



UPPER BRAES PARISH CHURCH

We seek to invite,
encourage and
enable people to
follow Jesus Christ.

**Welcome! We join in the sanctuary to worship God in the Name
of Jesus Christ. Our service to God is led by Rev. Sandra Mathers.**

Order of Service – Sunday 27th April 2025

Gathering Moment with MP-38 As we are gathered*

Welcome and Notices

Call to Worship

Hymn MP-327 Immortal, invisible

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Hymn MP-656 The Lord is King

Scripture Readings: Exodus 20:1-17 and Matthew 22:34-40 (Fiona Miller)

Hymn MP-506 O Lord my God

Prayers for Others (Rena Moore)

Hymn MP-142 Father, we love You

Message

Hymn MP-200 Great is Thy faithfulness

Benediction and Threefold Amen

Doxology with May the God of peace go with us* (Tune: Ae fond kiss)

* the short songs at the beginning and end are copied within the news sheet, and during these we stand as the Bible is brought in and taken out.

Welcome to Worship

Church is not a building – it is the family of God's people, and we are delighted that you are able to join us today.

Sunday Morning Prayer and Thursday Evening Live Prayer

Join us for a time of prayer on Sunday mornings 10.15 to 10.30am in the small hall of our Brightons Ministry Centre, or 10.40am in our Slamannan Ministry Centre, or online on Thursday evenings at 8.15pm. Please email: info@upperbraes.org.uk for Zoom login details.

Keep in Touch and Informed

We are on Facebook, Instagram and YouTube as well as our church website www.upperbraes.org.uk. You can download material from the website, see the calendar and news, as well as revisit previous sermons.

Teaching Series up to Summer Break

From 27th April, we will be exploring the 10 Commandments from the Old Testament. We pray that this series will help us appreciate the timeless relevance of these words and how they are still to shape our lives to God's glory. At Brightons Ministry Centre today, Rev Scott Burton will be preaching.

Joint Service Next Week

Please note that there will be Joint Service next week (4th May) at Slamannan Primary School at 11.00am.

Kirk Session

Please note that the next Kirk Session Meeting will be held on Tuesday 29th April at 7.15pm in the Small Hall at Brightons Ministry Centre.

Returning Information Request or Pastoral Support forms

Just a reminder to those who have received a letter from Judith, our Session Clerk, to return your Information Request or Pastoral Support forms if you haven't yet done so. Also, if anyone has any updates to be made to their contact/emergency contact details, or you would like Pastoral Support and may not have received a letter please let Judith know. Many thanks.

Church Offering Standing Orders

If you wish to set up a Standing Order for your weekly offerings then please speak with either Sharon Glass or Pat Paterson who will arrange this for you. Thankyou.

Slamannan Baby Basket Ministry needs stock!

It has been customary over the years to make up a hamper for newborns in the villages of Slamannan and Limerigg (formerly the Slamannan Parish). This has been part of an outreach ministry to young parents. Now stocks of knitted baby clothes and other items like vests, baby sleepwear – everything really, is seriously low. Anyone who enjoys knitting is invited to help us to keep this ministry to young parents going. For further information, please contact Monica MacDonald. Her contact details are on the back of this news sheet.

Bereavement Service – 11th May 2025

Our annual Bereavement Service will be held this year on Sunday, 11th May at 3pm in UBPC Brightons Ministry Centre led by Mr. Ian Baillie. All are very welcome to come along to this Service, whether your loss is recent or some time ago. Refreshments will be served in the Rankine Hall after the Service. We do hope to see you there.

Safeguarding Training – Saturday 17th May

There will be an Introductory Safeguarding Training course here on Saturday 17th May starting at 10am and lasting about 2 hours. This is for anyone who has not attended a training course since joining the PVG scheme, or who last attended a course more than 3 years ago and needs to attend a refresher course. If this applies to you, please note the date and give your name to Eileen Hope to reserve a place. You can do this in person or email safeguarding@upperbraes.org.uk.

Golf Outing

The next church golf outing will be held at Binny Golf Club, Ecclesmachan, Broxburn, West Lothian, EH52 6NL on Thursday 29th May. Please contact Billy Rankine if you're interested in playing. Billyrankine@btinternet.com or 07860527899.

Friends of Jesus Group Fundraiser

Please put Wednesday, 14th May, 7pm in your calendar. Friends of Jesus group would love you to join them for an evening of fun and entertainment with 'the People's Puppets'. It will be a show suitable for adults and children of all ages. Entry will be by donation and all proceeds will go to support the work of Prospects Across Scotland. Thanks.

Martha's Pantry – Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of Martha's Pantry takes place on Saturday 3rd May starting at 11am and will be held in the Slamannan Community Centre.

Gathering Moment

As we are gathered, Jesus is here
one with each other, Jesus is here;
joined by the Spirit,
washed in His blood,
part of the body, the Church of God.
As we are gathered, Jesus is here,
one with each other, Jesus is here.

Doxology

May the God of peace go with us
As we travel from this place
May the love of Jesus keep us
Firm in hope and full of grace.

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The Week Ahead at Upper Braes Parish Church

Date	Time	Activity	Location
TODAY Sunday 27 th April	10.15am	Morning Prayer	Brightons Ministry Centre
	10.40am	Morning Prayer	Slamannan Ministry Centre
	11.00am	Morning Service	Slamannan Ministry Centre
	11.00am	Morning Service Live Streamed	Brightons Ministry Centre
	6.30pm	Evening Service	Brightons Ministry Centre
	7.00pm	Fellowship Group (T)	Off Site Event
Monday 28 th April	1.00pm	Guild Committee Meeting	Brightons Ministry Centre
	2.00pm	Art Group	Brightons Ministry Centre
	7.00pm	Fellowship Group (A1)	Off Site Event
	7.45pm	Fellowship Group (K)	Off Site Event
Tuesday 29 th April	9.30am	Pre 5s	Brightons Ministry Centre
	7.00pm	Fellowship Group (A2)	Off Site Event
	7.15pm	Kirk Session	Brightons Ministry Centre
	7.30pm	Junior Sunday School Meeting	Brightons Ministry Centre
Wednesday 30 th April	1.00pm	Martha's Pantry	Slamannan Community Centre
	5.15pm	Bible Fun Club	Slamannan Ministry Centre
	7.30pm	Band Practice	Brightons Ministry Centre
	8.00pm	Huddle Catch Up	Off Site Event
Thursday 1 st May	10.00am	Coffee Morning	Brightons Ministry Centre
	8.15pm	Thursday Evening Prayer	Online Event
Friday 2 nd May	1.00pm	ASN Support Meeting	Brightons Ministry Centre
	6.15pm	BB Juniors	Brightons Ministry Centre
	7.30pm	BB Company	Brightons Ministry Centre
Saturday 3 rd May	10.00am	Safeguarding Training	Brightons Ministry Centre
Sunday 4 th May	10.40am	Morning Prayer	Slamannan Ministry Centre
	11.00am	Joint Service	Slamannan Primary School
	2.00pm	St Margaret's Service	St Margaret's Care Home
	7.45pm	Young Adults Group	UBPC Manse