

WELCOME to St Thomas'

You join us this morning for our **10.30 am Café-style Church**. Refreshments are served in church BEFORE the service rather than at the end, so enjoy a tea or coffee as you come in, find a seat and then enjoy the service.



As this is a family service, there will not be any **Lighthouse Groups** for our children, who will be staying in church for the whole service.

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

We will also **meet this evening at 6.30pm for PRAYER BASE.**

We want to use this time to pray in particular for the launch of our new church next Sunday. This is an opportunity for us to “spur each other on”!

[NOTE: This Prayer Base replaces the one that was scheduled to take place on 2nd June.]



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Vestry Meeting on Monday at 7.30 in the Creche

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

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

**PUT THIS
on YOUR
CALENDAR!**

NEXT SUNDAY - 2nd June



Next Sunday morning we gather together at

10.30 for a service of Worship and Celebration

as we launch our new church.

We look forward welcoming Bishop Charlie Masters,
who will be preaching and leading us in **Communion**.

Following the service everyone is invited to join our



Celebration Buffet Lunch

no need to book - no need to bring anything

Just come along & enjoy one another's company as we eat
and celebrate together!

Christian books for the taking!

Bruce has left a variety of books from his library on a table in the Hall. Please help yourselves to them, with any donation going to our World Concern Fund.

Knitting Wool

In the hall there is a table with knitting wool for you to enjoy. So have a ball!
We are ask for a £1 donation per ball for the benefit of Seaman's Mission.

Gardening group - Saturday 8th 10.00 to 12.00

We normally tidy up the church grounds on the first Saturday of the month. However in June we will be meeting on the 8th. Please come and join us if you can as we are few in number and there is lots to do.

Fund-raiser for Emily Robertson - Saturday 8th 6.30-9.30pm

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. The evening is in St. Thomas' Church Main Hall, light refreshments available. £3 entry to play as many games as you like; drop in any time.

TRANSFER OF CHURCH MEMBERSHIP - THE FINAL STAGE!

We would like to give a big thank you to members who have transferred membership in such a quick and smooth way. If you attended last week's General Meeting you will know that nearly everyone has now transferred.

This is the last Sunday that we meet as "St Thomas' Episcopal Church". June heralds the start of "St Thomas", a new and exciting era in our history.

Our tithes and offerings will now be going to fund our new charity. If you donate by standing order please ensure that you have completed a mandate in favour of the **new bank accounts for your June offering**.

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

If we all change bank accounts as smoothly as we have changed our membership, then we will have made two treasurers very happy!

And, as we all want our new charity to reclaim **Gift Aid** on our donations, make sure that you have filled out and returned a new Gift Aid form.

Not a member - but thinking of joining?

Perhaps you are toying with the idea of joining the church, but not yet got round to it. There is no time like the present! Pick up an information pack and Application Form from the table in the Main Hall after this service.

Sing Scotland - 20th June



A gathering of church leaders, musicians and any who seek to become better equipped to lead congregations in worship. Thinking about what God demands of His church when we gather: preach the Word; equip the saints; sing praises; pray without ceasing; make Jesus known. Search "Sing Scotland" for tickets: day conference at Charlotte Chapel, evening concert at Usher Hall with Keith Getty et al.

Temporary changes in our Office: For hall bookings: contact Rosemary Harvey (bookings@saintthomas.org.uk). If you have Notice Sheet items for the next week contact Miller Bogie by Thursday morning (thebogies@talk21.com). Thank you.

The flowers today were donated by Liz Crossman

Pray



For the nations

- For the governments at Westminster and Holyrood as we wait for the results of the European Parliament elections- for Teresa May and Nicola Sturgeon and all politicians – that they will now seek the best way forward for the UK, and work together for good.
- For those lands threatened by climate change and for those nations contributing most to it – that we will get the bigger picture and commit to making things better for those suffering today and the generations to come.

For people

- For those struggling to get by on benefits – that the system will show care to those in need and that we will be sensitive to their needs. Give thanks for those who staff food banks but pray that we will see a day when they are no longer needed.
- Pray for all those who work in schools – for energy as they enter the home straight and look forward to holidays. Give thanks for those who serve in this way.
- Pray for those who serve in the NHS, and in the police and fire services. We give thanks for their service, pray for their protection and pray that all will recognise the need for more resourcing and seek ways to provide it.

For our community

- Pray for those upset by the news this week of the development of more housing at Cammo – for wisdom in responding. Pray that those with responsibility for planning will consider how best to provide infrastructure of schools, medical services and roads in an area already under pressure.

For St Thomas'

- Pray for all those recovering from or anticipating surgery – Jane Ross, Mike and Wendy Carrington.
- Pray for Dave McCarthy as he drives Bishop Charlie Masters this week to meet congregations in Aberdeen, the Western Isles and Glasgow – for safety and good fellowship. Pray that Charlie will be an encouragement as he preaches and shares.
- Pray for St Thomas' as we launch as a new charity next Sunday – for renewed joy and vision as we look to the future.



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.

