

st.Thomas'

14th October



Welcome to St Thomas'

Welcome to our communion service at 10.30am.

“How To Strengthen The Church” David McCarthy is preaching.



2 Corinthians

12: 11-21

Lighthouse groups meet as follows: Our **Crèche** (0-3yrs) room is available throughout the service (downstairs). **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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The finance figures for the eleven months to 30th September 2018 are available from the table at the back of Church. If you have any comments or queries, please contact Agnes Murray.

There will be a meeting of church members immediately after our worship in order to offer feedback on the draft of the new Constitution.

The Mother and Toddlers Group meets on Tuesday morning 10.00am - 11.30 am in the Gyle Hall.

COFFEE PLUS IS NOT MEETING THIS WEEK.

The Central meeting is on Thursday 18th October at 7.30pm in the Main Hall.

“Proclaim Christ Faithfully to the Nations” a conference on our calling to evangelism is to be held on Saturday 20th October at St Thomas’ Church from 10.00am - 3.00pm. Information leaflets/ booking forms are on table at back of church. Guest speakers Archbishop Foley Beach and Bishop Andy Lines.

Soup and Sandwich Lunch (instead of Coffee Plus) will be held on Thursday 25th October from 12 noon - 2.00pm. Everyone welcome but please let Alison Bogie know if you are wanting to come along - 0131 332 6540.



For **The Great St Thomas’ Quiz Night** we’re going to do something a bit different and join with hundreds of churches across the UK who are taking part in Tearfund’s Big Quiz Night. This will be on **Saturday 17th November** and we will start at 8.00 pm in the church. Our usual rules will apply – teams of up to six but turn up even if you’re not in a team and we’ll find one for you, and chocolate-based prizes! Cash donations on the night will go to Tearfund, who hope to raise £150,000 across the UK for their work around the world. So please save the date and think who you might invite along – it’s a good opportunity to involve those who don’t normally join us here. Register teams with Sandy Benzies, who will be pleased to supply more details.

NOTICE OF CHANGE OF DATE: The morning prayer event planned for Tuesday 30th October has been changed to Tuesday 7th November at 7.00am.

Next Sunday 21st October join us at our Communion service at 10.30am. Foley Beach and Andy Lines are joining us.

Mark 8: 27 - 38

Please take note of change of address. Mark and Elinor Gilmour, 17 Hewlett Way, South Queensferry, EH30 9AA and new contact number: 0131 331 5061.

Calling all soup makers and bakers: The Flower Festival needs soup for our visitors on Fri 9th & Sat 10th November. We also need homebaking for all three afternoons (ie including Sun 11th). All other food will be outsourced. If you can help provide (and perhaps serve) these then please speak to Rosemary HARVEY or Philip Busby. Many thanks.

POPPIES! As part of the flower festival next month we are doing a display of knitted and crocheted poppies in the Vestibule of the church. We are going to need a lot of poppies! If you would like to make a poppy (or two, or three.....) then please speak to Fiona Campbell or Jane Ross in the office. Nice easy patterns available.



The church office is closed from Monday 22nd October to Friday 26th October. There will be no office cover. Notices for Sunday 28th October need to be at the office by Thursday 19th October.

Care Van: After much prayerful consideration, it has been decided to end our once -a - month participation in the

**CARE VAN &
CARE SHELTER**



Bethany Care Van. With fewer volunteers available it has become more difficult top staff the van and retain it as a specific St Thomas' ministry. We give thanks for the wonderful people who have served on a Sunday evening. and look forward to continuing support for Bethany in other ways. The last evenings of our participation are 28th October and 25th November. Please keep those serving and those being served in prayer.



**This week's flowers were
donated and arranged by
Rosemary and Bob Kemp.**

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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.**



Please pray for:



For those struggling to cope with the destruction of property and damage done by hurricane Michael which hit the coastline of Florida on Wednesday. Pray help continues to come, support in these stressful times and financial help where needed.

Families on holiday from school and work. For safe travel after the very windy, stormy weather this week from storm Callum. Pray for patience for parents, and good family times.

Pray for the conference with **Archbishop Foley Beach** and **Bishop Andy Lines** next weekend—for clear teaching and encouragement to know Jesus and make him known.

Pray for **Ian & Heather Ferguson** and the congregation of **Westhill Community Church**, just outside Aberdeen as decisions about the future of their church are made.

For St Thomas' – Give thanks for the Lord's provision for us, the growth in the number of young people on Sunday's, for YF and youth Bible study on Tuesday night: for children to come along and learn about God's love for them and support each other and leaders who work with them.

Pray for all in hospital and people who are unwell, in body and in mind and for those waiting for appointments.

Pray also for **Margaret Simister and family** as they grieve after the death of Tommy.

Pray for – plans for the future outreach events - the **Festival of Flowers** at Remembrance, the **Quiz** on 17 November and Christmas events being planned. Remember the project to give away Bibles before Christmas and that people will volunteer to help out with this.

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