Giffnock: Park Church

Sunday 4th October 2026
11am
Welcome to Morning Worship

Minister:
Rev. Dr John McPake

Organist:
Miss Hebba Benyaghla

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Order of Proceedings

Welcome & Intimations
Call to Worship

CH3 1 All people that on earth do dwell
Prayer & Lord's Prayer
Children's Address

MP 50 Be Still
Scripture Reading: Isaiah 5: 1-7

Dedication of the Offering

MP 988 How deep the Father's Love
Prayers of Intercession

MP 975 Before the throne of God Above
Scripture Reading 1 Matthew 21: 33-46

Sermon

CH3 300 At the Name of Jesus

Benediction

Scottish Charity Number: SC002965

INTIMATIONS

The service today will be led by the Rev Dr John McPake who has been appointed by Glasgow Presbytery to be the Park Church's interim Moderator.

John served as the Acting Principal Clerk of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland. At this he read the official royal letter from the British monarch to the General Assembly. He also supported the Moderator on official visits, such as trips to London and engagements recognising international church.

He has also served as the Kirk's ecumenical officer, working to build bridges and strengthen ties with other Christian denominations, including the Catholic Church and the Church of England (co-authoring the Columba Declaration).

Before these central administrative roles, he served for 13 years as the minister at Edinburgh's Liberton Northfield Church and later as an associate minister at Gorgie Dalry Parish Church.

Musical Minds Cafe

Alzheimer Scotland
Action on Dementia

Run in partnership with Giffnock Park Church and led by musician Eddie, this is a fun, relaxed singing group for people with dementia, their family and friends. We hope you can join us to sing along or listen to some of your favourites.

Come along on **Tuesday 6th October** at 1.30pm to 3pm
Open to all with dementia, their family and friends

Church Flowers

This Sunday's flowers have been kindly donated by Mrs Norma Moyes in loving memory of her Husband David

Church Office

The Church office is normally open on Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 10am to 12pm. However, Morag is on holiday next week so will be closed. Contact Bert Dickov or Peter Watson if anything urgent.

Social Event

There is to be a Celebration of Calum's retirement on Saturday the 10th October starting at 2pm. with a photo show followed by a quiz and a mystery activity. Finishing with fish with chips at 5pm.

If you would like to go, details are laid out in the vestibule for you to add your name Further information, if required, from Isobel Dew.

Helping Hands Foodbank

If you would like to help, items needed this week are:

Tinned Carrots, tinned sweetcorn, custard, rice pudding, biscuits, diluting juice, dry spaghetti and sanitary towels

Letter from Calum

With Sunday 27th September being my last Sunday and my last day in Office as the Parish Minister of Park Church on Wednesday 30th September, I find myself in a surreal moment as I leave the world of employment and pass into the world of Retirement. There is one thing that remains certain however and that is that I have been overwhelmed by people's generosity and kind wishes. I am not alone in feeling this way as Wilma, who has been at my side in Ministry across these years and both Charges in Saltcoats and in Giffnock, feels this way too. For 25 years Park Church has been not just my place of work but also my Spiritual Home. Where we have all sought to do what the hymn writer said, to "Trust in God and do the right."

I wanted to take time in this moment to thank everyone for the generous gifts given by many, not least from the Kirk Session and the Congregation. Both Wilma and I have been overwhelmed by people's kindness. Please be assured of my best wishes to all in Park Church along with my prayers for You all in the days that lie ahead.

With Best wishes

Calum D. Macdonald