

st.Thomas'

Welcome to St Thomas'

31st March



Welcome to our morning service at 10.30am.

"Happy Mothers Day". David McCarthy is preaching.

"Why I Need Jesus"



Hebrews 7: 1 - 28

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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Day off: Friday

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Monday and open Tuesday to Friday 9.00am - 12.30pm.

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Copies of the finance summary for the 5 months to February 2019 are on the table at the back of church. I know the difference between the budget and actual income and expenses looks fearsome but I am as confident as I can be that when both "old" and "new" St T's are looked at together for the year to September 2019, this deficit will be greatly reduced and hopefully eliminated.

Easter & Lent service details can be found on an A5 leaflet on the table at back of church. **Our Easter service invitations** are available so please take as many as you need to invite friends and family. Extra invitations are available from Jane Ross.

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

Coffee Plus meets on Thursday morning at 10.00am in the Main hall.

Easter - Visiting Local Homes: The Trustees and Vestry have decided to visit houses in our local area in the lead up to Easter. The following dates give details of days and times the visits are planned for. If you are able to help out on any or all of the dates, **please put your name and contact details on the sheets at back of church.** Please speak to David if more details are needed.

6pm-8pm **Wednesday 10th April** – Drop off Try Praying booklets and Easter Invitations

6pm-8pm **Wednesday 17th April** – Pick up Prayer Requests and delivery of Real Easter Eggs.

Family First next meeting is on Saturday 6th April in the Main Hall.

Edinburgh Churches for Sanctuary and Edinburgh City Mission are holding a Refugee Information Evening on Thursday April 4th from 7.30 to 9pm in Buccleuch Free Church, West Crosscauseway, EH8 9JP. Come and find out more about the life of refugees in our city and be inspired and motivated to serve. There will be delicious Syrian food, too!

Gallery Art Club are holding their 20th Anniversary Exhibition on Tuesday 9th - Friday 12th April 10.30am - 4.30pm and Saturday 13th April 10.30am - 4.00pm. The Exhibition is in the Corstorphine Old Parish Church Hall on the High Street in Corstorphine.

Join us next Sunday 7th April for a Communion service
at 10.30am. Bruce Gordon is preaching
"How to Know God" Hebrews 8: 1 - 13

The Holiday Club “Heroes Academy” registration forms are available from Rebecca at rebecca@saintthomas.org.uk 07510152148 or 0131 316 4292 (churchoffice@saintthomas.org.)



Holiday Club are looking for food donations such as biscuits, diluting juice, crisps for snack time during the club. If you can help, please leave the items at the back of church (on the left as you enter.) Thank you.

The next church gardening morning is on Saturday 6th April (weather permitting). If you are able to help please join us any time between 9.30 and 12 noon. There might even be a cup of tea and a hot cross bun!

Resurrection 2019 is at the Usher Hall on Sunday 21st April at 7.30pm. Free admission but ticket needed (available from 0131 208 0095) Donation will be collected on the evening.

Angels of Corstorphine: Later this year, during Advent, we would like Corstorphine to be visited by a host of angels!

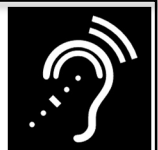
To achieve this we need LOTS of knitted and crocheted angels, and we hope that starting this early we will have several hundred to distribute, each with a message attached. The angels can be any shape, size or colour, but we do now have our own “Angels of Corstorphine” knitting pattern. It would be great if you could join us in this project!

For more information, please speak to Fiona Campbell or Jane Ross in the office.

Tearfund are holding an evening of Celtic Worship, hosted by Community Church Edinburgh in the King’s Hall on Wednesday 24th April at 7.30pm. Tickets are available from www.tearfund.org/celticworship. Further details are on the notice board or pick up a flyer from the corridor.



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.



*Father, give completeness to beginners,
understanding to the little ones,
and help to those who are running their course.*

*Give sorrow to the negligent,
fervour to the lukewarm,
and to the mature a true humility,
for the sake of Christ Jesus our Lord.*

Amen.

Iranaeus of Lyon



Give thanks for:

Those gathering at our meetings to pray – the turnout has been so encouraging since the beginning of the year. May the Lord increase our desire to speak with him.

Those volunteering to serve in so many ways.

Pray:

That we will resist the urge to give or take offence too easily – that we will seek to build up rather than tear down. For continued unity and passion for Jesus.

For those waiting for hospital treatment – that appointments will be given and care received. For patience and grace in the waiting.

For those who are angry – at others, at leaders, even at God! That the anger will be tempered by love and transformed by holy discontent at the state we find ourselves in. May we be angry at sin, both ours and what we see happening around us.

Pray for the relief efforts in Malawi, Mozambique and Zimbabwe following the cyclone – that they will be effective.

Pray for our Westminster politicians – that as the original date for Brexit passes, they will offer the nation clarity on the path ahead.

Pray for the Holiday Club (8-10 April) and visiting in the run up to Easter – that children will take part and people receive the Good News of the Gospel.

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