



**HEALING
SERVICE
NEW KILPATRICK
PARISH CHURCH
21ST FEBRUARY**

INTRODUCTION

CENTRING (speak inwardly)

(Breath in)
**LORD JESUS CHRIST
SON OF GOD**

(Breath out)
**FORGIVE US
AND RENEW US (*repeat three times*)**

GATHERING

We gather in your presence, O God
there in our beginning and our ending
and present with us now

AND IN OUR NEED WE BRING ALL WE ARE TO YOU

We gather in your word, O Jesus
that speaks renewal into all that is broken
and love in all that needs redemption

AND IN THIS PLACE WE BRING THE NEEDS OF OTHERS

We gather in your re-imagining, O Spirit
that brings cosmos beauty from chaotic chaos
breathing new wholeness into all things

AND IN THIS MOMENT WE ARE WELCOMED WITH THE PROMISE OF PEACE

HAND TURNING

PRAYER BASKET

Throughout the service tonight you are invited to place a stone that represents a person, a concern or an issue you wish to particularly pray for into the basket in the middle. This can be done at any time. You can place there as many stones as you need, each one, uniquely represents what or who you need to pray for. Choose each stone for the shape, or feel or colour.

This becomes our prayer basket and following the benediction you are invited to take a stone knowing it is someone else's prayer, and take it with you. Leave it in a pocket, or on a mantelpiece or beside your bed, some place you will come across it regularly and pause to become aware of someone else's needs, though you don't know what they are, the remembering of another is heard in heaven.

The Basket will be left on the chapel communion table from now on, and you can place a stone there and/or pick up another whenever you like.

SCRIPTURE READING: Micah 6:6-8

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

During the prayer areas of healing will be mentioned. You are invited to hold the needs of others you know tonight, silently, lovingly, faithfully:

For those under siege in Syria and those who fight...

For the homeless travelling across Europe and all those whose with no where to belong...

For those whose lives have changed because of climate change...

For those ill and with pain or depressed and anxious...

Those who grieve and hurt through loss...

For our world, broken and hurting in so many places...

MUSIC

INVITATION

May the Spirit of love

HOLD AND HEAL US NOW

TRANSFORM AND FORGIVE ALL THAT HARMS

AND FILL THE HEARTS OF THOSE WHOSE NEEDS WE BRING

WITH THE LOVE OF GOD AND THE PEACE OF CHRIST

AMEN

There are a few things to do:

- 1. those who wish to receive the prayer of the laying on of hands are asked to come and take a place at one of the kneelers or sit on the seat.*
- 2. write the name for each person you remember on the card and place it in the pages of the Bible: a symbol of being held and loved*

3. *light a candle in the traditional way as a sign of remembering*
4. *simply remain where you are, repeating the prayer with us all and silently reflecting and praying for others.*

ANOINTING

We invite you to receive anointing with oil, if you feel comfortable with this. If you do then cup your hands in front of you and when the oil come round present the back of your hand or your forehead for anointing.

If you would rather not receive anointing simple sit with your head bowed and hands clasped and the oil will move past you.

THE PEACE

MUSIC

BLESSING

A Celtic Blessing

Said together:

**LET US GO FORTH
IN THE GOODNESS OF GOD
IN THE GENTLENESS OF JESUS
IN THE RADIANCE OF THE SPIRIT
IN THE FAITH OF THE APOSTLES
IN THE PRAISE OF THE ANGELS
IN THE HOLINESS OF THE SAINTS
IN THE COURAGE OF THE FAITHFUL
AMEN**

SPACE TO WAIT AND LINGER

Music will play for a short time and then there will be silence in which you are welcome to remain and leave in your own time.