

st.Thomas'

25th June



Welcome to St Thomas'

Welcome to our All - Age Café Church service at 10.30am.

Claire Burns will be leading. We especially welcome Jeremy Yacoub this morning on his first visit to St Thomas'.

TODAY IS AN ALL AGE SERVICE WHERE ALL CHILDREN STAY IN DURING THE SERVICE.

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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The finance figures for the eight months to 31st May 2017 are available from the table at the back of Church. If you have any comments or queries, please contact Agnes Murray.

The Seedling an inter-church coffee morning in the Old Parish Church Hall, Kirk Loan, meets on Mon 26th June at 10am - 11.30am.

Please note: A new boiler is being fitted starting on Monday 26th June and due to this the rear entrance to the church grounds is closed. All halls at the rear of the church are also closed. Entrance to the church is from the front door only.

The next **Vestry meeting** is on Monday 26th June in the **Crèche** at 7.30pm. Please remember that entrance to the Creche must be from the front entrance of the church.

TABLE TENNIS FELLOWSHIP: Ping Pong Prayer. St Thomas' Table Tennis Fellowship's will not meet this week due to the closure of Lennon Rooms.

St Thomas' Gardening Group: We will meet on Sat 1st July from 9.30am – 11.30am to give the church garden a bit of a tidy up.



Come along if you can lend a hand even for an hour.

Family first is having a social event on Saturday July 1st from 2.00pm - 4.00pm at Lauriston castle. Meet on the car park at 2.00 with drink and snack - maybe we could even suggest some cakes to share for those with a sweet tooth - and if you have any outdoor games, bats and balls or picnic rugs please bring them along too. If you need directions or more info please see David or Julie, Claire or Keith. Please note the earlier time; the gates to the grounds are locked late afternoon.

Copies of the letter from David to the congregation, (dated 18th June) are available on the table at the back of the church. If you didn't get one last week please help yourself to one this week.

Mark Gilmour is travelled to PERU **TODAY** to work on the Amazon Hope ship. Prayer requests from Mark for the trip are available on the table at back of church. Please take one and pray for him during his trip.

Isabel and Daniel's wedding ceremony will take place here at St Thomas' on **Saturday 29th July**. You are all welcome to attend the ceremony at **12noon** and join the couple for coffee/tea and biscuits afterwards.

Next Sunday 2nd July join us at our Communion service at 10.30am.

Summer of Love - Shades of Grace. Bruce Gordon will be preaching .

I John 3: 19 - 24 and Matthew 22: 34 - 40.

COMMUNITY FUN DAY – SATURDAY 19TH AUGUST: You are all invited to St Thomas' on 12th August for our community fun day. There will be inflatables, face-painting, games, treats and much more! If you're interested in helping this come to life then please volunteer to host the event. Sign up-sheets are at the back of Church. We're excited!

Urgent need for leaders for Rainbows (girls 5/6) and Brownies (girls 7/10) - both groups meet at 6pm, term time, Wednesdays. Liz Lawson is standing down as Rainbow leader at the end of this term. We urgently require a leader(s) to replace her, working initially alongside Helen Berry. Similarly, with current leaders standing down in the autumn, we also need new leaders for Brownies. Training is available for new leaders. Both groups attract girls from the local community and contribute to forming links with our area. Please see Helen Berry, Grace Donald or Sheila Nicol if you can help, or for further information call 0131 339 2411.

Corstorphine Art Group Exhibition 2017: St Ninian's Church Hall on Saturday 29th July, Monday 31st July to Friday 4th August 10.30am - 4.30pm with late opening on Thursday to 6.30pm and Saturday 5th August till 3.30pm. Admission free. [Www.corstorphineartgroup.co.uk](http://www.corstorphineartgroup.co.uk). Details on notice board.

The First Corstorphine Community Sight Loss Group will meet on Sat 22nd July at the Corstorphine Heritage Centre, St Margarets Park. Entry is round the back of the building where there is also parking. If you or someone you know suffers from sight loss please come and join us to meet and chat over coffee and home baking. The meetings are for social reasons, to provide support and to share experiences. Please contact Hazel Kelly for more info. Tel 07899875713 hi.kelly@virgin.net

The Blood Transfusion Mobile Unit will visit the Rannoch Community Centre on Thursday 27th July from 2.00pm - 4.00pm and 5.30pm - 7.30pm. New donors in good health from age of 17 to 66 are urgently needed.

WOW! We stand amazed, dear God, in your presence. The World you created, the plan of salvation you gave us, the abundant life you have provided, these all stand before us and all we want to say is "thank you" for your great riches, wisdom and knowledge. Amen.

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:

For those affected by disaster, accident or violence – for comfort, peace and help for the families and friends of those who lost loved ones in the terrorist attacks recently.

For St Thomas' Church as we determine what God is calling us to. For courage, clarity and faithfulness. For the Vestry as they meet tomorrow.

Pray for David & Ali as they travel to the USA for holiday and some work: for joy together, good fellowship and networking, refreshment and renewed vision.

For all travelling on holiday; for safety, fellowship, patience and for good times while away. Pray for families where children are breaking up on holiday at the end of the week. May we walk with God this summer in whatever we do, and wherever we go. May we talk with God this summer, every day and in every situation.

For those who are housebound, sick, grieving or struggling with life. Lord, we ask you to turn weakness into strength, suffering into compassion, sorrow into joy, and pain into comfort. For Mark Gilmour travelling to Peru today and for Elinor at home, worrying about him, (details in sheet.)



**This week's flowers were donated
by Bruce and Sue Gordon and arranged
by a member of the flower team.**

If you would like something included in the next notice sheet, please email or phone the Church office by **I I am on Thursday**. Thank you.