

ST MICHAEL'S PARISH CHURCH, LINLITHGOW
Sunday, 13 October 2019



Today's Services

- 9.30am First Service
Rev Ken MacKay
- 9.45am All age Service at Springfield School
- 11.00am Second Service
Rev Ken MacKay

Welcome to St Michael's Parish Church, Linlithgow

Thank you for joining us today. We hope that you feel at home here with us. **We would love to meet you so please join us for teas and coffees, between the morning services.** A crèche is available at the 9.30am service in St Katherine's aisle for younger children. Please ask one of our team at the door for help if needed. If we can assist you in any other way, please complete one of our pew cards. Thank you.

Knowing Christ better – Serving Him together – Making Him known to others

Prayer Focus

" Why the clock? To remind us all to join in prayer regularly either at 10am or 10pm"



Micah said "What does the Lord require of you? To act justly, love mercy and walk humbly with your God". And Jesus said "Love each other as I have loved you." In a time of uncertainty, division and lack of trust throughout our nation may we choose the better way.

You are welcome to join us for Weekly Prayers in the Queen's Aisle on **Wednesdays at 12.30**. There is a box in the Queen's Aisle in which to put requests for prayer. Alternatively please call 822603 or 670980.

<p>Ministry Team: Rev John Povey, Interim Moderator Rev Thom Riddell Rev Ken MacKay, Locum Minister Trish Archibald, Youth & Family Outreach Worker</p> <p>Organist & Music Co-ordinator: Matt Edwards</p>	<p>Address: Church Office, Cross House, Linlithgow EH49 7AL</p> <p>Telephone: 01506 842188 E-mail: info@stmichaels-parish.org.uk Web: www.stmichaelsparish.org.uk</p> <p>Open: Mon, Wed, Thu, 9am–1pm. Fri 11am–1pm Tuesday by appointment</p> <p>Vestry hour: Thursday evening by appointment</p>
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This week in Cross House

Mon 14 Oct	9.00am	Elders		
Tues 15 Oct	10.30am	WL Foodbank	7.30pm	Kirk Session
Wed 16 Oct	10.00am	Magazine Team Meeting		
Thu 17 Oct	10.00am	Thursday for Coffee	7.00pm	Prospects
Fri 18 Oct	10.30am	WL Foodbank		
Sat 19 Oct	10.00am	Stand-up to Cancer Coffee Morning		
Sun 20 Oct	9.15am	Sunday Club & Bible Class		

Forthcoming Events

18 Oct	7.30pm	Bathgate String Orchestra – Kirk
19 Oct	7.30pm	Linlithgow Arts Guild Chamber Music concert – Kirk
2 Nov	7.30pm	Glasgow Phoenix Choir – Kirk
23 Nov	7.30pm	Linlithgow String Orchestra Winter concert – Kirk
24 Nov	2.00pm	Music Buds Concert – Kirk
30 Nov	7.30pm	Linlithgow Arts Chamber Orchestra – Kirk

2019 Stewardship of Prayer

Prayer for October

Let our lives be rooted in you this day, Lord,
for you bring refreshment and renewal. Amen

This Week

Today: Music@3pm in the Kirk with St Michael's Church Choir directed by our organist, Matt Edwards. Entry free with a retiring collection in aid of the music programme at St Michael's.

Thursday 17 October: Thursday for Coffee: Come along and enjoy a cuppa, home baking and chat in Room 1, Cross House between 10–11am. All welcome.

Thursday 17 October Time of Stillness 2pm in St Katherine's Aisle. Discover what 15 minutes of stillness can do for you. Tea and cake afterwards. All welcome.

Thursday 17 October: Prospects (7pm in Rm 1, Cross House). A Christian charity helping churches to welcome and disciple people with learning disabilities in a way that is relevant for them. Activities include songs, prayer and crafts. Cuppa and chat afterwards. If you know of anyone who would like to attend please let them know or if you feel called to get involved please come along. Further info from Bill Duncan: 01506 844 877.

Housegroup: no meeting this week: next meeting **25 October**

Friday 18 Oct: Bathgate Concert Orchestra, 7.30pm in the Kirk. Special guests the Edinburgh Recorder Ensemble

Saturday 19 Oct: Coffee Morning: Stand-up to Cancer – 10am Kirk Hall
Linlithgow Arts Guild concert, 7.30pm in the Kirk.

Coming up

Monday 4 Nov: Kirk Knitting Group: Rm 1, Cross House, 10.30am. Knitting, home baking and chat. All welcome. Also, for the Advent Fair on 30 November, the group will have a stall in Cross House with knitted items for sale.

Thursday 7 Nov: Chapters Book Club at 3.15pm, Cross House –book of choice is 'The Bureau of Second Chances' by Sheena Kalayil. Further info from Sally Chambers (07732 722146).

Thursday 14 Nov: Sunshine Sing-along for Memory at 12 noon, Kirk Hall

Coffee Mornings – 10am

26 Oct: Friends of Girl Guiding – **Kirk Hall**

9 Nov: Linlithgow Cluster Primary Ski Club fundraiser – **Kirk Hall**

30 Nov: Guild Teas for Advent Fair – **Kirk Hall**

Other Notices

During the service, photographs might be taken and used for Church purposes. For further information, please speak to one of the Welcome Team at the door.

Walk and talk – Saturdays 9.30am, meet at the Kirk Hall – this idea was successful during September. This is an alternative to coffee and a chat. Anyone is welcome to come along whenever you can, route will depend on ability and numbers. Coffee and chat will be an alternative in poor weather! Any comments or questions contact Alison 844992.

Bethany Night Shelter – Thurs 24 Oct. Each winter St. Michael's have sent out groups of 7 to prepare, cook, and serve meals to 60-70 homeless from the Edinburgh streets. Unfortunately we only have 3 people for the 24 Oct. Can you help? For more info please contact Marshall Green on 07967112137. Thank you!

Bring a smile this Christmas and join the 2019 Shoe Box Appeal. Fill a shoebox with practical items e.g. soap, and fun items e.g. sweets. Let someone know you've thought about them and make him/her smile this Christmas To get started, chat to Anne Watt beside the font after the 09:30 service. **Deadline is Sunday 27 October.**

AV Team: We need to increase our members in the team. If you have the time and aptitude and would like to join us, please contact Marshall on 07967112137 or projection.team@hotmail.com

Prayer News Bulletin from Lorna Ferguson available at the back of the church.

Support Teams

House Groups: For information about fellowship groups meeting within St Michael's, please call Kathryn Young, 844853, Margaret Henderson 844787 or Barbara Thomson 845705.

The Help Centre offers information covering many concerns. Wondering where to access support for yourself or another? Tel 842646, or look at www.helpcentre.org.uk

Bereavement Support: The Team offers confidential one to one support to help you adapt to your loss. In addition, Positive Pathways support group meets fortnightly in the informal setting of the Canal Tearoom. Contact Sheila Rae 07719966273.

Intimations All notices need to be in the church office by Thursday morning.

Sunday 13 October 2019: 9.30am

We gather as the people of God...

Call to Worship

Hymn 36, God is our refuge

Scripture Sentences (*please remain standing*)

Prayer of Approach and Confession with Lord's Prayer

Hymn 737, Will your anchor hold?

We listen to stories of faith and hope...

Scripture Reading: Acts 27, v1 and vv7-20 (p.114)

(Today's reader is Peter France)

Hymn 158, God moves in a mysterious way

Sermon

We respond to God's word...

Hymn 191, Do not be afraid

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Offering and Time for Reflection

Time with Young People

We leave with God's blessing...

Hymn 260, Eternal Father strong to save

Benediction

Choral Amen: 820, Dresden

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However I would like to extend an invitation to our final 3pm concert today, given by the choir and myself. I would also like to offer my thanks for your support in my short time here, especially the hard work that has been accepted by the fabulous musicians in our choir stalls. I feel immensely proud of what we have achieved together both musically and now visually.

St. Michael's will always hold a very special place in my heart. I am so very sorry that our time has been so brief. My quest for further academic achievement whilst juggling music, health and my Father's health was just below attainable.

I wish you the very best for the future with Liam, may God bless his time with you and God guide the continued raising of standards in music making within our church.

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Introit: Angel voices, ever singing (trad arr C Tambling (1964–2015))

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First Reading: Psalm 107, vv1-9, 23-27 (p.570/571)

(Today's reader is Isobel Reid)

Choir Anthem: Come down, O Love divine (William Harris, (1883–1973))

Second Reading: Acts 27 v1, vv7-20 (p.114)

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