

**St Michael's Parish Church
St Michael's Parish Church
Slateford Road
Edinburgh
Order of Service
Sunday 16th September 2018
11am**



**Locum: Martin Pearce
Organist: Stuart Montgomery
Reader: Douglas Bannatyne**

Music before worship:

G.F. Handel: Concerto no 9 in B flat Major (opus 7 no 3)
'Hampton Court'

J.S. Bach: Adagio, from Toccata and Fugue in C Major

Call to worship: (Psalm 25: verses 8-11)

Leader: Good and upright is the Lord;

All: therefore he instructs sinners in his ways.

Leader: He guides the humble in what is right and teaches them his way.

All: All the ways of the Lord are loving and faithful toward those who keep the demands of his covenant.

Leader: For the sake of your name, Lord,

All: forgive my iniquity, though it is great.

Hymn 286: Tell out my soul, the greatness of the Lord
(Tune: Woodlands)

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.

Welcome and notices

All age talk: Education

Hymn 550: As the deer pants for the water
(Tune: As the deer pants)

Readings:

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 2:11-15
(Moses kills the Egyptian)

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New Testament Reading: John 8: 1-11
(Sin and forgiveness)

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Hymn 549 How deep the Father's love for us
(Tune 566 'The seven joys of Mary)

Sermon: The Lord's Prayer: Sin and Forgiveness

Music for reflection: F. Chopin: Prelude in E minor

Offering

Music for the offering: F. Chopin: Waltz in C sharp minor

As the offering is brought forward, we remain seated and sing **Hymn 807** Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Prayer of Dedication of offering

Hymn 562: Through the love of God our Saviour
(Tune: Ar Hyd Y Nos)

Prayers of thanksgiving, intercession

Hymn 547: What a friend we have in Jesus
(Tune: Converse)

Benediction (sung Amen)

Recessional: H. Mulet: Carillon Sortie

Notices

Good morning and welcome to everyone 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 join us for refreshments after the service in the hall.

If you have an urgent **pastoral matter** please contact Martin Pearce on 07913 625 394 or Douglas Bannatyne on 0131 444 2935.

Please note any prayer concerns you have in the **Prayer Book** at the back of the church. If possible, leave a sensitive note about the person's specific prayer needs. **Prayers for the church family are every Sunday, prior to the service, from 10.30 to 10.45am in the Annex Room.**

Give thanks to God for the work of the nominating committee. A "sole nominee" will preach on Sunday 7th October and God willing the new minister will be inducted shortly afterwards.

In consequence our locum minister Martin will stand down as locum after 30th September services (11am and 6.30pm).

Friendship Club resumes on **Monday, 17th September** at 2pm when Martin Pearce will be the guest speaker.

The Congregational Board will meet on Wednesday, 19th September **at 7.30pm**

The autumn issue of the Tower Magazine is available at the back of the Church. Please take one if you do not have one delivered to you or take one for a neighbour.

St Michaels Harvest Thanksgiving service will take place on Sunday 30th September and once again we will

support the charity Fresh Start and the starter packs they provide for homeless people who are moving into a new tenancy. **Fresh Start Collect:**

<p><u>Dishes and Cutlery</u> Dinner plates Side plates Bowls Cutlery Glass tumblers Mugs Tea-towels</p>	<p><u>Pots and Pans</u> Soup pots Frying pans Milk pans Cooking utensils Tupperware Can openers Potato peelers Wooden spoons</p>	<p><u>Electrical Items</u> Small household electrical items – Kettles, Toasters, Lamps, Vacuum cleaners, Irons, Radios, DVD players. Microwaves, Music systems.</p>
<p><u>Cleaning Items</u> Washing up basins Washing up liquid Toilet cleaner Toothbrushes Toothpaste Hand soap Toilet rolls Bin bags All-purpose cleaner Laundry tablets j-cloths</p>	<p><u>Bed linen and towels</u> Single, double and king sheets, duvets and duvet covers Pillows Pillowcases Blankets Towels Curtains Face cloths</p>	<p><u>Long lasting food products –</u> Tins and jars of beans, spaghetti, soup, vegetables, meat, fish and cooking sauces. Packets of pasta, rice, cereal, porridge and biscuits. Tea bags Instant coffee UHT milk</p>

Work to replace the wooden floor in the lower hall begins on Monday 24th September and will hopefully last for 1 week. During this time the hall, kitchen and toilet area will

be out of bounds.

**The Christian Faith:
Do you wish to become a member of the
Church of Scotland?**

Bible Study into what exactly do Christians believe?
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?

Discussions on Thursdays at 7.30pm to 8.30pm in the
Church Annex (entrance through Church Office door)

20th & 27th September – each week is a stand-alone
discussion. **All are welcome to come to one or both of
these discussions.**

The Christian faith helps you through the storms of life and
gives you love, joy, peace and hope. Being a member of
the Church of Scotland helps you to develop a robust
faith.

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The Look at Life discussions led by members of our church
family and guest presenters is a chance to consider the
Christian perspective on some of the everyday challenges
that many of us or our loved ones face at some time. The

details are below.

**Look at Life meetings at St Michael's for September 18:
Meetings in the Hall – All are warmly welcome**

**Saturday 22nd September 6pm to 7pm – Look at Life 2:
Handling relationships:** the impact of alcohol, smoking, drugs, debt, jobs, and health on relationships – Refreshments from 5.30pm.

**Saturday 29th September 6pm to 7pm – Look at Life 3:
Jesus the Evidence -**
Afternoon tea from 5.30pm

Family Fun Day! Sunday 7th October 2.30pm-2.30pm at St Martin's Community Resource Centre Hall Children and families are welcome to join the members of St Martin's for a free sandwich lunch followed by: Arts and crafts, Inflatable And Games, In the hall. Contact revgooljary@aol.com for more information or visit: www.facebook.com/RevGooljaryStMartinofTours

Showcase Musical Productions stage their 2018 show in Church Hill Theatre, Morningside Road from 25th – 29th September at 7.30pm with a Saturday matinee 2.30pm. Tickets priced £15 from www.show-case.co.uk or ring 07909721966

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