



UPPER BRAES PARISH CHURCH

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

Welcome! We join in the sanctuary and online to worship God in the Name of Jesus Christ. Our service to God is led today by Rev Scott Burton.

Order of Service – Sunday 8th June 2025 (11.00am)

We offer ourselves to God in worship

Welcome and Notices

Gathering Moment with **MP-1086 Here I am to worship**

Call to Worship

Hymn MP-1151 Amazing grace

Hymn MP-1075 Jesus, all for Jesus

We ask for God's help and listen for God speaking to us

All Together Time: Prayer and Lord's Prayer*

Hymn – Step by step

Commissioning of new Team Conveners

Scripture Reading: Matthew 6:19-33 (NIVUK) (page 971)

(Jennifer Gallivan)

The Choir: 'What a friend we have in Jesus'

Prayer for Others

(Caroline Whittit)

Hymn MP-590 Seek ye first the kingdom of God

Message

We respond to God

Hymn MP-1004 O God of burning cleansing flame

Benediction & Threefold Amen

** The words for the Lord's Prayer will appear on screen if you find this helpful.*

***We have Sunday groups for children and young people up to S4
and a creche space available for those under 3.***

Refreshments served afterward in the Heriot Hall.

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. ** All children are welcome either to stay during the service or to go out to the various Sunday School groups. Families are welcome to accompany them if they wish. There is a creche space for children under three.

Service Activity Sheet for All

Whether you are visiting or regularly sharing in worship, at the front and rear doors we have an activity sheet that seeks to help individuals follow the flow and theme of the service. This might be especially useful for those with additional support needs, but anyone is welcome to take one if it would be helpful.

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 via YouTube, Facebook and Zoom. 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

We are exploring the 10 Commandments from the Old Testament. We pray that this series will help us appreciate the timeless relevance of these words. Today at Slamannan Ministry Centre, Linzi Matheson will be preaching.

Kirk Session Meeting

Please note that the next Kirk Session Meeting will be on Tuesday 17th June at 7.15pm in the Small Hall at Brightons Ministry Centre.

Saturday 14th June: 09:15-12:00 – Ground Maintenance

The Property Team would welcome any help to either spread gravel/stones in car park or fill a skip with disused equipment/garden refuse. If able, please bring appropriate tools too, but all hands welcome.

Alpha Course Starting 18th June at The Cross

We are delighted to be starting an Alpha course shortly, with 2 weeks running before the summer break on 18th and 25th June. It will run from The Cross café at 7.30pm. With a mixture of videos and discussion, Alpha is a great way to gain an (re)introduction to the Christian faith and have space to ask questions. If you, or someone you know, are interested then please let Scott, Judith or Tom and Annabella Nimmo know. Useful for members, sceptics, seekers and all!

Church BBQ – Brightons Ministry Centre

A church BBQ will be held on Sunday 22nd June after the service. Sign-up sheets are at the front and back door. The cost on the day is £5 for adults, £2 for under 14’s. Anyone who can help please speak to Caroline Whittit.

Daily Bread Reading Notes

The next edition of Daily Bread is now available. If you wish a copy then please speak to Heather O'Neill, or e mail heather.oneill5@btinternet.com. This is a useful tool for your daily devotions.

Safeguarding Update

As a result of new legislation it is now necessary for church members visiting a care home in an official capacity or for an organised activity to be a member of the PVG Scheme. This applies to both when visiting residents in their rooms and also to meeting in public places, and INCLUDES ALL THOSE ATTENDING A SERVICE IN THE HOME. This clearly has consequences for the regular services taking place at St Margaret's. Please can anyone who attends these services, but does not have a PVG for Protected Adults, speak to our Safeguarding Coordinator, Eileen Hope, as soon as possible so that an application can be made.

Transport to Church – Can You Help?

The Pastoral Care team are looking for volunteers to take members to and from church. Many of our members are finding it difficult to come to church as they are no longer able to drive themselves, or they don't drive and have no family or friends who can bring them. We don't want them to miss out on their spiritual journey. If you can help in this matter, please speak to Sheila MacLennan, Sandra Anderson, Jean/Robert Callahan, who will be able to give more information.

Huddle

Are you interested in growing and maturing as a disciple of Jesus? We are planning to start a Huddle group after the summer. Huddle seeks to develop our understanding and practices as disciples in relation to our church's Purpose and Values. A small group of 6-8 people allows individual and collective exploration in a safe environment. It does ask for a bit of a commitment: meeting every 2 weeks for about a year, but the journey is well worth it! If you feel prompted to enquire further, please speak to Scott, Heather McManus or James Falconer by the end of June.

Summer Kids Club / Summer Teens Club

Over the school holidays we will run another Summer Kids Club during the Sunday worship service in the Brightons Church Halls. If you would like to serve God helping in this capacity please speak to Heather Haywood - we are hoping for a small team who can offer to be fairly consistent over the 7 Sundays from the end of June - for those not usually involved in the term time rota. Email address is summerkidsclub@upperbraes.org.uk.

Updated Privacy Notices for Upper Braes Parish Church

We'd like to draw your attention to the updated General Privacy Notice we have in place which outlines the way in which the Presbytery of Forth Valley and Clydesdale and Upper Braes Parish Church will use any personal information provided to us. Personal information includes any information that identifies you personally, such as your name, address, email address or telephone number. An electronic copy of this updated Notice is available on the Governance page of our website and a paper copy is displayed on the noticeboard in the hall vestibules of both Ministry Centres and in the Policy Master Files. If you have any questions, please see Judith Norton.

Tea and Coffee – Brightons Ministry Centre

8th June – Sandra Smillie, Bill Smillie, Norma Thompson, Karen Fulton.

15th June – Jane Bell, Graham Bell, Jim Kerr, Monica MacDonald.

Flowers in Church – Brightons Ministry Centre

The Flowers in the Church this week are provided by Jean Beattie.

Delivering the Flowers after this week's service will be Anne Swinney.

Delivering the Flowers after next week's service will be Anne Smith.

Thanks to all those who contributed in different ways

Jennifer Gallivan, Jean Meek, Judith Norton, Heather O'Neill, Caroline Whittit, AV Team, Organist, Praise Band, The Choir, Welcome Team and Refreshment Team.

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The Week Ahead at Upper Braes Parish Church

Date	Time	Activity	Location
TODAY Sunday 8 th June	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
	11.00am	Sunday School Groups	Brightons Ministry Centre
	7.00pm	Fellowship Group T	UBPC Manse
Monday 9 th June	10.00am	UBPC Ministry Team Meeting	Brightons Ministry Centre
	7.00pm	Fellowship Group A1	Off Site Event
	7.45pm	Fellowship Group K	Off Site Event
Tuesday 10 th June	9.30am	Pre 5s	Brightons Ministry Centre
	7.30pm	Up and Coming Team Meeting	Brightons Ministry Centre
Wednesday 11 th June	10.00am	Wednesday Book Group	Off Site Event
	1.00pm	Martha's Pantry	Slamannan Community Centre
	5.15pm	Bible Fun Club	Slamannan Ministry Centre
	7.30pm	Discipleship Pathway Meeting	Brightons Ministry Centre
	7.30pm	Band Practice	Brightons Ministry Centre
Thursday 12 th June	10.00am	Coffee Morning	Brightons Ministry Centre
	8.15pm	Thursday Evening Live Prayer	Online Event
Friday 13 th June	2.00pm	Long Covid Group	Brightons Ministry Centre
Sunday 15 th June	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
	11.00am	Sunday School Groups	Brightons Ministry Centre
	7.45pm	Youth Fellowship	UBPC Manse