

DUNBARNEY AND FORGANDENNY PARISH CHURCH SUNDAY WORSHIP – 4th February 2024

SUNDAY-SERVICE PHONE NO: 01738-239392

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

We warmly welcome you to our congregation and extend Christian greetings to you. You enter this church, not as a stranger but as a guest of God and as a friend of those who have gathered here today. So come into God's presence with joy in your heart and thanks on your lips and offer God your love and service. As you do so, may you experience God's loving presence, peace and hope.

Prayer of Preparation

Sovereign God, as we come together in your presence we do not simply want to go through the motions of worship - to do what's expected of us – instead, we want to see Jesus, recognising him at work in the world and involved in our lives, present active through his Sprit. Broaden our vision and enlarge our understanding, that we might glimpse more of his grace and truth, love and light, power and glory and so catch clearer sight also of you. Amen

Welcome & Church News Call to Worship

Hymn 153 – Great is thy faithfulness

Prayer

MP 435 - Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us

Bible Readings

Isaiah 40: 21-31 Mark 1: 29-39

Hymn 484 - Great God, your love has called us here [4 verses] [Tune: "St Petersburg", No. 188]

Sermon

Hymn 183 - Fill now our life, O Lord our God

Offering

Offertory Prayer & Prayers for Others

Hymn 622 - We sing a love that sets all people free [4 verses]

Benediction

Our Mission Statement: To be a place of Christian worship and outreach and a hub for the community enabling people to connect with Jesus and one another.



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<u>Hymn 153</u> Great is thy faithfulness,

O God my Father, there is no shadow of turning with thee; thou changest not, thy

compassions they fail not, as thou hast been thou for ever wilt be.

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath

provided great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto

me.

2. Summer and winter, and seed-time and harvest,

sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,

join with all nature in manifold witness

to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,

thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;

strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten

thousand beside.

<u>MP 435</u>

Lord Jesus Christ, You have come to us,

You are one with us, Mary's Son. Cleansing our souls from all their sin, Pouring Your love and goodness in, Jesus, our love for You we sing, Living Lord.

2. Lord Jesus Christ, now and every day, Teach us how to pray, Son of God. You have commanded us to do

This in remembrance, Lord, of You: Into our lives Your power breaks through, Living Lord.

3. Lord Jesus Christ, You have come to us, Born as one of us, Mary's Son. Led out to die on Calvary, Risen from death to set us free, Living Lord Jesus, help us see You are Lord.

4. Lord Jesus Christ, I would come to You,

Live my life for You, Son of God. All Your commands I know are true,

Your many gifts will make me new, Into my life Your power breaks through, Living Lord!

Hymn 484 [4 verses] Great God, your love has called us here,

as we, by love for love were made. Your living likeness still we bear, though marred, dishonoured, disobeyed.

We come, with all our heart and mind

your call to hear, your love to find.

2. Great God, in Christ you call our name

and then receive us as your own,

not through some merit, right or claim,

but by your gracious love alone. We strain to glimpse your mercyseat

and find you kneeling at our feet.

3. Then take the towel, and break the bread,

and humble us, and call us friends. Suffer and serve till all are fed, and show how grandly love intends to work till all creation sings, to fill all worlds, to crown all things.

4. Great God, in Christ you set us free

your life to live, your joy to share. Give us your Spirit's liberty to turn from guilt and dull despair and offer all that faith can do while love is making all things new.

<u>Hymn 183</u>

Fill now our life, O Lord our God,

in every part with praise, that our whole being may proclaim your being and your ways.

2. Not for the lip of praise alone, nor even the praising heart we ask, but for a life made up of praise in every part:

3. Praise in the common things of life,

its goings out and in; praise in each duty and each deed, though humble and unseen. 4. So, gracious Lord, you shall receive from us the glory due; and so we shall begin on earth the song for ever new.

Hymn 622 [4 verses] We sing a love that sets all people free,

that blows like wind, that burns like scorching flame, enfolds like earth, springs up like water clear: come, living love, live in our hearts today.

2. We sing a love that seeks another's good, that longs to serve and not to count the cost, a love that, yielding, finds itself made new: come, caring love, live in our hearts today.

3. We sing a love, that, wandering, will not rest until it finds its way, its home, its source, through joy and sadness pressing on refreshed: come, pilgrim love, live in our hearts today.

4. We sing a burning, fiery, Holy Ghost that seeks out shades of ancient bitterness, transfiguring these, as Christ in every heart: come joyful love, live in our hearts today. **FURTHER INFORMATION** (Activities in Church Hall unless otherwise stated)

Monday	5 th	Ladies' Exercise 1	9.45am
	-	Ladies' Exercise 2	10.45am
		Men's Exercise	3.30pm
		Yoga	7.15-8.45 pm
Tuesday	30 th	Lunch Club	11.30am -1.30 pm
		Carpet Bowls	2.00-4.00 pm
		Charlie's Keep Fit	6.15-7.10 pm
Wednesday	7 th	Youth Drop In	6.00-8.00 pm
Thursday	8 th	Chatterbox	9.00-11.00 am
		Bridge Club	1.30-4.00 pm
		Earn Singers	7.30-9.30 pm
Friday	9 th	Chair Keep Fit (all ability levels)	10.30-11.15 am
		Cosy Space	11.30-1.30 pm
Saturday	10 th		
Sunday	11 th	Morning Worship	11.00am (Dunbarney)

PRAYER FOCUS FOR THE WEEK: TACKLING DISCRIMINATION AND INEQUALITY

Living God, we lament the expression of hatred and prejudice that is proliferating online, especially on social media, as well as in the physical world. We pray for the Online Safety Bill to be effective in silencing and prosecuting those who attack others in this way. Amen.

Lord, we pray that more people, including the Church, will speak out in solidarity with people who experience racial abuse, discrimination and unfounded suspicion on a regular basis. We pray for institutions and organisations to outlaw such behaviour. For Christ's sake. Amen.

Thank You, Lord, for the rich diversity of people in our nation. Please empower Your Church to hold firmly to biblical values and show unconditional love to others in their efforts to challenge discrimination and inequality on grounds of disability, gender, religion and ethnicity. Amen.

God of mercy, we pray about the four-fold rise in antisemitic incidents in the UK since last October's Hamas attack on Israel. Please grant protection to our Jewish neighbours and help police and others to show solidarity and utterly condemn this hostility. By Your mercy. Amen.

Lord, we pray for Fiona Bruce MP as she seeks to draw international attention and action to address the plight of 350 million Christians – and people of other faiths – who suffer a high level of persecution and discrimination. In Jesus' name. Amen.

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