

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



Holy Communion

9th October 2016



Leading: Stephen Goodyear

Speaking: Paul Watson

Readings: Jill Kirkham

Intercessions: June MacCormack

Thought for the week:

The spirit of God is the Spirit of truth. It is possible to have some truth in the mind without having the Spirit in the heart, but it is never possible to have the Spirit apart from truth.

Prayer of the Week: 9th Oct

Almighty God, whose prayer is revealed in our weakness, and whose grace meets our every need; we give thanks for your healing and your love and pray you will guide us always to keep our hope and trust in you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Prayer of the Week: 16th Oct

Loving God, you are always ready to love us and accepts us, always more ready to hear than we to pray; teach us to abide in your and know you abide in us, to place ourselves in your presence and your peace and to live and work to your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

News

DIOCESAN AUTUMN SYNOD AND CONFERENCE.

Information from the diocesan Autumn synod and conference will be available on the diocesan web site.

<http://www.aberdeen.anglican.org/>

PRAISE NIGHT 6th November 7-8pm.

Please come along to St Devenicks for an evening of worship.

RECTORY EVENINGS.

For those who are not part of a house group there will be a monthly meeting held in the Rectory in October and November looking at parts of Acts of the Apostles and for a time of fellowship and prayer. The first is on Wednesday 19th October at 7.30pm.

RECTOR NEWS. Paul will be on holiday from October 21-23rd. Please contact June during this time.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD.

We are once again participating in operation Christmas child, sending gifts to children in the world who don't have much. Flat pack shoeboxes are available for you to fill (or you can fill a shoebox you have at home), as well as instructions. Both can be found at the back of the church. For more information see the website,

<http://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/>

Please have these back by Sunday 6th November. Contact Donna if you have any questions or issues.

NEW OFFICE HOURS. Jennifer is working Mondays and Wednesdays 8.30am to 2.30pm.

9th Oct: JEREMIAH 29: 1, 4-7

¹This is the text of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the surviving elders among the exiles and to the priests, the prophets and all the other people Nebuchadnezzar had carried into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon.

⁴This is what the LORD Almighty, the God of Israel, says to all those I carried into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: ⁵'Build houses and settle down; plant gardens and eat what they produce. ⁶Marry and have sons and daughters; find wives for your sons and give your daughters in marriage, so that they too may have sons and daughters. Increase in number there; do not decrease.

⁷Also, seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I have carried you into exile. Pray to the LORD for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

9th Oct: MARK 3: 20-35

When the Gospel is announced:

Glory to Christ our Saviour.

²⁰ Then Jesus entered a house, and again a crowd gathered, so that he and his disciples were not even able to eat.

²¹ When his family^[b] heard about this, they went to take charge of him, for they said, 'He is out of his mind.' ²² And the teachers of the law who came down from Jerusalem said, 'He is possessed by Beelzebul! By the prince of demons he is driving out demons.' ²³ So Jesus called them over to him and began to speak to them in parables: 'How can Satan drive out Satan? ²⁴ If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand.

²⁵ If a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand. ²⁶ And if Satan opposes himself and is divided, he cannot stand; his end has come. ²⁷ In fact, no one can enter a strong man's house without first tying him up. Then he can plunder the strong man's house. ²⁸ Truly I tell you, people can be forgiven all their sins and every slander they utter, ²⁹ but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will never be forgiven; they are guilty of an eternal sin.' ³⁰ He said this because they were saying, 'He has an impure spirit.'

³¹ Then Jesus' mother and brothers arrived. Standing outside, they sent someone in to call him. ³² A crowd was sitting round him, and they told him, 'Your mother and brothers are outside looking for you.' ³³ 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' he asked. ³⁴ Then he looked at those seated in a circle round him and said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵ Whoever does God's will is my brother and sister and mother.'

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

16th Oct: JEREMIAH 31: 27-34

²⁷ 'The days are coming,' declares the LORD, 'when I will plant the kingdoms of Israel and Judah with the offspring of people and of animals. ²⁸ Just as I watched over them to uproot and tear down, and to overthrow, destroy and bring disaster, so I will watch over them to build and to plant,' declares the LORD. ²⁹ 'In those days people will no longer say, "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge." ³⁰ Instead, everyone will die for their own sin; whoever eats sour grapes – their own teeth will be set on edge. ³¹ 'The days are coming,' declares the LORD, 'when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and with the people of Judah.

³² It will not be like the covenant

I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them,' declares the LORD. ³³ 'This is the covenant that I will make with the people of Israel after that time,' declares the LORD.

'I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God,

and they will be my people. ³⁴ No longer will they teach their neighbour, or say to one another, "Know the LORD," because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest,' declares the LORD. 'For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more.'

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

16th Oct: MARK 4: 1-20

¹ Again Jesus began to teach by the lake. The crowd that gathered round him was so large that he got into a boat and sat in it out on the lake, while all the people were along the shore at the water's edge.

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² He taught them many things by parables, and in his teaching said: ³ 'Listen! A farmer went out to sow his seed. ⁴ As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it up. ⁵ Some fell on rocky places, where it did not have much soil. It sprang up quickly, because the soil was shallow. ⁶ But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had no root. ⁷ Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up and choked the plants, so that they did not bear grain. ⁸ Still other seed fell on good soil. It came up, grew and produced a crop, some multiplying thirty, some sixty, some a hundred times.' ⁹ Then Jesus said, 'Whoever has ears to hear, let them hear.' ¹⁰ When he was alone, the Twelve and the others around him asked him about the parables. ¹¹ He told them, 'The secret of the kingdom of God has been given to you. But to those on the outside everything is said in parables ¹² so that, "they may be ever seeing but never perceiving, and ever hearing but never understanding; otherwise they might turn and be forgiven!"' ¹³ Then Jesus said to them, 'Don't you understand this parable? How then will you understand any parable? ¹⁴ The farmer sows the word. ¹⁵ Some people are like seed along the path, where the word is sown. As soon as they hear it, Satan comes and takes away the word that was sown in them. ¹⁶ Others, like seed sown on rocky places, hear the word and at once receive it with joy. ¹⁷ But since they have no root, they last only a short time. When trouble or persecution comes because of the word, they quickly fall away. ¹⁸ Still others, like seed sown among thorns, hear the word; ¹⁹ but the worries of this life, the deceitfulness of wealth and the desires for other things come in and choke the word, making it unfruitful. ²⁰ Others, like seed sown on good soil, hear the word, accept it, and produce a crop – some thirty, some sixty, some a hundred times what was sown.'

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

Prayer points:

Please pray for:

1. Jim and Cynthia Middleton; Joan Noble; Mark and Barbara, James and Andrew Norris.
2. David James who is back in hospital.
3. Sheila Kelly recovery after a hip operation.
4. Those in thrall to obsessive habits and thoughts.

Next Sunday - 16th October

Leading: Haley French
Speaking: Nathan French
Reader: Martin Kirkham
Intercessions: Ian Arthur
Welcome: TBA
Offering: John Tickell
Robert Maybank
Prayer min: John Lonsdale
Kathleen Simpson
Sound: Iain House
Coffee: Ann Scragg
Cynthia Middleton
Creche: Pat Skidmore
Liz Barnett
Flowers: Cissy Dir

The Church Office is staffed on Mondays and Wednesdays from 8.30am to 2.30pm.

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 Wednesday (subject: Notice sheet).

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