



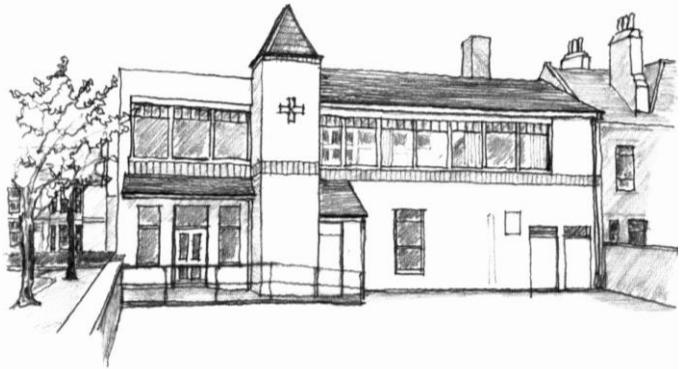
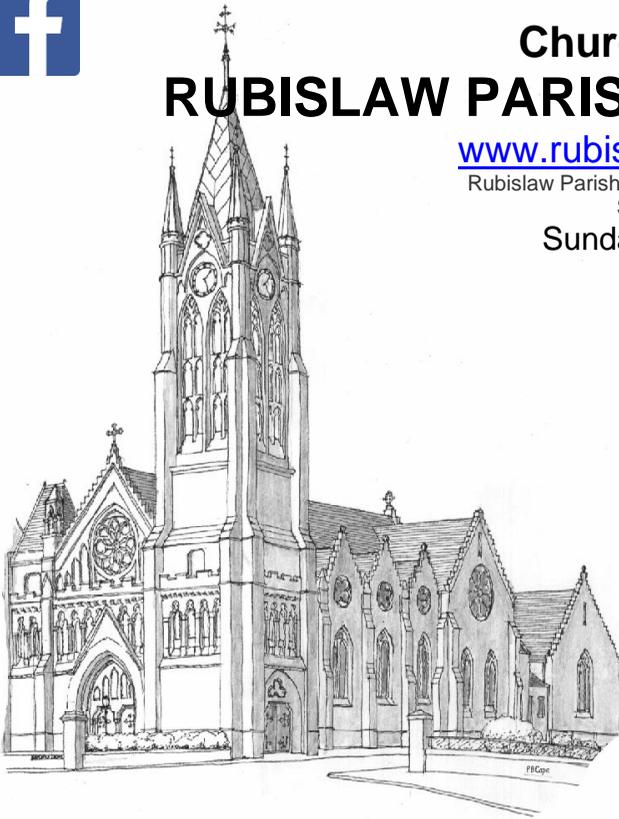
Church of Scotland RUBISLAW PARISH CHURCH

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Rubislaw Parish Church of Scotland, Aberdeen

Scottish Charity No. SC015841

Sunday 23 February 2020



Service led by: The Rev David Hutchison
Organist & Director of Music: Allan Bicket

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

WELCOME**CALL TO WORSHIP****Hymn 124**

Praise to the Lord

Prayers of Approach and Confession 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

'Let's all go to Sola Sollew'

Hymn 577

Christ be beside me

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

 **WORD OF GOD** Exodus Ch 24 vv 12 – 18
 Matthew Ch 17 vv 1 – 9

Pg 81 Pew Bible OT
 Pg 25 Pew Bible NT

Anthem

Ye servants of God

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arr. Henry Coleman

1. Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
 and publish abroad his wonderful name;
 the name all-victorious of Jesus extol;
 his kingdom is glorious and rules over all.
2. "Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!"
 let all cry aloud, and honour the Son;
 the praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
 fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.
3. Then let us adore and give him his right:
 all glory and power, all wisdom and might,
 all honour and blessing with angels above
 and thanks never ceasing and infinite love.

Prayer of Preparation

Sermon **“Peter’s Plans Offers Everyone Hope”**

Hymn 353 (Tune 120 Ode to Joy) Bright the cloud and bright the glory

Offering During the offering the choir will sing Psalm 119 (Hymn 79) –
Teach me, O Lord, the perfect way of thy precepts divine

Prayers of the People

Hymn 535 Who would true valour see

Benediction **Choral Amen**

Postlude Voluntary in C minor George Berg (c1730-1775)

"As long as he lives on earth periods of emotional and bodily richness and liveliness will alternate with periods of numbness and poverty...He wants them to learn to walk and must therefore take away His hand; and if only the will to walk is really there He is pleased even with their stumbles." Screwtape's advice to Wormwood, from C. S. Lewis, *The Screwtape Letters*.

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.

GUILD Our next meeting will be held in the Church Centre on Monday, 24th February, at 7.30pm. Our speaker this evening is Maureen Simpson, who will tell us of 'Lessons Learned in Kenya'. Tea/ coffee and cakes will be served. All welcome.

TUESDAY HOUSEGROUP at the McArthurs, 2 Carlton Place on Tuesday 25th February at 7.30pm. All are welcome. Tel 01224 640870 if you require further details.

RUBISLAW LADS' CLUB will meet for coffee and a chat on Wednesday 26th February at 10.30 am at the Church Centre. All Welcome.

SUNDAY 1st MARCH 2020 9.15 am Early Service with Sacrament of Holy Communion led by the Rev Eddie McKenna and 10.30 am Morning Worship led by the Rev Matthew Rodger.

LIGHT LUNCHES will be served in the Church Centre after the 10.30 am service. Proceeds to charity. All are most welcome.

KIRK SESSION MEETING Monday 2nd March. Minutes and Agenda now in the Church Centre Pigeonholes for those not on email.

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.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY Our annual Quiz Night in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support will be held in the Church Centre on Friday 27th March at 7.30pm. Details available later.

THEATRE Alexander Denison (one of the members of Rubislaw Sunday Club) is taking part in the JAYMT performance of The Wizard of Oz at the Tivoli Theatre in May. He is playing Tin Man on Wednesday 13th May at 7.30pm, Friday 15th May at 7.30pm and Saturday 16th May matinee performance at 2pm. A few members of the congregation have already bought tickets for the Friday evening (15th May) and if anyone else would like to order a ticket for any of the performances then please see Margaret Denison (Phone 01224 587144 or email a.denison@bopenworld.com). Ticket prices vary from £12-£18 depending on day and type of ticket.

WEST END CHURCHES CHRISTIAN AID BOOK SALE 9 – 16 MAY 2020 Thank you for your donations so far of books and other items for the sale. We now need folks to help with the following:-

27th April- 8th May (excluding Sundays) – help to sort and price goods (instruction given!)

9th- 16th May (except Sunday 10th) – help to staff the stalls in 2 hour slots between 10am and 8pm.

If you are able to help, please contact Eunice McConnach ☎324604 or Margaret Parkinson ☎319777.

BEADLE TEAM We are always looking for new people to join our beadle team – this involves a duty every 6-8 weeks, but even if you are willing to be an occasional stand-in, we want to hear from you! Full training will be given. Please contact Eunice McConnach ☎324604 or Margaret Parkinson ☎319777.

DRAFT PRESBYTERY PLAN The February edition of Life & Work contains an interesting article on New Partnerships which is relevant to the new types of working together envisaged by the Draft Presbytery Plan.

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.

During the Phased Return, Robert has been given compassionate leave from 22nd February until 18th March, to go to Hawaii to finalise his mother's move into a care home. Our prayers go with Robert on this long journey and stressful family time, and also with Lianne, Daniel and David who will be at home without him during this time.

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.

Prayer Pointers: 23.2.20

You have searched me, Lord, and you know me.

*²You know when I sit and when I rise;
you perceive my thoughts from afar.*

*³You discern my going out and my lying down;
you are familiar with all my ways.*

(Psalm 139, 1-3)

- ❖ Remember all who are suffering through acts of violence and tyranny, especially in Syria. All who are being ill-treated, the scorned and rejected of the world.
- ❖ Remember all those affected by coronavirus and pray that efforts to halt its spread and find ways to treat it would be as effective as possible.
- ❖ Pray for Robert our minister during his time in Hawaii , that all would go smoothly for him. And for God's blessing on Lianne, David and Daniel while he is away.
- ❖ Continue to pray for all those who are ill in hospital or at home. Pray for God's peace, hope 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.

Lent at Rubislaw Church Centre

15 minutes of peaceful quiet reflection
with music, words and silence

Wednesdays at 12.30

26th February

4th March

11th March

18th March

25th March

1st April

Everyone is welcome



Guild Projects

Coffee Morning

Rubislaw Church Guild

Rubislaw Church Centre

Saturday 21st March 2020

10 am—12 noon

Usual Stalls

Adults £2.50

Children Free

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