

st.Thomas'

Welcome to St Thomas'

8th July



Welcome to our Service at 10.30am this morning.
"God is in the Fragile:" David McCarthy is preaching.



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

2 Corinthians 4:

Sparklers (3 - P2) meet downstairs in the Crypt. **Spotlight**

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(P3-P6) and **Fusion** (P7-S3) meets 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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The new **General Data Protection Regulation** came into force at end of May. In order to comply with its requirements, we have published a new data privacy notice. **If we hold contact information for you or if you would like to continue to receive communications from St Thomas' please fill in a consent form.** Both of these documents are available at the back of church - return to the Church Office as soon as possible.

“To all at St T’s, I am overwhelmed by the kind gift that you all have given me for my leaving. Overwhelmed is an understatement! Thank you all for your kindness not just now but during my three years in St T’s. It’s been a wonderful time with both the young people and the extended members of the congregation and community. Lots of love & prayers for the times ahead.”

Claire Burns: Young Person's Pastoral Worker

Please see below the Lighthouse Rota for the month of July:

8th - Peter (Helper: Wendy)

15th - No Lighthouse Group

22nd - All Age

29th - Angela (Helper: Morag)

Emily Robinson travelled last Saturday to Uganda to volunteer for a month. Please remember her and her family in your prayers.

Update on Hockings: Paul and Denise were long time members at St Thomas'. Paul had severe leg pain which was diagnosed as blood clots and for which he must self- inject each day. He is very fatigued, finds it difficult to regulate his temperature and had a fall in the shower. He has also been told that the last 6 doses of chemotherapy have had no impact at all, in fact some of the improvement from the first six has now been lost. They are really struggling with this news. Denise herself is very tired and unable to deal with phone calls and emails but asks that we will simply pray.

Paul is now fading fast. The cancer has spread to his liver, it seems he may go quite quickly. Please pray for Paul and Denise and the family at this sad time.



Next Sunday 15th July we meet for the morning service at 10.30am.
“Reconciled” 2 Corinthians 5:11 - 6:2

St Thomas' have a number of opportunities for people to serve. Please read the information notice available at back of church, pray and consider if you might be able to serve in the roles we are looking for please speak to David McCarthy or contact the church office on 0131 316 4292, churchoffice@saintthomas.org.uk if you can help.

The Saltmine Theatre company are performing during the Festival Fringe at Palmerston Place Church on 14th-18th August at 7.30pm. This year the show is "Legacy" The Story of Martin Luther. Tickets are available from saltminetrust.org.uk/legacy

Parking in Corstorphine: A questionnaire, entitled "**Parking in Corstorphine**" is now available on the City of Edinburgh Council's website at <https://consultationhub.edinburgh.gov.uk/> It should take between 5 and 10 minutes to complete. The consultation will be open until 29 July 2018. You are encouraged to complete the questionnaire as the answers will help the Council to better understand the parking situation in the Corstorphine area and help the Council to make an informed decision as to what to do next. The outcome will depend on the responses that the Council receives. If there are indications that residents are experiencing parking problems, along with evidence of support for parking controls, then the Council could begin the process to introduce parking controls, subject to further consultation on a detailed proposal.

Prayers

Pray for the Holiday Club being hosted at the Church of the Nazarene, Clermiston, 23rd - 27th July - that many children and their families will encounter Jesus.

Pray for Rebecca McMillan as she joins us next week to work with young people.



This week's flowers were donated by Sue and Alastair Brown and arranged by a member of the flower team

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**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.**





Pray for our leadership as we plan for the future – ask the Lord to help us rebuild and plant.

Ask God to rebuild what is broken in our nation — to reconcile deep and growing divisions, thwart the plans of evil people, and quiet the threats of war, to bring salvation and revival to our nation, to draw near to those affected by moorland fires or potential drought.

Ask God to rebuild what is broken in your family — to comfort you and your loved ones after your loss, to strengthen you for overwhelming trials ahead (expected and unexpected), to bring harmony and healing to strained or estranged relationships, to finally save your son or daughter.

And ask God to rebuild what is still broken in you — to teach you the secret of contentment with which you can face any setback or disappointment, to give you wisdom and discernment, patience and joy in the work he has called you to, to meet you in prayer and the word every day, to once for all purify and refine away any sin that entangles you.

If you ask him, and trust him, *“You will be like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when heat comes, for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit”*. (Jeremiah 17:7-8). Lord, please make us fearless, satisfied, and fruitful.

Give thanks for the National Health Service as the UK celebrates 70 years of healthcare – pray for the 1.5 million people who serve us in this institution, and pray that we will be thankful and willing to contribute what it takes to continue its effectiveness.

Please pray for John Meldrum, Cath Marshall & Gerda Wright – for the comfort and peace of the Lord.

Pray for all those struggling with issues of mental health – that they will know love care and receive the best treatment and therapies possible.

For those on holiday – for rest, refreshment and renewal. May the summer be a time of space for friendship and family.

Give thanks for the almost two thousand Christian leaders from all over the world who gathered in Jerusalem for the third Global Anglican Future Conference – pray that they will continue in their desire to see “Christ proclaimed faithfully to the nations”.

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