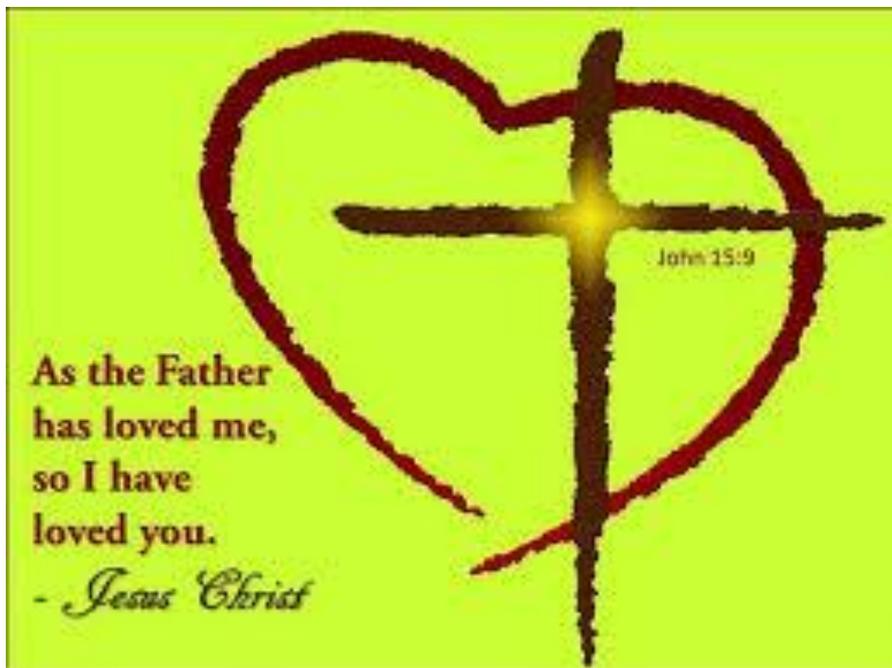


**St Michael's Parish Church  
Slateford Road  
Edinburgh  
Order of Service**

**Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

**11.00am**



**Minister: Rev. Angus Mathieson**

**Organist: Stuart Montgomery**

**Reader: Babs Webster**

### **Music before worship:**

J. Clarke (Purcell): Trumpet Voluntary,

G.F. Handel: Concerto no 2 in B flat Major (Opus 4 no 2 'Royal Pageant'),

A. Rodrigo: Aranjuez de Rodrigo

### **Call to worship:**

Leader: Guiding us in the wilderness of our lives,  
keeping us safe in times of trouble,

**All: God, our Shepherd, we praise you.**

Leader: Leading us through the valley,  
comforting us in times of pain,

**All: God, our Shepherd, we praise you.**

Leader: May the familiar words of the psalmist  
speak to us anew this day

**All: we gather to worship God,  
our Shepherd.**

**Hymn 64** Sing all Creation

### **Welcome and notices**

#### **Opening prayer 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.**

## **Children's Talk**

**Hymn 166** Lord of all hopefulness (tune Slane)

### **Readings:**

Acts 10: 44-48

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John 15: 9-17

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**Hymn 357** This is my will

## **Sermon**

**Music for reflection:** F. Schubert: Spring

## **Offering**

### **Music for the offering**

E. Humperdinck: Evening Prayer (Hansel & Gretel)

### **Prayer of Dedication of offering**

807 Praise God from whom all blessings flow (Seated)

## **Prayer of dedication**

**Hymn 677** Sons and Daughters of the Spirit  
(missing out v.1)

## **Prayers of thanksgiving, intercession**

Including a sung response, Hymn 776, Kyrie eleison – Lord  
Have Mercy

**Hymn 192** All my hope on God is founded

## **Benediction (sung Amen)**

**Recessional:** W. Walton: 'Spitfire' Prelude

## 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 and please join us for refreshments after the service.

We welcome our interim moderator **Reverend Angus Mathieson** to our pulpit this morning.

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

Martin is away for this Sunday but is available to visit during the week as usual.

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. We have a lot of people who are very poorly and need our prayers. Please come and pray for them, silently or aloud.

Due to the Hearts v Hibs game being played at Tynecastle on Wednesday 9th May and the resulting traffic chaos, **the Congregational Board** has been rescheduled to Wednesday 16th at 7.30pm.

Tickets are available for the **Christian Aid Coffee Morning** on 12<sup>th</sup> May from 10.30am -12noon.

Join us for **Second Sunday Soup** after the service next Sunday, **13<sup>th</sup> May**.

## **What do Christians believe?**

Week 4 of our Christian Faith Series of 5 Meetings continues on **Thursday 10th May, 7.30pm to 8.30pm in the Church Annex Room** – each week is a stand-alone discussion with Bible readings and it is never too late to join in.

What are the vows that people make when becoming Christians in the Church of Scotland and how do we keep them?

And if you have missed any of the earlier meetings, our **catch-up evening is Tuesday 8th May 7.30pm to 8.30pm.**

Week 5 is on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May 7.30pm to 8.30pm and our final catch up meeting is 24<sup>th</sup> May.

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

Give thanks to God for the 13 people in our church family who have attended these meetings.

## **St Michael's Summer Fruit Punch and Cheese Social**

and an Any Questions Panel

All welcome, and please bring family and friends

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

**7pm to 8.30pm in the Church Hall**

Enjoy time of fellowship, summer refreshments and  
Asking questions of the mystery panel, who now know  
who they are!

Please take a free ticket/tickets if you think you might  
come for catering purposes from the elders.

**Other dates for your diary** – please come and bring your  
friends:

**20<sup>th</sup> May: Heart and Soul at Princes Street Gardens 1pm – 6pm.** See what goes on across the Church of Scotland as over 100 exhibits as shown as well as a time of worship in the Rose-band from about 5pm. Volunteers needed to man the St Michael's Marquee – names to Douglas please.

**27<sup>th</sup> May: St Michael's and St Martin Joint Evening Service** at **6.30pm** at St Michael's – a time of stillness and reflective worship in the presence of God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit in the beauty of our chancel area.

**3<sup>rd</sup> June: Family Service 11am to 11.40am** followed by barbecue for all in the Church gardens, and a chance to climb the Tower and / or listen to a lunch time concert given by Stuart Montgomery.

Please pray that some of the many hall users come and share this celebration of all that is good in the local community.

