



Lifeline

Weekly news & worship from St Anne's Church

Dear friends

If you were with us on Zoom last Sunday you will know that we included "Morning has Broken". It turns out it's a hymn that's evocative for many people in our community, and some of you got in touch to tell me why it has been important to you. The response reminded me how powerful music is on our lives and as part of our faith. Moreover,

while there are many things we're restricted in at present, listening to music (and singing along to our heart's content in the comfort of our own homes) isn't one of them. Music has the power to encourage and uplift us even when day to day life can feel dreary or difficult. If that weren't enough reason to want to sing, the contents of the Book of Psalms are a comprehensive reminder of the importance of music in Christian tradition.

In that spirit, do you have a hymn or song that's a favourite, or particularly significant for you? If so, why not share it? Send me a note of your choice, together with a few lines explaining why it matters to you (or give me a ring to tell me about it) and I'll do my best to include it in our Sunday worship, and share your reflections about it in Lifeline. You can find the first instalment - one of the responses I received after last Sunday's service - on page 3.

Also, don't forget that the annual service marking the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is on Sunday 17th Jan at 6.30 pm on Zoom!

With love,



DUNBAR CHURCHES TOGETHER

Online service for the
Week of Prayer for Christian
Unity 2021

**6.30pm Sunday 17th
January 2021**

Please join us on Zoom:

[https://zoom.us/j/
98342432513?](https://zoom.us/j/98342432513?pwd=Y0szbTM2WFdCVG4rTk4ybjYwWndDZz09)

[pwd=Y0szbTM2WFdCVG4rTk
4ybjYwWndDZz09](https://zoom.us/j/98342432513?pwd=Y0szbTM2WFdCVG4rTk4ybjYwWndDZz09)

Meeting ID: 983 4243 2513
Passcode: 396420

Join by phone on
0131 460 1196 (UK call rate)
and enter the codes above
when prompted.

THEME: ABIDING IN CHRIST

A supporting booklet is
available to download:
[https://ctbi.org.uk/week-of-
prayer-for-christian-
unity-2021/](https://ctbi.org.uk/week-of-prayer-for-christian-unity-2021/)

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Hooked on Hymns!

What's your favourite
hymn or song of faith?

SEND IN YOUR REQUEST WITH A NOTE ABOUT WHY
IT'S SPECIAL TO YOU.
WE'LL SHARE YOUR STORY & SING THE HYMN!

EMAIL: RECTOR.STANNESDUNBAR@GMAIL.COM
OR DROP A NOTE TO 1 WESTGATE, DUNBAR EH42 1JL

Joining in with Worship

In-church worship is currently suspended, but we are still gathering regularly on Zoom. You can join a service by telephone, or on a computer, tablet or smartphone with an internet connection. If you need help to set this up please get in touch - we can help.

HOW TO JOIN WORSHIP ONLINE WITH ZOOM

Zoom is a free video conferencing tool. Search for and download the Zoom app from the internet onto your computer, tablet or smartphone. In the App, you can click on a meeting link or enter the meeting ID number to join a meeting. You can turn your own camera (if you have one) and microphone on and off. During a service the Host will mute the microphones of everyone except the leader.

HOW TO JOIN ZOOM WORSHIP BY PHONE

You can also join in with worship by telephone. You will be charged for the call (to an Edinburgh number) based on your phone package. To join, call **0131 460 1196**. You will be prompted to enter the Meeting ID number (provided below for each service). You will be prompted for another number, which you don't need. Just press #. You will now be able to hear the service. You can mute and unmute your microphone by pressing #6.

What's On at St Anne's

SUNDAY 10 AM EUCHARIST

To join the service using your computer use the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81070800107>. Meeting ID: **810 7080 0107**

The Order of Service is available by [clicking here](#).



THURSDAY 10.30 AM MORNING PRAYER, COFFEE & CHAT

To join the service using your computer use the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85468058940>. Meeting ID: **854 6805 8940**

The Order of Service is available by [clicking here](#).



THURSDAY 9PM COMPLINE

To join the service using your computer use the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84711823726>. Meeting ID: **847 1182 3726**

The Order of Service is available by [clicking here](#).



FRIDAY 7.30 AM EARLY MORNING PRAYER

To join the service using your computer use the following link:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/79863682143?pwd=cDhucEhOdUViUHZmVEI3UFYyeWN2QT09>.

The meeting password is: **8nKWJ9**. Meeting ID: **798 6368 2143**

The Order of Service is available by [clicking here](#).



A Prayer from the Corrymeela Community

God of a deep and deepening peace,
 God of a calm that steadies our pace:
 may we
 take whatever moment we need
 to gather ourselves
 for the journey ahead.
 May we feel the rock
 of your presence beneath us;

the assurance of shelter
 you provide in embrace;
 and the promise of company
 gathered close by your spirit;
 so that as we approach
 the unknown ahead
 we remember a strength
 that can never give way.
 Amen.

Pastoral Care

If you are in need of any kind, please call one of the pastoral care team. Whether you just fancy a friendly chat, have problem you need to share, something you'd like practical help, a prayer request, or would like to receive Communion at home, we can help or find the people who can.

PASTORAL CARE TEAM

Liz Gordon	07802 809 725
Rev'd Diana Hall	07970 105 725
Sharon Morgan	01368 864 582

Pastoral Visiting

Under the current increased restrictions, Diana is still permitted to undertake limited pastoral visiting to those who are vulnerable or nearing the end of life. If you would value a visit please get in touch.

A joke for Veganuary

I went to a vegan restaurant the other day.
The waiter asked, "Is this your first time?"
I replied, "No, I've been herbivore."

ARE YOU IN HARDSHIP? DON'T SUFFER ALONE - PLEASE GET IN TOUCH.

If you or someone else you know is in trouble with money, doesn't have enough food to put on the table, or simply can't make ends meet...

St Anne's can help with Foodbank referrals, giving small emergency grants, and signposting local assistance to get you help with benefits applications, debt advice and other issues. These services are free, confidential and open to *everyone* regardless of church connection, gender, age or anything else.

All contacts are treated with the utmost discretion, maintaining dignity and privacy.

Please get in touch with any of the pastoral care team.

Hooked on Hymns

FAVOURITE HYMNS AND SONGS OF FAITH

Alison Crowhurst reflects on 'Morning Has Broken'

'Morning Has Broken' was my favourite hymn as a child. I clearly remember singing it in assembly in an English Primary school and also in an English Sunday School. Although the tune "Bunessan", a small village on the isle of Mull, is Scottish, I can't remember it being used in conjunction with the beautiful poem by Eleanor Farjeon, as a hymn in Scotland in my earlier childhood in Edinburgh. Eleanor Farjeon wrote the poem "Morning has broken" inspired by a visit to the pretty Sussex village of Alfriston, one of our favourite haunts when Nick and I lived in Sussex. Some of Farjeon's poetry was illustrated by the artist Edward Ardizzone, who was one of my tutors as an art student. By the time I was attending Art College in the late 60s, I was exposed to the scary culture of drugs and free love! I was very much a square peg in a round hole, a sporty, classical piano playing Christian!! When I heard Cat Stevens singing it on Radio Caroline, the pirate radio station, I was completely uplifted and full of joy. Being an impecunious Art Student, where the cost of a tube of paint could have fed one for several weeks, I scraped together my pennies and bought Cat Stevens' LP "Teaser and the Firecat" which I showed on screen yesterday. Deep joy, the cover was one of his paintings! He studied for a short time at Hammersmith Art College. In the late 60s his rendition of the hymn was like a beacon for me and is one of the hymns I'd like at my funeral. It was such a beautiful surprise and thrilling to sing along with it last Sunday morning."

Resources for Zoom Worship, Sunday 17 January Second Sunday after Epiphany

COLLECT

Almighty God, your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world.
May your people, illuminated by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory,
that he may be known, worshiped and obeyed to the ends of the earth;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

1 SAMUEL 3:1-20

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. ²At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; ³the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. ⁴Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" ⁵and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. ⁶The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." ⁷Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. ⁹Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. ¹⁰Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

¹¹Then the Lord said to Samuel, "See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. ¹²On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. ¹³For I have told him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. ¹⁴Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever."

¹⁵Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the Lord. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. ¹⁶But Eli called

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Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." He said, "Here I am." ¹⁷Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you." ¹⁸So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, "It is the Lord; let him do what seems good to him."

¹⁹As Samuel grew up, the Lord was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. ²⁰And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the Lord.

JOHN 1:43-51

⁴³The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, 'Follow me.'

⁴⁴Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵Philip found Nathanael and said to him, 'We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.' ⁴⁶Nathanael said to him, 'Can anything good come out of Nazareth?' Philip said to him, 'Come and see.'

⁴⁷When Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' ⁴⁸Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' ⁴⁹Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' ⁵⁰Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.'

⁵¹And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

HAVE YOU HEARD GOD'S VOICE (SONG REFRAIN)

Will you walk the path that will cost you much
And embrace with love the sorrow
Will you trust in One who entrusts to you
The disciples of tomorrow?

Resources for Zoom Worship, Sunday 24th January

Third Sunday after Epiphany

COLLECT

Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

PSALM 62:1-14

For God alone my soul waits in silence;
from him comes my salvation.
He alone is my rock and my salvation, my
fortress; I shall never be shaken.

How long will you assail a person, will you batter your victim, all of you, as you would a leaning wall, a tottering fence?

Their only plan is to bring down a person of prominence. They take pleasure in falsehood; they bless with their mouths, but inwardly they curse.

For God alone my soul waits in silence, for my hope is from him.

God alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken.
On God rests my deliverance and my honour; my mighty rock, my refuge is in God.

Trust in him at all times, O people;
 pour out your heart before him;
God is a refuge for us.

Those of low estate are but a breath,
 those of high estate are a delusion;
 in the balances they go up;
 they are together lighter than a breath.

Put no confidence in extortion,
and set no vain hopes on robbery;
if riches increase, do not set your heart on them.

Once God has spoken;
 twice have I heard this:
that power belongs to God,
and steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord.
For you repay to all
according to their work.

MARK 1:14-20

14 Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

16 As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake—for they were fishermen. ¹⁷And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you fish for people.' ¹⁸And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.



Image: Mending the Nets, by Winslow Homer (1881)

useful information about COVID-19



COVID rates are high across the country

Rates of COVID infections are higher than at the peak of April 2020. Restrictions have been tightened since the last edition of Lifeline and more changes are possible. The basic government guidance at present is that people should Stay At Home.

Scottish Rules as at 15th January

- Scotland is in a national lockdown. You may only leave home for defined reasons including: doing essential shopping; taking exercise; and seeking medical assistance.
- By law, places of worship are closed until further notice.

Vaccination Programme

A national vaccination programme is being rolled out, with those who are most vulnerable being vaccinated first.. You will be contacted by your GP and invited to attend for vaccination in due course. Your CANNOT just contact your GP or pharmacy and ask for a vaccine.

FACTS Guidance

- F** Face coverings should be worn in enclosed spaces
- A** Avoid crowded places
- C** Clean your hands and surfaces regularly
- T** Two-metre social distancing
- S** Self-isolate and book a test if you develop coronavirus symptoms



If you develop:

- a new persistent cough
- a fever
- a change in your sense of taste or smell

...you should self-isolate immediately and **request a COVID-19 test** via the [NHS Inform website](#). If you do not have internet access, call **0800 028 2816**. Do this as soon as you have symptoms - don't wait.

Protect Scotland App

NHS Scotland has produced a free, mobile phone app designed to help us protect each other, reduce the spread of coronavirus and avoid further lockdowns. You can download the app onto your smartphone. It will alert you if you have been in close contact with another app user who tests positive for coronavirus. If you test positive, it can help in determining contacts that you may have otherwise missed while keeping your information private and anonymous. Download the app at <https://protect.scot>

Test and Protect - Contact Tracing by Phone

Test & Protect is Scotland's approach to implementing the Government's "test, trace, isolate, support" strategy and

breaking the chain of transmission of COVID-19 in the community. If you test positive or have been in close contact with someone else who has tested positive for COVID-19, you may be contacted by phone by a Government Contact Tracer who will enquire whether you have had significant contact with others and may instruct you to self-isolate at home for 14 days. Please be vigilant about possible fraudsters: a government contact tracer will never ask for payment or for bank details.

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