
Dates for your diary

Family Harvest Service Sunday 5th October at 10.30 am. Harvest lunch after the service to raise funds for Tearfund.

Sign up sheet at the back for bringing food.

Monday through Thursday October 27th-30th at 7.30pm at St. Devenick's -Bishop Bob is giving 4 talks on Mission Entitled: '**From where we are now to where we need to be**'.

Please mark these dates in your diary as they are an important part of the life of the church this year.

Diocesan Fun Day. Saturday September 27th from 10am-3pm at Westhill Community Church

Many activities with something for everyone, and lunch included!

Saturday November 29th - Church Away day at Westhill Community Church.

Canon Mike Parker from Edinburgh will be our speaker and it will be an engaging and stimulating day of teaching, sharing and fellowship. Please mark the date in your diary and more information will be forthcoming

Friday 3 October 7.30 to 9.00pm
ONE BODY, ONE SPIRIT, ONE FAITH, ONE HOPE:
STANDING TOGETHER WITH THE CHURCH IN IRAQ
- Gilcomston Church, Union Street, Aberdeen

Thousands of Iraqi Christians have been driven out of their homes. Most have fled with little more than the clothes on their backs. From the front line, Nabil from the Bible Society in Iraq will give an eyewitness account of the desperate situation. There will be a time of prayer and worship.

Prayers in the Rectory. We meet together at 8.45am every Friday (in term time) for about 30 minutes to pray for our church and for the needs of those around us. Anyone is welcome to come along.

There are large print hymn books and service sheets available.

Welcome

to St Devenick's Church

- especially if you are a visitor or newcomer! Coffee, tea and biscuits are served after the 10.30am service and we look forward to meeting you then.



Our aim:

To know God and to make him known

Sunday September 21st

Morning Worship

Theme: Mystery that leads to maturity

Leading: Stephen Goodyear

Preaching; Paul Watson

Readings; Colossians 1: 21-29

Matthew 20: 1-16

Prayer of the Week

Eternal God, we pray for the people of Scotland in the aftermath of the referendum on independence. We pray for those celebrating the outcome. We pray for those who are disappointed.

Guide us that we might not succumb to triumphalism or despondency. In Christian unity, with tolerance and respect, help us to work together for justice, peace and the good of society, in this land and beyond, particularly those with the least share in material prosperity.

We pray for Elizabeth our Queen, for Members of the Scottish Parliament of all parties and for those in positions of influence and responsibility.

Inspire and challenge us to know that true sovereignty rests not in any earthly realm, territory or power but ultimately in you, gracious and forgiving God. So now, with new confidence and hope, may we walk forward in the light of your reconciling love in Christ, that your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Our prayers we ask in Jesus' name, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be all glory and praise now and forever. Amen.

News

Peterculter Church will be holding a short course focusing on the works of CS Lewis. Each evening will begin at 7.30 pm in their small hall and last just over an hour. The dates are:

Wednesday September 17th – The Life of CS Lewis (with excerpts from the film Shadowlands)

Wednesday September 24th – The Chronicles of Narnia, Mere Christianity

Wednesday October 1st – The Problem of Pain, Miracles

Wednesday October 8th: The Screwtape Letters, A Grief Observed.

All are most welcome.

International Students hospitality.

If you are interested in hosting a couple of international students for two meals during the coming year can you contact Paul. Friends International Aberdeen reach out to some of the 5,000 international students that come to our city during the course of each year. Being able to go inside a local home is a highlight of their time and a great opportunity to display Christian love in action. And of course they contribute something of the wider world to their hosts.

Sunday Club & Youth Church. **Helpers needed**

Sunday Club are in need of one adult volunteer each Sunday to help support the teachers. Could you help 4 or 5 times a year? Please speak to Paul if you feel this could be for you.

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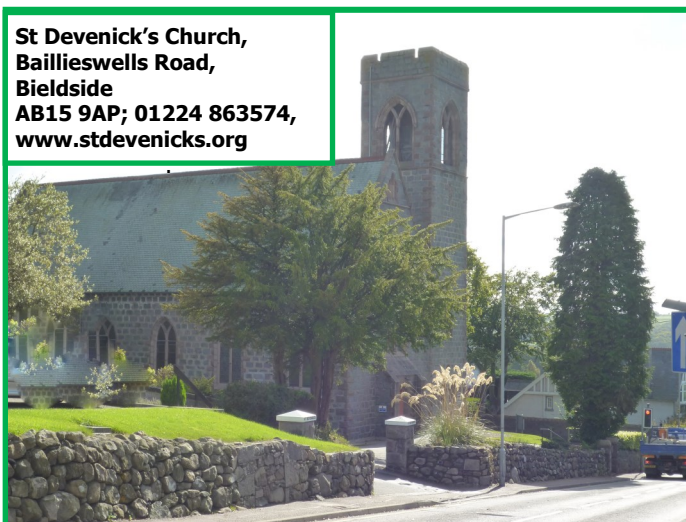
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Day off: Saturday

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Prayer points:

Please pray for:

1. Alison Anderson, Ian and Ruth Arthur, Stuart and Ann Bale.
2. Give God thanks for the peaceful referendum and the example that was set to the world.
3. Wisdom for those leading our nation.
4. Those disappointed by the referendum result.

Next Sunday 28th September: Holy Communion

Leading: Ian Arthur
Preaching: Rob Cooper
Intercessions: Ian Arthur
Reading: Lorna Sim
Readings: Colossians 2: 1-17
Matthew 21: 23-32
Welcome: Pat James
Offering:

Coffee: Ruth Arthur
Elizabeth Barnett
Sound: Simon Barnett
Flowers: Mary McLauchlan

Monthly pattern of services at St Devenick's

Sunday	Time	Services	Sunday Club and Youth Church
1 st	8.30am 10.30am	Holy Communion Family Service	(everybody in church together)
2 nd	8.30am 10.30am	Holy Communion Holy Communion	Come into church at Holy Communion time
3 rd	8.30am 10.30am 3.30pm	Holy Communion Morning Worship Messy Church	YC in church throughout; SC in for beginning
4 th	8.30am 10.30am	Holy Communion Holy Communion	YC and SC in own groups throughout
5 th	8.30am 10.30am	Holy Communion Morning Worship	YC and SC in own groups throughout

Each Thursday at 10.30am: **Holy Communion**

Housegroups meet during the week on various days. Being in a housegroup is a good way to enjoy getting to know others in the church, and to have an opportunity to study the Bible and learn together. They are open to everybody. If you are interested in joining a housegroup, please see Cissy Dirr or Paul.

The Church Office (01224 863574) will be staffed each week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10.30am until 2.30pm. Email is checked daily. Messages left on the answer machine will be responded to as soon as possible. Items for the notice sheet should be phoned or emailed (**office@stdevenicks.org**) to the office by 9.00am on Thursday.

Please take this notice sheet home as a reminder and for prayer.