

ORDER OF SERVICE - 31 MAY 2026

GREYFRIARS KIRK



WELCOME
TO WORSHIP

Rev. Calum Macdougall
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Locum Minister
Reader
Director of Music



GREYFRIARS

life in all its fullness / beatha na lànachd

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sunday 31 May 2026 – Trinity Sunday

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: Veni creator spiritus

Marcel Dupré

Introit: God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son,
that whoso believeth in Him should not perish, but have
everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn
the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.

John 3: 16 - 17

John Stainer

Call to Worship

Leader: O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name
in all the earth!

All: *You have set your glory above the heavens.*

Leader: When we look at your heavens, the works of your hand,
the moon and the stars that you have established;

All: *what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals
that you care for them?*

Leader: Yet you have made them a little lower than God,
and crowned them with glory and honour.

All: *You have given them dominion over the works of your hand,
you have put all things under their feet.*

Leader: O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name
in all the earth!

All: *Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, to you be glory
and praise!*

Leader: Let us worship God.

Hymn 111: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty!

Nicaea

1. *Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;
holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!*
2. *Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
God ever living through eternity.*
3. *Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the sinful human eye thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in power, in love, and purity.*
4. *Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea;
holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!*

Reginald Heber

Welcome to Greyfriars Kirk

Prof. Bert Kerrigan KC

Prayer of Approach, Adoration, Confession and Supplication

The Rev. Calum Macdougall

Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.

(Lord, have mercy.)

at H. 776

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 483: Father of heaven, whose love profound

Rivaulx

1. *Father of heaven, whose love profound
a ransom for our souls has found,
before your throne we sinners bend:
to us your pardoning love extend.*
2. *Almighty Son, incarnate Word,
our Prophet, Priest, Redeemer, Lord,
before your throne we sinners bend:
to us your saving grace extend.*
3. *Eternal Spirit, by whose breath
our souls are raised from sin and death,
before your throne we sinners bend:
to us your quickening power extend.*
4. *Jehovah – Father, Spirit, Son –
mysterious Godhead, Three in One,
before your throne we sinners bend:
grace, pardon, life to us extend.*

Edward Cooper

The Word of God

Genesis 1: 1 – 4a (OT p. 1)

Reader: Van McKellar

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.

2 Corinthians 13: 11 – 13 (NT p. 199)

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.

Amen

Hymn 112: God, whose almighty word

Moscow

1. *God, whose almighty word chaos and darkness heard,
and took their flight;
hear us, we humbly pray, and where the gospel-day
sheds not its glorious ray, let there be light.*
2. *Saviour, who came to bring, on your redeeming wing,
healing and sight,
health to the sick in mind, sight to the inly blind,
now to all humankind let there be light.*
3. *Spirit of truth and love, life-giving holy dove,
speed forth your flight;
move o'er the waters' face, bearing the lamp of grace,
and in earth's darkest place let there be light.*
4. *Blessèd and holy Three, glorious Trinity,
Wisdom, Love, Might,
boundless as ocean's tide rolling in fullest pride,
through the world far and wide let there be light.*

John Marriott and Thomas Raffles

The Commissioning of the Disciples

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.'

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

Sermon

The Rev. Calum Macdougall

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

Affirmation of Faith

Prof. Bert Kerrigan KC

Leader: How do you live for the love of God?

All: *I love because God first loved me.*

God loves me in Christ with a love that never ends.

Amazed by grace, I no longer live for myself.

*I live for the Lord who died and rose again,
triumphant over death, for my sake.*

*Therefore, I take those around me to heart,
especially those in particular need, knowing
that Christ died for them no less than for me.*

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

Prof. Bert Kerrigan KC

Prayers of the People

Alison Noble

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 128: How shall I sing that majesty

Coe Fen

1. *How shall I sing that majesty which angels do admire?
Let dust in dust and silence lie; sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.
Thousands of thousands stand around
thy throne, O God most high;
ten thousand times ten thousand sound
thy praise, but who am I?*
2. *Thy brightness unto them appears, whilst I thy footsteps trace;
a sound of God comes to my ears, but they behold thy face.
They sing because thou art their Sun; Lord, send a beam on me;
for where heaven is but once begun there alleluias be.*
3. *How great a being, Lord, is thine, which doth all beings keep!
Thy knowledge is the only line to sound so vast a deep.
Thou art a sea without a shore, a sun without a sphere;
thy time is now and evermore, thy place is everywhere.*

John Mason

Benediction

Amen

Hymn 786:

Ae fond kiss

*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: Dialogue no.1

Peter Hurford

NOTES

Forthcoming Services	Upcoming Events at Greyfriars
Today 10:30am – Sunday Service 12:30pm – Gaelic Service Thursday 4 June 1:10pm – Midweek Prayers Sunday 7 June 9:15am – Early Communion 10:30am – Sunday Service 12:30pm – Gaelic Service	Saturday 6 June 7:30pm – Edinburgh Royal Choral Union: A Blaze of Light Saturday 13 June 7:30pm – Edinburgh Singers: Magnificat Saturday 17 June 6:00pm – University of Leeds Music Union Concert
Find information on services and events on our website, or by scanning the QR code.	

Refreshments

Due to the congregational meeting, we are sorry that we cannot offer the usual refreshments after the service this morning.

Greyfriars@12 Series

The next is the Summer Organ Series, starting on Thursday 18 June at 12 noon with Imogen Morgan from St Mary's, Edinburgh.

Charteris Coffee Morning

The next coffee morning is on Thursday 11 June, at the Greyfriars Charteris Centre, 140 Pleasance, from 10.30 am. This will be the last coffee morning before the summer break, and they will resume in September.

Willie Telford Funeral

Our long-standing and well-loved welcomer Willie Telford passed away last weekend.

Willie was a dedicated Kirk volunteer, who served as a visitor welcomer for many years. As well as greeting our visitors at the Welcome Desk, he was also one of our talented Kirk tour guides, with an inspiring breadth of knowledge about our history.

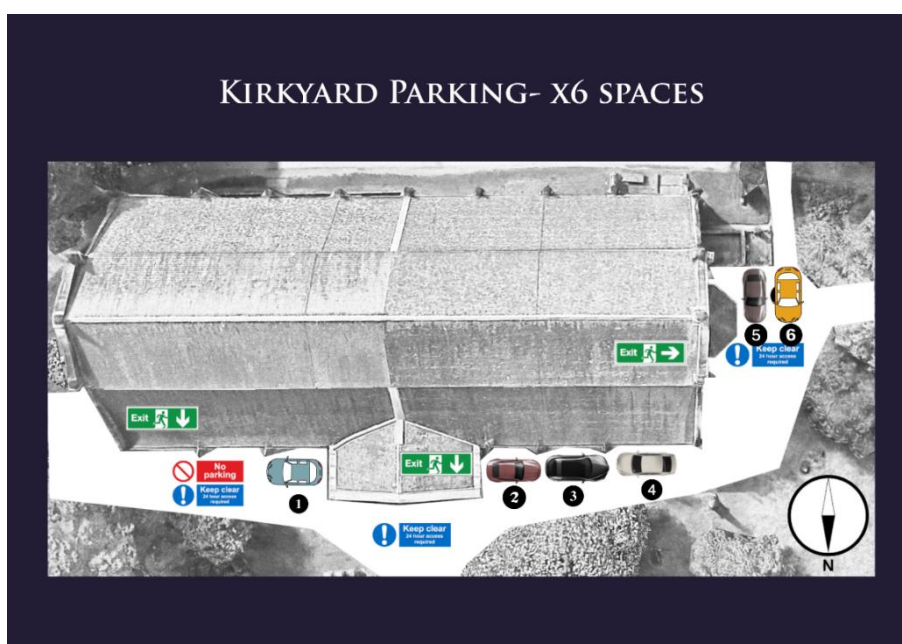
For those of us who knew him, his presence, knowledge and sense of humour will be deeply missed, and we are so grateful for everything he has given to Greyfriars over many years.

His funeral will take place on Friday 12 June, 12:30 pm at Mortonhall; and anyone who knew Willie and would like to celebrate his life is invited to attend.

Car Parking

Parking in the Kirkyard is prioritised for those leading worship, music, involved in catering, or for those requiring disabled access by reason of impaired mobility. The capacity is **6 cars** parked in the Kirkyard.

To gain access through the gate, please call 07598 470 320 and a keyholder will let you in and advise you of which space to park in.



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.

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 deputysessionclerk@greyfriarskirk.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 Clem Bradley clementinabradley@gmail.com	Pastoral care visiting team Nigel Robb deputysessionclerk@greyfriarskirk.com

Ministry team and Pastoral Care

You can contact our Locum Minister, Calum Macdougall, to discuss pastoral matters with him either by email: MMacdougall@churchofscotland.org.uk or arrange to meet with him by calling the Kirk office on 0131 225 1900.

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.

We would also like to hear from anyone who would like to join the Pastoral Care Visiting Team and offer to visit those who cannot attend Church.

Please contact the Kirk office to arrange a meeting with a member of the Ministry team.

Phone: 0131 225 1900

Email: contact@greyfriarskirk.com.

Offerings by Gift Aid:

The Gift Aid scheme allows us to reclaim tax on offerings, by 25p in the £. If you are a UK taxpayer, please take advantage by using one of the envelopes in the backs of the chairs.



It is important to **fill in your name** (and address if you are not already on our list) – we have been getting some blank envelopes back which cannot be used for tax reclaim.

Alternatively, you can scan the QR code that will take you to our donation page, or you can donate by card through our new card readers by the main doors, which allow you to choose the amount

Many thanks

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WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY**

10am-4pm
We recommend
WEDNESDAY 10am-3pm when
REFRESHMENTS are available

SUNDAY 31 MAY

SUNDAY WORSHIP
10:30am-11:30am
REFRESHMENTS
FESTIVAL 1pm-5pm
CAKES & CRAFTS
1pm-4pm

THURSDAY 4 JUNE

An Evening of
MUSIC & SONGS
from LOCAL SCHOOLS
6.45pm
All Welcome

FRIDAY 5 JUNE

**Gardens
OPEN TO EVERYONE**
(Special Invite Only Event Inside)

SUNDAY 7 JUNE

SUNDAY WORSHIP
10:30am-11:30am
FESTIVAL 1pm-5pm
LIVE MUSIC, FACE PAINTING,
PHOTOGRAPHER

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TUESDAY 9 JUNE

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SUNDAY WORSHIP
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