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Welcome to St Thomas'





Welcome to our Communion service at 10.30am.

"Paying attention to the real Jesus" David McCarthy is preaching.



Lighthouse groups meet as follows: Our **Crèche** (0-3yrs) room is available throughout the service (downstairs).

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Sparklers (3 - P2) meet downstairs in the Crypt. **Spotlight** (P3-P6) meets in the lower Lennon Rooms and **Fusion** (P7-S3) meet in the Youth Room in Lennon Rooms

Prayer Ministry: A Prayer Team is available every Sunday at the close of services at the seats by the font. Please come forward for prayer for concerns, support, healing, and giving thanks.

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Finance figures for the three months to December 2018 are available from the table at the back of church. If you have any queries or comments, please speak to Agnes Murray.

Programme Cards for January to April 2019 are available on the table at the back of church.

Reading and Prayers 2019: <u>Please</u> think about helping at our Sunday services by doing the reading or intercessory prayers. Sheets are on the table at back of church. Dates needed are 10th February and from 17tth March onwards. This is an important part of our Sunday morning service so please consider this and pray about it and give it a try. If you haven't done the intercessory prayer before please speak to David or Jane from the office as guidelines are available to help.

The Mother and Toddlers Group meets on Tuesday morning 10am - 11.30 am in the Gyle Hall.

Coffee Plus meets this Thursday at 10.00am in the Main Hall.

The Acorn, an Inter - church Christian Fellowship meets at St Anne's Church, Kaimes Road entrance on January 28th at 10.00am. Everyone welcome.

Vestry meets in Creche on Monday 28th January at 7.30pm.

Family First next meeting is on Saturday 2nd February in the Main Hall

The result of the vote at Westhill Community Church, Aberdeen on Thursday night, was 87% in favour of leaving the Scottish Episcopal Church.

Women Walking With God 2109: This conference is takin g place on Friday 1st and Saturday 2nd March at the Edinburgh International Conference Centre. The main speaker is Ann Orr - Ewing and the worship is led by Lou Fellington. A group of ladies from St Thomas' are attending and if you would like to join us please let Linda Henderson know.



Join us next Sunday 27th January for our All - Age, Café Church service at 10.30am. Rebecca McMillan is leading the service.



Praying for Jesus' revival in the North East of Edinburgh: 25th January 7pm - 8:30pm @ Davidson's Mains Parish Church. Everyone welcome.

The Mission to Seafarers have sent their sincere gratitude for the latest batch of almost 100 Beanie hats. These are deeply appreciated, giving to crews caring warmth through the Mission's Port Chaplains in what the seafarers find to be our colder northern waters.

At this time, far from home and family, these gifts are also a message of Christ's love. Please continue to knit as the Mission says it gives out an amazing 8000 Beanie hats every year. The pattern can be obtained from the office if you'd like to knit too.

Ecumenical Evening Service of Prayer and Worship for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2019. The service will be at the Church of Scotland's Palmerston Place Church, 10 Palmerston Pl, Edinburgh EH12 5AA on Monday January 21st at 7.30pm. The guest preacher will be Rev. Colin Sinclair, Moderator Elect of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

Heriot Watt University Chaplaincy Annual Public Lecture is on Monday 4th February at James Watt Centre at 7.00pm. "Being Human in an Age of Artificial Intelligence. Registration required by 31st January via Eventbrite or 0131 451 4508.

Edinburgh Bible College in Broxburn (easy access, plenty parking space) will be running a a series of seminars on top ethical issues of our day presented by various well-known Christian leaders (Wednesday from 11.00am - 1.00pm). Why not come along to listen, learn and find biblical answers. Blue flyers are available at the back of Church. The Spring time - table also offers other interesting subjects. See brown flyers at back or visit http://www.edinburghbiblecollege.co.uk/news/.



The flowers this week were donated from the flower fund and arranged by a member of the flower team

AAA We have large print notice sheets and hymn-books.

Please ask one of the Stewards for assistance.

We also have a hearing loop system installed.



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Please pray:



For the nations:

For the UK as politicians seek a way forward following this week's votes in the Westminster parliament – for clarity and unity.

For Kenya, following the Attack in Nairobi – for peace in East Africa, care for the bereaved and injured.

For those who need healing - physically, emotionally and spiritually. Pray especially for Amanda Hamilton, Graham Baxter and Jimmy Sibbald.

Pray for our young people (and all of us!): that we will want to know Jesus Christ and Him crucified.

Esther Duncan is moving to work as a volunteer at the Northumbria Community from 28th January for 2 months. This is a Christian retreat centre with a rhythm of prayer 4 times daily, rooted in the Celtic Christian tradition and a centre for hospitality. She will be doing practical tasks with the House Team, in between prayer, and hopes this will prepare her for moving to the island of Arran to support the development of a similar Christian centre. After Northumbria she hopes to be working in Ayr from April as she makes the transition to the west coast! This is a big step of faith and she would value your prayers. Please let her know if you would like to receive news by email in the future cheerfuleduncan@yahoo.co.uk



If you would like something included in the next notice sheet, please contact the office by **10am on Thursday.** Thank you.