## **Holy Week Services**

Once again we are holding our joint Holy Week Services with Airdrie: St Columba's, alternating the venue each night between the two buildings. Details are as follows:

Monday, 15th April at 7.30 p.m. Venue – St Columba's
Tuesday, 16th April at 7.30 p.m. Venue – The New Wellwynd
Wednesday, 17th April at 7.30 p.m. Venue – St Columba's
Thursday, 18th April at 7.30 p.m. Venue – The New Wellwynd
Maundy Thursday Communion Service
Friday, 19th April at 7.30 p.m. Venue – St Columba's
Good Friday Service followed by tea and coffee
Saturday, 20th April at 7.30 p.m.
Easter Saturday Service Venue - The New Wellwynd

<u>Sunday</u>, 21/04/2019 - The **Kirk Session** will meet at 10:45 a.m. in the Session Room for admission of new members.

### **Elders Conference 2019**

**Theme:** Creating and Deepening Discipleship

**When:** Friday 7 June (17:00) - Sunday 9 June (14:00) 2019

(Booking closes on 19 May 2019)

Where: Scottish Police College, Tulliallan Castle, Kincardine,

Fife FK10 4BE

Ticket: £150

£70 for those attending from a Priority Area

\* Ticket includes accommodation, meals and refreshments.

The **Nearly New Shop** would appreciate donations of any unwanted household goods, clothing and Christmas gifts which you might have. Please speak to Liz Hannah for more information.

**Live Streaming** - Please note that our services are now streamed over the Internet. If you do not wish to be seen in the congregation, please sit under the gallery on the pulpit side of the church.

(Visit us online at: www.newwellwynd.org.uk)

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Intimations should be communicated to David Walker by 6:00 p.m. on Thursday evening - 747075, or email <a href="mailto:dwalker.davros@virgin.net">dwalker.davros@virgin.net</a>

# The New Wellwynd Parish Church of Scotland, Airdrie 7th April, 2019

PRAYER before Worship: Loving God, you tell us to examine ourselves and consider our faith, ensuring that we are serving and honouring you as we should be. Give us grace, then, to be honest with ourselves and honest with you and so to stand firm in faith.

Amen.

(If you are able, would you please stand for all items marked \*\*)

# Fifth Sunday in Lent - At home in Lent : Catching THE book bug!

# **Lighting of Candle**

\*\* Entry of the Bible

Welcome and Intimations

**INTROIT** 

Call to Worship

Minister: Come to hear the Word.

Come to do the Word.

Minister: Come to experience Comfort.

All: Come to experience Challenge.

Minister: Come to find Cost.

All: Come to find Joy.

Minister: Come to find Humanity.

Come to find Community.

Minister: Come to find Church.

All: Come to find God.

Minister: "Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path."

LET US WORSHIP GOD!

\*\* Hymn 112

God, whose almighty word...

Prayer of Approach and 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

#### **ADDRESS**

# \*\* Hymn MP249

How lovely on the mountains ...

How lovely on the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, good news, proclaiming peace, announcing news of happiness, our God reigns, our God reigns!

Our God reigns, our God reigns, our God reigns, our God reigns, our God reigns!

You watchmen lift your voices joyfully as one, shout for your King, your King.

See eye to eye the Lord restoring Zion: your God reigns, your God reigns!

Your God reigns, your God reigns, your God reigns, your God reigns!

Waste places of Jerusalem break forth with joy, we are redeemed, redeemed.

The Lord has saved and comforted his people: your God reigns, your God reigns!

Your God reigns, your God reigns, your God reigns, your God reigns!

Ends of the earth, see the salvation of your God,
Jesus is Lord, is Lord.
Before the nations he has bared his holy arm:
your God reigns, your God reigns!

Your God reigns, your God reigns!

(Leonard E. Smith Jnr.)

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**Old Testament Reading** Nehemiah 8 : 1 - 12 (O.T. Pg. 485 approx.)

#### Intimations:

We welcome everyone to this morning's service. We trust any visitors will enjoy the fellowship of New Wellwynd and we invite you to sign the 'Visitors' Book' before you leave. A crèche is available during the service for pre-Sunday Club children (0 - 3 years). Parents are encouraged to make use of this facility.

The **Duty Driver** today is Moira Gartshore.

Tea Fellowship Assistants are members of CAMEO.

The **Traidcraft Stall** is open today. The assistants are Jim and Ann Neilson.

**April Newsletters** and **Easter Cards** are available in the church office for distributors to uplift.

The **Pilgrim Group** meets in the Session Room for the fifth of its Lenten Studies from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.. All are welcome.

At 2.30 p.m. the minister will be holding a class entitled Exploring the Faith which will be suitable for those interested in learning more about the church, about membership or just wanting a "refresher".

The Lenten Café is at 6:30 p.m.—

At home in Lent: Going a bit deeper!

<u>Tuesday</u>, 09/04/2019 - Members of CAMEO meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Session Room.

 $\underline{Thursday,\ 11/04/2019}$  - The Church Choir meets for rehearsal in the Session Room at 7:30 p.m..

Friday, 12/04/2019 - The **Snack Bar** will be open from 10:00 a.m. till 1:30 p.m.. The Church will be open from 10:00 a.m. and the Friday Service will be at 11:30 a.m.. The **Nearly New Shop** will be open from 10:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m..

The **Art Club** meets in the upper hall at 7:30 p.m.

# Sunday, 14/04/2019 -

# 11 a.m. - Morning Worship for Palm Sunday.

God's Extraordinary in the Ordinary. Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

Tea Fellowship Assistants will be Julie Fleming and Moira Gartshore.

The **Duty Driver** will be Alison Sefton.

The **Traidcraft Stall** will be open. The assistants will be Christine Cassells and Barbara Watt.

The Lenten Café is at 6:30 p.m.—

At home in Lent: Going a bit deeper!

# In the coming week -

\* A Question - How often do you read the Bible?

\* A Response - Develop a pattern so that God's Word is woven into your daily routine that you might truly meditate on God's Word day and night.

\* A Prayer -

When I see, O Lord, the power of your Word, I wonder if I can see the power in my own life. I see the mistakes, and all the times I have tried to walk away from you. Forgive me. I have sat down at the table of those who have turned me from you. Your law reveals the path away from evil. Your word is my delight, my satisfaction. I can find no other thing to fill me. Sinful habits, selfish ambitions, unbridled pride all try to fill me up with good things, yet, like the chaff, the wind blows away the pleasures and I'm left empty. Lord God, help me to plant my life fully in you that I might more and more strive to walk with you, not because I have to be perfect, but because

walking with

you keeps me close to you.

Help me to walk. Help me to meditate. Help me to grow in your instruction. My joy, my fruit, my

peace

will come from the streams of your living waters.

Amen.

\*\* Psalm (CH4 1) How ble

How blest are those who do not stray ...

How blest are those who do not stray, led by the wicked's talk; who will not with the sinful stand, nor sit where scoffers mock.

The teaching of the Lord their God they follow with delight, and meditate upon his word with gladness day and night.

They flourish like well-watered trees set by a riverside, whose fruit matures, whose leaves remain they prosper and abide.

The wicked, like the straw and chaff by wind blown far away, can have no place among the just nor stand on judgement day.

The Lord will guard the righteous well, he knows the way they take; but doomed to perish is the way the wicked undertake.

(Psalm 1; Charles Robertson, 1940 -)

**New Testament Reading** Acts 8:27 - 35 (N.T. Pg. 158 approx.)

Choir

Amazing Grace ...

Music: David J. Stewart

# **SERMON**

\*\* **Hymn 549** How deep the Father's love for us

...

<u>Minister</u>: Would you all please stand.

What do you believe?

All: We believe in God the Father Almighty,

who sent Jesus into the world.

He came as a baby, born of the Holy Spirit,

was crucified, died and was buried.

On the third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

where he prays for us continually.

Praise the Lord. Halleluia!

Minister: Having confessed our faith, we now put that faith

into action, firstly in our prayers for our world and all of God's people, loved and cherished by him.

LET US PRAY!

# **Prayers of Intercession**

# **Offering**

# **Prayer of Dedication**

\*\* Hymn MP932

Standing on the promises ...

Standing on the promises of Christ my King, through eternal ages let his praises ring: 'Glory in the highest!' I will shout and sing, standing on the promises of God.

Standing,..... standing,..... standing on the promises of God my Saviour; standing,..... standing,..... I'm standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises that cannot fail, when the howling storms of doubt and fear assail, by the living word of God I shall prevail, standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord, bound to him eternally by love's strong cord, overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword, standing on the promises of God. .../cont'd.

\*\* Hymn MP932

Standing on the promises ... (cont'd.)

Standing on the promises I cannot fall, listening every moment to the Spirit's call, resting in my Saviour as my all in all, standing on the promises of God.

(R. Kelso Carter, 1849-1928)

# The Sending Out -

Minister: What does the Lord require of you?

All: To act justly and to love mercy

and to walk humbly with him.

<u>Minister</u>: Go now to do just that as you love God and love your neighbour as yourself.

\*\* THE BLESSING

\*\* Threefold Amen

\*\* Bible taken out of the church

### Recessional

God to enfold you...

God to enfold you, Christ to uphold you, Spirit to keep you in heaven's sight; so may God grace you, heal and embrace you, lead you through darkness into the light. (Anon.)