

st.Thomas'

19th May 2019



Today we learn from
HEBREWS 10, V 26-39

WELCOME to St Thomas'

You join us this morning at 10.30 am for our
Morning Worship and Communion service.

We continue in our studies in Hebrews, considering the subject "Jesus - Keep Near and Press On", from chapter 10 verses 26-39.

The **Lighthouse Groups** for our children will meet as follows: **Crèche** (0-3yrs) room is available throughout the service (downstairs); **Sparklers** (3 - P2) downstairs in the Crypt; **Spotlight** (P3-P6) in the lower Lennon Rooms; **Fusion** (P7-S3) in the Youth Room in Lennon Rooms

Prayer Ministry: The Prayer Team is available during communion and at the close of the service, at the seats by the pulpit steps.

Today after the close of the service there will be a **General Meeting of members of St Thomas' Church**, charity number SC049045. The only item on the Agenda is the election of a Vestry.

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Charity No. SCO09393

Mother & Toddlers Group meet on Tuesday in Gyle Hall 10.00am - 11.30am

Coffee Plus meets on Thursday morning in the Main Hall - 10.00am till noon.

NEXT SUNDAY - 26th May

We meet at 10.30 for our Café-style church service.

ALTERATION TO PUBLISHED CALENDAR: We will also meet next Sunday at 6.30pm for **PRAYER BASE**. This will replace the Prayer Base that had been scheduled to take place on 2nd June.

Important date for everyone's diary

Sunday 2nd June - Day of Celebration: Worship and Lunch !

Put this date in your diary and join us for a **special morning service** at 10.30.

Our guest preacher is Bishop Charlie Masters. After worship we are holding a church family **Buffet Lunch** so everyone can celebrate our new beginning!

Cyclone Idai Fundraiser

A huge thank you to all who contributed to the success of our fundraiser last week, whether as performer, technician, steward or caterer! Thanks to our very generous church members, the fantastic sum of £979.58 was raised for the Baptist Missionary Society's fund for their relief work in Mozambique. We applaud the efforts of Alex and the team, and wish them well as their tour continues.

The Finance figures for the 7 months to the end of April are available today from the table at the rear of the church.

Fund-raiser for Emily Robertson - 8th June

Emily Robinson is hosting a 'Board Games Cafe' to fundraise for her trip to Uganda and Rwanda in the summer to work alongside teachers there. **SATURDAY 8th JUNE, 6.30-9.30pm**, St. Thomas' Church Main Hall, light refreshments available. £3 entry to play as many games as you like, drop in any time.

The flowers today were supplied by Helen Berry

We have large print notice sheets and hymn-books.

Please ask one of the Stewards for assistance.

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TRANSFER OF CHURCH MEMBERSHIP—THE NEXT STAGE!

Most “Green Card” members of St Thomas’ Episcopal Church have now transferred their membership to our new charity, called “St Thomas’ Church”. Many thanks to everyone who reacted so quickly.

If you have completed your Transfer Form but have not yet returned it, please do so as soon as possible. It would be great to have everyone transferred by 2nd June, when we will hold our first service as the new charity.

The next stage of the process is to ensure that all donations are re-directed into the new bank accounts that are set up for the new charity. The treasurers of both the General Fund and the World Concern are hoping that from 1st June everyone’s donations will be going into the new accounts. We remain with the Bank of Scotland, but the new account details are:

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| ♦ GENERAL FUND | Sort 80-22-60 | A/c No. 1883 6867 |
| ♦ WORLD CONCERN | Sort 80-22-60 | A/c No. 1894 1369 |

If required, bank standing order forms are available on the table in the Main Hall. Please ensure you update your bank mandates with these new details before the end of May - and the sooner the better!

And, if you want the new charity to reclaim Gift Aid on your donations, don’t forget to fill out and return a new Gift Aid form as the previous mandates can’t be used for the new charity.

Thank you.

Not a member - but would like to join?

You may not yet be a member of St Thomas’ but are considering joining. If you would like an information pack with an Application Form, pick one up from the table in the Main Hall after this service.

Temporary changes in our Office: Jane is on sick leave. For hall bookings: contact Rosemary Harvey (in the office on Mon to Wed mornings). For Notice Sheet items: contact Miller Bogie by Thurs morning (thebogies@talk21.com).

A Prayer of St Benedict

*Gracious and Holy Father,
give us the wisdom to discover You,
the intelligence to understand You,
the diligence to seek after You,
the patience to wait for You,
eyes to behold You,
a heart to meditate upon You,
and a life to proclaim You,
through the power of the Spirit of Jesus, our Lord. Amen.*



Pray for:

- Those sitting exams – for good memory, clarity of thought, understanding of questions and the ability to express themselves well.
- Those awaiting hospital treatment or recovering from surgery – for patience and healing.
- For those in work – for alleviation of stress, new opportunities where needed and the comfort of the Holy Spirit when it is hard.
- For those who are lonely – that they will be open to help and that we will be among the ones to bring comfort.
- For politicians – remember the European Parliamentary elections this week (make sure you vote if you have one!) – pray that the results might help the UK gain clarity as we seek the way ahead.
- For St T's as we relaunch – may our desire be to see Jesus glorified, the lost reached with His Gospel and for us to receive a fresh filling of the Holy Spirit.
- Pray for Rebecca McMillan as she prepares to move on from us and for vestry as we consider how best to develop our ministry with young people.
- For Bishop Charlie Masters who arrives from Canada next week that he will be an encouragement and be encouraged as he meets congregations and leaders in Aberdeen, the Western Isles, Glasgow and Edinburgh