

Intimations 19th January 2025

1. **Today: 19th January 2025:** Early Morning service 9.30am (Cluny Hall) and 10.30am Morning Worship. The theme – A wedding. Tea and coffee after the service in the St Matthew Hall after both services. Please remember to give an appropriate donation.
2. **Jam, Baking and Making Stall, 26th January, St Matthew Hall:** Next Sunday will see the first 2025 stall. Please make your donations and support this ongoing fundraising event.
3. **Believing and Belonging:** evening events will be held in the St Andrew's Room for anyone who is thinking about becoming part of our Church Family and exploring some of the big issues around faith today. Tuesdays 28th January and 18th February. Anyone interested will be warmly welcome.
4. **Presbytery Mission Partner, Tuesday 25th February, 7.30pm in the Church:** The Revd Dr Stewart Gillan took up the post of Minister of St Andrew's Jerusalem & Tiberias and Mission Partner Jerusalem in December 2022, and shares ministry with the Rev Muriel Pearson, seeking prayerfully to serve the congregations and partner with Church, Interfaith and Human Rights organisations on both sides of the wall on the long walk towards a just and lasting peace in the Holy Land. In this, Stewart seeks to bring together the spiritual and strategic dimensions of peace work with people who have been working for justice and peace in God's name all of their lives. He will give a talk and answer questions on the ongoing tragedies, complexities and opportunities in Israel Palestine.
5. **Outreach Funds Update:** It is with great pleasure that we share with you that a donation of £8,100 has been received by the Outreach Committee from the Social Committee. This represents funds raised during 2024 from events such as the Afternoon Tea, and the Sunday teas and coffees. These funds will be distributed as follows:
David Nott Foundation £3,200.00
Edinburgh Clothing Store £3,200.00
Morningside Parish Church £1,700.00
These funds make a real difference and without the support of the congregation this would not be possible. This is a magnificent sum of money, for which we are truly grateful.
6. **Morningside Hope:**
Music and Memories - 2-4pm, workshops for those with dementia and their partners/carers. The next workshop will be on Mondays 20th January (Cluny Hall), 3rd February (Church).
Heart for Art workshops for those with dementia and their partners. Held every Tuesday in the St Matthew Hall, 11am – 1pm.
Gentle Exercise Class – 2-4pm, Monday 27th January, (Church).
Games Afternoon – 2-4pm, Wednesday 22nd January (Braid Hall).

7. **Organ Favourites CD:** Our organist and choirmaster, Morley Whitehead, has recorded a CD with a number of favourite organ compositions. The CD is priced at £10. All monies raised will go towards choral scholarships for the future.
8. **Christian Aid Concert:** Forth Valley Chorus will perform Songs and Sparkle at Greenbank Parish Church on Saturday 1st of February at 7.30pm. Proceeds will go to Christian Aid. Tickets are £13 for adults or £8 for children and include interval refreshments. Tickets are available from the office at Greenbank Church or via the following link: <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/greenbank-parish-church/forth-valley-chorus-songs-and-sparkle/e-eydjod>
9. **Nursing Home services:** It is helpful to have 'singers' boosting the hymn singing at these services. If you can help you will be most welcome. The next **Ashley Court** service is on 29th January at 2.30pm. The next **Cluny Lodge** A Christmas service will be held on Wednesday 5th February at 2.30pm. The next **Morningside Manor** service is on 12th February at 2.30pm.
10. **Feel Good Friday:** The Galleon Club invites adults of all ages in the local community to free Feel Good Friday evening sessions that include a swim and a chat over tea afterwards. 7.15pm-8.30pm on Fridays at The Galleon Club, George Watson's College. Limited places, so please book soon. Contact r.pennyquick@gwc.org.uk or 0131 446 6066. Open to members and non-members of The Galleon Club.
11. **Next Sunday: 26th January 2025:** Early Morning service 9.30am (Cluny Hall) and 10.30am Morning Worship. The theme – Opening the Book. Tea and coffee after the service in the St Matthew Hall after both services. Please remember to give an appropriate donation.

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In the Event of the Fire Alarm sounding: Please take a few moments to make yourself aware of the fire exits in the Church.

Should the fire alarm sound during the service please evacuate the building using the nearest safe fire exit to you.

If you are able, please assist those around you to evacuate. Elders will be on hand to direct you once outside the building.

Sunday Service live-stream: the cameras for the live-stream of the church service go live at around 10.15am. One of the camera shots is of the front half of the Church. If you do not wish to appear in the camera shot, please find a seat in the back half of the Church.

Sunday Contact: if you become aware that there is a problem with the Sunday service broadcast, please phone – 07712 118033 or email a.bleck55@outlook.com.

Intimations: if you wish to have intimations included in the weekly sheet, please email these to the Church Office by Thursday 1pm at the latest.

Be a good neighbour: many Church members, elders and visitors, along with the Minister, Pastoral Assistant, are keeping in touch with people by telephone or email. Face-to-face visiting is now available by arrangement with the Ministerial team. Everyone is encouraged, where possible, to keep in touch with neighbours, friends, and family, whether they are Church members or not. If there is anything you wish to pass on to the Ministerial team, please contact them as soon as possible.

Baby and Toddler Group: our weekly Baby and Toddler Group meets on Mondays from 10am – 11.30am in the St Matthew Hall. All are welcome.

Wednesday Coffee Morning: in the Braid Hall on, 10am – 11.30am. We look forward to seeing you and your friends. If you need any further information or wish to volunteer to join the Rota to help then please contact Lesley Murphy (mobile: 07981 265308)

Financial Giving to the Church: Please keep up to date with your financial giving via standing order or direct debit or save your envelopes and other financial gifts and bring them to church.

Increase regular donations: please consider instructing your bank to increase your existing standing order if you are able. Cheques can be posted to the Church Office for processing.

If you would like to make a one-off donation, please use the new ‘Donate’ button on the Church website.

Your continuing, or increased, generosity is very important. It enables so much to happen in and around our Church. **Thank you.**

Morningside Parish Church Website and Facebook: the website www.morningsideparishchurch.org.uk has details of services and sermons and information about the Church. You can also ‘like’ the Morningside Parish Church page on Facebook. This will be one of the regular means by which you can keep informed about what is happening at the Church.