



Giffnock: Park Church

SC0 No. 02965

Minister : Rev Calum D. Macdonald

Organist: Miss Hebba Benyaghla

Sunday 8th December 2019

11am

Order of Service

Welcome & Call to Worship

MP 457 Make way, make way for Christ the King

Children's Address
Prayer/Lord's Prayer

MP 162 From heaven you came helpless babe

Reading: Romans 15: 1 - 13
Offering & Dedication

Ch3 164 Tell out my soul the greatness of the Lord

Prayer of Intercession

MP 446 Lord Thy Word Abideth

Sermon: Hope from what is taught

MP 179 Go tell it on the mountains

Benediction

*A warm welcome to you this morning as we gather for worship.
Whoever you are please feel free to come through for tea and coffee after
the service. If you have to race away we wish you God's blessing for the week
ahead and hope you have enjoyed your time with us in Church this morning.*

*Welcome to our Communion
Service this morning*

A Christian's Christmas Poem
By Jack Zavada

As Long as There's a Christmas

*The first few lights glow brightly,
as you watch the season start.
You know you should be happy,
but don't feel it in your heart.
Instead, you think about a time
when someone laughed with you,
and the love you shared then filled
your soul.*

But too soon it was through.

*So Christmas comes with sadness,
and a yearning deep inside,
a thirst for love and peace and hope
that will not be denied.*

*Late one night you hear a voice,
so soft, and without blame,
and then, surprised, you realize,
He's calling you by name.*

*"I know your hurt and loneliness,
the heartache that you bear.*

*I listen and I cry with you
through every single prayer.*

*"I promised in the manger
and fulfilled it from the cross.*

*I built a home that's filled with love
for all those who are lost.*

*"So let me come and heal your heart
and give you rest within.*

*For my way is kind and gentle
and will bring you joy again."*

*His words still echo through the years,
a vow that He made true,*

*"As long as there's a Christmas,
I will be in love with you."*



Weekly Diary

Monday

Monday Club..... 1.45 - 3.45pm

Chess Club..... 7pm

Eastwood Choral..... 7.30pm

Tuesday

Church Office..... 9-12noon

Powerhouse of Prayer 10am

Mother & Toddlers ... 9.30- 11.30am

Rainbows & Guides ...*

Bible Study..... 7.30pm

(1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the Month)

Wednesday

Mother & Toddlers ... 9.30- 11.30am

Brownies *

Thursday

Indoor Bowling 10-12 noon

Guitar Class 6.30pm

Park Ladies Keep Fit 7.15pm

Friday

Church Office 9 - 12 noon

McCarthy School of Dance ... 5pm - 9pm

Saturday

Allison's Aerobics..... 9.30am

Please Place
your gift of
Socks in the
Santa
Stocking in
the Vestibule





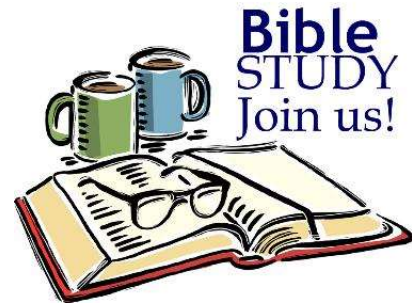
PRAYER GROUP

*"More things are wrought by prayer
than this world ever dreamed "
(Alfred Lord Tennyson)*

*" O Let the place of secret prayer become
to me the most beloved spot on earth "
(Andrew Murray Scottish Preacher)*

*We meet on Tuesday mornings
from 10-10.45am
Everyone is welcome*

2019



**Bible
STUDY
Join us!**

The next Bible Study night will be
on
Tuesday 3rd December
at 7.30pm.
In the Session house.
All are welcome.



Today's Flowers

*The flowers today are Donated by Mrs Elizabeth Hutton in fond
memory of her Dad.*

Sunday Preaching Diary

Sunday 15th Carols and Lessons Service
Sunday 22nd Sunday School Nativity Service

Christmas Eve Services
Family Service at 7pm
Carols By Candle Watchnight service 11.30pm

LET Park Church Hosts an
afternoon of
THERE BE
CHRISTMAS

A CANTATA BY
JOSEPH M. MARTIN

**Eastwood Choral
Society Christmas
Concert**

Sunday 15th December 3pm

**With Special Guests
Our Lady of the Missions
School Choir**

**Tickets Priced
£ 8 adult & £4 children**

Christmas Greeting from Isbel Simpson

Dear friends,

Isbel and family would like to wish you a very Happy Christmas and send you all good wishes for a happy and healthy New Year. She will not be sending Christmas cards this year and in lieu will be making a donation to the lodging house mission.

*With love
Isbel and Family*

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Please Note our New Office Hours :

Tuesday Wednesday & Thursday mornings

9.30 - 12noon

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*Freewill offering envelopes will
available from Sunday 1st December.
All enquiries regarding FW Offering
Envelopes, please speak with
Mrs Margaret Loudon*

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Sunday 8th Bible Sunday at 11am

Sunday 15th Carols and Lessons Service

Sunday 22nd Sunday School Nativity
Service

Christmas Eve Services

Family Service at 7pm

Carols By Candle Watchnight service
11.30pm

A word of thanks from Jim and Norma Whyte

Norma and Jim Whyte wish to thank the congregation for their best wishes and gifts presented last Sunday by the Minister. It was generous and a surprise to us both. We have enjoyed our time with you all and as the way of ministry today will now serve in Giffnock South, which means we continue in Giffnock and living here will no doubt still have contact with you all. We both wish you all a Blessed Christmas and a Happy 2020.

Again Many thanks

Norma and Jim Whyte

What's On in other Churches

Sunshine Cafe



**The Sunshine Café: Giffnock
United Reformed Church
Dementia respite lunch club
11.30-3.30 on Thursdays
A joint churches venture by
local Giffnock Churches
For more information speak
with the minister**

*Giffnock United
Reformed Church*

*Every Wednesday:
Lunchtime service at
11.15am followed by
Lunchbite at 12.15pm*

*Every Saturday: Coffee
morning at 10.30am*



*In Association with Tearfund
Guest Speaker : Mr Dick Dowsett
An Evening of Carols & Christmas Music
Usher Hall : Edinburgh
Findlay Church : 56 Clarendon Place
Glasgow G20 7PZ*

Thy Word

(By Amy Grant, Michael W. Smith)

*Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path
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*When I feel afraid
Think I've lost my way
Still you're there right beside me
And nothing will I fear
As long as you are near
Please be near me to the end*

*Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path
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*I will not forget
Your love for me and yet
My heart forever is wandering
Jesus be my guide
And hold me to your side
I will love you to the end*

*Nothing will I fear as long as you are near
Please be near me to the end*

*Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path
And a light unto my path
You're the light unto my path*

Songwriters: Amy Lee Grant, Michael Whitaker Smith
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Romans 15: 1-13 New International Version - UK (NIVUK)

*15 We who are strong ought to bear with the failings of the weak and not to please ourselves. ² Each of us should please our neighbours for their good, to build them up. ³ For even Christ did not please himself but, as it is written: ‘The insults of those who insult you have fallen on me.’^[a]⁴ **For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope.***

⁵ May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, ⁶ so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

⁷ Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God. ⁸ For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the Jews^[b] on behalf of God’s truth, so that the promises made to the patriarchs might be confirmed⁹ and, moreover, that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written:

*‘Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles;
I will sing the praises of your name.’^[c]*

¹⁰ Again, it says,

‘Rejoice, you Gentiles, with his people.’^[d]

¹¹ And again,

*‘Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles;
let all the peoples extol him.’^[e]*

¹² And again, Isaiah says,

*‘The Root of Jesse will spring up,
one who will arise to rule over the nations;
in him the Gentiles will hope.’^[f]*

¹³ May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.