

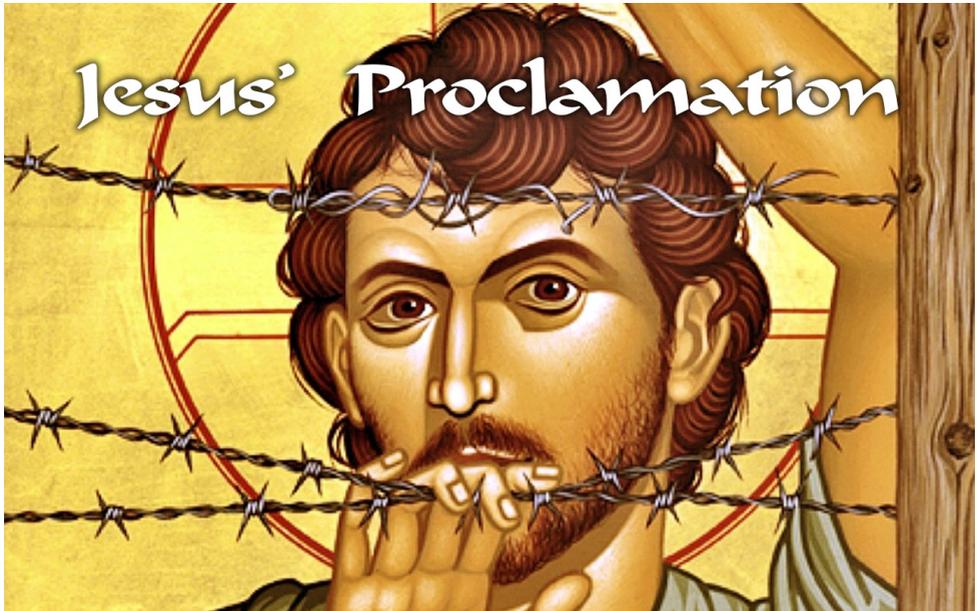
Ferryhill Parish Church

The Church of Scotland

Transfiguration Sunday

3 March 2019

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 live stream our worship online. 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)
Edna Sainsbury (Reader)
Kevin Haggart (Organist)
Bill Mitchell (Beadle)

The flowers in the Sanctuary are donated this week by Gwen Haggart and family, remembering David with love.



Children are invited to the Sunday Club

Gathering Praise My Jesus, my Saviour

CH 531

Call to Worship

Leader: For those who thirst
for God,
for justice,
and that the Kingdom come:

All: we come and drink the living water.

Leader: For those who hunger
for peace,
for freedom,
and for light in the darkness:

All: we come and eat of heaven's food.

Leader: Here, we have water that refreshes;
here, we have food to delight the soul;
here, we meet God
who offers us life in its fullness.

**All: We come:
to drink, eat and live.**

Praise All my days I will sing

CH 467

Welcome and Church Notices

Opening Prayer

Reading John 7: 32-44

Offering Praise Through the city

Words: Leith Fisher

Tune: An ubhal as àirde, Rory & Calum Macdonald

I. Through the city flows the stream,

as clear as crystal, cool and clean,
 glistening, sparkling, healing flood
 now given by the Lamb of God.
 See, it feeds these fruitful trees
 whose leaves are dancing in the breeze,
 greening revengeful hearts that brood
 and peoples now seek others' good.

2. Come, oh come, come to the stream,
 come drink the waters cool and clean;
 drink from his truth and love and power
 for life and strength in every hour.
 Let the living Spirit flow
 through all our being, as we go
 forward and outward, every day,
 safe on the Lamb's eternal way.

Act of Dedication

Please remain standing

Lord,
 accept these our gifts.
 We give them as we give of ourselves,
 in the hope that the Good News of your love
 may reach wide and far
 and not be kept within these walls.
 The gift of your love
 knows no limits.
 May our love
 mirror this.
 Amen.

Reading

John 7: 45-52

Nicodemus Monologue

Message

Never has anyone spoken like this!

Statement of Faith

Please stand if you are able

We believe in one God:

Father, Son and Holy Spirit. God is love.

We praise God the Father:

who created the universe and keeps it in being.

He who made us his sons and daughters to share his joy,

living together in justice and peace,

caring for his world and for each other.

We proclaim Jesus Christ, God the Son:

born of Mary, by the power of the Holy Spirit,

he became one of us, sharing our life and our death.

He made known God's compassion and mercy,

giving hope and declaring forgiveness of sin,

offering healing and wholeness to all.

By his death on the cross and by his resurrection,

he has triumphed over evil.

Jesus is Lord of life and of all creation.

We trust God the Holy Spirit:

who unites us to Christ and gives life to the Church;

who brings us to repentance

and assures us of forgiveness.

The Spirit guides us

in our understanding of the bible,

renews us in the sacraments,

and calls us to serve God in the world.

We rejoice in the gift of eternal life:

we have sure and certain hope

of resurrection through Christ,

and we look for his coming again to judge the world.

Then all things will be made new;

and creation will rejoice in worshipping the Father,

through the Son,

in the power of the Spirit,
one God, blessed for ever.
Amen.

The Invitation

Praise Here, O my Lord, I see thee CH 664
(Verses 1-4)

Preparation

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Concern

Leader: The Lord be with you.
All: And also with you.
Leader: We lift up our hearts.
All: We lift them to the Lord.
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Sanctus and Benedictus

**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.**

Ascription of Glory

**All: Through him, with him, in him,
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 all honour and glory are yours,
 almighty Father, now and forever.**

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.

Sharing the Elements

Praise You satisfy the hungry heart CH 671

Sharing the Peace

Prayer

Praise Too soon we rise CH 664
Verses 5-7

Sending

The Grace

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
be with us all,
evermore.

Sung Amen

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



1. **Shrove Tuesday:** You are welcome to join us at 12.30 p.m. in the Foyer on Tuesday 5 March when we will remember the meaning of Shrove Tuesday while enjoying a pancake.
2. **Cowdray Club:** There will be a service at the Cowdray Club at 11 a.m. on Wednesday 6 March. This service will be led by Gwen Haggart. Please join us.
3. **The Guild:** We host lawyer Craig Pike at our next meeting on Wednesday 6 March at 7.30 p.m. in the foyer.
4. The **Living Well Cafe** is for people with a diagnosis of dementia or memory problems and their carers and is open on Thursday 7 March from 1 - 3 p.m. It offers a safe, friendly, relaxed and welcoming space with a variety of optional activities, crafts, singing and light exercise. There is some time to reminisce and play games! For further information please contact Rita King on 01224 572391.
5. The **Co-ordinating Group** will meet on Thursday 7 March at 7.15 p.m. in the Upper Room.
6. **Exploring Faith:** What is Christianity about? What does it mean to be a follower of Jesus? What is faith? We will be exploring those questions and others over four weekends in March meeting each Sunday in the church foyer. These meetings are open to anyone who would like to explore those questions and the issues they raise, and will be particularly helpful to anyone considering becoming a member of Ferryhill Parish Church. The meetings will take place at 3 p.m. on the 10, 17, 24 and 31 March.
7. The **Bowling Club** holds its AGM in the Upper Room on Tuesday 19 March. Anyone is welcome to attend, whether you are a bowler or not.
8. Celebrate Spring - and of course, the start of the school holidays - with the Ferryhill Church **Daffodil Tea** event on Saturday 6 April, 2 - 4 p.m. There will be something for everyone: enjoy a cup of tea and a 'fancy piece'; browse the stalls including the delicious Easter tombola, the Traidcraft stall and the ever-popular home baking and book stalls; try your hand at drawing a daffodil and maybe win a prize. There will be other chances to win something beautiful, with a handmade quilt and an array of raffle prizes. For children there will be an Easter bonnet competition, face painting and springs crafts. This is sure to be a great start to the holidays with an afternoon out for all the family.

Useful Information



Eco-Tip

Make friends with your freezer

Four out of ten British shoppers throw perfectly good food away from their freezer because they can't remember what it is or when they put it there. Get in the habit of labelling, to cut waste and save yourself money.



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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