

Our Church

- **Praise God** for the precious gift of his son, pray that we would remember Christ throughout this season and point those around us to the wonderful good news.
- **Pray** for those within our church family struggling with loneliness, ill health or other difficulties, that they would know the love and comfort of God. Pray too that we would demonstrate that love to one another.

Our Community

- **Pray** for those within our community who attended one of the Christmas events or services, that they would reflect on the true message of Christmas and want to know more. **Pray** for opportunities to invite friends, family and neighbours to Christianity Explored.
- **Praise God** for the good relationships with the staff at at Burghead Primary School, **pray** that they would have time this holiday to relax and be refreshed.

Wider Free Church

- **Give thanks** for the growth and strength of those at Scalpay Free Church who have professed faith in recent years and have been leading the Christianity Explored course.
- **Give thanks** for those who work in the Free Church Offices in Edinburgh. **Pray** that that would be refreshed and strengthened over this Christmas period.

Our Nation

- **Pray** for those throughout the nation who are alone this Christmas, without family or support. **Pray** that we, along with our brothers and sisters, would be quick to welcome and care for the lonely and vulnerable.
- **Pray** for the newly appointed leaders of our nation, that God would give them wisdom and insight as they make decisions that affect the whole country.

Our World

- **Pray** for our brothers and sisters facing persecution at this time, that they would hold firm to the hope of the gospel in the midst of their suffering.
- **Pray** for Catriona Macdonald as she prepares to leave her post at Collegio San Andrés at the end of the year in order to pursue further studies in Edinburgh. **Give thanks** for her eight years of service in the school and **pray** God would help her as she says goodbye.
- **Pray** for all those we know who are serving the Lord in places away from their family. As they celebrate the birth of our Saviour pray that they are able to know the joy of being part of the family of God.

NOTICES

Intimations for the coming week/s

CHRISTIANITY EXPLORED

The 7 week course starts on 22nd January (see flyers for details).

Please....

- Think and pray about inviting a friend to the course. It's an ideal opportunity for those who wouldn't normally be in church to explore the Christian faith.
- Be aware we are also taking the small groups through the course (on Wednesday evenings). This is an ideal time to join a small group - please speak to Peter if you're interested.

UPCOMING CALENDAR

Intimations for the coming weeks

Sunday 5TH

11^{AM} Morning Service - Peter Turnbull

6^{PM} Evening Service - Peter Turnbull

Monday 6TH

10^{AM} Mission and Vision Prayer Meeting (Vestry)

3.05^{PM} Explore! / Awesome after school clubs

Tuesday 7TH

7.30^{PM} Ladies Meeting

Wednesday 8TH

7.30^{PM} Church Family Prayer Meeting

Sunday 12TH

11^{AM} Morning Service - Ian Davies

6^{PM} Evening Service - Sandy Finlay

FOR THE DIARY

Looking further ahead

SUNDAY MORNINGS (11am)

- 12th Jan - Ian Davies

Vision Sundays 2020

- 19th Jan - Giving and Going in Local Mission | Peter Turnbull
- 26th Jan - Giving and Going in Global Mission | Peter Turnbull

SUNDAY EVENINGS (6pm)

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welcome

BURGHEAD FREE CHURCH | 5TH JAN 11^{AM}

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Welcome

Song: Come People of the Risen King

Come, people of the Risen King,
who delight to bring Him praise;
come all and tune your hearts to sing
to the Morning Star of grace.
From the shifting shadows of the earth
we will lift our eyes to Him,
where steady arms of mercy reach
to gather children in.

**Rejoice, Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!
One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, rejoice!**

Come, those whose joy is morning sun,
and those weeping through the night;
come, those who tell of battles won,
and those struggling in the fight.
For His perfect love will never change,
and His mercies never cease,
but follow us through all our days
with the certain hope of peace. **Rejoice...**

Come, young and old from every land -
men and women of the faith;
come, those with full or empty hands -
find the riches of His grace.
Over all the world, His people sing
shore to shore we hear them call
the Truth that cries through every age:
"Our God is all in all"! **Rejoice...**

ALL IN (Children's Address)

All-Age Song: All Through History

Noah built the most enormous boat
that kept the birds and animals afloat.
The Lord was good, the Lord was strong
and Noah lived his life for Him.
Moses led his people through the sea,
taking them away from slavery.
The Lord was good, the Lord was strong
and Moses lived his life for Him

**Oh thank You, oh thank You, that all through history
You were faithful.**

**Thank You, oh thank You, that You are just the same
when it comes to me, when it comes to me.**

David fought Goliath and he won,
a humble shepherd boy became a king.
The Lord was good, the Lord was strong
and David lived his life for Him.

Daniel was inside a lion's den,
but God brought him to safety once again.
The Lord was good, the Lord was strong
and Daniel lived his life for Him. **Oh thank You...**

Jesus died to take away our sin
so we could get to know our God again.
The Lord is good, the Lord is strong
and we will live our lives for Him. **Oh thank You...**

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Prayer (thanksgiving, confession)

----- **KIDS leave for groups** -----

Reading: Acts 11.19-30; 13.1-3 (p1105, 1107)

Prayer (followed by...) **The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your
kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in
heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into
temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the
power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. **Amen**

Notices & Offering

NB - An opportunity to give money to the work of the church. If you're visiting us please
don't feel under any obligation to give

Song: Psalm 96(a) v7-13 (Sing Psalms)

7-8 All nations, to the LORD ascribe
the glory that is due;
Glory and strength ascribe to God,
and praise his name anew.

Enter his courts with joy, and bring
an offering with you.

9 Worship the LORD in holy fear;
all earth, before him bow.

10 Tell every land: "The LORD is King!"
Established is the earth
And cannot move; the LORD will judge
the peoples in his truth.

11 Let heavens rejoice, and earth be glad;
with joy let oceans ring.

12 The fields and all in them will shout,
and forest trees will sing.

13 They all will sing before the LORD,
who comes to judge the earth.
He'll judge the world in righteousness,
the peoples in his truth.

Sermon: Mission Unstoppable

Peter Turnbull | Acts 11:19-30, 13:1-3 | *SPACE FOR NOTES*

1. MISSION UNSTOPPABLE: The Story So Far

2. MISSION UNSTOPPABLE: Lessons to Learn from the Story so Far

A) Gospel Growth = **preaching Christ**

B) Gospel Growth = **God's work through God's people**

C) Gospel growth **happens in unexpected places**

D) Gospel growth = **evangelism AND discipleship**

E) Gospel Growth **requires unity, partnership, & giving**

F) Gospel growth = **sending your best**

G) Gospel growth = **YOU'RE on a missionary journey**

Song: Psalm 67 v1-7 (Scottish Psalter)

- 1 Lord, bless and pity us,
shine on us with thy face:
- 2 That th' earth thy way, and nations all
may know thy saving grace.
- 3 Let people praise thee, Lord;
let people all thee praise.
- 4 O let the nations be glad,
in songs their voices raise:
- Thou 'lt justly people judge,
on earth rule nations all.
- 5 Let people praise thee, Lord; let them
praise thee, both great and small.
- 6 The earth her fruit shall yield,
our God shall blessing send.
- 7 God shall us bless; men shall him fear
unto earth's utmost end.

Closing Prayer (please remain standing)