

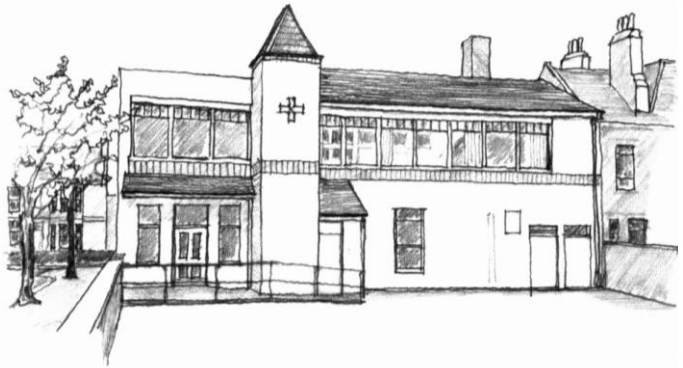
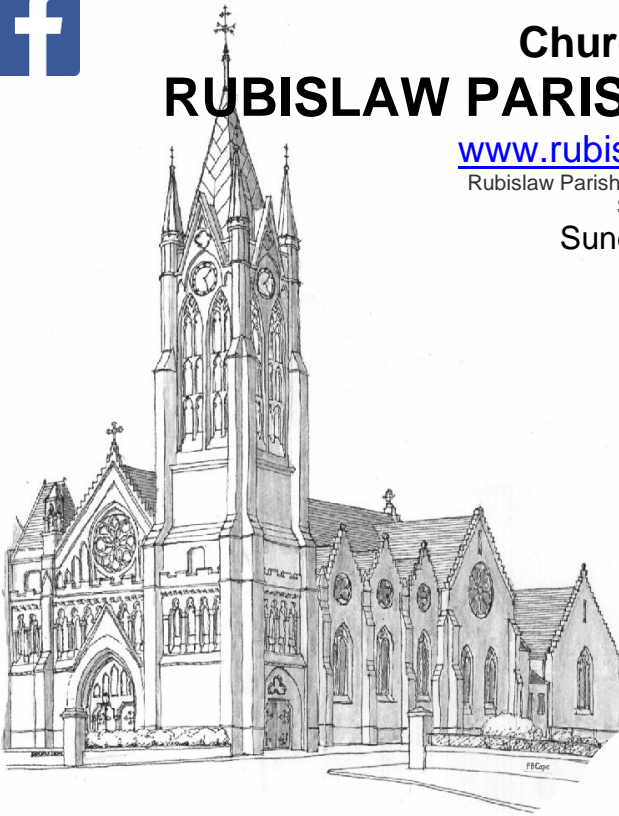


Church of Scotland RUBISLAW PARISH CHURCH

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

Sunday 2 February 2020



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

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

WELCOME**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Minister: Blessed are the poor in spirit, the downtrodden and despairing,

All: They will rejoice in God's reign forever.

Minister: Blessed are those who mourn, who are grieving

All: They will be comforted in God's reign forever.

Minister: Blessed are the ones who hunger for justice and righteousness

All: They will find it in God's reign forever.

Minister: Blessed are we when we love our neighbours and seek their needs

All: We will live in God's reign forever.

Minister: Blessed are we all when we seek to serve others in God's name.

All: Let us worship together, serving one another and serving our Mighty God.

Hymn 172 Sing for God's glory!

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 180 Give thanks

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



WORD OF GOD

Psalm 15

Matthew Ch 5 vv 1 – 12

Pg 544 Pew Bible OT

Pg 7 Pew Bible NT

Anthem

Author of life divine

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Cecilia McDowall (b 1951)

1. Author of life divine,
 who hast a table spread,
 furnished with mystic wine
 and everlasting bread,
 preserve the life Thyself hast given,
 and feed and train us up for heaven.

2. Our needy souls sustain
 with fresh supplies of love,
 till all Thy life we gain
 and all Thy fullness prove,
 and strengthened by Thy perfect grace,
 behold without a veil Thy face.

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Prayer of Preparation**Sermon****Offering**

During the offering the choir will sing Hymn 19 (Psalm 24) Ye gates, lift up
 your heads on high

Communion Hymn 657

Father most loving, listen to your children

Entrance of the Elements

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 The People

Hymn 468 Son of God, eternal Saviour

Benediction

Please remain standing after the benediction while the elements are removed.

Postlude Dialogue sur les grands jeux François Couperin



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.

SOUPER SUNDAY – 2ND FEBRUARY Lunch in the Church Centre after the service today. Proceeds to the Church of Scotland HIV/AIDS project.

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.

KIRK SESSION meeting Monday 3rd February, 7.30 pm, in the Church Centre. Minutes and Agenda now available in the Church Centre pigeonholes for those not on email.

SUNDAY 9th FEBRUARY 2020 10.30 am Morning Worship with Sacrament of Baptism led by the Rev Dr Robert L Smith Jr.

GUILD Our next afternoon meeting will be held in the Church Centre on Monday, 10th February, at 2.15pm. We shall be enjoying 'An Afternoon of Musical Entertainment' by Yvonne Morton. Tea/coffee and cakes will be served too. Everyone will be most welcome to join us.

JOINT YOUTH TRIP Our next joint youth trip for young people in P7-S6 will take place on Tuesday 18th February from 3-4.15 pm. We have 8 free spaces available for a session on the climbing wall at Transition Extreme. Could those interested in attending please contact our youth worker, Jay Thomas, to book their place on the trip and obtain a consent form. Email: Jthomas@churchofscotland.org.uk Mobile: 07496259991

ITALIAN EVENING – FRIDAY 21ST FEBRUARY 2020 Following on from the successful Italian Evenings, the Centre Management is hosting a repeat performance on **Friday 21st February 2020** 7.00pm for 7.30pm. The evening will consist of a two course meal + coffee, wine & soft drinks and conclude with 'light entertainment'. Tickets (£21) are available from Richard Morrison, Isobel Robb and Miles Paterson. **Ciao!**

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE is to be held in St Mary's Episcopal Church, Carden Place at 2pm on Friday 6th March. This year the service has been written by the Christian women of Zimbabwe and is entitled 'Rise, take your mat and walk'. Everyone is welcome to this ecumenical service. Please support it.

WEST END CHURCHES CHRISTIAN AID BOOK SALE 9 – 16 MAY 2020 We are participating in this joint event and looking for **volunteers** who can help to sort and price books (and other things – see below) in the two weeks ahead of the sale which starts on 9 May 2020. The Sale will include books (hardbacks and paperbacks), pictures, CDs, DVDs, sheet music, postcards, stamps, jigsaw puzzles. We are also looking for **donated items** which can be left with the Church Centre Manager at any time from now until 9 May. The organising group are also looking for an Art Expert! If you can help with this in any way, please contact Eunice McConnach ☎324604 or Margaret Parkinson ☎319777.

UPDATE ON OUR MINISTER

Robert has begun a Phased Return to Work, with limited duties and limited involvement in worship for the present. It is vital that this process is not rushed, and therefore the tasks which Robert takes on will be carefully arranged.

While the Phased Return to Work is in progress, **the Interim Moderator, Rev Eddie McKenna, will remain in place and anyone requiring the services of a Minister should contact him** (07460 725353 or emckenna@churchofscotland.org.uk). Any pastoral care information or requests should continue to be passed to Margaret Parkinson or Eunice McConnach (rubislawcares@btconnect.com).

Robert and family express their deep appreciation of the continuing prayers and support of all at Rubislaw.

Italian Evening



Rubislaw Church Centre

Friday 21st February

7.00 pm for 7.30 pm

Two course meal with tea/coffee

Followed by

light hearted entertainment

Tickets £21

(includes wine/soft drinks)

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Prayer Pointers: 02.02.20

Meanwhile, the moment we get tired in the waiting, God's Spirit is right alongside helping us along. If we don't know how or what to pray, it doesn't matter. He does our praying in and for us, making prayer out of our wordless sighs, our aching groans.
(Romans 8 v26 The Message Translation)

- ❖ Give thanks to God for His Holy Spirit “helping us along”. Tell Him what is on your heart, even with “wordless sighs”.
- ❖ Pray the spread of the new coronavirus would be stopped. Pray for all those affected; those already ill, those treating them and those who have lost loved ones.
- ❖ Pray for those struggling at work for whatever reason. Pray for God's light to shine.
- ❖ Pray for all those in power. That they will use it with wisdom and compassion.
- ❖ Pray for those ill at home or in hospital. Pray for healing 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.