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## About Us

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**Sunday Club** (3-10yrs) and **Youth Church**

(11yrs+) meet during the 10.30 service.

There is a **crèche** available in the church hall during the service and you are welcome to leave your 0-3 year old in good hands while you enjoy the service.

**Mix and Junior Mix** These clubs run on Saturday evenings in term time.

**Junior Mix** (6.00-7.30pm) is for ages 8-10.

**The Mix** (7.30-9.00pm) is for 10+ years.

**The Prayer Network** is a group of St Devenick's folk committed to pray confidentially for people and issues as required. If a prayer need arises, let one of us know and we will then pass on the request, in a brief message, to the team.

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# 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.



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## 28th August 2016

### Holy Communion

**Leading: Sharon Smith**

**Speaking: Paul Watson**

*Readings: Pat James*

*Intercessions: June MacCormack*

### **Thought for the week:**

*"While it was still dark, Jesus got up early to pray".*

*If Jesus needed times of quiet with God, how much more should we.*

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## Prayer of the Week

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*Gracious God, you are always more ready to hear us than we are to pray, and you give us more than we either desire or deserve. May we remember that all our gifts, abilities and life come from you, and grant that we may use them to your glory and to the benefit of others; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.*

**Amen.**

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## News

**OASIS** September 4th at 7pm. A time of listening to God, worship and praying for one another.

**BRIEF FINANCIAL UPDATE** September 11th. Following the service, there will be a brief update on our finances.

**UDO AND KATHLEEN WAHL** September 18th. Our mission partners from Namibia will be taking part in the service.

**SAFARI LUNCH** September 18th. Please sign up for being a host or guest at this event which takes place in various houses after the 10.30 service. It is a great way to get to know people as guests are allocated to various hosts who will have 6-8 people for lunch. Any monies donated will be given towards to work of the Wahl's in Namibia.

**FAREWELL DINNER FOR BISHOP BOB & LIZ**  
This is open to the first come, first served basis at £30 a head. It will take place at the Hilton Treetops Hotel and your place can be booked via the Diocesan office. You can also make a contribution to a farewell gift to Bishop Bob via the diocesan office. For both of these please send cheques, payable to Diocese of Aberdeen and Orkney, to:

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Mr. Ian Fraser, Diocesan Office, St Clement's Church House, Mastrick Drive, Aberdeen, AB16 6UF.

### **GATHERING TO LISTEN TO GOD FOR THE FUTURE OF OUR DIOCESE.**

Saturday October 1st 1-4pm.

A prayerful, thoughtful time together at Westhill Community Church from 1-4pm on Saturday 1st October. Be part of an afternoon of listening and discerning what God may be saying to us at this time of change in the leadership of our diocese. This will include a presentation on the role of a Bishop, a considering together of where we are as a Diocese, group discussions about what our vision for the diocese is and what kind of Bishop may lead us into that. There will also be times for prayer and worship. As the formal process of looking for Bishop Bob's successor starts to get underway, it's good to take this chance to pray together and listen together to what God may be saying to us. All are welcome.

**ORDINATION TO THE DEACONATE OF MR NICK BOWRY.** Nick will be the new curate based at St Clements but also linked to St Devenick's. Please support this important event in the life of our two congregations and Nick in your prayers.

**MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT 30th SEP 10.30am-midday.** Women Together will host coffee morning for MacMillan Cancer Support. Please contact Ina Watson, Ruth Arthur or Joan Noble for tickets or if you'd like to bake for the cause.

**WOMAN TOGETHER & COFFEE MORNING 2nd September.** We will meet on 2nd Sep and will join with coffee morning.

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**A JOURNEY THROUGH ACTS.** From Sep 11th for 4 Sundays we will be trying a trial Adult Sunday Class from 9.30am to 10.15am in the Rectory. Nathan French will lead us through the 1st 8 chapters of the Acts of the Apostles which is a great follow on from the sermon series on the Holy Spirit. Let Paul know if you're interested. Or just come along and give it a try.

### **MEN OF ALL AGES BREAKFAST**

Saturday 3rd September 2016 in Sheddocksley Baptist Church, Eday Road, Aberdeen. Meet 8.15 for 8.30 breakfast. Finishes at 11am. Praise led by Sheddocksley Praise Band. For catering purposes please contact Frank Dir on 07708 006411 or frankd@cistcom.co.uk

**JEREMIAH 2: 4-13** <sup>4</sup> Hear the word of the LORD, you descendants of Jacob, all you clans of Israel. <sup>5</sup> This is what the LORD says: 'What fault did your ancestors find in me, that they strayed so far from me? They followed worthless idols and became worthless themselves. <sup>6</sup> They did not ask, "Where is the LORD, who brought us up out of Egypt and led us through the barren wilderness, through a land of deserts and ravines, a land of drought and utter darkness, a land where no one travels and no one lives?"' <sup>7</sup> I brought you into a fertile land to eat its fruit and rich produce. But you came and defiled my land and made my inheritance detestable. <sup>8</sup> The priests did not ask, "Where is the LORD?" Those who deal with the law did not know me; the leaders rebelled against me. The prophets prophesied by Baal, following worthless idols. <sup>9</sup> 'Therefore I bring charges against you again,' declares the LORD. 'And I will bring charges against your children's children. <sup>10</sup> Cross over to the coasts of Cyprus and look, send to Kedar and observe closely; see if there has ever been anything like this: <sup>11</sup> has a nation ever changed

its gods? (Yet they are not gods at all.) But my people have exchanged their glorious God for worthless idols. <sup>12</sup> Be appalled at this, you heavens, and shudder with great horror,' declares the LORD. <sup>13</sup> 'My people have committed two sins: They have forsaken me, the spring of living water, and have dug their own cisterns, broken cisterns that cannot hold water.

*This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

**HEBREWS 13: 1-8, 15-16** Keep on loving one another as brothers and sisters. <sup>2</sup> Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it. <sup>3</sup> Continue to remember those in prison as if you were together with them in prison, and those who are ill-treated as if you yourselves were suffering. <sup>4</sup> Marriage should be honoured by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral. <sup>5</sup> Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, 'Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.' <sup>6</sup> So we say with confidence, 'The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can mere mortals do to me?' <sup>7</sup> Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith. <sup>8</sup> Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever.

<sup>15</sup> Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise – the fruit of lips that openly profess his name. <sup>16</sup> And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

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## MARK 1: 29-45

*When the Gospel is announced:*

### **Glory to Christ our Saviour.**

<sup>29</sup> As soon as they left the synagogue, they went with James and John to the home of Simon and Andrew. <sup>30</sup> Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they immediately told Jesus about her. <sup>31</sup> So he went to her, took her hand and helped her up. The fever left her and she began to wait on them. <sup>32</sup> That evening after sunset the people brought to Jesus all who were ill and demon-possessed. <sup>33</sup> The whole town gathered at the door, <sup>34</sup> and Jesus healed many who had various diseases. He also drove out many demons, but he would not let the demons speak because they knew who he was. Jesus prays in a solitary place <sup>35</sup> Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed. <sup>36</sup> Simon and his companions went to look for him, <sup>37</sup> and when they found him, they exclaimed: 'Everyone is looking for you!' <sup>38</sup> Jesus replied, 'Let us go somewhere else – to the nearby villages – so that I can preach there also. That is why I have come.' <sup>39</sup> So he travelled throughout Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and driving out demons. Jesus heals a man with leprosy <sup>40</sup> A man with leprosy came to him and begged him on his knees, 'If you are willing, you can make me clean.' <sup>41</sup> Jesus was indignant. He reached out his hand and touched the man. 'I am willing,' he said. 'Be clean!' <sup>42</sup> Immediately the leprosy left him and he was cleansed. <sup>43</sup> Jesus sent him away at once with a strong warning: <sup>44</sup> 'See that you don't tell this to anyone. But go, show yourself to the priest and offer the sacrifices that Moses commanded for your cleansing, as a testimony to them.' <sup>45</sup> Instead he went out and began to talk freely, spreading the news. As a result, Jesus could no longer enter a town openly but stayed outside in lonely places. Yet the people still came to him from everywhere.

*Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel. Praise to Christ our Lord.*

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## Prayer points:

Please pray for:

1. Pat and David James; Kathryn Johnstone; Robin and Brenda Kay.
2. For the family who lost loved ones on the beach in Aberdeen earlier this week .
3. For survivors and those who have lost loved ones in the earthquake in Italy.
4. For John and Paulina and their work in Greece.

**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. Everybody is welcome.

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### **Next Sunday - 4th September**

Leading:	Jenny Sekulin
Speaking:	June MacCormack
Reader:	N/A
Intercessions:	N/A
Welcome:	TBA
Offering:	TBA
Prayer min:	TBA
Sound:	Helen Goodyear
Coffee:	TBA
Creche:	Nancy Manning Elizabeth Phull
Flowers:	TBA

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### **The Church Office is staffed on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings.**

Emails and phone messages received in the office will be checked regularly and will be responded to as soon as possible. Items for the notice sheet should be phoned or emailed to the office by 9.00am on Thursday (subject: Notice sheet).

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