



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 Sandra Mathers.

Order of Service – Sunday 15th June 2025 (11.00am)

We offer ourselves to God in worship

Welcome and Notices (Judith Norton)

Gathering Moment with **MP-38 As we are gathered**

The Choir: 'The Saviour's name'

Call to Worship

Hymn MP-14 All heaven declares

Hymn MP-454 Majesty

All Together Time (Heather Haywood)

Hymn – The Sticky Song

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

Scripture Readings: Matthew 5:17-20 (page 969)
Galatians 5:22-6:2 (page 1172) (Lesley Mann)

Hymn MP-51 Be Thou my vision

Message Sandra Mathers

Hymn MP-1 A new commandment

Prayer for Others (Annabella Nimmo)

We respond to God

Hymn MP-689 Thine be the glory

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 concluding today a series on the 10 Commandments from the Old Testament. We pray that this series will help us appreciate their timeless relevance. Today at Slamannan Ministry Centre, Rev Scott Burton will be preaching.

Please Remember in your Prayers

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of Margaret Patrick on 11th June. Margaret lived at Lathallan Drive, Polmont. Please remember her Daughter Emma and the wider family in your prayers.

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.

Prayer Time at Muiravonside

All are welcome to our time of prayer this Wednesday, 10am-11am, at our Muiravonside building. Come any time, for as little or long as you like. No pressure to pray out loud, plenty of space for quiet and reflection.

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.

Tea and Coffee – Brightons Ministry Centre

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

22nd June – Alex Davies, Eileen Hope, Jim Hope, Eileen McArdle and Maralyn Stirling.

Flowers in Church – Brightons Ministry Centre

The Flowers in the Church this week are provided by Mary Allison.

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

Delivering the Flowers after next week's service will be Jean Callahan.

Thanks to all those who contributed in different ways

Heather Haywood, Lesley Mann, Sandra Mathers, Jean Meek, Judith Norton, Heather O'Neill, 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 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
Monday 16 th June	7.45pm	Fellowship Group CA	Off Site Event
Tuesday 17 th June	9.30am	Pre 5s	Brightons Ministry Centre
	7.15pm	Kirk Session Meeting	Brightons Ministry Centre
Wednesday 18 th June	10.00am	Muiravonside Prayer Time	Muiravonside Building
	12.30pm	Seniors Lunch Club	Slamannan Ministry Centre
	1.00pm	Martha's Pantry	Slamannan Community Centre
	5.15pm	Bible Fun Club	Slamannan Ministry Centre
	7.30pm	Band Practice	Brightons Ministry Centre
	7.30pm	Missional Conversations Workshop	Brightons Ministry Centre
Thursday 19 th June	10.00am	Coffee Morning	Brightons Ministry Centre
	8.15pm	Thursday Evening Live Prayer	Online Event
Sunday 22 nd 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
	1.00pm	Church BBQ	Brightons Ministry Centre
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