

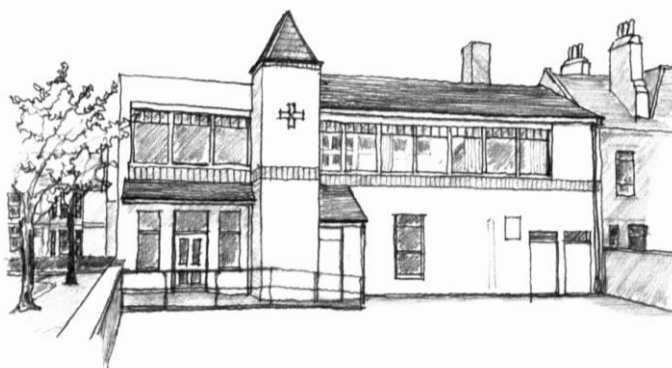
Church of Scotland RUBISLAW PARISH CHURCH

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

Sunday 12 May 2019

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



Growing together, sharing God's love, building faith, bringing hope

10.30 am

Prelude Prelude on hymn tune Converse A Fletcher

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: God loves us so much that He sent His Son, Jesus into this world to save us.

All: For us, Jesus lived and showed God's love; for us he suffered the darkness of Calvary.

Minister: For us, Jesus triumphed over death and rose to newness of life.

All: Jesus did all this because He loves us. So, we love because God loved us first.

Minister: Let's worship Jesus, who is raised and dies no more and into whom we are baptised and are made a new creation.

Hymn 635 (Tune: Sine Nomine) We know that Christ is raised and dies no more

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

Sacrament of Baptism

Alexa Anais Bartlett and Sophia Eve Bartlett


The Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you; The Lord make his face to shine upon you. And be gracious unto you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. Amen.

Giving of Gifts

Hymn 212 Morning has broken

(After the singing of this hymn children leave for Crèche, Sunday Club and S1-6 Group)

 **WORD OF GOD** Psalm 139 vv 1, 13 – 16 Pg 622 Pew Bible OT
1 Samuel Ch 1 vv 1 – 2, 9 – 18, 24 – 28 Pg 264 Pew Bible OT

Anthem Now the green blade rises Trad French, arr A Bullard (b 1947)

Now the green blade rises from the buried grain
Wheat that in the dark earth many years has lain;
Love lives again, that with the dead has been:
Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.

In the grave they laid Him, Love whom we had slain,
Thinking that He never would awake again,
Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:
Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.

Forth He came at Easter, like the risen grain,
He that for the three days in the grave had lain;
Quick from the dead my risen Lord is seen:
Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.

When our hearts are wintry, grieving or in pain,
Then your touch can call us back to life again;
Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:
Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.

Prayer of Preparation

Sermon

Hymn 632 Our children, Lord, in faith and prayer

Offering

Prayers of the People

Hymn 561 Blessed assurance

Benediction **Choral Amen**

Postlude Voluntary in D James Hook (1746-1827)



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.

CRÈCHE FOR BABIES AND TODDLERS every Sunday in Room 3 in the Centre, for children up to age 3. Crèche children come in to Church with their families for the first part of the service and then leave to go to the Church Centre at the same time as the Sunday Club.

SUNDAY CLUB for children 3+, and **S1-6 Group** meet today, beginning in church with families and friends followed by their programme in the Church Centre.

CHURCH 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.

THE CHURCH OFFICE will be closed Tuesday 21st – Tuesday 28th May, inc. Notices for the order of service for Sunday 26th May should be submitted to the office no later than Thursday 16th May.

KIRK SESSION MEETING Monday 13th May at 7.30 pm. Minutes and Agenda now available from the Church Centre pigeonholes for those not on email.

SUNDAY 19TH MAY 9.15 am Short Service led by Prof Gavin McEwen and 10.30 am Morning Worship led by Dr Margaret Denison.

TRAIDCRAFT Our next monthly stall will be available in the Church Centre after worship on Sunday, 19th May. Ginger cookies are back! We will also have marmalade, coffee beans and savoury cheese biscuits. Please come along to show your support for the world's poorest producers.

GUILD Members and guests are reminded of our summer evening meal at the Deeside Golf Club on Monday 20th May. 6pm for 6.30pm.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 12th – 18th May.

Popular Paper Quiz

This year we have a new paper quiz. The topic is Book Titles. These are on sale now from Committee members and at the coffee hatch in the Centre. Completed quizzes should be returned (box in the Centre) by Thursday, 9th May. Answers and winner will be announced at our main fundraising event on Sunday, 12th May.

An Invitation to Lunch

After worship on Sunday, 12th May, we are holding our **Souper Sunday Lunch**. We will be serving a variety of delicious homemade soups, as well as fine pieces and fruit, together with teas and coffees. All for £5 per person, with children lunching free.

Christian Aid Red Donation Envelopes

In addition we would ask you to consider donating through the Christian Aid red envelopes. They will be available in Church on Sunday, 12th, and throughout Christian Aid Week in the Centre. Completed envelopes may be returned at the **Souper Sunday Lunch** or handed to Neil, our Centre manager, by Monday, 20th May.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK – when more than 20,000 churches unite to achieve incredible things. Let's be one of them!

CHURCH BARBECUE SUNDAY 2ND JUNE

This year's Church Barbecue, being held after the morning service on Sunday 2nd June, will take the usual format with the food & refreshments being served in the car park (weather permitting) and teas & coffees also being served downstairs in either Room 3 or outside.

However, what will be different this year is that, as part of the Church Centre's Christian outreach, the proceeds are being donated to the Spot Valley School Staff Fund. Over the years Rubislaw Church has actively supported the Spot Valley School in Jamaica both physically in terms of helping to build the school, by various financial initiatives and through our members' visits to the school.

Tickets for the event are priced at £5 which covers the cost of both food and drink. We would be delighted to see you to support this very worthwhile cause.

Our minister will be away from 14th May to 6th June. Should you require a minister during that time, please contact the Rev Scott Rennie on 01224 322549.



Prayer Pointers: 12.05.19

Though the mountains be shaken and the hills be removed, yet My unfailing love for you will not be shaken nor My covenant of peace be removed," says the Lord, who has compassion on you. (Isaiah 54 v10)

- ❖ Continue to pray for all those affected by natural disasters. Pray for aid to get through so the re-building of lives can start.
- ❖ Pray for all the Africa Day celebrations and events taking place over the next few weeks that people would be encouraged and blessed.
- ❖ Pray for those who have requested prayer through the prayer boxes in the Church and the Centre. May they know God's presence with them and their loved ones.
- ❖ Pray for all the groups and people meeting in the Church Centre. Pray they would know God's presence and experience His love. Pray for Anne and for Neil in all they do.
- ❖ Pray for all those we know in hospital, that God would grant them good recovery and assurance of His accompanying love.
- ❖ 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.



'All mums should live'

Jebbeh Konneh, eight months pregnant

Jebbeh's own sister lost her life giving birth in Sierra Leone.

As her baby grows, Jebbeh fears she could be next.

With every envelope, every gift, every click. Every one of us can help save lives.



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12-18 MAY

Join us

at the Rubislaw Church Christian Aid Souper Sunday Lunch after worship on Sunday 12th May. Christian Aid red donation envelopes will be available in church on Sunday 12th May and all week in the Church Centre.

Also on sale in the Centre, our popular paper quizzes. This year's topic is 'Book Titles'.