



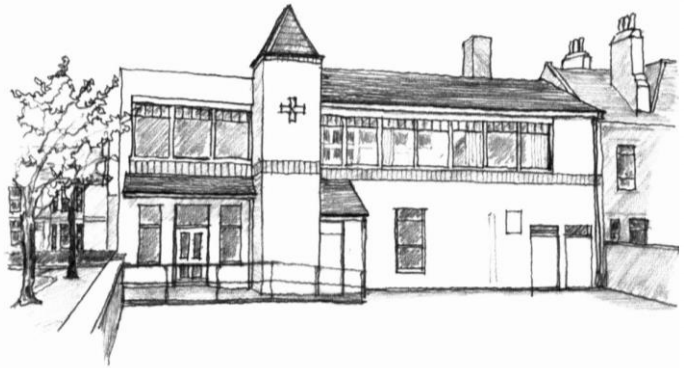
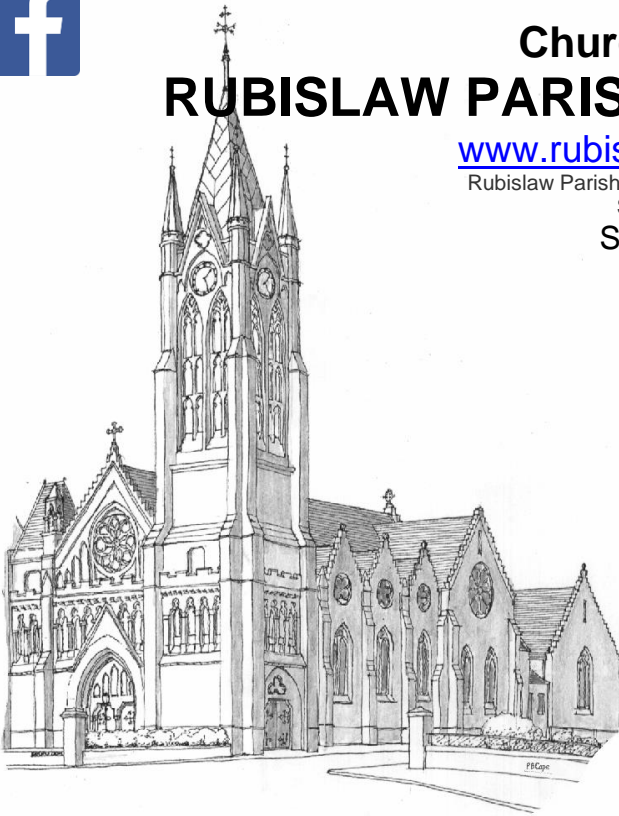
Church of Scotland RUBISLAW PARISH CHURCH

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Rubislaw Parish Church of Scotland, Aberdeen

Scottish Charity No. SC015841

Sunday 8 March 2020



Service led by: The Rev Matthew Rodger
Organist & Director of Music: Allan Bicket

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

Prelude

An Wasserflüssen Babylon
 (By the rivers of Babylon we sat down and wept)

J G Walther (1684-1748)

WELCOME**CALL TO WORSHIP**


Hymn 439 Look, ye saints, the sight is glorious!

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

Hymn 544 When I needed a neighbour
 (After the singing of this hymn children leave for Crèche, Sunday Club and S1-6 Group)

 **WORD OF GOD** Psalm 116 vv 1 – 11
 1 John Ch 4 vv 7 – 21

Pg 609 Pew Bible OT
 Pg 305 Pew Bible NT

Anthem Through the love of God our Saviour trad. Welsh, arr David Thorne (b 1950)

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| <p>1. Through the love of God our Saviour,
 all will be well.
 Free and changeless is his favour,
 all, all is well.
 Precious is the blood that healed us,
 perfect is the grace that sealed us,
 strong the hand stretched forth to shield
 us,
 all must be well.</p> | <p>2. We expect a bright tomorrow,
 all will be well.
 Faith can sing through days of sorrow,
 'All, all is well.'
 On our Father's love relying,
 Jesus every need supplying,
 in our living, in our dying,
 all must be well.</p> |
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Mary Peters (1813-1856)

Hymn 557 O love that wilt not let me go

Prayer of Preparation

Sermon

Hymn 528 Make me a channel of your peace

Offering

Prayers of the People

Hymn 555 Amazing grace!

Benediction Choral Amen

Postlude Ich ruf' zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ (Lord, hear the voice of my complaint)
JS Bach (1685-1750)



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.

DISTRICT ELDERS' PACKS now available for collection from the Church Centre.

GUILD Our next meeting will be held in the Church Centre on Monday, 9th March at 2.15pm. Andy Hall will give a photographic presentation on 'Aberdeenshire - A New Perspective'. Tea/ coffee and cakes will be served. All welcome.

TUESDAY HOUSEGROUP next meets at the McArthurs, 2 Carlton Place on Tuesday 10th March 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 11th March at 10.30 am at the Church Centre. All Welcome.

PRAYER MEETING Wednesday, 11th March, 7.30 – 8.30 pm in Quiet Room. If you would like a lift please contact Fiona Chaloner on 01224 318039 before Wednesday.

SOUP N' PUD LUNCH The next Soup n' Pud Lunch will be held in the Church Centre on Thursday 12th March at 12.30 pm. Soup, pudding, coffee & biscuit – all for £5.

Following the lunch you are invited to join us for a short act of worship in the Lawrence Lounge (1.45 pm – 2.00 pm) Why not come along and bring a friend? All are most welcome.

THURSDAY HOUSEGROUP next meets on Thursday 12th March, 7.30 pm, at the home of the Benzies. Tel 01224 593926.

SUNDAY 15th MARCH 2020 10.30 am Morning Worship led by the Rubislaw Worship Group.

TRAIDCRAFT The next Fairtrade stall will be available in the Church Centre after worship on Sunday, 15th March. As well as our usual supplies of teas, coffees, mueslis and Divine chocolate, we will have some Easter cards for sale this month. Please come along to support the world's poorest producers.

A SERVICE OF UNION between the congregations of **High Church Hilton** and **Middlefield** will take place at High Church Hilton on Sunday 22nd March at 11am.

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. Teams of four. (Teams can be made up on the night.) Tickets £6 available from Mary Wallis.

GIN GIN EVENING The Centre Management are hosting a Gin Tasting Evening on **Saturday 4th April at the Aberdeen Grammar FP Club, Queen's Road at 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm**. In addition to the gin tasting there will be a Bottle & Chocolate Stall for which donations will be very gratefully accepted – these may be left with the Centre Manager or given to Isobel Robb or Miles Paterson. In addition, there will be several opportunities to win a bottle of gin! Tickets, priced at £20 are available from Isobel, Richard or Miles. Cheers!

COME AND SING There will be a Come and Sing event - Fauré *Requiem* - on Saturday 4th April 2020, from 10am to 4pm, with a public performance at 7.30pm in Holburn West Parish Church. Further details for those interested in singing are available at <https://scottishorganist.wordpress.com/events>

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.

THANK YOU The Sunday lunch on 1st March, organised by the Housegroups, raised £293.60 for UCAN, the local urological cancer charity. Thank you to all who supported this worthy cause.

CONGRATULATIONS to our Organist and Director of Music, Allan Bicket who recently passed with distinction the Diploma of the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music. We are delighted to hear of his success and send our best wishes to him.

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: 08.03.2020

Let us fix our eyes on Jesus (Hebrews 12 v2a)

*Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full in His wonderful face,
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim,
In the light of His glory and grace.
(Chorus from hymn by Helen Lemmel)*

- ❖ Continue to pray for 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.
- ❖ Continue to pray for all world leaders. Pray for wisdom and strength.
- ❖ Pray for the migrant situation especially at the borders; Greece, Turkey and Syria. Pray for those fleeing from desperate circumstances, hoping for better things.
- ❖ Pray for Afghanistan as peace talks are scheduled. Pray for an end to the conflict.
- ❖ Continue to pray for all those ill in hospital or at home, and for those caring for them. Pray for the love of Jesus to surround them, bringing His healing.
- ❖ 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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