weekly bulletin

All-Age Communion

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Friday 14th August



We're trying something special on Sunday 23rd August.

It would normally be the Sunday we share all-age communion as Sunday School starts up and we get ready for a new season. All these things are still happening: Zoomday School has a big celebration on Sunday this weekend, where we will all be together; we're heading towards opening the church for worship in the next few weeks but, on Sunday 23rd, we are beginning the season in a new way, as we come together in bread and wine in our foundational story.

We are offering a communion, or agape service – across all our platforms (sounds cool – doesn't it!). Not just an all-age communion but an all-platform communion. We'll have a communion service on YouTube, the Podcast, and the landline too so everyone can take part whenever and wherever they are.

In addition we are offering a live Zoom service too at 10.30 next on Sunday 23rd. Everyone who wishes to, can log on from the website or can dial in and listen by phone (the normal phone service will still happen as usual), and we'll create a place where we can meet face to face, live, and share bread and wine. Bring bread and some juice or FAIRTRADE (!) wine - anything is fine that carries the symbol for you.

This bulletin will explain how we are doing that, and how everyone can be included.

Communion Bread

We offer on the next page an easy recipe for bread that we invite you to make, if you wish. It is straightforward and suitable for all ages to make together.



The idea is to find some way to create oneness and, while we can't share from the one loaf, perhaps we can get as close to that as possible in each making the same loaf and sharing it. It will be a very special moment of unity with some technological help and imagination.

Clearly, this is not compulsory! Any bread will do – quite literally. However, we can offer you a slice from the bread and deliver to you, if you would like. Please email the church or phone Roddy and we can arrange that.

No Knead Focaccia

500g strong flour 1 teasp instant yeast ½ teasp salt

Put in a large bowl, salt at opposite side to the yeast. Pour on 360ml lukewarm water and 50ml olive oil (Fairtrade is good!). Use a spatula to bring it all together. It will be too wet to knead.

Tip it into another bowl, coated in oil and large enough for the dough to rise.

Cover with a lid, clingfilm if you must! Put in fridge 12 hours.

Leave out of fridge for 6 hours. Then heat oven to 200, fan 180, gas 6.

Oil and line a rectangular baking tin. Gently roll the dough on to it and ease gently into the corners. Make little indentations in the dough and pour on more olive oil, up to 50ml. Sprinkle salt crystals over it and sprigs of fresh rosemary, if you like.

Bake 40 minutes. Cool on a rack, or tear and share straight away but only if you have timed this to bake for communion!

If you do make bread, it would be fabulous to send in a photo of it, and we can post it during the service and online (anonymously). It doesn't matter what it looks like because we are all different shapes and sizes, but we are all one body. So, please, if you can, let's celebrate that diversity.



Sharing the bread is exactly that: sharing. But it is more than bread and, when we remove the elements from the table in a traditional service that is not just about clearing up but an important symbol of taking the bread, broken and given, into the world for others beyond the table and membership of the church.

We don't have the drama of that symbol, but perhaps we might make two loaves and simply offer one to our neighbours next door. What a gift! A simple act of generosity and love. Communion.

Zoom A Trial Run

We are very aware that not everyone feels comfortable on Zoom, and a number do not feel confident with technology. We don't want anyone to feel excluded so a version of the communion service will also be on all our normal channels of YouTube, Podcast and phone line.

However, if you would like to give Zoom a try, we offer trial runs for you to take the time you need on Wednesday 19th from 7pm till 8.30 and Friday 21st during Coffee Pot at 10.30-midday. The instructions are below, but if you have any difficulty, please phone 0141 942 0035 and we can talk you through it. We will have a wee team, who have learned the hard way how to get online and we will do everything we can to make sure you feel comfortable.

For a trial run, click this link on Wednesday 19th between 7pm and 8.30pm or Friday 21st between 10.30 and noon. You should be able to simply click the link with your mouse and it will put you in touch with the tea.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/406548838

When asked for the Meeting ID number, type in: 406 548 838

We will be there to help you click all the right buttons. Phone 0141 942 0035 or 07449410119 to get some help.

Logging On To Communion

To join the Communion Service, please click this link between 10.15am and 10.30am on Sunday 23 August 2020.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88173227559

If you are asked for the meeting ID number, it is 881 7322 7559. There is no password required

To attend, you will require:

- An internet connection
- A PC or laptop or tablet or phone
 - With either an internal or external camera
 - And with either an internal or external microphone
- Depending on what equipment you use, you will only be able to see a few people on the screen at any one time.
 Swiping screens (tablet) or clicking the arrow button will take you to the next page where you will see others.

To log on:

- Click the highlighted link in the box above, click 'open Zoom Meetings' and then follow any onscreen instructions.
- Please rename yourself so we know who you are!

If you have problems logging on, please call the telephone **0141 942 0035 or 07449 410119** and we will do all we can to help you log on.

Phone into Communion

If Zoom is a step too far, you can phone into the service live by dialling 0131 460 1196 and, when asked for the meeting number, key in 881 7322 7559 followed by a #. If asked for a password, just press the # key again. You'll hear everything and be able to speak.







Opening

We are continuing to work towards opening the church, and you will receive a special Bulletin with all that information very soon. You will also receive a call from your elder, where possible, to inform you of dates and arrangements.

We will create a service that will have as many of our traditional elements as we can, but there will also be a few differences, with more music rather than singing.

It may also feel a bit strange, with many fewer people in the building (a maximum of 50) and everyone wearing masks, which is now compulsory, but we will shape a space and create an atmosphere that invites us to pause and reflect and engage with the stories of our faith and the God who tells them.

More on everything you need to know about opening next time but, just to reiterate, the YouTube service and the Podcast will continue for the foreseeable future, which will be the means through which most of us will continue to worship.

Prayer

Rt Rev Dr Martin Fair is inviting everyone to join him for a week of prayer from Monday 17 August to Saturday 22. The Moderator said the week of prayer will be a chance to "sense where God is leading us."

Each day of the week of prayer will feature a short, five-minute, morning reflection and an online evening event. The morning prayers will be available on the <u>Church of Scotland website</u> and <u>Facebook page</u>. You will also receive a challenge that you can choose to complete that day, such as praying from the highest place in your local area.

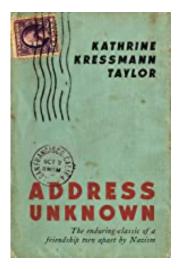
Each evening you are also invited to take part in a 30-minute videoconferencing event, which will include contributions from ministers, youth workers and ecumenical partners including Archbishop Leo Cushley of the Catholic Church and Bishop Mark Strange of the Scottish Episcopal Church.

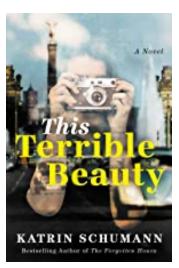
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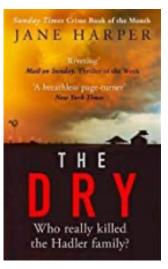
People who cannot connect to Zoom will be able to phone in: Dial 0131 460 1196, Type the Meeting ID followed by #, Press # for Participant ID Type Passcode when promoted (2020) followed by #

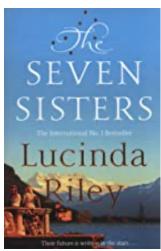
Book Night

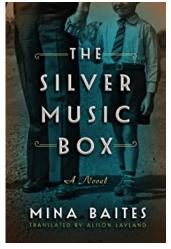
We had a wee night last night hearing about some good reads from a few from the congregation. We've listed them here to help you find a book you can settle down with as the nights draw in (well, we're not quite at that stage yet, but good reads anyway).

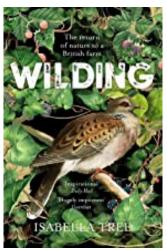


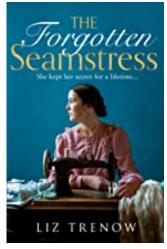














Podcast & Video services: from the <u>church website home</u> page worship banner, from midnight Saturday.

Phone Service: dial 0141 465 5774 (after a bit of a pause).

Zoomday School: 10.30am: everyone in one big celebration.

SingSong! at 2pm on Tuesday 18th, joining in with all who enjoy a good sing. Especially designed for those who have some degree of memory loss or dementia. From our <u>Zoom page</u>. **Quiz Night** at 7pm on Tuesday 18th from our Zoom page.

Zoom Trial Run: Wednesday 19th, 7-8.30pm. Log in from our **Zoom page** or here

Sofa Surfers at 7pm on Thursday 20th. This week, Meg Barrowman takes us to Western Australia circumventing quarantine. Via our Zoom page.

Weekly Bulletin to be read over breakfast on Friday 21st Coffee Pot at 10.30am on Friday 21st, where we catch up with each other and continually say hello to new folk popping in. THE social place, beginning in the virtual lounge on our Zoom page. Zoom Trial Run: Friday 21st 10.30-noon. Log in to the Coffee Pot from our Zoom page.

Plus, the website for daily prayers, new psalms, appeals, photos and poems, news, and everything else.

