Newport-on-Tay Church of Scotland



Order of Service 14th May 2023 5th Sunday after Easter



Introit Welcome & Call to Worship - Psalm 107 v 1 - 9

Hymn 132 : Immortal, invisible, God only wise

Prayer & The Lord's Prayer [Trespasses]

Hymn 153 : Great is thy faithfulness

Children's Address

Praise : Bless the Lord, O my soul (10,000 Reasons)

— Young People leave —

Anthem

Reading : 1 Kings 3 v 5 - 15 John 16 v 23b - 28 Read by Kirsteen Cruickshanks

Praise : O praise ye the Lord!

Sermon

Praise : In Christ alone my hope is found

Prayer of Dedication and Intercession

The Apostles' Creed

Hymn 182 : Now thank we all our God

Benediction Threefold Amen

Intimations

1) Worship Leader

Our service this morning is led by our minister, Rev Dr Amos Chewachong. In a change to the service arrangements printed in the Journal, our service next week will be led by Rev Dr Amos Chewachong.

2) Church Repairs

Whilst we work to organise contractors and a timetable for the repairs to be carried out to the ceiling in the church, we will continue to worship in the hall until further notice.

3) Church Journal

The May edition of the Church Journal is now available. If you do not normally receive a copy and would like to, please speak to the Welcome Team. Alternatively you can view it online at <u>www.notchurch.co.uk</u> Material for the Summer edition (covering June, July and August) should be in the hands of Claire Owen by next Sunday, 21st May.

4) Christian Aid Week

Christian Aid Week runs this coming week (14th -20th May) and the distinctive red gift envelope will be on seats at church during that week. Please consider making a donation, no matter how small, to help others across the world. If you pay tax then you can increase your gift by 25%, at no cost to yourself, by completing the Gift Aid section on the flap of the envelope. Either put your envelope in the offering plate or give it to me directly. Thank you. Margaret Imlay

5) Reset Evening Service

Our Evening Service takes place on Sundays at 6pm. All are welcome to join us for worship with modern Christian music, a time for prayer and reset for the week ahead. There will be tea and coffee available and the speaker this week will be Bill Imlay

6) Wednesday Afternoon Club

The Wednesday Afternoon Club is running from 1.30pm to 3pm each Wednesday in the Agnes Duncan Room. There will be refreshments (tea/coffee and biscuits/ baking), company (with plenty of opportunity to chat), and perhaps some activity (e.g. table top games, if that is what people want). There will be no charge, however if anyone wishes to make a donation then there will be a collection plate. We estimate that 2/3 people would need to be on duty each week. We have got enough volunteers to start but more are always welcome to lighten the load and fill any gaps. If you can help with this, please do get in touch with Margaret Wright: Tel (01382) 543007.

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7) Kirk Session

The next meeting of the Kirk Session will take place this Wednesday, 17th May, at 7:30pm. This will be a hybrid meeting held jointly in the Agnes Duncan Room and on Zoom.

8) Safeguarding Training Update

Following from the General Assembly 2022, refresher training is now a mandatory requirement, with completion of the relevant course required every 5 years, with the recommended best practice being every 3 years. The courses below are open for recruitment, so if you are interested in attending, please book asap via our Safeguarding Co-ordinator, Lesley Gray (lesley.gray@talk21.com or 07779 506 994).

Monday 15th May (this may not go ahead dependent on numbers)

	Introductory	7.00 - 9.00pm	Online	Alan Monk
Tuesday 16th May	Trustee	7.00 - 9.00pm	Online	Sheila Boyd
Wednesday 17th May	Advanced	6.45-9.15pm	Online	Andy Strachan
Thursday 25th May	Trustee	7.00 - 9.00pm	Online	Sheila Boyd
Tuesday 13th June	Introductory	7.00 - 9.00pm	Online	Alan Monk
Monday 19th June	Trustee	6.30 - 9.00pm	Online	Andy Strachan

9) Ukraine Vigil

The Vigil continues on Thursdays at 7pm for about 15 minutes, on the Church Green, Blyth Street, Newport-on-Tay.

10) Prayer Room

Our Church Prayer Room (opposite the entrance to the kitchen) is a lovely quiet space available for reflection and prayer. It is available whenever the Church is open and you are encouraged to make use of it. Why not drop in before the church service for a quiet moment? The door may be closed to keep out the noise of kitchen traffic but just come in. Some may wish to pray out loud but there is no pressure to do so.

11) Community Chest

This continues to be well supported and many thanks to all who have contributed. The appeal will continue for the time being so please support this when you can. Information is available in the May Journal.

12) Plant Sale and Open Church

Leuchars St Athernase Regeneration Fundraising Group are organising a Plant Sale and Open Church at Leuchars St Athernase Church on Saturday 20th May from 1 - 4pm. Everyone is welcome to buy some plants for your garden, enjoy some refreshments and learn about the history of the beautiful 12th century church.

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Daily Readings Week Beginning Monday 15th May 2023

Monday 15th May : Ephesians 6 : 10 - 17 Tuesday 16th May : Ephesians 6: 18 - 24 Wednesday 17th May : 1 Thessalonians 1 : 1 - 10 Thursday 18th May : 1 Thessalonians 2 : 1 - 16 Friday 19th May : Matthew 26 : 16 - 20 Saturday 20th May : Matthew 5 : 43 - 48

Quote of the week

Prayer is the very way God Himself has chosen for us to express our conscious need of Him and our humble dependence on Him. It is impossible to pray for someone without loving him, and impossible to go on praying for him without discovering that our love for him grows and matures.

John Stott