

# **St Michael's Parish Church**

## **Order of Service**

**Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> July 2019**

**10.30am**



**Worship led by Rev. Andrea Price**

**Organist: Stuart Montgomery**

**Reader: Allan Gordon**

**Music before Worship:** G.F. Handel: Concerto no 1 in G minor  
(Opus 4 no. 1 'King George')

**Call to Worship: (praying with Psalm 52:8-9 NRSV)**

Minister: People of God come

**All: For we are like green olive trees in God's presence**

Minister: People of God come, pray and listen for God's word

**All: For we trust in the steadfast love of God always**

Minister: People of God come, sing and rejoice

**All: For we will thank God forever because of what he has done.**

Minister: People of God, proclaim God's name, for it is good.

**Hymn 120 God, we praise you. God, we bless you**

Tune Ode to Joy

**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**

**Intimations**

**Theme Introduction**

**Hymn 523 Hands to work and feet to run**      tune Carey's Fancy

**Readings, using the New Revised Standard Version (NRSV):**

**Amos 8: 1-12** page 871

**Colossians 1: 15-28** page 197 (of the New Testament section)

**Music for Reflection:** Be my Love (Mario Lanza)

**Luke 10: 38-42** page 69 (of the New Testament section)

**Hymn 600 Spirit of God unseen as the wind**

tune Skye Boat Song

**Sermon**

**Offering**

**Music for the offering:** J. Pearson: Sleepy Shores

**As the offering is brought forward, remaining seated, we sing:**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise him, all creatures here below;*

*Praise him above, ye heavenly host*

*Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.*

**Prayer of Dedication**

**Hymn 253 Inspired by love and anger** tune Salley Gardens

**CrossReach Prayer Requests: Morlich House, Edinburgh** Morlich House is

a care home for 23 older ladies, in Morningside, Edinburgh.

\*Thanks for the joy of sharing activities and fun days with the residents, bringing smiles and laughter to everyone.

\*Comfort for residents who are experiencing a decline in their health.

\*Thanks for the beautiful flowers and trees in the garden and the pleasure they bring to residents, visitors and staff.

\*For refreshment and replenishing rest for the staff during the summer holidays.

\*For the creativity of the staff team and for continued inspiration to take new ideas forward to do the very best for all the residents.

\*Thanks for the connection with families and friends of the residents, and for the blessings in caring for their loved ones.

\*For God's continued guidance in the running and development of the service provided.

### **Christian Aid Prayer Request**

**'...there is need of only one thing'** Read: Luke 10:38-42

*'Yet there is that all-important stillness, and listening to God, which seems to be inertia, and yet is the highest action.'* Thomas Merton

Many things are important, urgent and demanding of our time. In the reading for this week, we're reminded by Jesus to take time to sit at his feet and listen to what he has to say. In all our prayers over these past weeks and months, we have said many things to God. Take time this week to sit in silence before God, to listen. Allow the stories or situations in the world that have been in the news recently, to come to mind and for God to bring a divine perspective on these matters.

Be still and know that I am God

Be still and know that I am

Be still and know

Be still

Be.

### **Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession**

**Hymn 465 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart**      tune Slane

**Blessing**

**Recessional:** J. Williams: Raiders March

## **Notices**

Good morning and **welcome** to everyone who has come to

St. Michael's this morning. We hope you will enjoy our fellowship as we worship God together today. This morning **our Minister, Andrea Price**, leads our worship.

If you have an urgent pastoral matter, contact the Minister on 0131 443 4355, e-mail: [APrice@churchofscotland.org.uk](mailto:APrice@churchofscotland.org.uk)

Please note any prayer concerns you have in the **Prayer Book** at the back of the church.

**Bible Breakfast & Prayer** meets on Tuesdays, from 9am - 10am, in the Annex Room. We are reading the First book of Samuel together. Everyone is most welcome.

If you would like to attend a Bible study, but at a different time, please speak to Andrea or Douglas.

**Volunteers are needed** to give those who regularly serve the teas after the service a break over July and August. If you would like to help one Sunday, please add your name, against the date you can help, to the sheet at the back of the church.

All those interested in forming a **Book Club** are invited to the Manse, 13 Dovecot Park, EH14 2LN, this Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30pm. Tel: 0131 443 4355 or e-mail:

[APrice@churchofscotland.org.uk](mailto:APrice@churchofscotland.org.uk) for more information.

The next edition of **the Tower**, covering August, September and October, will be ready for distribution next Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> July.

**During August services begin at 10.30am.  
Photographic Competition Exhibition.**

On **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> August** we will open the exhibition at 2pm and give prizes to the winners. There will then be time to look at the pictures and enjoy a cup of tea.

**Stuart Montgomery**, our organist, will give us a **concert on the organ and piano from 4pm – 5pm** to round off an artistic afternoon together. No tickets needed but donations most welcome.

Until the 18<sup>th</sup> August, the church will be open every day between 11am and 4pm to allow people to see the exhibition, or have a quiet moment in a busy summer.

On **Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> August** there will be a **coffee morning** in the hall from 10.30am till 12noon.

On **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August at 4pm** we will close our exhibition with a **concert by “Twelfth Day”**. Esther Swift, on pedal harp, and Catriona Price, on fiddle, call themselves *“not so much a duo, but a two person quartet.”* They are happy to be hard to define. Classically trained they mix folk, jazz and classical influences in their own compositions and arrangements inspired by their Scottish upbringing and the issues of today.

No tickets are needed for the concerts but donations most welcome.

**Volunteers** are needed to “staff” the Photography Exhibition being held in the church from 10<sup>th</sup> till 18<sup>th</sup> August. There are two shifts; 11am – 1.30pm and 1.30pm – 4pm. If you are able to help, please add your name to the sign-up sheet at the back of the church. Thank you.

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