

DUNBARNEY AND FORGANDENNY PARISH CHURCH SUNDAY WORSHIP – 19TH MAY 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

Spirit of God fill us now as we worship you. Sanctify our listening and our thinking, our giving and doing, so that all we offer and all we are may reach up to you and out to others, in impulsive praise and joyful service. Teach, equip, quide and inspire us this and every day. Amen

Welcome & Church News Hymn 619 - Spirit of the Living God



Hymn 584 - Like fireworks in the night

Prayer

Hymn 597 - Loving Spirit, loving Spirit

[Tune: 'Laus Deo' - No.603]

Bible Reading: Acts 2: 1-13

'Looking back and looking forward'

Hymn 594 - Come, Holy Spirit, come! [4 verses]

Bible Reading: Ezekiel 37: 1-14

Time for Reflection

Hymn 600 - Spirit of God, unseen as the wind

Offering

Offertory Prayer & Prayers for Others

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

Benediction

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Hymn 584

Like fireworks in the night

the Holy Spirit came; disciples' fears took flight when touched by fronds of flame: and suddenly the world was young as hope embraced a Saviour's claim.

- 2. For Jesus bade them dare to venture, as they should; his love taught them to share their homes, possessions, food: the mind of Jesus gave them speech all tribes and peoples understood.
- 3. Thus God our spirits lifts fresh daring to inspire; as common folk get gifts to change the world entire: the tongues of flame at Pentecost ran through the world like forest fire.

Hymn 597

Loving Spirit, loving Spirit,

you have chosen me to be — you have drawn me to your wonder, you have set your sign on me.

- 2. Like a mother you enfold me, hold my life within your own, feed me with your very body, form me of your flesh and bone.
- 3. Like a father you protect me, teach me the discerning eye,

hoist me up upon your shoulder, let me see the world from high.

- 4. Friend and lover, in your closeness I am known and held and blessed: in your promise is my comfort, in your presence I may rest.
- 5. Loving Spirit, loving Spirit, you have chosen me to be you have drawn me to your wonder, you have set your sign on me.

Hymn 594 [4 verses]

Come, Holy Spirit, come! Inflame our souls with love, transforming every heart and home with wisdom from above. Let none of us despise the humble path Christ trod, but choose, to shame the worldly wise, the foolishness of God.

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- 2. Come with the gift to heal the wounds of guilt and fear, and to oppression's face reveal the kingdom drawing near. Where chaos longs to reign, descend, O holy Dove, and free us all to work again the miracles of love.
- 3. Spirit of truth, arise; inspire the prophet's voice: expose to scorn the tyrant's lies,

and bid the poor rejoice.

O Spirit, clear our sight,
all prejudice remove,
and help us to discern the right,
and covet only love.

4. Come, Holy Spirit, dance within our hearts today, our earthbound spirits to entrance, our mortal fears allay. And teach us to desire, all other things above, that self-consuming holy fire, the perfect gift of love.

Hymn 600 Spirit of God, unseen as the wind,

gentle as is the dove, teach us the truth and help us believe, show us the Saviour's love.

- 1. You spoke to us long, long ago, gave us the written word; we read it still, needing its truth, through it God's voice is heard.
- 2. Without your help we fail our Lord, we cannot live his way; we need your power, we need your strength, following Christ each day.

Hymn 448 Lord, the light of your love is

shining in the midst of the darkness,

shining;
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us, set us free by the truth you now bring us.
Shine on me, shine on me.

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory; blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire. Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy; send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light!

- 2. Lord, I come to your awesome presence, from the shadows into your radiance; by your blood I may enter your brightness, search me, try me, consume all my darkness. Shine on me, shine on me.
- 3. As we gaze on your kingly brightness, so our faces display your likeness, ever changing from glory to glory, mirrored here may our lives tell your story.

 Shine on me, shine on me.

FURTHER INFORMATION (Activities in Church Hall unless otherwise stated)

Monday	20 th	Ladies' Exercise 1 Ladies' Exercise 2	9.45am 10.45am
		Men's Exercise	3.00-4.00pm
		Yoga	7.15-8.45pm
Tuesday	21 st	Lunch Club	11.30 -1.30pm
		Banner Group	2.00pm [Laird's Loft]
Wednesday	23 rd	Chair Yoga	9.30am
		Youth Drop In	6.00-8.00pm
Thursday	24 th	Chatterbox	9.00-11.00am
		Anna's Yoga	6.00-7.00pm
Friday	25 th	Chair Keep Fit (all ability levels)	9.30-10.15am
		Coffee & Chat	10.30-11.30am
Saturday	26 th		
Sunday	27 th	Morning Worship	11.00am (Forgandenny)

PRAYER FOCUS FOR THE WEEK: GAMBLING HARMS

Lord Jesus, we celebrate the Holy Spirit's coming in power upon Your Church 2,000 years ago and pray for His strength to go with holy boldness to share the gospel, receive His gifts and graces, and grow the spiritual fruit of love, joy, peace, patience, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control in our lives. To Your glory. Amen.

Father, we intercede for people with an extreme gambling addiction as they face the dreadful prospect of financial ruin, homelessness, relationship breakdown and major health issues. Please help problem gamblers to face up to their situation and find support to recover and rebuild their lives. In Your mercy. Amen.

Father, we pray for the estimated 85,000 11 to 16-year-olds who are being lured into gambling habits by spending time and money on betting activities such as online gaming. Please help them to realise the potential damage to their lives and take steps to stop. For Christ's sake. Amen.

Mighty God, we thank You for every person who has succeeded in breaking free from a serious gambling problem, and the encouragement their story gives to others. Please help them to keep going and not fall back into betting or other addictive habits that will cause harm to them and to those around them. In Jesus' name. Amen.

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