

The st thomas' story



19th January

today's story @ 10.30am Communion Service

Welcome to our Communion service. David McCarthy is preaching "Ministers of the Mystery" - Colossians 1: 24 – 2:5.

Lighthouse (Sunday School) groups meet as follows: **Creche** (0-3yrs) The Creche Room downstairs is available throughout the service with a live audio and video feed; **Sparklers** (3yrs - P2) meet downstairs in the Crypt; **Spotlight** (P3-P6) meets in the lower Lennon Rooms; and, **Fusion** (P7-S3) will meet in Upper Lennon rooms.

Our **Prayer Team** is available, by the pulpit steps, at the end of the service. Please come forward for prayer, either for yourself or for others. Someone will be pleased to pray with you or for you.

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For items to be in next Sunday's st thomas' story, please contact the office by 10 am Thursday



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events calendar

Sunday **The finance figures for November 2019** are available from the table at the back of church.

Tuesday **Toddler Group** meets in Gyle Hall at 10.00am. Please speak to Hilary Robinson for further details.

Wednesday **Rooted** will meet at 2.30pm in Crèche. Contact Kerstin Prill 07849716265 or Alison Bogie 0771 957 0476 for further details.

Thursday **Coffee Plus** meet in Main Hall from 10am – 12noon.

Manor Grange Nursing Home service at 2.00pm.

Further ahead **Programme Term cards** for January to April 2020 are available on table at back of church

Manor Grange service at Manor Grange Care Home on Thursday 23rd January at 2.00pm. If you are interested in going along or supporting the team please contact Mark Gilmour. Please pray for the team that this service will touch the hearts of both residents and staff.

Sunday 26th January Café Church service at 10.30am. Phil Taylor will be leading this service and tea and coffee will be served during the service.

Vestry meet on Monday 27th January in the Crèche at 7.30pm.

other information

Flower rota

Each week flowers are placed in church. Following the Sunday service the flowers are then divided into bunches and given to people who are housebound, in care homes, ill, recently bereaved, marking the anniversary of a loved one, as a thank you or to mark a celebration.... The flowers are much appreciated by those who receive them.

The flower rota sheets for 2020 are on the corridor notice board. Please sign up for a week on which you would like to pay for or provide the flowers and indicate with a tick in the checkbox if you would also like someone from the flower team to arrange them for you. Thank you for your help.'

Further details from Sheila Nicol or any member of the flower team.

Emily Robinson is preparing to head off to Uganda at the end of this month. She will be working in Uganda for the next year. Please pray for Emily, Johnny and her family as she leaves. Pray also for safety, for quick settling in to a routine and ask God to use all her skills during the year.

“The Acorn” Interchurch Christian Fellowship meets in St Anne’s Church at 10am on Monday 27th January. All welcome.

Cast and crew wanted for Easter Play 2020. This takes place in Princes Street Gardens on Saturday 11th April. Rehearsals take place on a Wednesday evening 7.00 – 9.00pm at Gorgie Dalry Church of Scotland. To ask about how to get involved, or make an enquiry about the project you can send an email directly to the following address: info@easterplay.org or If you have questions, contact Suzanne on cuttingedge21@btopenworld.com.



The flowers today were donated by
Alastair & Sue Brown and
arranged by a member of the flower team

for our prayers

A COLLECT FOR GUIDANCE

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being:
We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit,
that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you,
but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Give thanks for the vestry and trustees day spent working together – pray that good fruit will grow from that and that the work still to be done will be carried out with united vision and purpose.

Give thanks for the times of prayer last Sunday – for the encouragement of many who were able to come. Pray that we will increasingly be people who pray.

Give thanks for the support given to the Vive project in Colombia – and pray that we will be led to give on an ongoing basis to this significant ministry to young people

Pray for those who are sick, especially Fred Norwood and Catherine Murray – for the comforting love and presence of the Lord and the understanding care of His people. Pray for those living with mental health difficulties and for those who care for them – for patience and help when they most need it.

Pray for our young people – to know they are loved by the Lord and His people and that they will continue to walk with Him.

Pray for Emily Robinson as she prepares to return to Uganda – for safety, peace and effectiveness in the work she will be doing.



The **st thomas' story** and hymn-books are **available in large print**.
We also have a **hearing loop system** installed.



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