

Daily Prayer

MONDAY 18TH

- **Praise God** for the gospel, that through Jesus we have been reconciled to God and have hope both now and for eternity. **Pray** that we would reflect on the truths we heard yesterday, grow to know the gospel more deeply, and long to share it with others.

TUESDAY 19TH

- **Pray** for those in our congregation struggling with loneliness and isolation during this lockdown, that they would know God as their “refuge and strength, an ever present help in trouble.” Psalm 46:1

WEDNESDAY 20TH

- **Pray** that many children from our After School Club would join us online today as we look at the story of Samuel. **Pray** for wisdom for leaders as they decide how best to connect with the children, youth and their families during this time.

THURSDAY 21ST

- **Praise God** for a settled ministry at Ferintosh and Resolis Free Church (Minister: Calum Iain Macleod), with new members and a much-strengthened leadership team (six new elders and four new deacons). **Pray** for the leadership team as it plans mission, reaching children and adults with the gospel, adjusting to the restrictions and opportunities of lockdown and electronic communications.

FRIDAY 22ND

- **Pray** for relief and aid for the many people who have been displaced in East Africa in the last couple of months after facing three simultaneous disasters (coronavirus, swarms of locusts and extreme floods). **Pray** for our brothers and sisters there to hold fast to the gospel and proclaim the hope they can have in the midst of disaster.

SATURDAY 23RD

- **Pray** that we would continue in our **MISSION**: to “know Jesus and make Jesus known” and our **VISION**: that we would “**grow** to be a **vibrant, all-age** church of **100 disciples**, all seeking to know Jesus and make Jesus known”.

SUNDAY 24TH

- **Pray** as we gather online to worship today that guests and newcomers would join us and want to know more about Christ.

FOLLOW UP QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

1. Personal reflection: How do you feel about beginning to study Romans? Why? Bring these feelings and thoughts to God in prayer asking him to speak powerfully through it and change your heart over the coming weeks.
2. What drove Paul to write this letter to the church in Rome? Write as many reasons as you can. Try to think both about Paul’s situation and the situation of the Roman Christians.
3. Looking over these verses (1:1-17) what effects has the gospel had on Paul’s life? (list as many as you can). Reflect on how the gospel has changed you. Are there any areas of your life where the truth of the gospel has yet to really ‘take hold?’
4. Peter explained the phrase “in the gospel the righteousness of God is revealed” (v17) by calling the gospel “God’s right way to be right with him” - what does this mean - what two truths are being captured here?

THE WEEK AHEAD At Burghead Free Church

Monday 18TH MAY

10^{AM} Mission & Vision Prayer Meeting - (on “Zoom”)
Meeting ID: 895 1469 9363 | Password: 123456

Tuesday 19TH MAY

7^{PM} Pathfinders (Youth) Bible Study (on “Zoom”)
Meeting ID: 271 055 1908 | Password: 277388

Wednesday 20TH MAY

3.30^{PM} Explore/Awesome Club Online: facebook.com/burgheadfreechurch
7:30^{PM} Church Family Prayer Meeting (on “Zoom”)
Meeting ID: 861 0825 6482 | Password: 929797
Telephone Dial In Number - 0203 481 5237

Saturday 23RD MAY

5^{PM} Pathfinders (Youth) Social/Games (on “Zoom”)
Meeting ID: 271 055 1908 | Password: 277388

Sunday 24TH MAY

11^{AM} Morning Service - LIVESTREAM (Peter Turnbull)
5.30^{PM} Evening Service (LIVESTREAM from smithtonchurch.com)



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BURGHEAD FREE CHURCH | 17TH MAY 11^{AM}

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Welcome (Peter Turnbull, Church Leader)

Song: Psalm 136v1-8 (Scottish Psalter)

- 1 Give thanks to GOD, for good is he:
for mercy hath he ever.
- 2 Thanks to the God of gods give ye:
for his grace faileth never.
- 3 Thanks give the Lord of lords unto:
for mercy hath he ever.
- 4 Who only wonders great can do:
for his grace faileth never.
- 5 Who by his wisdom made heav’ns high:
for mercy hath he ever.
- 6 Who stretched the earth above the sea:
for his grace faileth never.
- 7 To him that made the great lights shine:
for mercy hath he ever.
- 8 The sun to rule till day decline:
for his grace faileth never.

ALL IN (Children’s Address)

----- **activities provided for KIDS** -----
(visit burgheadfreechurch.org/sundayservice)

Notices

Reading: Romans 1:1-17

¹ Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle and set apart for the gospel of God— ² the gospel he promised beforehand through his prophets in the Holy Scriptures ³ regarding his Son, who as to his earthly life was a descendant of David, ⁴ and who through the Spirit of holiness was appointed the Son of God in power by his resurrection from the dead: Jesus Christ our Lord. ⁵ Through him we received grace and apostleship to call all the Gentiles to the obedience that comes from faith for his name's sake. ⁶ And you also are among those Gentiles who are called to belong to Jesus Christ.

⁷ To all in Rome who are loved by God and called to be his holy people:

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁸ First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is being reported all over the world. ⁹ God, whom I serve in my spirit in preaching the gospel of his Son, is my witness how constantly I remember you ¹⁰ in my prayers at all times; and I pray that now at last by God's will the way may be opened for me to come to you.

¹¹ I long to see you so that I may impart to you some spiritual gift to make you strong— ¹² that is, that you and I may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith.

¹³ I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that I planned many times to come to you (but have been prevented from doing so until now) in order that I might have a harvest among you, just as I have had among the other Gentiles.

¹⁴ I am obligated both to Greeks and non-Greeks, both to the wise and the foolish. ¹⁵ That is why I am so eager to preach the gospel also to you who are in Rome.

¹⁶ For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile. ¹⁷ For in the gospel the righteousness of God is revealed—a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: "The righteous will live by faith."

Prayer

Sermon: "Romans: Good News in a Bad News World"

Peter Turnbull | Romans 1:1-17 | NOTES

1. AN INFLUENTIAL LETTER

- For Christian Discipleship

- For Christian Mission

2. AN INSIGNIFICANT SERVANT

3. A MONUMENTAL MESSAGE

A. *The gospel: God's all time plan*

B. *The gospel: All about Jesus*

C. *The gospel: God's right way to be right with him*

Song: Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to his
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven
The future sure, the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And He was raised to overthrow the grave
To this I hold, my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released, I can sing: I am free!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For He has said that He will bring me home
And day by day I know He will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to Him
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:
Yet not I, but through Christ in me!

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Closing Prayer