

**Children to sit
with parents
or friends,
please.**



Broxburn Parish Church Church of Scotland

Sunday 19th March 2017

Psalm for Today

(for silent reflection before the service begins)

Psalm 119

Let my cry come right into your presence, God; provide me with the insight that comes only from your Word. Give my request your personal attention, rescue me on the terms of your promise. Let praise cascade off my lips; after all, you've taught me the truth about life! And let your promises ring from my tongue; every order you've given is right.

Put your hand out and steady me since I've chosen to live by your counsel.

I'm homesick, God, for your salvation; I love it when you show yourself!

Invigorate my soul so I can praise you well, use your decrees to put iron in my soul.

And should I wander off like a lost sheep—seek me! I'll recognize the sound of your voice.

(Psalm 119:169-176; The Message)

If you have a prayer request kindly fill out the Prayer Request Slip on the pew. It will be collected during the singing of a hymn.

A warm welcome to everyone, especially if you are worshipping with us for the first time. Please join us for a cup of tea or coffee after the service in the large hall; just follow the sign to 'Halls'.

To benefit from our induction loop system, set hearing-aids to the 'T' position.

Worship Service Programme

As token of respect we all stand as the Bible is brought in

Welcome and Birthdays

Time with Children

JP 98 – I have decided to follow Jesus

Short Address

Prayer (after which children are away to JAM)

Gathering for Worship

Intimations

Call to worship

Hymn 159:1, 2, 4, 5 – Lord, for the years

Prayer of Approach, Confession and Lord's Prayer

Reflecting on God's Word

Bible Reading: Luke 15:1-32

Hymn 619, 620 – Spirit of the Living God

Sermon

Responding to God's Word

Offering

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Hymn 623:1, 2, 4 – Here in this place new light is streaming

Benediction

Hymn 786 - May the God of peace go with us

Next week: 26th March – Lent 4

Readings: Psalm 41:1-3; Luke 16:19-31

Notices

Intimations e-mail:

**notices@broxburnparish
church.org.uk**

by Wednesday at 5pm please.

Wednesday service

Our midweek service continues this **Wednesday 22nd March** at 12 noon in the small hall.

Please join us for a short service.

Congregational Board

Meets **today** after church to approve the accounts.

Elders Workshop

Please note that the Elders Workshop on **Saturday 25th March** has been postponed.

Exploring Christianity

Come and Explore Christianity and think through what life is all about in your own way. Bring all your difficult questions and unsolved faith issues and let's discuss them. Tomorrow **Monday 20th March** at 7.30pm is the fifth in a six week series and everyone is welcome.

Stated Annual Meeting

The Stated Annual Meeting will take place as part of the service on **Sunday 26th March**.

The Guild

The Guild meets this **Wednesday 22nd March** at 7.15pm in the small hall for an Easter Meditation with hymns and readings led by the worship committee. All welcome.

Standing Order Cards

If you are making your offering now by standing order, you can, if you want, pick up a small card from the team at the front door to put in the bag in place of your envelope or cash offering.

Life and Work

Would anyone who still has to pay their Life and Work subscription of £27.50 please see Elaine Gilmour by **Sunday 26th March**. Thank you.

Easter Sunday Celebration

Easter is only 4 weeks away! We will be having a celebration similar to last year, starting at **10am** with bacon rolls plus crafts for the children. This will be followed by the service at around 11am and end with the floral cross being placed at the corner of Church Street and Main Street. We are also planning a Film Night at 7pm with a free screening of 'Risen'.

● **FRIENDLY** ● **FAMILY** ● **FELLOWSHIP**

Property Group

The Property Group has a list of projects we hope members of the congregation will be able to assist us with. This list is on the Property Group notice board in the small hall.

If you feel able to help, please put your name against one of the tasks and let me know. We will provide all materials to enable you to complete it and it can be undertaken at times to suit you. If you want to find out more please contact a member of the property group.

We have recently installed new remote heating controls including wireless thermostats.

This will enable us to control the timings of the heating much easier, the temperature within each space and eventually help us to reduce our energy costs.

There will be a period of adjustment and during this time we would welcome feedback on the temperature of the spaces you are using. E-mail:

heating@broxburnparishchurch.org.uk with a note of the group, date, time and whether it needs to be warmer or cooler. It is important that the individual radiator valves are left fully turned on. (If they need to be turned down, please can they be returned to full before leaving and pass on feedback).

Hymn

I have decided to follow Jesus

1. I have decided to follow Jesus, (*3 times*)
no turning back,
no turning back.
2. The world behind me,
the cross before me,
(*3 times*)
no turning back,
no turning back.
3. Though none go with me, I still will follow,
(*3 times*)
no turning back,
no turning back.
4. Will you decide now to follow Jesus?
(*3 times*)
no turning back,
no turning back.

Junior Praise 98

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