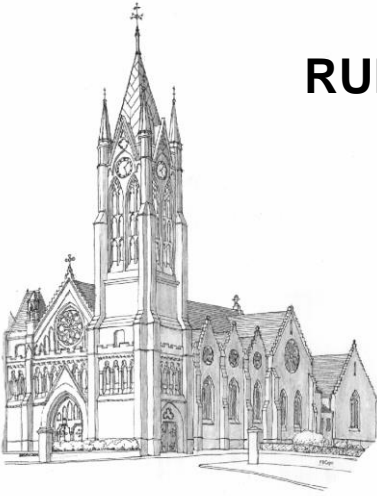


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# **RUBISLAW PARISH CHURCH**

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



## **Palm Sunday**

**Sunday 9 April 2017**

**Minister: The Rev Prof John Swinton  
Organist & Director of Music: Allan Bicket**

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**Prelude** Hymn Prelude on St Margaret .....

Richard Pantcheff (b 1959)

## WELCOME

## CALL TO WORSHIP

**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 512** To God be the Glory



### WORD OF GOD

Matthew Ch 21 vs 1 – 11  
Psalm 13

Pg 30 Pew Bible NT  
Pg 543 Pew Bible OT

**Anthem** Hosanna to the Son of David .....

GP Telemann (1681-1767)

*Hosanna to the Son of David.  
For blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Sing hosanna in the highest.*

## SERMON

**Offertory** During the offering the choir will sing Hymn 549 - How deep the Father's love for us (vv 1 and 2)

**Hymn (sung twice)** 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.

Keep your eyes upon Jesus,  
Let nobody else take His place;  
So that hour by hour you will know His power  
Till at last you have run the great race.

## 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.**

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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

### Prayer

**Hymn 392** When I survey the wondrous cross

**Benediction** **Choral Amen**

**Postlude** Voluntary in Eb major ..... Jacob Kirkman (d 1812)

# 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.

**CHURCH CENTRE** closed Good Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April – Easter Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April. Re-opens Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April.

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

**ATTENTION ALL GARDENERS** The members of RUBISLAW GUILD would like to invite you to our next meeting. It will be tomorrow, 10<sup>th</sup> April at 2.15pm, in the Church Centre. Our speaker will be Jimmy McRae of the Mains of Drum Garden Centre. His talk is 'An Afternoon of Beautiful Flowers', in which he will tell of his visit to the Chelsea Flower Show last summer. Jimmy has an extensive knowledge of plants and huge enthusiasm for gardening. Please come along and share in a beautiful and relaxing afternoon. Teas/coffees and 'fine pieces' will be served.

**LUNCHLINK** The next Lunchlink is on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April at 12.30 pm in the Church Centre. If you would like to come along and require transport please contact the Church Centre ☎01224 645477. This is open to ALL, we would be delighted to see some new diners.

**OUR MINISTER** is away from 29 March to 13 April. Pastoral cover will be provided from 8 April to 13 April by the Rev Scott Rennie (01224 322549).

**THE MANSE** We sold the manse at 45 Rubislaw Den South and have purchased a new one. Our minister and his family moved on 22 March to the new manse which is at 13 Oakhill Road, AB15 5ER. The landline will remain the same: 01224 314 773.

**MUSIC IN WORSHIP** A series of three talks on the theme of "Music in Worship" will be held in the Lawrence Lounge on the 4<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> of April. The first will be by Professor David Smith of Aberdeen University Music Department ("Music and Worship: some historical reflections"), the second by Derrick McClure ("The Psalms in the Reformation period"), and the third by Gordon Bell ("Hymns and Hymn Singing in the Church of Scotland"). The talks will be at 7.30 p.m. Tea and coffee will be served, and there will be time for questions and discussion.

**EASTER SUNDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> APRIL** 8 am Holy Communion followed by Breakfast in the lounge of the Church Centre. 10.30 am All Age Worship in Rubislaw Church led by the Rev Dr Robert L Smith. Please note there will be no 9.15 am service.

**TRAIDCRAFT** Our Fairtrade stall will be available in the Church Centre after worship next Sunday. Fabulous news! We have chocolate raisins and yoghurt raisins in stock! Thank you, customers, for your patience. Other goods available too. Please come along and show your support for the world's poorest producers.

**ADESA COFFEE MORNING** The Annual Adesa (Peru) Coffee Morning will be held in the Church Centre on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 10 am – 12 noon. Usual Stalls. Donations most welcome. Tickets £2.50, available from members of the committee.

**WORLDLINK BOOK LAUNCH AND LUNCH EVENT** - Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 12 noon at Hebron Church, Summer Street. Come and hear Jack Nelson speak about his new book describing the work of WorldLink and enjoy a snack lunch. All welcome. See Fiona Chaloner or Olaniyi Daramola for more details.

**SAFEGUARDING** There will be training for volunteers (morning) and Safeguarding Panel Members (all day) on Saturday 29 April at South Holburn Church. For more details and to book a place, contact Eunice McConnach (324604).

**MONDAY LUNCHES** the next Monday lunch in the Church Centre will be Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May, 12.15 – 1.30 pm.

**INSTANT NEIGHBOUR** Donations of non-perishable food can be put in the basket in the Church Centre (located outside the Manager's Office), **at any time**, in addition to the regular collection on the first Sunday of the month in the Church. All contributions gratefully received.

**HELP!** Can anyone help with Sunday Coffee duty over the summer? I have 4 blank dates on my rota - 7<sup>th</sup> May, 25<sup>th</sup> June, 6<sup>th</sup> August and 17<sup>th</sup> Sept. Sunday Coffees is a very important time of friendship and fellowship and many people enjoy this time every week. It's not a difficult task but an important one. Please let me know if you can help. Thanks Margaret Yule.

**PEW CARDS** are available should you wish to leave a message/information or request information. Completed cards may be handed to a duty elder.





## Prayer Pointers: 09.04.17

*The Lord your God is with you, He is mighty to save. He will take great delight in you,  
He will quiet you with His love, He will rejoice over you with singing.  
(Zephaniah 3 v17)*

- ❖ As Holy week and Easter approach, let us pray for a heightened awareness of Jesus sacrifice and His amazing love and grace for us.
- ❖ Pray for teachers as they take their holidays over Easter, that they would be refreshed.
- ❖ Give thanks for all those who help out with the children's activities every Sunday at the Crèche, Sunday Club and the S1-S4 Group. Pray they too will be refreshed.
- ❖ Pray for those in the Police, Fire Brigade and Ambulance Service as they do a difficult and often dangerous job. Pray that they would feel supported and strengthened.
- ❖ Pray for all those who are ill in hospital or recovering at home, that they would know God's healing presence.
- ❖ 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.



