

ORDER OF SERVICE – 24 AUGUST 2025

GREYFRIARS KIRK



WELCOME TO WORSHIP

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GREYFRIARS

life in all its fullness / beatha na lànachd

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sunday 24 August 2025 – Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

You are very warmly welcomed to Sunday Services at Greyfriars.
All our services are available for viewing at any time
on our YouTube channel at < bit.ly/greyfriarstv >.

Organ: Choral Dorian

Jehan Alain

Organist: Michael Anderson

Introit:

I heard the voice of Jesus say, 'Come unto me and rest;
lay down, thou weary one, lay down thy head upon my breast':
I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn, and sad;
I found in him a resting place, and he has made me glad.
I heard the voice of Jesus say, 'I am this dark world's Light;
look unto me, thy morn shall rise, and all thy day be bright':
I looked to Jesus, and I found in him my Star, my Sun;
and in that light of life I'll walk, till travelling days are done.

Horatius Bonar

English Traditional

Call to Worship

Leader: God sees the plight of all who are dealt with cruelly
or oppressed.

People: Help us to understand what he would have us do
in support.

Bert Hutchings – Office Assistant

The Word of God

Isaiah 56: 6 - 10 (OT p. 713)

Reader: Jane Morrice

Hebrews 12: 1 - 2 (NT p. 242)

Hymn 552: Oh, for a closer walk with God

Martyrdom

Luke 4: 14 - 21 (NT p. 65)

Reader: Prof. Bert Kerrigan KC

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

Sermon

Do we Do Justly, Love Mercy, and Walk Humbly with God?

Anthem:

Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks,
so longeth my soul after thee, O God.
My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God.
When shall I come to appear before the presence of God?
My tears have been my meat day and night, while they
daily say unto me, "where, where is now thy God?"

Psalms 42: 1 - 3

Herbert Howells

Affirmation of Faith

based on Philippians 2: 5-11

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death —
even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess to the glory of God:
Jesus Christ is Lord!

Amen

The Offering

Tallis's Canon
at H. 808

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise God, the Trinity of love,
before, beneath, around, above.

Offertory Prayer

Hymn 553: Just as I am

Misericordia

Pastoral Prayer: Rosemary Scott

***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 606: Lord, you sometimes speak in wonders

Stuttgart

Benediction

*Amen
at H. 821*

Organ: Prelude and Fugue

Francois Campion,
arr. Jehan Alain

NOTES

Forthcoming Services

Today

12:30pm – Gaelic Service

Thursday 28 August

1:10pm – Midweek prayers

Sunday 31 August

10:30am – Holy Communion
at St Cuthbert's

12:30pm – Gaelic Service

Sunday 7 September

9.15 am – Holy Communion

10.30 am - Morning Worship
with the Lord Provost

and members of the Edinburgh
March Riding Association

12.30 pm – Gaelic Service

Find information on services
and events on our website,
or by scanning the QR code.



Upcoming Events

Thursday 28 August

12:00pm – Promenade Concert

Refreshments

You are warmly invited to join us after today's service for a chat over tea or coffee and biscuits, served at the back of the church beneath the organ. If you are new to the Kirk, or are visiting after some time away, please feel welcome to introduce yourself to the Welcomers on the door and the Ministry Team before or after the service.

The Church Hymnary – Third Edition

We have a large collection of copies of The Church Hymnary – Third Edition, which have been stored on shelves since we started using the fourth edition some years ago.

If anyone would like a copy, they will be available at the back of the church, under the organ after the service. We shall be retaining some copies but have more than we need. It seems appropriate that we offer these where they can be used, rather than sitting on shelves.

Car Parking

There will be someone at the gate between 10:10 and 10:25 on Sunday mornings to allow access for those who need to park due either to their involvement in the service and its related activities or to limitations in mobility. After the service the Beadle will have a key to let you out, but we would ask for patience as the system beds in.

Summer Organ Series

Last Thursday marked the end of this year's Greyfriars Summer Organ Series. This series was in collaboration with The Chibbett Trust and Greyfriars@12.

Thank you to those who attended any of the recitals. We hope you have enjoyed this year's series.

Volunteer at Edinburgh Dog and Cat Home Community Day

We're looking for volunteers to help manage a stall in collaboration with Edinburgh Interfaith Association at the upcoming Edinburgh Dog and Cat Home Community Day, 07 September 11:00am-3:00pm.

The purpose of attending this event is to promote the upcoming Pet Blessing Service, taking place on Sunday 05 October.

If you are interested in helping at the Community Day, please contact Deborah in the Kirk Office: communications@greyfriarskirk.com

Grassmarket Community Project

Coffee Saints is open in the Grassmarket Community Project for tea, coffee, brunch or lunch. If you are looking for something to eat or drink, or to meet friends in town, why not support this part of our outreach initiative?

Charteris coffee mornings

Following the summer break, the coffee mornings held at Greyfriars Charteris Centre will return on 04 September. Their usual fortnightly schedule will then resume, and we will keep you notified of the dates.

Volunteers – Sunday Worship

We're looking to expand the number of volunteers who undertake essential roles in support of our weekly worship. There are various opportunities to assist and become more involved in worship. Please use the relevant contact information below to get in touch if you can help, even if only occasionally.

Bible reading and pastoral prayers Stephanie Rae stephanierae@btinternet.com	Welcoming team Jo Elliot sessionclerk@greyfriarskirk.com Nigel Robb nigel.d.robb@ntlworld.com
Catering team Isobel Hutchings bertishutchings@btinternet.com	Tech team Peter Rae peterwhrae@btinternet.com
Midweek Prayers Gillian Couper Gcouper@churchofscotland.org.uk	Choir and music Caroline Cradock organist@greyfriarskirk.com
Flower team Mary Macpherson marybmacpherson@outlook.com or Clem Bradley clementinabradley@gmail.com	

Safeguarding

Your Church of Scotland Safeguarding Officer is Alison Noble.

You can contact Alison in person, via the church office, or by email: safeguarding@greyfriarskirk.com. There are posters displayed in the Kirk office and in the kitchen with more information.

Ministry team and Pastoral Care

We are in the process of appointing a new locum minister. In the meantime, you are very welcome to get in touch with our ministry team for any reason - whether to hear how things are going at Greyfriars, to seek support or pastoral care, or simply to share a cup of tea and a chat.

Our Church of Scotland Reader, Prof. Bert Kerrigan KC, is available to meet with you. Please contact the Kirk office by phone on 0131 225 1900, or by email to contact@greyfriarskirk.com.



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