

ORDER OF SERVICE – 3 AUGUST 2025

# GREYFRIARS KIRK



WELCOME TO WORSHIP

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# GREYFRIARS

*life in all its fullness / beatha na lànachd*

## SUNDAY WORSHIP

**Sunday 3 August 2025 – Eighth 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](https://bit.ly/greyfriarstv) >.

**Organ:** Elegy

George Thalben-Ball

### **Introit:**

Mine eyes for beauty pine, my soul for Goddes grace:  
no other care nor hope is mine, to heaven I turn my face.  
One splendour thence is shed from all the stars above:  
'tis namèd when God's name is said, 'tis Love, 'tis heavenly Love.  
And every gentle heart that burns with true desire,  
is lit from eyes that mirror part of that celestial fire.

Robert Bridges

Herbert Howells

### **Call to Worship**

**Leader:** We come from different places in life and different areas

**People:** but we come, longing for rest and renewal.

**Leader:** We come in our affluence but concerned for those in need.

**People:** We see daily the world's suffering brought into our homes.

**Leader:** We pray for those upon whom starvation is brought.

**People:** We support calls to bring peace and reconciliation in troubled areas.

**Leader:** In this place, we set aside our anxious thoughts.

**People:** In this moment, we focus our hearts on Christ.

**Leader:** We put aside the conflicts of the world that we may know the peace of Christ.

**People:** Here we find the Word made flesh, dwelling among us.

**Leader:** Let us worship the Lord with hearts and minds attentive to his voice.

**People:** Let us worship the Lord, who teaches us what truly matters. Amen.

**Hymn 63:** All people that on earth do dwell

Old 100th

## **Welcome to Greyfriars Kirk**

### **Prayer of Approach, Adoration, Confession and Supplication**

*Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.  
( Lord, have mercy. )*

#### ***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*

## **Reflection – My Role in Greyfriars Alison Noble - Safeguarding**

## **The Word of God**

**Psalm 49: 1 – 12** (OT p. 548)

Reader: Isobel Hutchings

**Colossians 3: 1 - 11** (NT p. 216)

**Hymn 624:** In Christ there is no east or west

Caithness, at H. 630

**Luke 12: 13 - 21** (NT p. 79)

Reader: Prof. Bert Kerrigan KC

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

**Sermon:** 'Christ is All, and in All'

**Anthem:**

View me. Lord, a work of thine; shall I then lie drowned in night?  
Might thy grace in me but shine, I should seem made all of light.  
In thy word, Lord, is my trust, to thy mercies fast I fly;  
though I am but clay and dust, yet thy grace can lift me high.

Thomas Campion

Richard H. Lloyd

### **Affirmation of Faith**

The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission. His human life involves the church in the common life of all people. His service to men and women commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all human suffering so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of persons in every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to the church God's judgment on the inhumanity that marks human relations, and the awful consequences of the church's own complicity in injustice. In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming, the church sees the promise of God's renewal of human life in society and of God's victory over all wrong. The church follows this pattern in the form of its life and in the method of its action. So to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord.

Amen

## The Offering

Old 124th, at H. 818

Praise ye the Lord, ye servants of the Lord;  
praise ye his name, his lordly honour sing:  
thee we adore; to thee glad homage bring;  
thee we acknowledge; God to be adored  
for thy great glory, Sovereign, Lord, and King.

## Offertory Prayer

**Hymn 147:** All creatures of our God and King

Lasst uns erfreuen

**Pastoral Prayer:** Catherine Alexander

**Leader:** Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** hear our 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 182:** Now thank we all our God

Nun Danket

**Benediction**

*Amen  
at H. 819*

**Organ:** Variations on 'Lasst uns erfreuen'

Denis Bédard

# NOTES

## Forthcoming Services

### Today

**12:30 pm** – Gaelic Service

### Thursday 07 August

**1:10pm** – Midweek prayers

### Sunday 10 August

**10:30am** – Morning Worship

**12:30pm** – Gaelic Service

## Upcoming Events

### Wednesday 06 August

**12:00 pm** – Promenade concert  
with Edenbank

### Thursday 07 August

**12:00pm** – Summer Organ Series:  
Tom Wilkinson

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



## 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.

## Congregation

We are sorry to announce the sad passing of Pamela Currie, who was a longstanding member of the congregation. Pamela was predeceased by her husband Alex, also a member of the congregation, who was the Secretary of the University of Edinburgh in the 1990s and who died in 2014. There will be a Service of Thanksgiving in Marchmont St Giles Church on 22nd August at 12:30, which members of the congregation are welcome to attend.

## **Car Parking**

We have been in discussions with the Council about car parking within the Kirkyard. The Council's main concern is for the safety of the increasing number of visitors in the Kirkyard. We have agreed to keep the gate half closed except when vehicles are entering or leaving. 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**

This Thursday, we have the third in a series of five organ recitals in the Greyfriars Summer Organ Series. This is a collaboration between The Chibbett Trust and Greyfriars@12.

The first two recitals have been a great success with audiences of over 80. Can we make it over 100 for the rest of the series?

The full remaining programme is:

7 August - Tom Wilkinson, St Mary's RC Cathedral, Edinburgh

14 August - Caroline Cradock, Greyfriars Kirk, Edinburgh

21 August - Adrian Partington, Gloucester Cathedral

Please come along to as many of the recitals as you can to hear our wonderful organ being played by some extremely talented musicians from across the UK and support our Musical Director, Dr Caroline Cradock, who has put together this fantastic programme.

Admission is free, but donations to help us make live music accessible to all are appreciated.

There are flyers at the door for you to take and give to friends and neighbours who might be interested in attending.

## **Edinburgh Fringe Festival**

We're looking forward to welcoming an array of talented performers to the Kirk for this year's Fringe Festival. Events will be getting underway this Wednesday, 6 August, and you can find the full programme of events on our display screens in the foyer, as well as on A5 flyers at the Welcomer Desk.

Outside of events at the Kirk, The Shepherd & The Sound: Immersive Gallery Encounter has invited congregations around Edinburgh to attend their exhibit based on the list of King David at this year's festival.

As per the event description: Immerse yourself in a contemplative, cinematic encounter set in the rugged beauty of northern Scotland. Slow down, breathe and wander through eight sensory stations – a modern-day pilgrimage inspired by one of the ancient world's greatest kings, David.

This is a free, non-ticketed event being held at The Cornerstone at St John's, Main Hall on the 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> of August. You can find more information at <https://www.edfringe.com/tickets/whatson/the-shepherd-the-sound-immersive-gallery-encounter>

## **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?

## Our Ecumenical Partners

This year we are invited to share together in a pilgrimage with our ecumenical partners (Augustine United and St Columba's by the Castle) to St Andrews, to hear stories of Hope and Change.

A coach will leave from outside AUC at 10.00 am on Sunday 24 August. We will travel to All Saints Church in St Andrews, where we have booked a small hall and where we will be holding our closing communion service at 2.00 pm.

Those who wish to stay at the church or wander around the Cathedral are welcome to do so. For those who are able and interested there will be a guided walking pilgrimage (of about 3 miles) around St Andrews with stories of Hope and Change.

At 2 pm we would invite everyone who wishes to gather back at All Saints for a shared service.

At 2.30 to 2.45 pm the bus will depart from near All Saints to take us back to AUC, Edinburgh for around 4.30 pm.

Please bring a packed lunch and suitable clothing.

**Registration:** to register to come on the Pilgrimage, please fill out [this form](#). It will not only register you for transport but will provide us with emergency contact details, so we ask that everyone coming fills it out — even if you're making your own way to St Andrews. Registration closes at midnight on Wednesday 20 August 2025.

The cost of transport is £20 per head (£10 concession + under 16's free). 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 St Andrews (should the bus get filled) and how many additional seats you could offer.

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.

## 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 the worship. Please use the relevant contact information below to get in touch if you can help, even if only occasionally.

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| <b>Bible reading and pastoral prayers</b><br>Nigel Robb<br><a href="mailto:nigel.d.robb@ntlworld.com">nigel.d.robb@ntlworld.com</a><br>Stephanie Rae<br><a href="mailto:stephanierae@btinternet.com">stephanierae@btinternet.com</a> | <b>Welcoming team</b><br>Jo Elliot<br><a href="mailto:sessionclerk@greyfriarskirk.com">sessionclerk@greyfriarskirk.com</a><br>Nigel Robb<br><a href="mailto:nigel.d.robb@ntlworld.com">nigel.d.robb@ntlworld.com</a> |
| <b>Catering team</b><br>Isobel Hutchings<br><a href="mailto:bertishutchings@btinternet.com">bertishutchings@btinternet.com</a>                                                                                                       | <b>Tech team</b><br>Peter Rae<br><a href="mailto:peterwhrae@btinternet.com">peterwhrae@btinternet.com</a>                                                                                                            |
| <b>Midweek Prayers</b><br>Shirley Bell<br><a href="mailto:Shirley12bell@gmail.com">Shirley12bell@gmail.com</a>                                                                                                                       | <b>Choir and music</b><br>Caroline Cradock<br><a href="mailto:organist@greyfriarskirk.com">organist@greyfriarskirk.com</a>                                                                                           |

## Volunteers - Opening church to visitors

We're also looking for friendly volunteers to join our Welcomers team. Greyfriars Kirk welcomed over 100,000 visitors last year, a feat that wouldn't be possible without our fantastic welcomer volunteer team. As the first point of contact for visitors, our Welcomers help to enhance each visitor's experience by sharing knowledge, facilitating conversations, and assisting with purchases in the gift shop.

If you enjoy extending a warm welcome to others and have an interest in the Kirk's history, please consider helping with this important part of Greyfriars' outreach. We currently have shifts available on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays. Volunteers normally take on one three-hour shift per week. Whatever time you can give, we'd be delighted to hear from you. For more information, contact our Visitor Operations Coordinator, Meg at [visitorops@greyfriarskirk.com](mailto:visitorops@greyfriarskirk.com)

## 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](mailto:contact@greyfriarskirk.com).



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