

Newport-on-Tay Church of Scotland



**Order of Service
29th October 2023**



Service of Holy Communion

Introit

Welcome & Call to Worship - Psalm 108 v 1 - 6 & 12 - 13

Hymn 111 : Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty!

Prayer & The Lord's Prayer [Trespases]

Hymn 392 : When I survey the wondrous cross

Readings : Micah 7 v 1 - 7

Matthew 10 v 34 - 39

Read by Claire Owen

Hymn 694 : Brother, sister, let me serve you

Sermon

Hymn 19 : Ye gates, lift up your heads on high

Communion

The Apostles' Creed

Hymn 419 : Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son

Benediction

Threefold Amen

Intimations

1) Worship Leader

Our service of Holy Communion this morning is led by our minister, Rev Dr Amos Chewachong.

2) 150th Anniversary Concert

This concert will be held next Saturday, 4th November, at 7.30pm in the Church, and features The Scottish Police & Community Choir, Hannah Chan and William & Claire Johnston. Tickets are now on sale (£10 each) from manna or from Mairi Shiels, Margaret Wright, Jane Campbell, or Philip Owen.

3) Next Weekend

Please see insert for details of other events happening for our 150th celebrations including a Songs of Praise service next Sunday morning.

4) Daily Reflections

Our minister is recording a daily reflection which is being uploaded to the church website. You can listen to the reflections here

<http://www.notchurch.co.uk/index.php/reflections/>

5) Harvest Appeal

As part of our Harvest Thanksgiving Celebrations, we usually hold a financial appeal in the subsequent weeks. The beneficiaries are various charities, whether local, national or international (and usually a combination of these).

However, due to the current economic difficulties facing all of us, and in light of other good causes being promoted by our church at present, the Kirk Session has decided not to hold a specific financial appeal this year, but to encourage people to support the two projects currently being publicised - the Blythwood Trust Shoebox Appeal and the Christian Aid Libya Appeal. More information is below and also in the October Journal.

Both the Blythwood Trust Shoebox Appeal and the Christian Aid Libya Appeal will close next Sunday, 5th November.

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6) Blythswood Trust Shoebox Appeal

We will be having a collection of shoeboxes, or individual items, to donate to the shoebox appeal. There is a list in church of suggested items and there is more information available in the October Journal.

For further information please go to <https://blythswood.org/shoeboxappeal/> or contact Linda and Francis Robertson on (01382) 330687.

7) Christian Aid Appeal—Libya

This most recent appeal is to provide immediate emergency supplies of medical aid, emergency shelters, sanitation and hygiene kits, food, etc to those in Libya following the giving way of the two dams recently.

If you are "tech" savvy please go onto Christian Aid's Libya Appeal site <https://www.christianaid.org.uk/> and donate, with the opportunity to add Gift Aid.

This means your help will be received immediately.

If, like me, your tech skills are limited, but you wish to donate then please contact me and I can send donations electronically. However this will take longer and there is no opportunity to add Gift Aid. Please consider helping. Thank you.

Margaret Imlay

8) 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. If you would like to help, please get in touch with Margaret Wright: Tel (01382) 543007.

9) Ukraine Vigil

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

10) 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 October Journal.

150 Years

Our weekend celebrating the 150th anniversary of our church building is next weekend! I hope you all have the weekend of the 4th - 5th November marked on your Old Newport calendars. So this is just a reminder, and some requests as well!

First of all a request for food. We are having a simple lunch in the hall after our Songs of Praise service on the Sunday morning. We will serve soup and bread, and ideally some sweet treats afterwards with tea and coffee. Would you be able to help us by providing some of those sweet treats? A traybake, or a sweet loaf, or anything else that is reasonably easily divided/served would be ideal. Please let me or Margaret Imlay know if you can do that for us.

In addition to that, it would be helpful if we knew in advance approximate numbers planning to attend our lunch. There will be sign-up sheets in the church and hall over the next couple of weeks, so again, help us please by making a point of adding your names if you know you will be there. Of course it's absolutely fine to just turn up on Sunday 5th, but the sheets will give us a rough idea.

Finally a request for memorabilia. There will be a historical display on show over the weekend, first of all in the hall on the Saturday morning when there will be a tea/coffee morning and a sale of the Newport History Group's new books, calendars and Christmas cards. The display will then be moved into the transept of the church so that visitors to the concert on Saturday evening and to the church service on the Sunday morning may also see it. Do you have anything at all relating to the history of our church(es) that could be part of that display? Again, please contact me if you think you have – I'll be delighted to hear from you!

Many thanks for ploughing through this, and let's have a grand weekend!

Mairi Shiels 07879 677120

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Daily Readings

Week Beginning

Monday 30th October 2023

Monday 30th October : Matthew 5 : 38 - 48

Tuesday 31st October : John 15 : 9 - 17

Wednesday 1st November : Matthew 5 : 1 - 12

Thursday 2nd November : 1 Corinthians 12 : 12 - 20

Friday 3rd November : 1 Corinthians 12 : 21 - 26

Saturday 4th November : 2 Timothy 2 : 1 - 5

Quote of the week

The grace of God given...
confirms to us the pardon of our sins by enabling us to leave them.
As our bodies are strengthened by bread and wine,
so are our souls by these tokens of the body and blood of Christ.

John Wesley