



11 March 2018
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As gifted by the Father, and following the leading of His Spirit, we seek the building up of Christ's church in love, reaching out with the Good News of Jesus Christ to the community of Hilton and beyond, all for God's glory.

Welcome!

If you are visiting with us today, please stay after the service (**10.30am**) for tea/coffee which is served in the large hall.

Pastoral Care Team - The Care team's role is to provide help and support in various ways. If you or someone you know needs assistance please contact:

Margaret Lamond (tel:225494) or email: maggielamond162@gmail.com

Caroline MacDonald (tel:230278) or email: edenhouse@btinternet.com

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Lectionary Readings:

11 Mar John 18:28-40 (Psalm 145:10-13)

18 Mar John 19:1-16a (Psalm 146)

Stated Annual Meeting: The Stated Annual Meeting will take place immediately after the morning service on Sunday, 25th March. We would hope that the meeting would last no more than 30 minutes. There will be a brief summary report on the Annual Accounts by our Treasurer, Karen MacLeod followed by an opportunity for questions.

The Stated Annual Meeting is also the meeting when we seek to recruit new members to our board. If you have gifts in relation to Property or finance that you would like to offer within the Congregational Board, please speak to our Chairman, Iain Ross or our Minister, Duncan.

Car Parking: At a recent meeting of the Congregational Board it was decided that on Sundays, the car park at the rear of the Church should be reserved only for the benefit of those with mobility difficulties. This is in addition to the disabled parking space at the front of the Church. We respectfully ask that everyone else finds an alternative parking place so that those who have difficulty walking a bit further can use the car park instead. This restriction will not apply during the rest of the week and we would appreciate your cooperation and support in this decision. *In light of this decision it is important that all spaces at the front of the church are available for use on a Sunday morning. Please ensure when parking in front of the Light House that there is space for cars to access the spaces to the far side of the Light House. Thank you.*

Count Team: Volunteers are needed to join the count team. You will be required for approximately half an hour every 6 weeks to help count the offerings after the morning

service. Full training will be given. If you are interested please speak to Margaret Lamond or the church office.

Volunteers Wanted: The sound desk is looking for people to volunteer to be involved on a Sunday. Full training and support will be provided. If you feel this is something you would like to get involved with and would like more information then please contact Laurence Cload or Iain Ross.



Hilton Church Toddlers: Our baby & toddler groups meet in the large hall every Monday and Friday mornings during school term from 9.30 – 11.15. All parents and carers are very welcome.

Time Out: The next Time Out is on Wed 14th March. Start time 10:00. Crèche provided. Everyone welcome! Cards with the dates are available in the foyer.



Afternoon Tea: The next monthly afternoon tea for over 60's will be on Wednesday, 28th March at 2pm.

House Groups: There are currently 2 evening house groups meeting to study bible passages and share fellowship together. If you would like to know more or would be interested in joining one of these groups contact details are below:

- Fortnightly on a Thursday - Peter Naulls (tel: 234208)
- Weekly on a Wednesday - Carolyn Cload (tel: 713799)



Foodbank: If you are able to donate during February and March, the following items will be greatly appreciated:

Tins of Potatoes, Cartons of Long Life Juice, Tins of Corned Beef, Sugar
Donations of supermarket 'Bags for Life' are also extremely useful.
Donations can be placed in the container in the Church vestibule. The Blythswood Care Superstore on Harbour Road also receives donations from Mon to Sat, 9am to 4pm. Copies of a letter received from Lorna Dempster are available in the foyer.
Foodbank Contact: email - lorna.dempster@blythswood.org or call 07875 332696

REASONS FOR HOPE CONFERENCE: Sunday 18 March, 4.15 – 8.15pm at Culduthel Christian Centre. Seminars 4.30-5.30pm; main presentation by Andy Bannister at 6-7pm. Reasons for Hope is a partnership between Culduthel Christian Centre, Smithton Church and SOLAS Centre for Public Christianity. The aim of this conference is to help you shine the light of Christian hope into the darkness. We want to equip and train hundreds of Christians to be able to take the hope of Christ onto their frontline areas of witness.

Seminar Streams

- Hope in darkness – Christianity and depression, led by Alasdair Macleod (from Smithton Church)
- Hope for human sexuality – navigating contemporary confusion with grace and truth led by Alasdair Macleod (from Culduthel Christian Centre)
- Hope for answering tough questions – building a biblical framework for sharing hope, led by Andy Bannister (SOLAS)

- Hope for Monday morning – our witness at work, led by Hugo Van Woerden (from Smithton church)

It is important that you register for the seminar streams as places are limited. To register, and for further details, simply go to the event page:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/reasons-for-hope-conference-tickets-952064651> and click on Register, then select the seminar of interest. There is no promotional code.



Christian Aid: The Inverness Christian Aid group present a Celebratory Musical Evening in support of 'Mothers in Malawi'. Featuring various local groups and choirs. In Inverness Cathedral on Thursday 15th March at 7.30pm. For more information see the posters and leaflets in the foyer. All welcome.



Big Friends Gathering 2: Highlands & Islands Youth for Christ are hosting a celebration event on Tuesday 20th March. HIYFC exists to see every young person in the Highlands and Islands of Scotland reached relevantly with the Good News of Jesus. We exist to see young people's lives transformed by Jesus, and we are delighted to invite you and others in your congregations to come along and hear about some of our work, and also hear about our plans in moving forward! God is growing this ministry and we are thankful for that. Tuesday 20th March 2018, 6:30-9pm (a light buffet will be provided) at Dalneigh & Bona Church of Scotland, St Marys Avenue, Inverness

Handel's Messiah: Inverness Choral Society and local churches will lead a Messiah from Scratch in Ness Bank Church on Saturday, 24th March at 7.30pm. The soloists will be from the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland, the conductor will be John Crombie, and the organist Gordon Tocher. There will be a practice in the afternoon at 2pm for anyone who wishes to take part. All welcome.

Highland Gospel Male Voice Choir: They are holding an 'Easter Saturday Sing' event at Culloden-Balloch Baptist Church on Saturday, 31st March. The event runs from 12 noon – 1.00pm and will be followed by a finger buffet lunch.

Inverness 18-30s Upcoming Events:

Please see the poster in the link corridor for details of upcoming events. Or 'Inverness 18-30's' page on Facebook. This group is open to anyone between 18 and 30 years old.

Refuel 2018: Monday 23rd to Saturday 28th July at Gordon Castle Estate, Fochabers. Guest speakers include Jackie Pullinger, Bruxy Cavey, Sandy Millar and Dr Andy Bannister. Leaflets available in the foyer.

The Highlands Support Refugees: The Highlands Supports Refugees is still collecting clothes and shoes etc and needs volunteers to sort it.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/thehighlandssupportrefugees/> You can see what sort of things they are particularly needing. If you'd like to bring things to Church to be taken on to the sorting centre in Conon Bridge I'll make sure they get them. It would be very helpful if bags could be labelled, 'men's, women's or children's'.

Any queries anne.katherine.thomas@gmail.com or Tel 01463731303.

Noticeboards: If you have any posters or notices which you wish displayed please place them in the tray on the lower shelf of the table in the foyer. Thank you.

Bulletin by email: If you would like to be added to the email distribution list for the weekly bulletin please let Jane know by sending an email to office@hiltonchurch.org.uk

If you have any notices for the bulletin please make sure they are in the office by 4pm on Wednesday. Thank you. Call 233310 or email: office@hiltonchurch.org.uk

Sunday Morning Groups for Children and Young Teenagers

There are various groups meet on a Sunday morning for children and young teenagers. You will see below where each group meets. If you are new or visiting please ask for directions. The minister or person leading the service will announce when the children should leave. Parents/carers are responsible for taking their children to and from these activities. Visiting children are very welcome to join in.

- *Kingdom Tots (Under 3s) – Small Hall*
- *Kingdom Kids (3-5 year olds) – Upstairs Lighthouse*
- *Sunday Club Juniors (P1 – P3) – Large Hall*
- *Sunday Club Seniors (P4 – P6) – Downstairs in Lighthouse (meet in Large Hall)*
- *P7 - S2 Group – Downstairs Lighthouse*

A group for S3-S6 pupils meets every Sunday evening at Jonathan's house, from 7.30pm. Please speak to Jonathan or one of the teenagers for more information.

Speaker Facility: A speaker is located in the small hall (kitchen entrance) to allow people to hear what is being said in the sanctuary. If you need to leave the sanctuary but still wish to hear the sermon, you may use this facility [especially useful for those with babies].

CHRIST IS RISEN

Easter Services at Hilton Church

Thursday 29th March, 5.30pm – Family event in the church with Easter crafts, hot cross buns and drinks

Friday 30th March, 7.30pm – Good Friday service, with Communion in the church

Sunday 1st April, 8.30am – Early Morning Service on Dores Beach

Sunday 1st April, 10.30am – Easter Sunday all-age worship