

The st thomas' story

9 January 2022

We will worship at 10.30am for Sunday's All Age service, in church and online. To attend in person, please email the office to book for Track & Trace purposes.

Following the service there will be a Zoom meeting chat. Details to join Zoom meetings can be found in Pastoral letter. Click on the link in [blue writing](#).

Please see Pastoral letter for zoom meeting ID and passcodes.

Please see church calendar on the website for further information.

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Ross Campbell – Funeral Service Arrangements:

we give thanks for our fellowship with Ross & for his life. His funeral will be at 3pm on Friday 14 January at Warriston Crematorium, Lorimer Chapel.

Neither **Coffee Plus nor Toddler Group** will restart as planned next week. Instead the start of each will be postponed until the Scottish Government advice to limit mixing to a maximum of 3 households is eased.

Jane Ross writes: Grace (*her granddaughter*) had her assessment face-to-face this morning with a consultant. She has been given the all clear and discharged. The consultant visited the nursery for two hours and said that the speech and language delay should resolve itself. Covid has caused problems like this. She doesn't think she is on the autism spectrum. Thank you to all who have prayed for our family. Sending love to you all.

The Vive Advent Appeal 2021

The Vive Foundation in Colombia continues to transform the lives of children affected by poverty and violence through their network of Funky Frog Clubs. Our partnership with them is hugely appreciated by the team and the strength of the pound against the Colombian peso means your gifts will go even further this year. The pandemic has had a devastating impact on Colombia and the church's witness to the hope found in Christ is more relevant than ever. The total received is a magnificent **£5,371.25**. We are so thankful to the Lord for His goodness and prompting of His people to give so generously.

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Sunday 16 January 2022

Sunday worship and some other events are available online at:

<https://www.facebook.com/stthomasedin>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1r0Eq3PqBmxioDssYXCbGQ>

<https://www.twitter.com/StThomasEdin>

Sunday 9 January

@ 10.30am All Age Service – Phil Taylor is preaching.

Post Worship Chat - “Zoom” meeting details in Pastoral letter.

@ 6.30pm – 7pm “Zoom” Prayer Base

Monday 10 January

@ 4pm – ‘Rooted’ Bible Study “Zoom” meeting, details in Pastoral letter

Wednesday 12 January

@ 2pm – ‘Rooted’ Bible Study “Zoom” meeting, details in Pastoral letter

@ 2pm – ‘Grounded’ men’s Bible Study “Zoom” meeting, details in Pastoral letter

@ 8pm – Night Prayer on Facebook

Sunday 16 January

@ 10.30am Service, David McCarthy is preaching.

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for our prayer

Give thanks for the life of **Cath Marshall** whose funeral was this week.

Give thanks too for the life of **Bev Cooke** who passed away on Christmas Day. Pray continued comfort for her husband, **Ian**, their children, and also for her sister, **Alison Bogie**.

Pray for **Wilma Finlayson** in Murrayside Care Home who has contracted Covid. For healing and peace.

For **Philip & Naomi De Grey-Warter** of Anchor Church, Fowey, as he recovers from a heart attack — for rest and healing.

Pray for those considering **planting churches in Wales**, especially for **Josh** and **Rachel Maynard** as they begin Wellspring Church on the Angle peninsula in Pembrokeshire on 30 January.

Pray for **Naike Heers** who returned to Germany this week. Give thanks for her time with us and pray that she continues to grow in relationship with Jesus.

Pray for **Megan & Chris** — **David McCarthy** is conducting their marriage ceremony on Saturday 15 January at Seamill Hydro. Pray that the love of God is shared with those who gather to support them.

'We make our plans but the Lord directs our steps' — pray that we will not get frustrated as plans gets disrupted by Covid! We have to make decisions week-by-week as to whether activities should happen.

Pray for the **group who will begin exploring how to develop our mission** to our neighbours, friends, and communities in the coming months – for creativity, love and passion for the lost, and a vision rooted in the Gospel.

Pray for wisdom as a decision is made about whether **F@ST Club** should begin on Friday 14 January.

Pray for **medical staff** as the NHS comes under pressure from the increasing number of hospitalisations. For resourcing and rest.

Pray for **those who serve in education** and **caring professions** — that the return of students will not see a rise in Covid cases and that staff numbers remain viable

Continue to pray for **David Harvey**, whose struggle with pain from his damaged shoulder is ongoing.

We heard about **Kazakhstan** in the autumn when **Alastair Brown** was part of a delegation to that country — pray for its people now in the midst of serious unrest. For peace and the establishment of a government which will bring justice.