

# **PILRIG St PAUL'S CHURCH**



**MARCH 2019**

## **INFORMATION re PILRIG St PAUL'S MAGAZINE**

We welcome articles and thank you letters from members and friends. These are published in both the printed magazine and on-line, unless otherwise arranged with the editor, (eg where personal information is concerned, including the names in the prayer corner, it would normally be omitted from the on-line version). All contributors must provide their name, please, which is normally attached to the article. We reserve the right to edit articles. Changes other than spelling or grammar will, where possible, be discussed with the contributor. Some copies of the printed magazine are available to the public in the open doorway. The views expressed are those of individual contributors and not necessarily those of Pilrig St. Paul's Church or the Church of Scotland.

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## **PILRIG St PAUL'S CHURCH FEBRUARY 2019**

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 11am** Morning worship

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March 11am** Morning worship

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2pm** The Guild: Alex Allan

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 1pm** Leith Churches Together Service  
North Leith Church

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March 11am** Morning worship

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 6.30pm** Nae Pasaran see pages 8 and 9

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 10.30am** Peter Rabbit see page 6

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March 11am** Morning worship

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March** The Guild: Beetle Drive

**Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March** Morning worship

### **PROVIDING FLOWERS IN MARCH 2019**

3<sup>rd</sup> March Jean Ramage

10<sup>th</sup> March Lisa and John Innes

17<sup>th</sup> March Margaret Cameron

24<sup>th</sup> March Fiona Rankin

31<sup>st</sup> March Flower Fund

Please speak to Aileen Fraser about providing Church flowers.



**TINNED, DRIED, EASY COOKED  
FOODS ARE WELCOMED: eg UHT  
MILK, TINS OF MEAT AND  
FISH, RICE, JAM, CUSTARD  
AND TINS OF FRUIT AND VEG.  
THE DONATIONS BASKET IS IN  
THE VESTIBULE, THANK YOU!**

**We are collecting**..... Plastic milk bottle tops. Blue or green with a 2 or 3 on them, please give to Maureen Eunson. Other colours and sizes please give them to Evelyn Torrance. Flower bags Please hand them to the person sorting out the flowers after the service. Stamps: Used postage stamps should be cut out (leaving a 1 cm margin) and handed to Maureen Eunson. Thank you.

## **CHURCH ACTIVITIES and INFORMATION**

**SUNDAY - 11am WORSHIP in the Sanctuary, followed by tea or coffee, and a chat, in the Session Room.**

There is a creche for younger children, while those of school age join the congregation, including taking an active part in the all age 'Time to Talk'.

**OPEN DOORWAY EVERY TUESDAY AND THURSDAY**  
**10.30-12.30 come to the open doorway for coffee, a chat, and quiet time in the sanctuary.**

**CONTACTS and MEETINGS See also page**

Alternate Tuesdays - The Guild (Jeanette Sime 552 9652)

The 5th Leith Scouts Pilrig (5<sup>th</sup> Leith) Edinburgh North East  
(Evelyn Torrance 552 1657)

Beavers, Cubs and Scouts 5 3/4 - 14 years

Wednesdays - Lunch club 11.30 (Alex Allan 554 3174)

Guides Rainbows and Brownies Please send all enquiries to  
[www.girlguiding.org.uk](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk)

*We have two groups associated with Pilrig St Paul's*

THERE ARE MANY OTHER ACTIVITIES HELD ON OUR PREMISES,  
**PLEASE SEE THE NOTICE BOARD IN PILRIG STREET (MIDDLE ENTRANCE)**

**TO RENT OUR PREMISES, PLEASE CONTACT [psp.halluse@gmail.com](mailto:psp.halluse@gmail.com)**

There is on-street parking in Pilrig Street and Leith Walk (no restrictions on a Sunday) We have a step free entrance to the church via our side door, or the Hall entrances. The welcome team will be happy to assist.

The church is fitted with fixed pews, there is an area suitable for a wheelchair at the front left hand side

*From the manse ...*

*[God says] "Come back to me and really mean it! Come fasting and weeping, sorry for your sins!" Change your life, not just your clothes. Come back to God, your God. And here's why: God is kind and merciful. He takes a deep breath, puts up with a lot. This most patient God, extravagant in love, always ready to cancel catastrophe. Who knows? Maybe he'll do it now, maybe he'll turn around and show pity. Maybe, when all's said and done, there'll be blessings full and robust for your God! – Joel 2: 12 – 14 (The Message)*

Dear All,

We find ourselves approaching the season of Lent, that 40 day period of reflection and preparation for Holy Week and Easter Day. Lent is a time for many Christians to empty themselves of excess baggage for the journey to fuller faith and life – often symbolised by giving something up for the 40 days.

Lent was also traditionally the time when prospective new members of the Church would undertake a period of learning and instruction before being baptised and admitted to the Church on Easter Sunday. In light of this, instead of giving something up, many Christians choose to add a spiritual practice during the 40 days, such as daily prayer, reading the bible, or performing community service.

During the season of Lent we encourage members and friends of Pilrig St. Paul's to follow either of the above traditions i.e. choosing to 'give something up' or 'take something up'. If you choose to give something up, we invite you to calculate the cost of what you would have spent and donate it towards church funds. Whatever your decision, remember that Sundays are not counted during Lent - these are observed as feast days.

If you choose to give something up, please respond by giving whatever you can and return your donations at any of the services over the Easter period. You can put your donation in an envelope marked "Lent Appeal 2019" and place it in the offering plate. If you have signed a Gift Aid declaration for the church please mark your donation 'Gift Aid' on the outside and include your name on a slip of paper inside the envelope. This will greatly increase the value of your donation.

As we move towards Easter I hope that you will all experience once again the joy of the Risen Christ in your lives.

Shalom

Mark

John McCulloch is our Mission Partner in Israel and Palestine. As well as serving as Minister at St Andrew's Scots Memorial Church in Jerusalem, his work also includes walking alongside our partners in the region.

Please see also the poster on the back cover.

### The Magazine

It is good to have the articles and cards for our magazine, thank you. Please may I have articles for the April magazine by 24<sup>th</sup> March?

Thank you,  
Catriona Blackwood

**To receive our news** (Intimations) by email every week please visit: <http://eepurl.com/bXxvVn>

## BRUCE DAVIES CONCERT



On Saturday the 16th February the above concert was held in the Church and it was, according to all reports, a great success. Members of the church are already asking when can we have another concert given by Bruce.

I would like to thank the following people for their help before and during the performance:

Bill Wright, John Tait, Maria Croall and members of other churches in the area for selling tickets. Ian Bethune, Alex Fleming, Kevin and Keegan for the front of house activities.

Thanks are also due to Linda Gill for supplying the refreshments which were made available at the interval. Thank you to everyone who attended the concert and those who purchased a ticket although they were unable to attend.

Special thanks to Bruce Davies for another brilliant performance and to his wife Sandra who with sales of CD's after the concert allowed many of us to take away special memories of the concert. The money raised, as a result of the concert, was £435 which will go to help the work of our church.

Once again many thanks to everyone for a great team effort.

Eric C. Fisher.



## **Join the team for Peter Rabbit**

Are you able to be part of the team for our screening on Saturday 23rd March? Please let us know if you are able to help out with the set up or running of this screening. We would love to have you on the team.

Tickets are also available now on Eventbrite - please share the link below.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/peter-rabbit-tickets-56285857515>

Venue - Pilrig St. Paul's Church, 1B Pilrig Street, Leith EH6  
5AH  
SC 0477940

## THANK YOU

Many thanks for the lovely flowers, a nice surprise. Maria Croall

Many thanks once again, for all your good wishes, calls and cards which I have received since my latest stay in hospital. All the support really does help and I appreciate it very much.  
Margaret Cameron

Thank you very much for the card I received from the Church on the passing of my brother John. Margaret Scott

Thank you to everyone in Pilrig St Paul's for the lovely flowers and the 90<sup>th</sup> birthday card I received on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> January. Thank you also to the lady who brought them. Maisie Ritchie

Many thanks to everyone who came to my aid when I became ill on 30<sup>th</sup> December, and also to Bill Wright for driving me home. Thanks also for the many phone calls I received. Thanks to Marjory McMahon for delivering the beautiful flowers last Sunday. They cheered us up especially after my stay in hospital. David and Margaret Fraser

### **Using text to make your offering**

You can make your offering by texting **PSPC10 £5** to 70070 (You can change the £ amount as preferred).

### **Doing on-line shopping?**

**easyfundraising**  
.org.uk

See the notice board outside the Session Room



## **Nae Pasaran - Friday 22nd March 2019 at 6.30pm**

Are you able to help out with the set up or running of this screening - please let us know!!

In a Scottish town in 1974, factory workers refuse to carry out repairs on warplane engines in an act of solidarity against the violent military coup in Chile. Four years pass before the engines, left to rust in factory yard, mysteriously disappear in the middle of the night.

We are delighted to be collaborating on this screening and encourage you to book your tickets for this special Fundraising Screening for Refugees in partnership with special Chilean friends & guests. All funds raised will be donated to three charities supporting displaced people in Scotland and abroad. Bikes for Refugees (Scotland) - refurbishing donated bikes for free distribution to refugees and asylum seekers. Refugee Community Kitchen (RCK) - serving hot nourishing meals to displaced people home and abroad.

CRIBS International- providing homes in Greece for pregnant refugee women and families with new babies.

As this is a fundraising event we are suggesting a donation at the door of £10. Refugees & Asylum seekers free entry.

FOOD - We will be serving hot and cold traditional Chilean food. Come and share some food with us before the start of the film.

Pay what you can afford.

Presentations - There will be short (5mins) talks from each of the refugee charities.

Doors Open 6.30pm.

Food 6.30pm-7.30pm.

Talks 7.30pm-7.50pm.

Film 7.50pm-9.30pm.

Venue - Pilrig St. Paul's Church, 1B Pilrig Street, Leith EH6 5AH  
The screening is accessible - please let us know if you have any specific requirements.

## Prayer Corner

Please remember in your prayers members and friends of the congregation who are ill or infirm at this time. A full list is available in the printed version of the magazine.

Please let Roy Eprile know if you would like someone included in the prayer corner and also make sure Roy knows about any changes, thank you.



### CONTACT DETAILS

**PILRIG St PAUL'S CHURCH** 1b Pilrig Street Edinburgh EH6 5AH

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General enquiries [mail@pilrigstpauls.org.uk](mailto:mail@pilrigstpauls.org.uk)  
Hall bookings [psp.halluse@gmail.com](mailto:psp.halluse@gmail.com)

Scottish Charity no. SCO07277

[www.leithchurchesforum.org.uk](http://www.leithchurchesforum.org.uk)



## Helping Hands



Do you know someone who would appreciate being remembered in our prayers each Sunday, a visit, a phone call, a card in the post or perhaps some flowers from us? IF THEY ARE HAPPY TO HAVE THEIR NAME PUT FORWARD, Please provide the details below and put this card into the box in the Open Doorway or contact:

Linda Gill on 669-7409 or [helpinghands@pilrigstpauls.org.uk](mailto:helpinghands@pilrigstpauls.org.uk)

Postal address: Linda Gill, Pastoral Care Team Leader,

Pilrig St Paul's Church, 1B Pilrig Street, Edinburgh EH6 5AH

Member's Details

Name .....

Address .....

Phone number.....

Please choose from the following, which you think would be most appropriate.

You can tick more than one option

Remembered in our prayers each week .....

Visit to their home .....

Flowers from the Service .....

Phone call.....

Card posted to their home.....

Would you like to help with this? Yes / No

(If you select yes please also provide your contact details)

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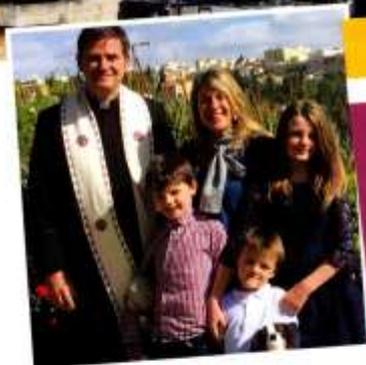
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World Mission Council

## Participating in God's Mission in Israel and Palestine



**John McCulloch**



John McCulloch is our Mission Partner in Israel and Palestine. As well as serving as Minister at St Andrew's Scots Memorial Church in Jerusalem his work also includes walking alongside our partners in the region.

### PRAYER POINTS

- Give thanks for the work of Church of Scotland partners such as B'TSELEM, whose brave campaign on the Gaza border is calling for Israeli soldiers not to open fire on unarmed demonstrators
- Pray for the people of Gaza, who are living in deteriorating conditions of human misery and despair
- Give thanks for the non-violent witness of the Tent of Nations, who 'refuse to be enemies' with those who seek to evict them off their land and destroy their olive trees
- Pray for all in Israel and Palestine, who are working for justice and peace across the religious and political divides
- Pray for The Church of Scotland in the Holy Land as it seeks to use its presence and resources to build God's rule of justice and peace in a context of conflict and profound injustice

