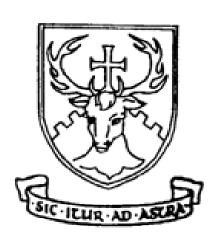
CANONGATE KIRK THE KIRK OF HOLYROODHOUSE AND EDINBURGH CASTLE

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Sunday 14th May 2017 Fifth Sunday after Easter

We have come together as the family of God in our Father's presence to offer him praise and thanksgiving, to hear and receive his holy word, to bring before him the needs of the world, to ask his forgiveness of our sins, and to seek his grace, that through his Son Jesus Christ we may give ourselves to his service.

I shall run the course made known in your commandments, for you set free my heart.

10.00am: FAMILY SERVICE

OPENING VOLUNTARY Vocalise, Op.34 No.14 by Sergei Rachmaninov

CALL TO WORSHIP The Lord is here - **His Spirit is with us.**

HYMN 351 Jesus' hands were kind hands

(Au Clair de la Lune)

PRAYERS

ANTIPHONAL PSALM 31 (Hymn 25) In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge

ending with Glory be to the Father,

and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning, is now

and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

READING 1 Peter 2: 2 - 10 NT p.216

HYMN 198 vv 1-2, 4-5 Let us build a house

(Two Oaks)

ADDRESS

OFFERING HYMN 769 Holy, holy,

(remain seated)

PRAYERS ending with the Lord's Prayer

HYMN 642 Ye that know the Lord is gracious

(Abbot's Leigh)

THE GRACE The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,

and the love of God,

and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,

be with us all evermore. Amen

THE BLESSING

CLOSING VOLUNTARY No.5 from Six little piano pieces by Edward Gregson

Please take this sheet home with you.

Members of the congregation with hearing aids can access the **Loop System** by setting them to the "T" position. If you would prefer a **Large Print** copy of this weekly sheet please ask one of the duty elders. **Pew Bibles** are available at the back of the church for those wishing to follow the readings as are the smaller words only edition of the **Hymn Book**. **Gift Aid** envelopes can be found in the pews for visitors to Canongate. Their use will allow us to claim back tax from the Inland Revenue at no further cost to the donor. Our baby changing table is located in the disabled access toilet, off the kitchen. Parents of young children might like to know that there is a box of **Soft Toys** in the vestibule.

11.15am: PARISH WORSHIP
OPENING VOLUNTARY

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Prelude in A major, BWV 536 by J S Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN 553 Just as I am, without one plea

(Saffron Walden)

THE GRACE

PRAYERS including *Lord have mercy* (said)

HYMN 416 Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.

(Old Clarendonian)

NEW TESTAMENT Acts 7: 55 - 60 NT p. 116

HYMN 31 (Psalm 40) I waited patiently for God

(I waited patiently for God)

EPISTLE 1 Peter 2: 2 - 10 NT p.216

GOSPEL all stand St John 14: 1-14 NT p.101

RESPONSE Give we the glory and praise to the Lamb;

take we the robe and the harp and the palm; sing we the song of the Lamb that was slain,

dying in weakness, but rising to reign. (H. Bonar)

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THANKSGIVING INTIMATIONS

HYMN 741 Glory to you, O God

(Darwall's 148th)

SERMON

OFFERING 807 Praise God from whom all blessings flow

PRAYERS end with *The Lord's Prayer*

THE BENEDICTION ends with sung Amen

HYMN 642 Ye that know the Lord is gracious

(Abbot's Leigh)

Glory be to the Father,

and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning, is now

And ever shall be, world without end. Amen

CLOSING VOLUNTARY Fugue in A major, BWV 536 by J S Bach

Welcome to Canongate Kirk. We extend a special welcome to visitors joining us for worship. Visitors to either service are encouraged to sign the visitors' book which can be found by the south pillar in the King David Aisle. Please join us for fellowship after the 11.15 service. May's edition of our parish newsletter is still available, as is Life & Work, the Church of Scotland's monthly magazine. If you would like to contribute to Christian Aid and don't get a door-to-door collection at home, special envelopes are available for donations today and next Sunday.

Open Kirk The volunteers' board is up in the foyer. Please check your diary and add your name where you can, or speak to Lesley Wallace or Ann Gibson for more information. This year, Eric Drake of Friends of the Canongate Kirkyard and the Old Town Association, will be running free tours of the kirk and kirkyard every Sunday at 1pm until 24th September.

General Assembly A reminder that members of the congregation are welcome to attend the short military ceremony marking the arrival of HRH The Princess Royal, Lord High Commissioner, at the Palace of Holyroodhouse on Friday 19th May at 3pm. **Heart and Soul, the annual General Assembly event, will take place in Princes Street Gardens next Sunday afternoon with this year's theme "Word of Life". As before, a wide range of causes and congregations will be represented in tents and stalls arranged right along the west gardens and all are welcome.**

BBC Radio 4 Prayer for the Day Starting on Saturday 20th May and continuing from Monday 22nd to Friday 26th May, the Minister's latest two minute programmes will be broadcast at 5.43am every day and will be available for a month on the BBC iPlayer for those who are unlikely to hear them 'live'!

Fellowship Group The last fellowship gathering before the summer break will take the form of a curry supper in the Harry Younger Hall on May 25th at 7pm, when we will also look ahead to the Autumn Session – A Journey of Personal Faith - in September.

Coffee Morning In aid of the Kirk's Homeless Fund to be held in the Harry Younger Hall on Saturday 17th June from 10am until noon, admission £2. We will be looking for donations of good quality bric-a-brac, cake & candy and plants, together with items for our tombola stall and raffle. We are not collecting books on this occasion. We are sure you will agree that the Homeless Fund is a worthwhile venture and very deserving cause. As always we look forward to your support and hope that you will mark the date in your diary.

Christian Aid Book Sale The annual book sale at St Andrew's and St George's West Church continues until 19th May. It's well worth a visit!

Edinburgh Marathon See leaflet on notice board for details of road closures and parking restrictions on Sunday 28th May.

Concerts in May

Edinburgh University String Orchestra TODAY 7pm Tickets £15/£10 Sat 27th 7.30pm Tickets £12/£10/£7