



# Ferryhill Parish Church

The Church of Scotland

Epiphany 4  
28 January 2018  
11 a.m.



You are very welcome to Ferryhill Parish Church. Please sit wherever you like. If you are visiting then please sign the visitors' book in the foyer. Children are always welcome and the foyer is available during the service should you wish to use it.

Please note that we are experimenting with live streaming of worship. If you do not wish to be seen on the broadcast stream, the seating below the gallery and in the gallery is beyond the view of the cameras.

Today's worship is led by:

Peter Johnston (Minister), Mary Whittaker (Probationer Minister)  
Yvonne Haig (Reader)  
Kevin Haggart (Organist)  
Ian Cumming (Beadle)

The flowers in the Sanctuary are donated this week by Meg Strachan.



Gathering Praise      If you believe and I believe      CH 771

Call to Worship

Leader:      Let us gather  
and turn towards the light.

**All:      Let us gather  
and turn towards each other.**

Leader:      Let us gather  
and turn towards God

**All:      and be reborn,  
renewed,  
renamed,  
as God's children.**

Praise      Praise, my soul, the king of heaven      CH 160

Welcome and Church Notices

Opening Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us the wrong we have done,  
as we forgive those who have wronged us.

Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power  
and the glory are yours, now and forever.

Amen.

The Baptism of Finn Evan Harrald

Prayer

The Sacrament of Baptism

The Blessing            The Lord bless you and keep you;  
the Lord make his face to shine upon you;  
and be gracious unto you;  
the Lord lift up his countenance upon you  
and give you peace.

Presentation

Prayer

Praise                    Our children, Lord, in faith and prayer            CH 632

Children leave for Sunday Club

Reading                John 3: 1-21

Praise                    Nicodemus sought you out  
*Words: Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, tune: Nettleton (CH 339)*

1.    Nicodemus sought out Jesus  
at a lonely, quiet hour.  
He said, "Teacher, God is with you!  
For in you we see God's power."  
Jesus turned and gave an answer  
filled with challenge and with love:  
"You can never see God's kingdom  
till you're born from heav'n above."
  
2.    "Born again!" said Nicodemus.  
"Is that something one can do?"  
Jesus said, "Don't be surprised now  
that you must be born anew.



Sending

May the journey we take this week  
open up new questions.  
In the places of wonder,  
where we meet God,  
may the Spirit of God  
blow among us  
and birth us all anew.

Blessing

Sung Amen

Amen, amen, alleluia, amen.  
Amen, amen, alleluia, amen.

Retiring Collection for the World Mission Council  
of the Church of Scotland



## The World Mission Council

The aim of the World Mission Council is to enable the Church of Scotland, as part of the holy catholic or universal Church, to participate effectively in the Mission of God in the world, following the example and priorities of Jesus Christ and seeking the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

“The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favour.” (Luke 4: 18-19, NIV)

The World Mission Council seeks to fulfil that aim by:

- Engaging in a process of attentive accompaniment with the Church of Scotland’s partners worldwide. (That is, listening to and walking with our partners on our shared journey of faith.)
- Developing flexible models of partner-relationships and service opportunities with the world church.
- Maximising the available human and financial resources.
- Maximising the benefits to the Church in Scotland of involvement in the world church and communicating these benefits to the members and congregations of the Church of Scotland.



1. **The Cosy House:** our youth group will meet **this evening** at **6.30 p.m.** in the large hall and foyer.
2. **World Mission Retiring Collection:** Please note that after the morning service **today**, there will be an opportunity to make an offering to support the work of the World Mission Council, particularly to help offset the costs of their regular magazine that keeps us informed about the work of the church across the world.
3. **Monday Fellowship:** Come along and join us in the foyer on **Monday 29 January** at **2.15 p.m.** All welcome.
4. **Friendship Team:** We will meet in the Sanctuary following morning worship on **Sunday 4 February.**
5. **The Easter Code:** We are looking for volunteers to assist both at and in the preparation for The Easter Code, a morning event for Primary 7 pupils that will explore the events of Holy Week and Easter. An initial planning meeting with folks from South Holburn Parish Church is planned for **12:30 p.m.** on **Sunday 4 February** at **South Holburn.** This is a follow on from Bubblegum 'n' Fluff.
6. **Parish News:** Any information that you wish to be included in the next issue of Parish News should be submitted to Shelagh Bain by **Monday 5 February.**
7. **The Guild:** We welcome Bill Cowling at our next meeting on **7 February.** The subject will be Music in Hospitals. Join us from **7.30 p.m.** in the foyer.
8. **Flower team:** The team are looking for donations of display baskets and bowls. If you have any spare, please bring them along to the Church.
9. **Instant Neighbour:** Please continue to bring donations of non-perishable food items and toiletries to support those in need in our community.

# Useful Information



## Eco-Tip

### Leftover Cereal

Are you often left with cereal in the bottom of the packet that is not enough to make up a portion or has too many crumbs? Save up all the leftovers in an airtight container and when you have enough, make some flapjacks.



## Contacts

Please contact the Minister, Rev Peter Johnston, for information about Church Membership, Baptism, or being married in Church, or complete one of the cards available in the Hymn Book and hand it in as you leave.

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at Ferryhill**