St Andrew

1. *Jesus calls us! O'er the tumult of our life's wild restless sea,
day by day his voice is sounding, saying, 'Christian, follow me.'*
2. *As, of old, Saint Andrew heard it by the Galilean lake,
turned from home and toil and kindred, leaving all for his dear sake,*
3. *Jesus calls us from the worship of the vain world's golden store,
from each idol that would keep us, saying 'Christian, love me more.'*
4. *In our joys and in our sorrows, days of toil and hours of ease,
still he calls, in cares and pleasures, 'Christian, love me more than these.'*
5. *Jesus calls us! By your mercy, Saviour, make us hear your call,
give our hearts to your obedience, serve and love you best of all.*

Cecil Frances Alexander

The Word of God

Psalms 123

To you I lift up my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens! As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master, as the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to the Lord our God, until he has mercy upon us.

Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us, for we have had more than enough of contempt. Our soul has had more than its fill of the scorn of those who are at ease, of the contempt of the proud.

Mark 6: 1 - 13

Jesus left that place and came to his home town, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, 'Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?' And they took offence at him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Prophets are not without honour, except in their home town, and among their own kin, and in their own house.' And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, 'Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.' So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

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

Anthem: A Gaelic Blessing

Deep peace of the running wave to you, deep peace of the flowing air to you;
Deep peace of the quiet earth to you, deep peace of the shining stars to you;
Deep peace of the gentle night to you, moon and stars pour their healing light on you;
Deep peace of Christ the light of the world to you, deep peace of Christ to you.

Old Gaelic rune, adapted

John Rutter

Sermon

Affirmation of Faith:

We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of the one God, maker and sustainer of earth, sea and sky. Born of Mary's womb, Jesus healed the sick, served the poor, and proclaimed heaven on earth. He died, but transformed even death, and rose to life everlasting. He blessed his disciples with his Holy Spirit and sent them forth, east and west, north and south. We commit ourselves to Jesus, to one another as brothers and sisters, and to his mission in the world, by the grace of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

The Offering

Old 100th

*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

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 521:

Londonderry Air

1. *Children of God, reach out to one another! Where pity dwells, the peace of God is there; to worship rightly is to love each other, each smile a hymn, each kindly deed a prayer. For he whom Jesus loved has truly spoken: the holier worship which God deigns to bless restores the lost, and binds the spirit broken, and feeds the widow and the fatherless.*
3. *Follow with reverent steps the great example of him whose holy work was doing good; so shall the wide earth seem our Father's temple, each loving life a psalm of gratitude. Then shall all shackles fall; the stormy clangour of wild war-music o'er the earth shall cease; love shall tread out the baleful fire of anger, and in its ashes plant the tree of peace.*

John Greenleaf Whittier

Benediction

Amen

Organ: Toccata in F, BuxWV157

Dietrich Buxtehude

(Kirk notices overleaf)

NOTES

Forthcoming Services

Today	12.30 pm: Gaelic Service
Thursday 11 July	1.10 pm: Midweek Prayers
Sunday 14 July	10.30 am: Morning Worship 12.30 pm: Gaelic Service
Sunday 21 July	10.30 am: Morning Worship 12.30 pm: Gaelic Service

This morning, we warmly welcome the Rev. Dr. Karen Campbell of Marchmont St. Giles to share in our worship. Dr Campbell has been the Interim Moderator of our Kirk Session since Richard Frazer's retirement.

Refreshments

You are warmly invited to join us after the service for biscuits and tea or coffee, served at the back of the church beneath the organ. If you are new to the Kirk, or are visiting after some time away, or do not know anyone yet, please feel welcome to introduce yourself to the welcomers on the door and ministry team before or after the service; and if you would like to join in the friendly conversations at the tables over tea or coffee, we look forward to getting know you.

Giving by Gift Aid or Card

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.

If you would prefer to make your offering by card, rather than cash, there is now a card reader at the kitchen hatch at the back of the church, which links to the Kirk's bank account. Thank you so much for your support, which we depend on to maintain the life of the Kirk.

Organ Recital

All are welcome to an organ recital in the Kirk on Monday week, 15 July, which will be given by Dr. Andrew Henderson, the organist at Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, New York, and attended by a number of his congregation on their UK tour. After his recital at 12 noon, Dr. Henderson will give a talk on "Church Music of the Reformation", then at 1.00 pm there will be a short act of worship.

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.

Concerts and Events at Greyfriars

Check out <https://greyfriarskirk.com/events/> for information on all our upcoming events and concerts. The regular lunchtime concerts continue this Thursday, 11 July, at 12 noon with an organ recital by Kris Thomsett, who is the organist at Newcastle Cathedral. Our Organ Festival season will continue with visiting organists for the three following Thursdays.

Concerts and Events elsewhere

Augustine United Church – <https://www.augustine.org.uk/about-us/diary/>

St Columba's by the Castle – <https://www.stcolumbasbythecastle.org.uk/>

St Cuthbert's – <https://stcuthberts-edinburgh.uk/>

Grassmarket Community Project – <https://grassmarket.org/whats-on/>

Greyfriars Charteris Centre – <https://www.charteriscentre.com/> especially the regular Coffee Morning from 10.30 am to 12 noon this Thursday, 11 July, and fortnightly thereafter.

Greyfriars & St Cuthbert's Update

The joint working group are producing a newsletter each month to share things that have been achieved to date, what we are working on, and where we are on the journey toward union. Please take a copy of the **third** edition which is available today on the table under the organ gallery, or you can find it on the Kirk web site. There is also a suggestions box on the table for your feedback, or for any of your suggestions or concerns. Please put your name on the back of the slip so that we can respond directly back to you. And, of course, anyone is welcome to get in touch with Jo Elliot at sessionclerk@greyfriarskirk.com or with Gillian Couper at gcouper@churchofscotland.org.uk, or to leave a message with the Kirk office at 0131 225 1900 for either Gillian or Jo to call them back.

Do attend a service at St Cuthbert's sometime to get to know the folk there, and watch out for announcements here of more joint services and events with them.

GCP Summer Showcase

Join us at the Grassmarket Community Project on Thursday week, 18 July, from 4.00 pm to 6.00 pm for this event to celebrate the creativity and diversity of our wonderful community. Enjoy a real taste of all that we do here, from music, art and creative writing, to a showcase of our beautiful hand-crafted tartan and woodwork product range. Chat to our Members and Volunteers about our Members Programme and all of our brilliant projects, the many ways in which our essential work helps transform lives. Find out about our award-winning Social Enterprises, meet some of our inspiring partners, learn about our trailblazing collaborations . . . and more!

Register at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/gcp-summer-showcase-2024-tickets-885427376117>

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TLC Pilgrimage

On Sunday 18 August, we are heading with our ecumenical partners out to East Lothian visiting ancient places connected to pilgrimages. A 50-seater coach will leave Augustine United Church at 10.00 am and will drive to Whitekirk, stopping at the beautiful red stone church of St Mary's whose origins date back to the 12th century. From Whitekirk, we will go on to North Berwick, with time to potter, explore and enjoy the town before gathering for a reflection near the Seabird Centre. For those who wish, there is the opportunity to walk from near Whitekirk to North Berwick via 4.5 miles of the John Muir Way trail, rather than take the coach. The final stop on the pilgrimage will be Aberlady, to visit the Aberlady Cross and share in a service at the parish church before boarding the coach once more and heading back to AUC for 4.30 pm. Don't forget to bring a packed lunch!

To register to come on the Pilgrimage, please fill out the form via the link below. It will not only register you for transport but also be the emergency contact form, so we ask that everyone coming fills it out – even if you're making your own way to East Lothian. Registration closes on Tuesday 13 August. The cost of transport is £15 per head (£10 for children / students / unwaged). Please pay on the coach, in cash, on the day. In addition to the coach, please let us know through the form if you would be willing to drive your car to East Lothian (should the bus get filled) and how many additional seats you could offer.

[Registration Form](#)

If you have any issues filling in the form electronically, please call Rachel Fitzgerald in the AUC office on 0131 220 1677 and she'll get you registered over the phone instead.

The Edinburgh Kiltwalk 2024

This year's Edinburgh Kiltwalk will be on Sunday 15 September. It is Scotland's most-loved walking event with thousands of people taking part and an unbelievable atmosphere. There are three distances available, the 5-mile Wee Wander, the 14 mile Big Stroll or the 21 mile Mighty Stride.

Hannah Crooks, a volunteer with Community Fundraising Scotland, is offering free places on the Kiltwalk to charity walkers who pledge to raise £100 for Shelter Scotland. Each walker will get a fundraising pack with a Shelter Scotland t-shirt to walk in, top fundraising tips, and training guides. Email Hannah at <CommunityScotland@shelter.org.uk> to get a free sign-up code for your chosen distance, and to say how many people will be walking with you.

News from the Ministry team, and Pastoral Care

Ministry at Greyfriars Kirk is led by Probationer Minister Sue MacGregor, with assistance from Gillian Couper, Candidate for the Ministry; from Prof. Bert Kerrigan KC, Reader, Church of Scotland; and from other members of the congregation.

If you would like to get in touch for any reason, to hear about how things are going at Greyfriars, to seek support or pastoral care, or simply to share a cup of tea and a chat, you will be very welcome. Please contact the Kirk office by phone (0131 225 1900) or by email to either minister@greyfriarskirk.com or contact@greyfriarskirk.com