

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.



11th September 2016

Holy Communion

Leading: Bex Collins

Speaking: Paul Watson

Readings: Adrian McBurnie

Intercessions: Julia House

Thought for the week:

Jesus confounded expectations of the kind of company the Messiah would keep.

What company would Jesus keep today?

Prayer of the Week

Good and gracious Shepherd, we rejoice in your protection and care, we know you will seek us out and save us: guide us, O Lord, and keep us in the ways that lead to peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

News

FINANCIAL UPDATE September 11th

Following the service, there will be a brief update on our finances.

A JOURNEY THROUGH ACTS.

From Sep 11th for the next 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.

WOMEN TOGETHER will next meet on **Friday 16th September** at the Rectory at 10.30 am -12.00 midday.

UDO & 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.

ALPHA COURSE September 21st at 7.30pm

Paul is running an Alpha Course from Wednesday 7.30pm Sept 21st in the Rectory. Please contact Paul if you're interested on paul@stdevenicks.org or 07552177690.

FAREWELL DINNER FOR BISHOP BOB & LIZ

Friday September 30th at 7.00pm. 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:

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

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT 30th SEP at

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.

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

Saturday October 1st at 1.00 - 4.00pm.

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.

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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. October 2nd at 4.30pm

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.

NEW OFFICE HOURS.

Jennifer will now be working Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 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 Wednesday (subject: Notice sheet).

JEREMIAH 4: 11-12, 22-28

¹¹ At that time this people and Jerusalem will be told, 'A scorching wind from the barren heights in the desert blows towards my people, but not to winnow or cleanse; ¹² a wind too strong for that comes from me. Now I pronounce my judgments against them.'

²² 'My people are fools; they do not know me. They are senseless children; they have no understanding. They are skilled in doing evil; they know not how to do good.'

²³ I looked at the earth, and it was formless and empty; and at the heavens, and their light was gone.

²⁴ I looked at the mountains, and they were quaking; all the hills were swaying.

²⁵ I looked, and there were no people; every bird in the sky had flown away.

²⁶ I looked, and the fruitful land was a desert; all its towns lay in ruins before the LORD, before his fierce anger.

²⁷ This is what the LORD says: 'The whole land will be ruined, though I will not destroy it completely.

²⁸ Therefore the earth will mourn and the heavens above grow dark, because I have spoken and will not relent, I have decided and will not turn back.'

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

1 TIMOTHY 1: 12-17

¹² I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, that he considered me trustworthy, appointing me to his service.

¹³ Even though I was once a blasphemer and a persecutor and a violent man, I was shown mercy because I acted in ignorance and unbelief. ¹⁴ The grace of our Lord was poured out on me abundantly, along with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.

¹⁵ Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners – of whom I am the worst. ¹⁶ But for that very reason I was shown mercy so that in me, the worst of sinners, Christ Jesus might display his immense patience as an example for those who would believe in him and receive eternal life. ¹⁷ Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

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MARK 2: 13-22

When the Gospel is announced: Glory to Christ our Saviour.

¹³ Once again Jesus went out beside the lake. A large crowd came to him, and he began to teach them.

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¹⁴ As he walked along, he saw Levi son of Alphaeus sitting at the tax collector's booth. 'Follow me,' Jesus told him, and Levi got up and followed him.

¹⁵ While Jesus was having dinner at Levi's house, many tax collectors and sinners were eating with him and his disciples, for there were many who followed him. ¹⁶ When the teachers of the law who were Pharisees saw him eating with the sinners and tax collectors, they asked his disciples: 'Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?'

¹⁷ On hearing this, Jesus said to them, 'It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but those who are ill. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners.'

¹⁸ Now John's disciples and the Pharisees were fasting. Some people came and asked Jesus, 'How is it that John's disciples and the disciples of the Pharisees are fasting, but yours are not?'

¹⁹ Jesus answered, 'How can the guests of the bridegroom fast while he is with them? They cannot, so long as they have him with them.'

²⁰ But the time will come when the bridegroom will be taken from them, and on that day they will fast.

²¹ 'No one sews a patch of unshrunk cloth on an old garment. Otherwise, the new piece will pull away from the old, making the tear worse. ²² And no one pours new wine into old wineskins. Otherwise, the wine will burst the skins, and both the wine and the wineskins will be ruined. No, they pour new wine into new wineskins.'

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



Large print hymn books and service sheets are available

Prayer points:

Please pray for:

1. Elisabeth and John Lonsdale;
John and June MacCormack;
Catriona MacDonald.
2. David James in hospital.
3. Alex Symon.
4. For the Alpha courses being run locally.

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.

Next Sunday - 18th September

Leading:	Stephen Goodyear
Speaking:	Udo Wahl
Reader:	Nathan French
Intercessions:	June MacCormack
Welcome:	Mary Ridgen
Offering:	Robert Maybank Jim Middleton
Prayer min:	Kathleen Simpson Ruth Arthur
Sound:	Martin Kirkham
Coffee:	Margaret Hadley Ruth Arthur
Creche:	Liz Barnett Pat Skidmore
Flowers:	Maureen Dallard

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