

The st thomas' story

27 March 2022

Please remember the clocks go forward on Sunday 27 March.

We will worship at 10.30am for Sunday's service, in church and online.

The AGM will be held after the service.

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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Recycling needed – please bring recycling items to be used by the Easter Holiday club for modelling. Items are needed by Easter Sunday 17th April, collection boxes are at the entrance and in the corridor of the church.
Thank you.

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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 27 March

@ 10.30am Service – Thorsten Prill is preaching.

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

@ 12pm – AGM, meeting after the service.

@ 6.30pm – 7pm “Zoom” Prayer Base

Monday 28 March

@ 4pm – ‘Rooted’- “Zoom” meeting details in the Pastoral letter.

Wednesday 30 March

@ 1.30pm – ‘Rooted’ Bible Study - in person meeting, details in Pastoral letter.

@ 8pm – Night Prayers – online, details in the Pastoral letter

Thursday 31 March

@10.30am - Coffee Plus meeting in the main hall.

Sunday 3 April

@ 10.30am service.

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

@ 6.30pm – 7pm “Zoom” Prayer Base

for our prayer

For opportunities:

- Give thanks that the trustees of **TOR Christian Foundation** have been led to support our proposal to appoint a **Chaplain for Older People** role. Pray as we seek the best person to fill this role. Application date is this week!
- The '**Hope Explored**' course beginning on 5 April. That those taking part will be encouraged and receive real hope!

Pray for Anchor Church, Fowey in Cornwall — they have been told by their landlord that they must restrict numbers to sixty people and no children. They meet in a Missions to Seamen building and the concern seems to be about unvaccinated seamen using the building and the possibility of spreading Covid. Pray that this will be resolved or that a new and even more suitable venue can be found!

The Ukraine & Russia: For peace!

For governments in Ukraine, Russia, Belorussia, Europe, and USA – for decisions to end indiscriminate attacks, to seek peace, and support those in need.

Give thanks for the response to the more than three million refugees arriving in countries bordering the Ukraine. Pray that this welcome and care continues.

Pray for our response in the UK – that we will be generous and welcoming at a government and personal level. Pray that the vagueness of the plans will solidify into something simple and clear. Continue to pray for **Frank Henderson**, who works for Edinburgh City Council — he has responsibility to help plan the welcome for Ukrainians arriving in here.

Pray for plans to offer welcome to refugees fleeing the war – that we as individuals will consider what we can do to help.

Pray for **the Annual General Meeting** this Sunday – give thanks for the Lord’s care and provision for us and pray for those offering themselves for election to vestry. Give thanks and pray for our trustees, **Sheila, Sandy & Miller** for all their efforts on our behalf.

Pray for the **Pastoral Team** which meets on Wednesday evening – for clarity on future direction.

Pray for the **F@ST Club** on Friday afternoons — for good health for everyone and that there is growth.

Pray for healing for:

David Harvey, whose struggle with pain from his damaged shoulder is ongoing.

Pray for **Mandy Lines** (wife of our bishop, **Andy**) who underwent stem cell transplant — pray that this treatment will be effective and bring healing.

Kathleen Demircan — for a full recovery following a small stroke.

David McCarthy — for healing and patience as he recovers from shingles.

Pray for **Westhill Community Church** in Aberdeenshire:

- They are very close to getting a final agreement with the diocese over property — pray this will happen soon!
- The church is voting on 3 May on a proposal from the new SCIO (*Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation*) Vestry to affiliate with the Anglican Convocation in Europe (ACE).
- They are praying over this decision during the forty days of Lent.
- The Vestry and the Elders are united on this, but there is some discontent amongst some church members.

Please pray that there will a wonderful majority in favour of joining us in ACE.