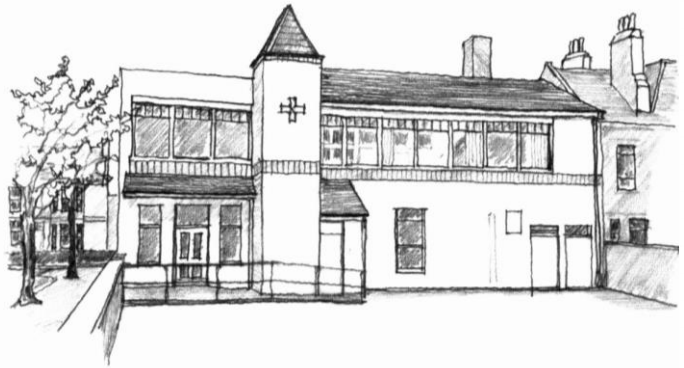
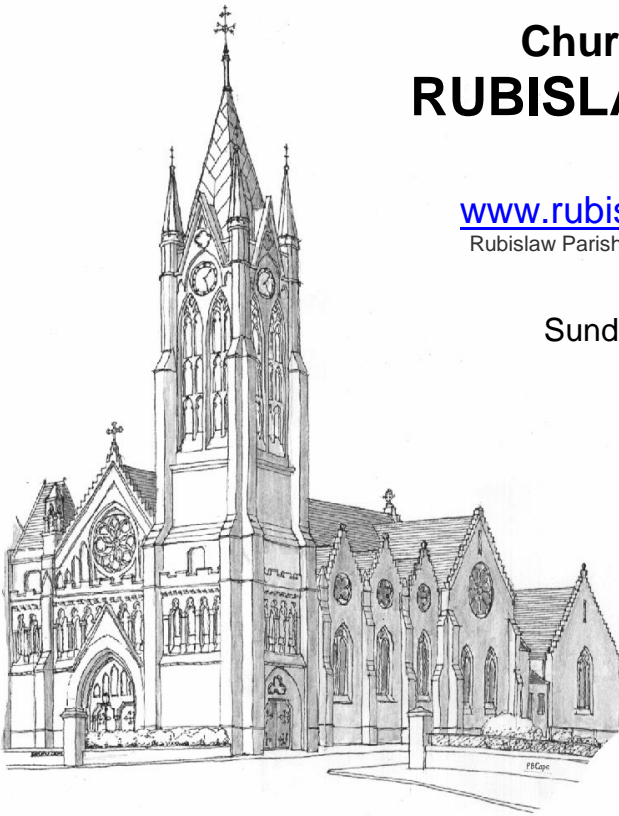


Church of Scotland RUBISLAW PARISH CHURCH

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Rubislaw Parish Church of Scotland, Aberdeen
Scottish Charity No. SC015841

Sunday 12 February 2017



Minister: The Rev Dr Robert L Smith Jr
Organist & Director of Music: Allan Bicket

10.30 am

Prelude

Hymn Prelude on Beatitudo

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June Nixon

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Your steadfast love, O God, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies!

ALL: Your righteousness is like the mountains, your wisdom as deep as the sea!

Minister: How precious is your wisdom to us; how endless is your strength.

ALL: All may come to take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

Minister: Great is thy faithfulness to us, O God our Father.

ALL: We are here to worship you!

Hymn 153 Great is Thy faithfulness

Prayers of Approach to God in Praise and Worship
The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory,
for ever. Amen

Children's Talk

Hymn 693 Help us forgive, forgiving Lord

 **WORD OF GOD**

Psalm 119 vv 1 – 8
Matthew Ch 5 vv 21 – 37

Pg 611 Pew Bible OT
Pg 8 Pew Bible NT

Anthem

Be still, for the presence of the Lord Words and Music: D Evans; arr R Shepherd

1. *Be still for the presence of the Lord
The Holy One is here;
Come bow before Him now
With reverence and fear.
In Him no sin is found,
We stand on holy ground;
Be still for the presence of the Lord,
The Holy One, is here*
2. *Be still for the glory of the Lord
Is shining all around;
He burns with holy fire,
With splendour He is crowned.*
3. *Be still for the power of the Lord
Is moving in this place;
He comes to cleanse and heal,
To minister His grace.
No work too hard for Him,
In faith receive from Him;
Be still for the power of the Lord
Is moving in this place.*

Prayer of Preparation

Sermon

Offering

Hymn 658

Before I take the body of my Lord

Affirmation of Faith - The Apostles' Creed

Minister: Let us stand and affirm our faith in God

ALL: I believe in
GOD THE FATHER ALMIGHTY,
MAKER OF HEAVEN AND EARTH
and in
JESUS CHRIST HIS ONLY SON OUR LORD
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in
the HOLY GHOST;
the HOLY CATHOLIC CHURCH;
the COMMUNION OF SAINTS;
the FORGIVENESS OF SINS;
the RESURRECTION OF THE BODY;
and the LIFE EVERLASTING.
Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

(The wine we use in the Lord's Supper is non-alcoholic)

Minister: The Lord be with you
ALL: AND ALSO WITH YOU
Minister: Lift up your hearts
ALL: WE LIFT THEM TO THE LORD
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
ALL: IT IS RIGHT TO GIVE OUR THANKS AND PRAISE
Minister: Let us pray

**ALL: HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, LORD GOD OF POWER AND MIGHT,
HEAVEN AND EARTH ARE FULL OF YOUR GLORY.
HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST.
BLESSED IS HE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD:
HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST.**

Minister: Jesus, Lamb of God
ALL: HAVE MERCY ON US.
Minister: Jesus, bearer of our sins
ALL: HAVE MERCY ON US.
Minister: Jesus, redeemer of the world
ALL: GRANT US PEACE.

SHARING COMMUNION TOGETHER

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Hymn 577 Christ, be beside me

Benediction Choral Amen

Postlude Voluntary in G major Starling Goodwin (1713-1774)






SEEKERS' CLASSES

Do you have any questions about the Christian faith? Questions like 'What does being a Christian mean? What is the role of the Bible in our lives? What does being a church member mean?' Well, you are not alone! We all seek answers to different questions about our faith; and that is a good thing!

To help you understand your faith and find meaningful answers to your questions, we hold Seekers' Classes here at Rubislaw. These informative and fun classes allow us to learn, share and grow in our faith. There are no prerequisites; just come with your questions!

Seekers' Classes will be held twice a year; in September and in February. These classes are for all ages and all people! You don't have to be a member, just have an interest in learning more about our faith. So, please invite your friends, neighbours or work colleagues; everyone is welcome!

If you are interested, please contact the Church Office on 01224 645 477.



RUBISLAW CHURCH NEWS

WELCOME to worship today, especially if you are a visitor or newcomer to Rubislaw. We invite you most warmly to coffee after worship in the lounge of the Church Centre at the corner of Beaconsfield Place.

LOOP SYSTEM for hearing aid users – turn to T position.

CROSSREACH NEWS Do you know about Twiddlemuffs and how they help to provide stimulation for restless hands- in particular for those who have dementia? Read about them on page 7 of the latest issue of Crossreach News available at the door today.

CHURCH CENTRE The Centre will be open for coffee, tea, home bakes, in the mornings Monday – Friday, 10 am – 12 noon. Enjoy the hospitality of our Centre Lounge and entertain your friends there.

GUILD Our next meeting takes place tomorrow, Monday 13th February at 2.15pm, in the Church Centre. Our speaker will be Dr Sorcha Hume from Charlie House. This is a local charity which provides palliative and respite care to North East children. Tea/coffee and cakes will be served. All welcome.

HOUSEGROUP Thursday Housegroup 16th February. Meeting starts at 7.30 pm at the Starks home, 27 Desswood Place, ☎ 01224 640560 New members very welcome.

ABERDEEN AND DISTRICT ORGANISTS' ASSOCIATION will be meeting in Rubislaw Church on Saturday 18th February 2017 at 2.30pm. Andrew Macintosh, RCO Director for Scotland and Northern Ireland will give a short talk on 'The Royal College of Organists in the 21st century' and then a short organ recital with music by Bach, Mathias and Moore. You are welcome to attend this event.

SUNDAY 19th FEBRUARY 9.15 am Early Service and 10.30 am Morning Worship led by The Rev Dr Robert L Smith Jr.

TRAIDCRAFT Our Fairtrade stall will be available in the Church Centre after worship next Sunday. Cheddar Cheese oaty biscuits and Black Pepper and Poppy Seeds oaty biscuits in stock - such a delicious change from chocolate! Please come along and help us to 'fight poverty through trade'.

MONDAY LUNCHES the next Monday lunch in the Church Centre will be Monday 20th February, 12.15 – 1.30 pm.

ACCOMMODATION SOUGHT Rev Dr Ken Jeffrey, coordinator of the Centre for Ministry Studies at Aberdeen University, seeks mid-week, overnight accommodation in Aberdeen on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. If you are able to help, please contact Ken on 07413 068680 or at ksjeffrey@abdn.ac.uk



Guild Projects Coffee Morning

Rubislaw Church Guild

Rubislaw Church Centre

Saturday 11th March 2017

10 am—12 noon

Usual Stalls

Adults £2.50

Children Free



Prayer Pointers: 12.02.17

*“Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit” says the Lord Almighty
(Zechariah 4 v 6)*

- ❖ Continue to pray for world leaders. That they would be given wisdom to together pursue justice and peace.
- ❖ Give thanks for the Queen and her Christian faith, pray for God’s blessing on her and her family.
- ❖ Pray for the ongoing conflict in Yemen where now much of the population is in need of humanitarian assistance. Pray for peace and aid.
- ❖ Pray also for peace in South Sudan and Burundi where violent conflict threatens to erupt once more. Pray for those forced from their homes.
- ❖ Continue to remember in prayer all those in hospital or ill at home. Pray for God’s healing presence, comfort and strength.
- ❖ Pray now for yourself, family or friends and those you know who are in particular need of prayer at this time.

*We give thanks Lord for the week gone by
and look to You in the week ahead*

To make a prayer request speak to Fiona Chaloner (01224 318039) or Doug Boyd (01224 633073), or place a note in an offering bag/prayer box. All prayer requests will be treated with strict confidentiality. No information will be shared outside the Prayer Group and every request will be considered anonymous unless you say otherwise. If you wish your request can also be included in the weekly prayer bulletin. As always, you may contact the Minister with any pastoral concern.

