

Newport-on-Tay Church of Scotland



Order of Service 29th September 2024



Introit
Welcome & Call to Worship

Hymn 465 : Be thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart

Prayer & The Lord's Prayer [Trespases]

Hymn 345 : Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Children's Address

Hymn 442 : Blessing and honour, glory and power (Ancient of Days)

— Young People leave —

Anthem

Readings : Deuteronomy 30 v 11 - 20 [page 209]

1 Thessalonians 4 v 9 - 12 [page 1188]

Read by Philip Owen

Hymn 497 : Almighty Father of all things that be

Sermon

Hymn 543 : Longing for light, we wait in darkness

Prayers of Dedication and Intercession

The Apostles' Creed

Hymn : Standing on the promises of Christ my King

Benediction
Threefold Amen

Intimations

1) Worship Leader

Our service this week is led by our minister, Rev Dr Amos Chewachong. Due to a delay in repairs to the Church heating being completed, our service next week will again be held in the hall.

2) Evening Service

Our next Evening Service is a Communion Service and will take place this Sunday, 29th September, at 6:30pm led by Rev Dr Amos Chewachong.

3) Kirk Session

The next meeting of the Kirk Session will take place next Tuesday, 9th October, at 7:30pm. This will be a hybrid meeting held jointly in the Agnes Duncan Room and on Zoom.

4) Harvest Service

Many thanks to Chris, Jane and our young people for leading our service last week. Also a huge thank you to everyone who brought donations for the local foodbank - they were gratefully received. The bake sale in the hall after the service raised over £120 for Subair, the child our Sunday Club are sponsoring through World Vision. For more information on the Harvest Service please see the October Journal out next week.

5) Community Chest

During September we will be supporting the Tay Bridgehead Foodbank. Please support this when you can by buying an extra item or two at your weekly shop. There is a box at the back of the Church every Sunday for donations. Suggested donations include the following and more information is available in the Journal.

6) Wednesday Afternoon Club

The Wednesday Afternoon Club runs on Wednesdays from 1.30pm to 3pm in the Agnes Duncan Room. As always there will be refreshments, tasty bits, good company and lots of chat! This is a lovely afternoon of socialising and meeting people. There will be no charge, however if anyone wishes to make a donation then there will be a collection plate. All are welcome. If you would like to help, please get in touch with Margaret Wright: Tel (01382) 543007.

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.

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8) Messy Church Meeting - Sunday 13th October straight after the service.

If you would like to help at our Messy Church this month we have a meeting in the Agnes Duncan Room straight after the service. Please bring your hot drink with you!

9) Messy Church - Saturday 26th October - 11am - 1pm - Discovering who God is

This month we are going to discover who God is with lots of amazing fun filled crafts and activities in store. We are looking forward to welcoming our families back after the October Break!

10) Request for items for Messy Church

We have a few things that we need for our next two events for Messy Church. Please either place them in the box at the back or speak to Chris. We are happy to return items if you would like them back.

For October

Green Pipe Cleaners
Large Paper Fish
Chopsticks

For November

Wrapping Paper
Blank Cards or A4 White Card

11) Volunteers Needed

We are looking for anyone who is willing to help deliver our Christmas curriculum event at Newport Primary School on Tuesday 10th December 2024 between 8.30am - 11.30am. It is for our P5 class and we take them through the Christmas story. It is great fun and a great opportunity we have that not many other churches have. Please speak with Chris if you would like to help or for more information.

12) Daily Reflections

Our minister is recording a daily reflection which is being uploaded to the church website. You can listen to the reflections here

<http://www.notchurch.co.uk/index.php/reflections/>

13) Vigil for Peace

The vigil continues on Thursdays at 7pm for about 10 minutes on the Church Green, Blyth Street, Newport-on-Tay. We are continuing to Zoom the Vigils. If you would like to join on Zoom please ask Neil Merrylees or Claire Owen for the link.

14) Post Office

From this week the Pop-Up Post Office will **return to running on both** Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:30 - 11:30am in the Kirk House Complex.

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15) Support for manna

We have had a very unexpected response to Alison's appeal. People have offered money in the form of a one-off donation and as a monthly regular ongoing donation. We feel very blessed by this and are very grateful to those choosing to do this. If you would like to support manna in this way please speak to Diane or Morag who will put you in touch with our treasurer Andrea.

It is a difficult time for small businesses like ours and we are not immune to the added expenses occurring in recent years. However we are a small businesses with a dedicated team of bakers, shop volunteers, committee member and regular customers. We are indeed very blessed and very grateful.

16) Leprosy Mission

Catalogues and order forms will arrive soon in the church pews. Please take one home. Catalogues and any orders can be handed into manna or back to the church for the attention of Diane & Morag. Doing this will help support manna. You can place orders up until the Sunday 27th October. All orders are payable on collection from manna, NOT on ordering, just in case items are out of stock. Many thanks.

17) Emergency Appeal

Christian Aid is making an emergency appeal for help for Gaza where they work through trusted partner organisations. Despite the danger they face, these organisations have been able to supply aid with food, shelter, sanitation and psychological support and also enabled community-led kitchens to operate. But essential supplies are very low and urgently need replenishing.

The destruction in Gaza is on an unimaginable scale and nearly 2 million Palestinians have been displaced.

Will you please donate to provide aid for this shattered area?

Emergency Appeal envelopes are at both doors and can be returned to me directly or via the offering plate. If you prefer to donate electronically just Google 'Christian Aid Gaza Appeal'. Please help. Thank you. Margaret Imlay

Daily Readings

Monday 30th September : Exodus 23 : 1 - 9

Tuesday 1st October : Mark 10 : 17 - 27

Wednesday 2nd October : Ephesians 5 : 21 - 33

Thursday 3rd October : Ephesians 6 : 21 - 24

Friday 4th October : I Timothy 1 : 5 - 9a

Saturday 5th October : 1 Samuel 18 : 1 - 5

Quote of the week

Choosing life is not merely an act of survival.
It is a commitment to walk in love, in integrity and quiet faithfulness.
It is to recognise the intimate presence of divine wisdom within reach,
and to respond by embracing the weight of responsibility—
to live with purpose, respect, and an ever-deepening awareness
of our moral and spiritual obligations.

Rev Dr Amos Chewachong

1. **Standing on the promises of Christ my King,**
through eternal ages let His praises ring:
'Glory in the highest!' I will shout and sing,
standing on the promises of God.

*Standing, standing,
standing on the promises of God my Saviour,
standing, standing,
I'm standing on the promises of God.*

2. Standing on the promises that cannot fail,
when the howling storms of doubt and fear assail
by the living word of God I shall prevail,
standing on the promises of God.

Standing, standing,

3. Standing on the promises I now can see
perfect, present cleansing in the blood for me;
standing in the liberty where Christ makes free,
standing on the promises of God.

Standing, standing,

4. Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord,
bound to Him eternally by love's strong cord,
overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword,
standing on the promises of God.

Standing, standing,

5. Standing on the promises I cannot fall,
listening every moment to the Spirit's call,
resting in my Saviour as my all in all,
standing on the promises of God.

Standing, standing,