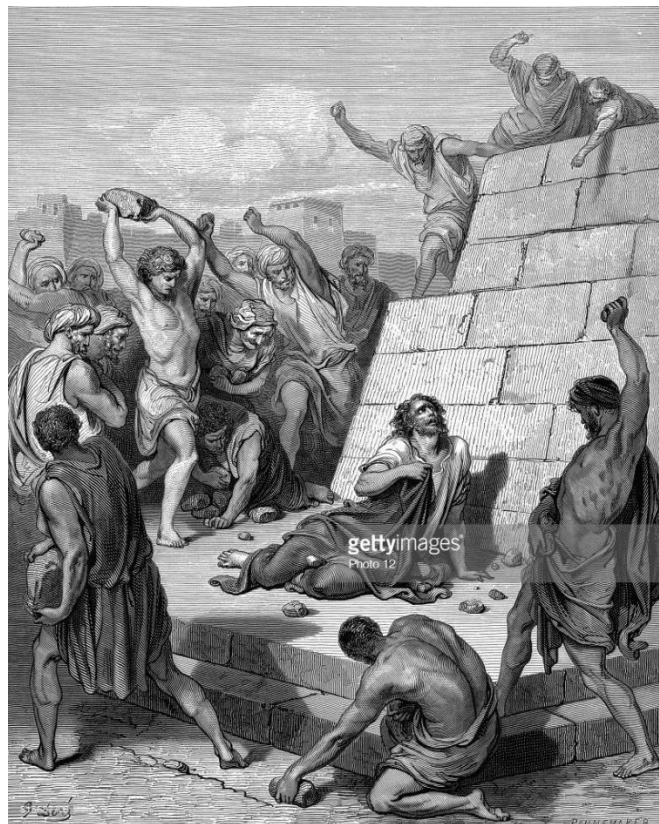


**St Michael's Parish Church
Slateford Road
Edinburgh**

Order of Service

Sunday, 22nd April 2018

11.00am



Locum: Martin Pearce

Guest Organist: Stuart Montgomery

Reader: Derek Wilson

Music before worship:

G. F. Handel: Concerto for Organ (harp) in B flat Major
(Opus 4 no. 6)

Call to worship:

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts
with praise;

All : give thanks to him and praise his name.

Leader: For the Lord is good and his love endures for ever;

All: his faithfulness continues through all generations.

Hymn CH4: 201 Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness

(Tune: Moredun)

Prayers of Confession and Lord's Prayer

Our Father, in heaven hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Welcome and notices

All age talk: Followers of the risen Jesus

Hymn CH4 122: Let all the world in every corner sing

(Tune: Luckington)

Readings:

Psalm 100

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Acts 7: 44-60

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Hymn CH4 124: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;

(Tune: Lobe Den Herren)

Sermon: Stephen the first Christian Martyr

Music for Reflection: A. Woodforde-Finden: Pale hands I love

Offering

Offering Music: E. Grieg: The Butterfly

Prayer of Dedication of offering

Hymn: 198 Let us a build a house where love can dwell

(Tune: Two Oaks)

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Hymn CH4 490: Jesus, lover of my soul

(Tune: Aberystwyth)

Benediction

Recessional: W. Mathias: Toccata Giocosa

Notices

Good morning and **welcome** to everyone who has come to St. Michael's this morning. If you are visiting us today we hope you will enjoy our fellowship as we worship God together. Please sign the Visitor's Book on the table behind the last pew at the back of the church and do join us for tea and coffee in the hall before you leave.

Today's theme: Stephen the first Christian Martyr

If you have, or are aware of, any **pastoral need**, contact Locum Martin Pearce Mob 07913 625 394, email martin.j.pearce@blueyonder.co.uk or Douglas Bannatyne on 0131 444 2935.

Please note any prayer concerns you have in the **Prayer Book** at the back of the church and please pray for them.

Tea and coffee are served after today's service in the hall – all are welcome.

Prayers before Sunday Services are held in the Annex (adjacent to the main hall) from 10.30 to 10.45. Please come.

Pastoral Care Cards (the yellow postcards) are available at the back of the church for you to send / deliver to people who are in need of prayers and love.

Dates for your diary – details to follow

15th May: Summer Punch & Cheese Social 7pm to 8.30pm

20th May: Heart & Soul at Princess Street Gardens

3rd June: Family Service followed by barbecue

What do Christians believe?

Coffee, Cake and Chat: Bible Study into what exactly do Christians believe?

A mixture of the Bible readings from the Alpha Course, Christianity Xplored and Coming Alive and the questions arising.

What are the 5 vows that people make when becoming Christians in the Church of Scotland?

What questions do you have about the Christian faith?

Continuing on Thursdays at 7.30pm to 8.30pm in the Church Annex room (entrance through the side of the Church)

26th April and 3rd, 10th, and 17th May – each week is a stand-alone discussion with bible readings:

All welcome, whether you come to one or all the evenings

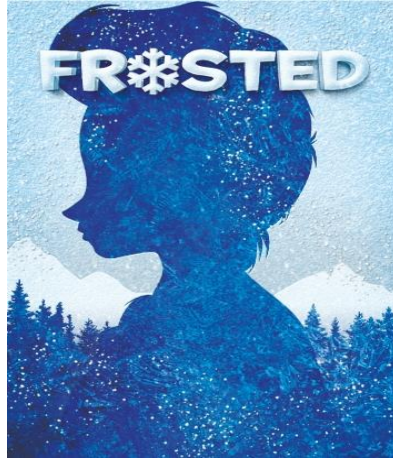
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The Young Ones Present their 2018 Show



The story tells the tale of two Princesses as one struggles to come to terms with the magical powers she has been given. Can they survive the snow storm? Will they ever find true love? Or will their kingdom be taken over by a wicked Prince? Watch the show to find out how strong the bond between sisters can be and that they'll stop at nothing to look after each other.

WHERE? St Michael's Church Hall

WHEN? Friday 4 May 2018 – 7.15pm

Saturday 5 May 2018 – 2.15pm and 7.15pm

Tickets available from Pat McArthur, Heather Fallon or any Young Ones Member

Please note that Staging for the show will be erected on Saturday, 21st April and remain in place until after the show on Saturday, 5th May

