Newport-on-Tay Church of Scotland



Order of Service 19th February 2023 Transfiguration Sunday



Introit
Welcome & Call to Worship

Hymn 122: Let all the world in every corner sing

Prayer & The Lord's Prayer [Trespasses]

Hymn 448: Lord, the light of your love is shining

Children's Address

Birthday Blessings

JP 99: I have seen the golden sunshine

— Young People Leave —

Anthem

Readings:
Matthew 17 v 1 - 9
2 Peter 1 v 16 - 21
Read by Bill Imlay

Hymn 578: Christ, whose glory fills the skies [Tune: Dix]

Sermon

Hymn 355 : You, Lord, are both Lamb and Shepherd [Tune : Regent Square]

Prayers of Dedication and Intercession

Hymn 512 : To God be the glory

Benediction & Threefold Amen

Intimations

1) Winter Lunches

Many thanks to everyone who made soup, donated chocolates, or helped out at the community Winter Lunch on Thursday 16th February. We had 14 guests who enjoyed a meal of juice, a choice of two homemade soups, steak pie, veg and chips followed by tea or coffee and chocolates. This was served in the Agnes Duncan room.

The next lunch is planned for Monday 6th March.

Please do keep everyone who is affected by the cost of living crisis in your prayers at this time as well as the work of the Rio and the contribution our church is making in terms of the community chest and these lunches.

2) Church Journal

Material for the March edition of the Church Journal should be in the hands of Claire Owen or emailed to newportcos@btinternet.com by Sunday 19th February.

3) Reset - New Evening Service - Sunday 19th February 6pm - 7pm

We are so excited to introduce you to our new expression of worship. Reset. This is an opportunity for everyone to come along, worship with modern Christian Music, hear from a variety of speakers over the weeks and reset yourself with God before our busy weeks begins.

There will be tea and coffee available throughout the service, a time for testimonies and encouragements from God that people can share, we will be singing worship music from artists like Matt Redman, Rend Collective, Hillsong, Lauren Daigle and more. There will also be time for prayer too!

Why not come along and try a new expression of worship?

4) Ukraine Vigil

As you know, every week on a Thursday at 7pm we meet for the Vigil for Ukraine on the Church Green, Blyth Street, Newport-on-Tay. It lasts about 10-15 mins. This coming Thursday marks the evening of the first anniversary of the invasion. Amos has very kindly agreed to lead it this week.

Please do make a special point of coming along to bear witness to the suffering of so many, to pray for all those who have been affected by the conflict and to pray for peace in that part of the world.

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<u>5) Church Weekend Away - Friday 24th - Sunday 26th March - Compass Christian</u> Centre at Glenshee

We are so excited to bring you this fantastic opportunity. As a Church we are going up to Glenshee for a weekend away. It will be a great chance for you to reconnect with God, reconnect with family and reconnect with yourself. You can find out more information on our dedicated website: http://the-event.info/notwa2023/ Many Thanks

Chris Cameron, Catherine Johnston, Raymond Allerton and Elizabeth Thomson

6) Christian Aid Crisis

The following are direct quotes from a letter from Christian Aid's Chief Operating Officer, Martin Birch.

"I'm writing to you because you've been faithful supporters of Christian Aid. Because you're the kind of community who responds to the call to alleviate suffering. Your church has helped address some of the world's greatest current needs, such as supporting those affected by the war in Ukraine. I couldn't be more thankful for your kindness. Unfortunately, Christian Aid has been impacted by the cost of living crisis. The funding we raised last year for projects across the globe is simply not enough. Christian Aid is facing a financial shortfall. This gap puts the most vulnerable people at risk. Without your help, they may not get the support they desperately need to survive. At a time of such great need, with crisis on crisis, we cannot bear to scale back our support for those who need help and hope. Please organise a collection today to ensure we can continue our life-saving work. Your support could bring relief to one of the millions of families who are struggling in the countries where Christian Aid is working.

YOUR CHURCH COLLECTION, NO MATTER THE SIZE, WILL BE A LIFELINE TO THOSE WHO ARE MOST VULNERABLE."

I was shocked, saddened and concerned to receive this but, as indicated, Christian Aid also has been affected by the various crises of the last few years.

I am very aware that help is needed both at home and abroad and that the calls for your giving are many and continuing.

However please note the plea says ANY SIZE of collection will help.

If you feel you could give even a little, then please see me or, to give online, go to caid.org.uk/shortfall

Many thanks, Margaret Imlay phone (01382) 543446

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7) Prayer Room

Our Church Prayer Room (opposite the entrance to the kitchen) is a lovely quiet space available for reflection and prayer. It is available whenever the Church is open and you are encouraged to make use of it. Why not drop in before the church service for a quiet moment? The door may be closed to keep out the noise of kitchen traffic but just come in. Some may wish to pray out loud but there is no pressure to do so.

8) Post Office

Due to a staff member off with injury, the Post Office will ONLY be operating in the Kirk House Complex on Wednesdays from 9:30-11:30am. No Friday service until further notice.

9) Community Chest

This has been well supported so far and many thanks to all who have contributed. The appeal will continue right through the winter months so please support this when you can. More information is available in the February Journal.

10) World Day of Prayer

This year's service will take place on Friday 3rd March at 2pm in Balmerino Church. All are welcome to attend.