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MINISTER'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

The Lord is risen. Alleluia!

The post resurrection encounters during this Easter season are, I think, some of the most beautiful examples of Christ's ministry amongst us. Whether it was calming the grief ridden Mary in the garden on that first Easter morning, breaking bread with the two disciples in the inn at Emmaus or perhaps cooking breakfast with the fisherfolk on the shores of the Sea of Galilee all of these, and more, had a great sense of peace about them.

Often those he encountered at first did not recognise him, understandable as they had last seen or heard of him crucified on the cross. Yet his calming and reassuring presence gave them hope beyond all expectation and the ability to see things differently.



The Supper at Emmaus, Caravaggio, 1601

I love the expression of awe and wonder (Luke describes it as 'their eyes being opened') as the disciple in Caravaggio's painting throws open his arms, cross like, as he recognizes Christ in his action of blessing the bread. Meanwhile the other disciple is about to get up and 'go and do likewise.'

It is often by our actions that we are known and remembered; so my hope this Easter Season is that those we are privileged to serve in the parish will know us by our sharing actions and not necessarily by the words we say. May we do so, 'with our eyes wide open' know the peace of Christ in these challenging times.

God Bless

Peter

FROM THE TOWER ROOM

Welcome to the Easter edition of the magazine.

The earlier publication of the magazine allows us to detail all the services being held in the Church over Holy Week and Easter and these are listed in page 6.

We are delighted to feature a new initiative – the Gent’s Lunch Club - which was inaugurated earlier this year and which has had its first outing. All gents are invited to join this Club and details can be found on page 9.

Martin Pearce provides several articles; updates on the Bible Fellowship Group and the Ukrainian Saturday School – now officially renamed the Ukrainian St Margaret’s Saturday School. Readers are invited to the School’s Open Day on Saturday 23rd March and further details can be seen on page 11. Martin also answers the thorny question “what do Christians know and believe?”

The Friends of St Cuthbert’s have two outings to look forward to. First a tour of the Belfry and the organ Gallery and then a joint visit with the Gent’s Lunch Club to the National Gallery.

I am sure that by now you will have noticed the Choir resplendent in their new Choir Robes. “Advent John” explains the process of choosing the new robes, a process that started before Covid, was subsequently halted, then was almost abandoned completely with the robes’ outfitters poised to go into administration.

May I wish you all a joyous Easter.

Stewart Cowe

REPORTS FROM ST CUTHBERT’S

Pastoral Care News: a changing Easter story

One of the things I enjoy about getting older, is how my perceptions of familiar events change, develop and are integrated into my life narrative.

When I was a child, I hated and loved Easter with an equal passion. I hated the mandatory new Easter bonnet; whilst my sister and mother, looking absolutely fabulous, walked to the Kirk, I trailed behind looking like I had lost my horse. I can still hear my mother’s voice echoing in my ears “Anne, you don’t need to put on your hat face”. But I loved the Easter eggs; my Godmother had a shop, and every year we received a fantastic selection of mugs and eggcups filled with chocolate eggs, a delight for any child.

Later, as a typically revolting adolescent, I had no time for Easter. I didn’t need anyone to die for my sins as I was quite capable of taking responsibility for my own actions and misdemeanours.

As an adult and an avid visitor of churches, I was both fascinated and repulsed by the hyper-realistic depictions of the crucifixion. The adoration of the agony and the ecstasy was disconcerting and incomprehensible. I struggled with the glorification of death and pain.

Now as an OAP, my perceptions alter again. One evening whilst sitting in St Cuthbert's during the Tenebrae service, as darkness descended and all was stripped away to reveal desolation and emptiness, I felt bereft, and the words "Why have you forsaken me?" entered my head and pierced my heart. I started to explore the story from the perspective of bereavement and mortality.

I thought of the agony of the death - and how grief is not just emotional but physical agony. The sleepless nights, the lack of appetite, the aches and pains, and the restless long days and unexpected waves of emotion which assail the bereaved in no particular logical order.

I thought about how it must have felt to be Jesus's mum as she watched her child die. How did the disciples feel, they had given up their jobs, followed him - and now he was dead? The centre of their universe was gone, their whole identity was gone. The numerous questions they must have had, how could they be followers of Jesus if he was dead? What is the point now? All these questions and more echoed and reflected in the life of the bereaved.

I reflected on Mary Magdalene's visit to the tomb; she went there to be with him and he wasn't there, the grave was empty. How we still now visit cemeteries and stand in front of gravestones to talk to our own dead.

Then Jesus appears to Mary Magdalene, in unexpected places. How sights, smells and sounds bring back our own dead, the precious fleeting image, caught in the corner of our eye. Then, the uninvited realisation that they are really dead.

Then He ascends to heaven, and they lose him once again, but it is different this time. The promise that He is always there and waiting. The disciples are transformed; Jesus becomes, yet again, a part of their lives as they go forth to preach the Gospel and spread the word.

It is a very powerful narrative and one that I believe can help our journey through bereavement, on numerous levels. It offers hope whilst acknowledging the difficulties and the pain. This hope is reflected all around us in nature. As I look out the window, towards the garden, I see the first snowdrops arising from their slumber, leaving behind the emptiness of Autumn and the dark cold days of Winter, heralding Spring, the promise of Summer and its riot of colour.

One of the messages I have taken from the Easter narrative is, that it is not just an individual journey but a collective journey. As a congregation and as individuals, in the last year, we have experienced multiple bereavements; we have cried, prayed and

laughed together and we can continue to support each other throughout the coming year and beyond.

Again Jesus said “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, I am sending you” John 20:21

Dr Anne Robertson

Up-coming Church Services

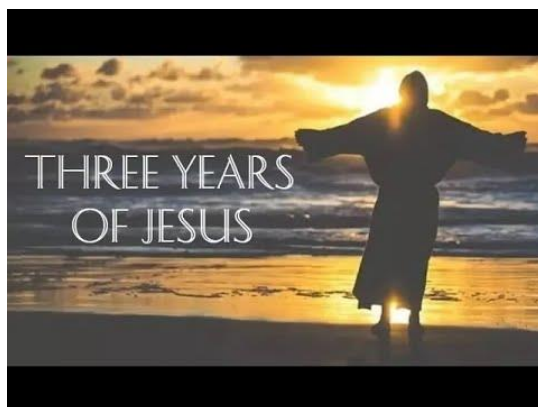
Sunday 24 th March	Palm Sunday morning worship	10.30 am
Thursday 28 th March	Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service	7 pm
Friday 29 th March	Good Friday morning worship	11 am
	Good Friday evening reflection in the Memorial Chapel	7 pm
Sunday 31 st March	Easter Day Dawn Communion in the garden followed by breakfast	7.30 am
	Easter Day Holy Communion	10.30 am

Update on Bible Fellowship Group

Since, January, we have been following the New International Version Study Guide called the **Year of Opposition** – the third year of the ministry of Jesus in his human form (Year 29). We have seen how the more miracles that Jesus did and the more teaching he gave about the forgiveness of sins, the love of God, and the invitation to eternal life, the more the religious authorities wanted to be rid of him.

After Jesus brought Lazarus back from the dead and became so popular with ordinary people, the Sanhedrin, the Jewish Council were adamant that he had to be arrested, tried, found guilty and handed over to the Romans for him to be crucified. And so, we have reflected on the background to Jesus’ final journey to Jerusalem.

One of the benefits of meeting in a group is that questions arise about our faith; for example, **are we like the Pharisees who wanted to maintain the status quo in the way we worship or are there new ways to worship and serve God by being with people?** As ever, questions are easy to ask, finding answers based on informed study of scripture is never easy.



One of the points that keeps coming up is that although we do not understand all of scripture, our faith continues to be strengthened because we share our understanding with other Christians and our faith becomes more robust.

Another important feature of our time of fellowship is sharing in prayer when prayers can be said for one another, our church family and God's world. So often a prayer of encouragement for one another leaves us in a positive mindset and ready to cope with whatever challenges the next day brings.

Please feel free to join this Bible Fellowship group as often as your time allows. All are welcome to our meetings, which are on Zoom.

You will be assured of a warm welcome.

Yours in the service of Christ,

Martin Pearce Mob 07913 625 394

The Group meets Thursday evenings on Zoom from 7.30pm to 8.30pm. Zoom details from martin.pearce2109@outlook.com

St Cuthbert's new choir robes

You may have noticed that since the First Sunday of Advent last year our Choir has had a rather different appearance. The red choir robes that we had been accustomed to were replaced with purple cassocks.

The red robes had been in use for several decades now, as far as my recollections go - certainly in the late 1980s and early 1990s but I am not exactly sure when they were introduced. Not surprisingly they were showing their age so it was time for a change.

Prior to Covid, I had discussed with our Director of Music a plan to replace the red robes with new ones in memory of my late mother. For those of you who don't know, my parents met in St Cuthbert's, my mother's family were members and she sang in the choir whilst my father was training for Ministry at St Cuthbert's. It appears that my father ignored a stern admonition from his aunt (also a Minister's wife) that he was to have nothing whatsoever to do with the ladies of the choir at St Cuthbert's!

I had obtained a sample cassock from Wippel & Co. (in the same style and colour) and we were about to start taking measurements when the pandemic hit. The project had to be shelved.

Once we were back Worshipping in the Sanctuary and without restrictions, I decided to restart the project. Working with our Director of Music and fellow choristers, the necessary measurements were taken, the style of cassock agreed upon and an order for 24 choir cassocks and one slightly differently styled cassock for Graham was placed. In the intervening period, Wippels had decided to cease trading at the end of 2023 as their business had been devastated by the pandemic and a business that had supplied clergy and choirs with vestments for centuries was to be no more. Our order was one

of the last they agreed to undertake so I am sure that St Cuthbert's will certainly be the last Church in Scotland to be supplied with choir cassocks from Wippels.

The order had been placed to allow for delivery then fitting, leaving enough time for alterations if need be, prior to the First Sunday of Advent. Happily, all was in order and we were able to unveil and Bless the new cassocks during our Service that day. Quite appropriate as Purple is the colour of Advent and of course for many years I was known as "Advent John".

I decided on purple as I believe that was the colour of the robes in the 1950s when my late mother first sang in our choir and it struck me as a more fitting colour than red for our Sanctuary. Being part of the Service last year was a special and poignant experience and I must thank Peter and especially Graham for their parts in the process and preparing and conducting the Service.

I hope you agree that our new purple choir robes are an appropriate tribute to my late mother. I think they are and also complement the music and experience of Worship in our unique and amazing Sanctuary.



John Kirk

The Gent's Lunch Club

We are delighted to report that the Gent's Lunch Club is well and truly up and running. The first meeting took place at the end of January – a convivial lunch expertly cooked by Oscar – over which places of interest for outings were suggested. The plan is to have a cycle of three monthly events, two monthly outings with the third month being lunch in St Cuthbert's.

The first outing took place on Thursday 29th February – a visit to The Lady Haig Poppy Factory in Logie Green Road, Warriston, Edinburgh. A party of eight were given a guided tour of the factory as well as being shown a short film, which told us how the poppy became such an important part of Remembrance Day.

The poppy's significance as a symbol of Remembrance is down to a poem written in 1915 by Lt Col John McCrae, a Canadian army doctor; "*In Flanders Field*", the first verse of which is:

*In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That marks our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.*

The poppy was one of the few plants that survived in the churned up battlefields of Flanders, growing in their thousands amidst the chaos and destruction.

After the war, Canada and France were first to adopt the poppy symbol as a means of raising funds for their disabled ex-servicemen through selling silk poppies. Field Marshall (Earl) Haig, who commanded the British Expeditionary Force on the Western Front between 1915 and 1918, noticed some French widows selling these silk poppies and so he ordered 9 million poppies which were sold on the 11th November 1921. The selling of these poppies, now no longer made of silk, has continued ever since.

Initially all poppies were made in Richmond but in 1926, Lady Haig established a factory at Whitefoord House (near the Scottish Parliament) to produce poppies exclusively for Scotland.

Many of you will be aware that there is a difference between the poppies made in England and Scotland. Those produced in Edinburgh (left picture) are a botanically correct poppy with four petals and no leaf, whereas the version produced in Richmond (right picture) has two petals and a leaf.



But did you know that there is a correct way of wearing the 'English' poppy?

When facing the poppy, the leaf should be positioned at 11 o'clock, 11 signifying the end of the Great War (the 11th hour on the 11th day of the 11th month).



A selection of poppy material
made at Warriston



Boxes fully of poppies and wreaths ready
for distribution

The poppy factory is now in the Warriston area of Edinburgh, employing 35 disabled veterans, and producing each year around 10,000 wreaths, 60,000 Remembrance symbols and 40,000 long stem poppies in addition to 3 million poppies for the Scottish Poppy Appeal.

A big thank you to all of you who made it to this first outing to the Poppy Factory. It was a fascinating tour, and I think we all had a great time!

As we look forward to the next few meetings, we discussed a few ideas over lunch, and sketched out a rough plan for the coming months. As always, we can be flexible.

28th March: Trip to the National Galleries of Scotland, inviting the Friends of St Cuthbert's to join us. The Minister has agreed to lead a short tour for us, lasting about an hour, drawing on the theme of Maundy Thursday and we can take in a light lunch or coffee in the café underneath afterwards. Meet at the entrance on Princes Street at 11am.

25th April: The plan was to have another lunch at St Cuthbert's, but it has been switched to St John's as the new kitchen is being fitted then. This means we will be able to have a nice meal in the Hall in the Cornerstone Centre and look out over the gardens to St Cuthbert's.

30th May: Derek Deans will lead a tour of Dunfermline, our newest city, followed by lunch.

If anyone has any thoughts on future outings, or if you would like to know more about the Club, please get in touch with Oscar at webadmin@stcuthberts-edinburgh.uk.

Continuing support for Ukraine in 2024

Ukrainian St Margaret's Saturday School. To date, over 30 children, ages 5 to 17, have attended during this Spring Term. Essential subjects like English and Ukrainian languages and mathematics are being taught, along with Ukrainian customs and crafts. (The school has been renamed St Margaret's after an important saint in Ukraine, It still meets at George Heriot's School).

To the teachers' surprise, the favourite subject is mathematics! The children greatly enjoy being with one another. They come from all parts of Edinburgh and neighbouring towns. One boy brings himself from Glasgow each Saturday morning and must be up at 6am, such is his enthusiasm to be with other Ukrainian children. Apart from the early start of 8.45am, the teenagers of the school are enjoying Saturday mornings.

Thank you to the Kirk Session for a generous donation to the School from the Outreach funds to help pay for the teachers and materials. Thank you also for the people who have made individual donations, which are much appreciated. The School continues to thrive.

Ukrainian Children's Choir. We have been asked to host a Ukrainian children's choir on Friday 3rd May at 6pm in the sanctuary when they will give a concert. All are invited. Having seen a few of the Ukrainian singing and music groups over the last couple of years, I am sure it will be an enjoyable concert. Please come and bring friends

Camouflage Nets. We continue to provide the Tower Room at St Cuthbert's for making camouflage nets, which provide protection from surveillance drones for people living in bombed housing.

The nets are also used for field hospitals. As ever, more volunteers are welcome to help make the nets.

Thank you: Our Ukrainian friends thank us for our continuing support to the local Ukrainian community in Edinburgh/Lothian and to the people in Ukraine.

Further details from: martin.pearce2109@outlook.com

Please also see page 18 which has pictures of the school and participants.

The school visited the Scottish Story Telling Centre in the High Street on Saturday 16th March, and as children and staff alike look forward to Easter, members of St Cuthbert's are invited to the Ukraine St Margaret's School in George Heriot's School (in Lauriston Place) for an Open Day on Saturday 23rd March between 9.15 and 11 am. I am sure the students would be delighted to welcome you.

What do Christians know and believe?

Christians know that:

Jesus performed amazing miracles of healing, control over nature, and bringing people back from death. He simply performed too many miracles in the presence of many eye witnesses for them to be explained by medical science or in other ways. He was not a magician!

Jesus taught with authority – such authority could only come from God because he challenged the man-made rules that had grown up over the centuries. Jesus had not been to rabbi school but the teachers of the Law could not cope with his explanations of a real faith in God.

Jesus made amazing claims. He said he was the Son of Man – meaning the Son of God. Not long before his triumphant entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, he finally admitted that he was the Messiah – the anointed one – that the Jews had waited for centuries to come. He explained he was not a warrior messiah but one who changed people's hearts and the love and forgiveness of God was for all people – gentiles as well as Jews.

Jesus did not do anything wrong. He lived a life free of sin. Yes, it is true he showed his anger as he drove the money-changers and the animals out of the temple because the Council of the Jews had allowed the outer court of the Temple to be turned into a market place, instead of a house of reverence and prayer.

Jesus demonstrated victory over death. The risen Jesus was seen by many eye-witnesses who came from different backgrounds. Collusion was impossible for so many of disparate backgrounds. After a period of 40 days, he ascended into heaven telling his disciples to wait for a helper to come called the Spirit of God. In consequence, the Holy Spirit came upon the disciples and followers of Jesus and they were changed men and women, ready to take the Christian faith to the far corners of the earth.

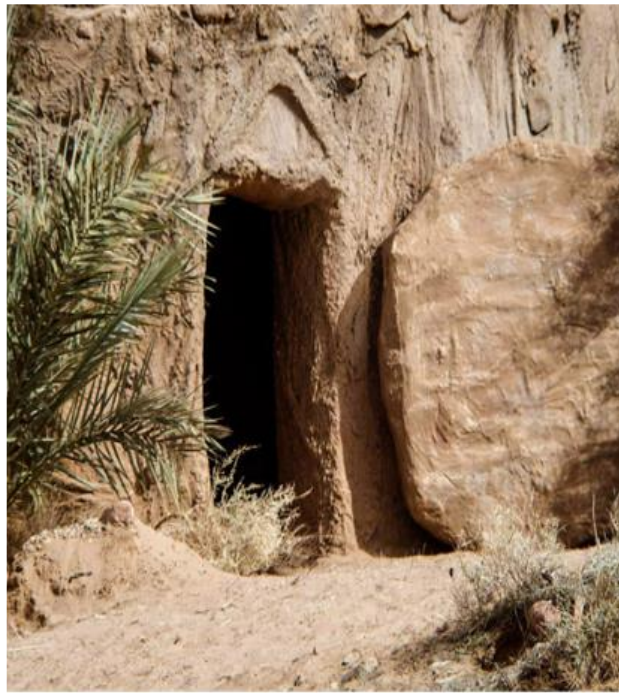
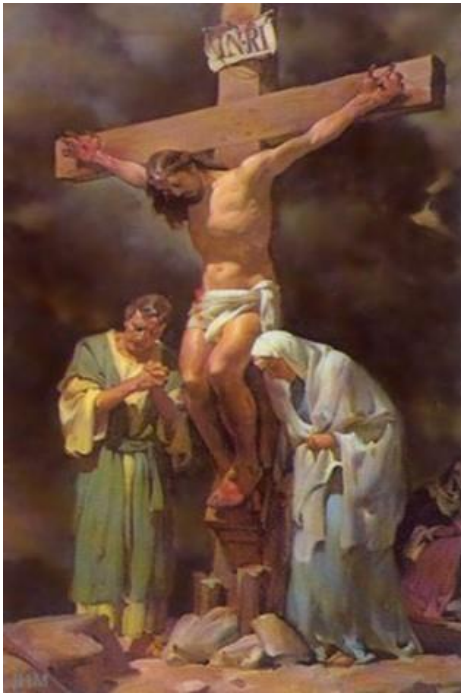


But what do Christians believe? Three core statements of belief as recorded in scripture are:

John 3: 16 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

Psalms 123: 26 Give thanks to the God of heaven. His love endures forever.

Romans 8: 39 neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.



Martin Pearce

Friends of St Cuthbert's

The Friends of St Cuthbert's are hosting a small event in the church on Saturday 13th April. Judith and John from the Changeringers and Graham Maclagan, Director of Music, have agreed to take the Friends on visits to both the belfry and the organ gallery.

The event starts at 11am.

For details of the joint visit with the Gent's Lunch Club to the National Gallery on Thursday 28th March, please see page 10.

Paula McClellan

OUT AND ABOUT

Life and Work

The April edition contains:

A Blessing to the Church: Churches taking on worship without a minister.

Love in Action: An update on the work of the charity Scottish Love in Action, which has its roots in the Church of Scotland.

New Life for Church Buildings: How redundant church buildings are being repurposed

Our Presbyteries: Focus on the Presbytery of Clyde

View from the Pulpit: The Rev Scott Rennie on the challenges and differences of ministry in London

God's Original Cathedral: The Rev Roddy Hamilton says outdoor worship 'invites a whole range of new experiences'

Regulars

The Very Rev Dr Martin Fair on ministry recruitment

Reflection by the Rev Dr Richard Frazer

The Rev Ruth Kennedy on digital church

Bible Study by the Very Rev Dr Colin Sinclair

My Church: Alan Blair of St Columba's Church, Jersey

Youth: New elder Grant Henderson shares his journey of faith

Plus: official updates from the Assembly Trustees and Faith Action Programme, readers' pictures, news, letters, reviews and puzzles – all for £3.50.

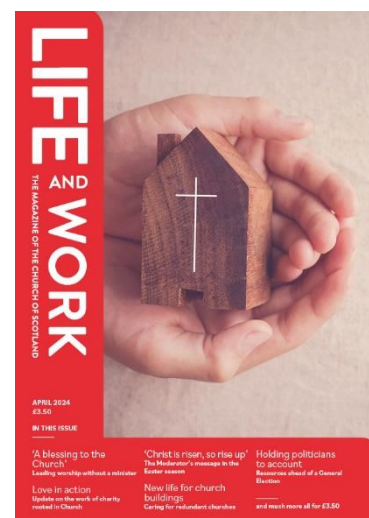
www.lifeandwork.org/subscribe or speak to St Cuthbert's Life and Work co-ordinator.

Host families needed in Edinburgh

EIL (Experiment in International Living UK) is an educational charity which offers international students the opportunity to live with local families whilst completing short term study programmes in the UK.

They are looking for volunteer families in

Edinburgh to host American university students between 1st and 21st June 2024. The students are part of a larger group taking part in a study abroad programme.



The students are willing to share a twin bedroom and hosts receive a contribution towards household expenses. This project would suit someone who enjoys meeting young people and sharing their love of Scottish culture, life experiences and interests. Hosts must have or be happy to have a PVG check (free).

For more information about the charity please see their website at www.eiluk.org/host/

GENERAL NOTICES

St Cuthbert's and Greyfriars Working Group

We hope you enjoy reading the February edition of the newsletter, enclosed with the magazine.

We are having a break from formal discussions in March as St Cuthbert's prepares for the Review of Tenure meeting with Edinburgh and West Lothian Presbytery representatives but coming in the next edition is news of our congregational lunch and of the Easter services. It would be lovely for St Cuthbert's members to attend an Easter service in Greyfriars Kirk and likewise for us to welcome members of Greyfriars to St Cuthbert's.

Congregational Roll

Deaths I am the resurrection and the life

February Mrs Barbara Mackay

Removal by Transference Certificate Mr William A Eddie to Palmerston Place Church

Church guiding

We are starting the Welcome Guide Visitor Season on Tuesday 2nd April and are calling on our faithful guides (and of course new guides) to welcome visitors into the Church. The proposal is to open Tuesday to Friday inclusive as per last year.

New recruits would be warmly welcomed.

Please contact us if you would like to discuss becoming a Welcome Guide. This is a great opportunity to interact with our visitors during their visit.

It is not necessary to be a member of this Church or indeed to be fully proficient with the history etc. There will be other people around who can help and advise and we also have a large amount of background material and information ready to hand.

Looking forward to a busy Welcoming Season.

Lyn & Derek Deans

Contact: deans_d@sky.com or via Church Office

Church Garden

Help with work in the Church garden would be appreciated on a Tuesday morning. Anyone interested in committing to this, please contact the Church Office,

Church Flowers

We are now back to arranging flowers in the Sanctuary every Sunday. Anyone who would like to donate flowers on an anniversary or other special occasion or give a financial donation to the Flower Fund is invited to contact the Flower Committee via Church Office or place a donation in the offering bag clearly marked Flower Fund.

We would also like to welcome new members to the Committee and shall be very pleased to hear from any member interested. Help will be provided if required.

Communication

It would be helpful if members moving house would notify either their elder or the Church office of their new address.

Recordings of 10.30am Sunday Services

Recordings of the Church services are available on the Church website (stcuthberts-edinburgh.uk).

Telephone Prayer Circle

Requests for prayer in a crisis situation or in time of trouble should be sent by email to Irene Gill at prayercircle@stcuthberts-edinburgh.uk

Prayer is normally offered for one week. Names of those for whom prayer is required in the longer term should be entered in the Intercession Book (to be found on the table in the vestibule).

All information will be treated in confidence.

Fresh Start

Fresh Start are very grateful for all our donations of household items and non-perishable food. Please continue to place your donations in the "Big White Box" in the vestibule.

If you are unable to deliver them, please email jamesangusmclean@gmail.com

Tuesday Coffee Mornings

A reminder that St Cuthbert's have two coffee mornings on Tuesdays.

For those able to come to the Church, you can come for a coffee and a chat in the Lindisfarne Room between 10.30am and 11.30am.

If you can't make it to the Church in person, why not join the others online between 10am and 11am.

Please use the following meeting details:

Zoom meeting ID: 898 2204 8959

Passcode: CuthCoffee

Saturday Coffee Mornings

The Saturday coffee mornings continue to welcome members of the church and visitors alike where we can enjoy home baking and much chat. These coffee mornings are usually held on the last Saturday of the month but please check dates as this can vary according to other events which take place in the church.

Dates already confirmed are:

30th March 11am - 2pm

20th April 11am - 2pm (note that this is on the third Saturday of April)

25th May 11am - 2pm

29th June 11am - 2pm

Lyn & Derek Deans

Contact: deans_d@sky.com or via Church Office

Future Church Magazines



Thank you for sending in articles for the magazine. Please keep sending them in.

If you wish to contribute items to the Church Magazine, please note the following deadlines for the upcoming editions. Material should be sent to the editor by:

June/July by Wednesday 22nd May

August/ September by Friday 19th July

either by e-mail to: magazine@stcuthberts-edinburgh.uk or please leave in the 'Magazine Editor' pigeon-hole in the Church Office.

The Ukrainian St Margaret's School



The school has met every Saturday morning since August 2023 during term time at George Heriot's School and St Cuthbert's Church



The purpose of the School is to help the children catch-up on the lessons they receive in local schools or on-line with teachers in Ukraine. They are also learning the Ukrainian language and customs as well as English and Maths.



30 to 40 children attend each week and the demand for the Saturday School is growing. The teachers are all qualified Ukrainian teachers.



STANDARD WORSHIP AT ST CUTHBERT'S

SUNDAY

9.30 am **Holy Communion**, Memorial Chapel, on the first Sunday of the month

10.30 am **Morning Worship**
Communion is included in the service on the last Sunday of each month

We celebrate a more formal Holy Communion service on a quarterly basis: on the last Sunday of January, June and October and on Easter Day

On the second Sunday of each month, Holy Communion is celebrated after the morning service in the Anam Chara Chapel

FIRST TUESDAY IN THE MONTH

12.15 pm Post Coffee Morning Worship, Memorial Chapel

FIRST WEDNESDAY IN THE MONTH (not January, July and August)

12.30 pm-5 pm **soul space** *Come and go!*
Reflection at 1 pm and 4.30 pm,
Soul Space takes place in the Church and is also available online



THE VISION OF THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST CUTHBERT

To be living out the Gospel of Jesus Christ at the heart of our city as God's people in the West End of Edinburgh; sharing God's love, offering a home to friends and strangers alike, and providing a hub to discern the Vision of God.

St Cuthbert's is a congregation of the Church of Scotland. We also belong to the ecumenical parish grouping Edinburgh City Centre Churches Together. We are also part of the HeartEdge network of churches initiated by St Martin-in-the-Fields, London

St Cuthbert's is an 'eco-congregation'



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