

ST MICHAEL'S PARISH CHURCH, LINLITHGOW
Sunday, 14 April 2019
Palm Sunday



Today's Services

- 9.30am First Service
Rev Colin Johnston
- 9.45am All age Service at Springfield
School
- 11.00am Second Service
Rev Colin Johnston

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"



Palm Sunday

"Is it nothing to you, all ye that pass by? Behold and see if there be any sorrow like unto My sorrow, which is done unto Me, wherewith the Lord hath afflicted Me in the day of His fierce anger.

Is it nothing to you? As from the throne of His Cross, the King of grief cries out to a world of unbelief: Oh! Men and women, afar and nigh, is it nothing to you, all ye that pass by?

For you I suffer, for you I die. Is it nothing to you, all ye that pass by?"

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.

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| <p>Ministry Team: Rev John Povey, Interim Moderator Rev Thom Riddell Rev Colin Johnston, 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

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| Mon 15 Apr | 9.00am | Elders | | |
| Tues 16 Apr | 10.30am | WL Foodbank | | |
| Wed 17 Apr | | | | |
| Thu 18 Apr | 10.00am | Thursday for Coffee | | |
| Fri 19 Apr | 10.30am | OFFICE CLOSED WL Foodbank | | |
| Sat 20 Apr | | | | |
| Sun 21 Apr | 9.00am 11.00am | Open-Air All-Age Service on Cockleroi Easter Day Service in the Kirk | | |

Forthcoming Events

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| 27 Apr | 10.00am | Coffee morning – LAMP (Kirk Hall) |
| 28 Apr | 3.00pm | Scouts St George's Day Service (Kirk) |
| 4 May | 10.00am | Coffee Morning – Project Trust Fundraiser (Kirk Hall) |
| 11 May | 10.00am | Coffee Morning – Linlithgow Reed Band (Kirk Hall) |
| 12 May | 3.00pm | Music @ 3 Organ Concert with Matt (Kirk) |
| 15 May | 7.00pm | GB Parents' Evening Display (Kirk) |
| 18 May | 7.30pm | The Big Noise and Linlithgow Linties Concert (Kirk) |
| 24 May & 2 Jun | 7.00pm | NYCoS Summer Concerts (Kirk) |
| 9 Jun | 3.00pm | Informal concert with Dunblane Cathedral Choir (Kirk) |

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

2019 Stewardship of Prayer

Prayer for April

Thank you, God, for the riches of this day,
For the wisdom of your Word
And for the nourishment of your Spirit. Amen

This Week

Thursday 18 April: 10.00am – Thursday for Coffee, come along and enjoy a cuppa, home baking and chat in Room 1, Cross House. All welcome.

2.00pm – 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.

7.30pm – Joint Maundy Thursday Communion in the Kirk

Friday 19 April (Good Friday): 10.00am – Service of Music and Meditation in the Kirk

Sunday 21 April (Easter Day): 9.00am – Open Air All-Age Service on Cockleroi. For those attending our open air all-age Easter service, would you please be mindful to respect the land; Bicycles and dogs are not permitted, please tidy up your litter and ensure all gates are closed. Thank you

NB: Although recent tree felling has taken place in the area, the car park is still open, but space is very limited.

11.00am – Easter Day Service in the Kirk

Coming up

April/May: "Uprooted" – an exhibition depicting Christian Aid's work among the 40 million people around the World displaced by conflict, climate change and other factors – will be on display in St Michael's Church through April and early May. Please come along and tell your friends.

Thursday 25 April: Bad Girls of the Bible – challenging, comforting, refreshing and fun. Last Thursday of every month, Room 1, Cross House at 7.30pm. All welcome, ages 18+.

Friday 26 April: Housegroup resumes at 10.00am. Please call Barbara Thomson 845705 for more details.

Saturday 27 April: Linlithgow Inter-Church Annual Dinner held again in our Rugby Club (7pm for 7.30pm). Hosted by St Ninian's-Craigmailen with entertainment from Matt Edwards (St Michael's CoS) and the speaker is Pastor Keith Short (St John's). Tickets, which include a 3 course meal, cost £15 and are available from our Forum reps Fiona Duke (Tel: 842669) Jaqui Coyle (Tel 845631) and Barbara Thomson (Tel 845705). All most welcome.

Thursday 2 May: Chapters Book Club (last meeting). The book of choice for review for April is 'Before We Were Yours' by Lisa Wingate. Chapters resumes Thursday 5 September. Further info from Sally Chambers 07732722146.

Monday 6 May: Kirk Knitting Club at 10.30am, Room 1, Cross House.

Thursday 9 May: Sunshine Sing-along for Memory at 12 noon, Kirk Hall

Coffee Mornings – 10am

27 April – LAMP (Kirk Hall)

4 May – Project Trust Fundraiser (Kirk Hall)

11 May – Linlithgow Reed Band (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.

Thank you from Chogoria Hospital: “This is to appreciate with gratitude your donation towards the improvement of care in this hospital. Our topmost priority is the anaesthetic machine. The hospital has currently one functional machine because the second machine broke down and has been condemned. The hospital is in the process of procuring a new one, and the Hospital Administrative Team has agreed that the donation will go towards paying for this. We sincerely appreciate the donations you give from time to time which has rescued some very needy situations.”

Office Easter Holidays: Closed on Good Friday and Easter Monday.

World Mission: Free edition of magazine entitled ‘Walking Alongside’ available from table opposite coffee/tea area. Covering stories/updates from all areas that WM has partners including a report from Tabeetha School in Israel – the only school owned by Church of Scotland which is an interfaith school.

CDs-Church Service: If you would like to borrow a recording of the service, you will find two CDs at the Church shop. A recording of the sermon is available weekly on podcast on the Church website.

Christian Aid Door-to-Door Collection (12–18 May) – Volunteers needed! Even just to distribute envelopes, please telephone 842646 or email wandeross@hotmail.com

Stamp Appeal: Please bring in all your stamps for the World Mission Council appeal to help young people with learning difficulties in the Ukraine. Boxes in the Church and Kirk Hall.

Support Teams

House Groups: For information about fellowship groups meeting within St Michael’s, please call Alison Miller 844992, 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 or sheila.ruth.rae@gmail.com.

Sunday 14 April 2019: 9.30am, Palm Sunday

We gather as the people of God...

Call to Worship

We tell your story; we follow in your footsteps

LEAD US INTO HOLY WEEK

We walk towards the city; we wait in the garden

LEAD US ONTO HOLY GROUND

We journey towards death; we hope for resurrection

LEAD US INTO HOLY JOY

Hymn 367: Hosanna, loud hosanna

Scripture Sentences (*please remain standing*)

Prayer of Approach and Confession with Lord's Prayer

Hymn 366: Come into the streets with me!

We listen to stories of faith and hope...

Scripture Reading: Luke 19:28-40 (p.79)

(today's reader is Alison Murray)

Hymn SOGP 60/WSB32: Kneels at the feet of his friends

Sermon

We respond to God's word...

Hymn 374: From heaven you came, helpless babe

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Offering and Time for Reflection

Time with Young People

We leave with God's blessing...

Hymn 370: Ride on, ride on. The time is right

Benediction

Choral Amen: 820, Dresden

Two members of the Sunday Prayer Team are available for 15 minutes in the Queen's Aisle after this service to pray in confidence with anyone who has a personal need for prayer.

9.30am

Music for Today

Choir Introit.... Cantate Domino (Sing to the Lord a new song),
by Giuseppe Pitoni (1657–1743)

Sunday Club

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Saturday 27 April is Family Film Night in Cross House from 6-8pm. All children and their families are very welcome. Together, we will be watching Mary Poppins Returns on the big screen.

Retiring Collection

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First Reading: Psalm 118:19-29 (p.577)

(today's reader is Isobel Reid)

Choir Anthem: With a voice of singing, by Martin Shaw (1875–1958)

Second Reading: Luke 19:28-40 (p.79)

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