



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 today by Rev Scott Burton.

Order of Service – Sunday 29th June 2025 (11.00am)

We offer ourselves to God in worship

Gathering Moment with MP-38 As we are gathered*

Welcome and Notices

Call to Worship

Hymn CH4-111 Holy, holy, holy

Prayer of Approach, Confession and Lord's Prayer

All Together Time

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

Hymn MP-1244 You are holy

Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 1:1-5, 13-19

(Fiona Miller)

Prayers of Thanksgiving and for Others

(James Falconer)

Hymn CH4-604 Holy wisdom, lamp of learning

Message

We respond to God

Hymn CH4-502 Take my life, Lord, let it be

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. Today at Brightons Ministry Centre, Judith Norton will be preaching.

Sunday Morning Prayer and Thursday Evening Live Prayer

Join us for a time of prayer on Sunday mornings 10.00 to 10.15am 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 Zoom only (over summer). 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.

Summer Teaching Series

Over the summer weeks from 29th June, we will be exploring some of the names and attributes of God. Those chosen come from a new song we will also learn over the summer. We hope the teaching, with the aid of the song, will deepen our wonder, trust and devotion to our God and our Lord.

Please Remember in your Prayers

Please continue to remember the family of Margaret Patrick in your prayers. Margaret's funeral will be at Brightons Ministry Centre on Monday 30th June at 11.00am followed by a Committal Service at Falkirk Crematorium at 12.15pm.

Please also continue to remember the family of Ray Page. Ray's funeral will be at Muiravonside Church at 11.00am on Wednesday 2nd July then an interment in Muiravonside Cemetery at 11.45am.

Please also continue to remember the family of Carol Martin. Carol's funeral will be at Muiravonside Church at 11.00am on Wednesday 9th July then an interment in Muiravonside Cemetery at 11.45am.

Finally, please remember Richard and Heather McManus and the family in your prayers, following of the passing of Richard's Dad.

Letter to Congregation

A letter has been sent out to the congregation from the Kirk Session. Extra copies are available at the front and rear doors of both ministry centres. Please consider how you could help with any of the four opportunities this autumn.

Scott's Study and Summer Leave

From 30th June to 3rd August, Scott will be on two weeks' study leave followed by three weeks' annual leave. During this time, please contact Rev Monica MacDonald for pastoral support, or Judith Norton, our Session Clerk, for other church queries. Contact details are on the back of the news sheet.

Brightons Ministry Centre – Starting 29th June:

Early Summer Service and Summer Kids/Teens Clubs

Over the weeks the school are closed, our Summer Kids and Teens Clubs will be ON for all of our young people from age 3 up to S4. Any young person can come along – occasionally or every time. We will gather in the Brightons Ministry Centre halls from 10.15am and then go into the **earlier summer** church service for a short time at 10.30am. We will finish up at the same time as the service. If you would like any more information, please contact Heather Haywood at:

summerkidsclub@brightonschurch.org.uk. **Please also note that our BMC morning prayer time will be 10.00-10.15am during the summer.**

Alpha Course

Our Alpha course will start back after the summer break. If you, or someone you know, are interested then please let Judith or Tom and Annabella Nimmo know.

Men's Book Group

The Men's Book Group will meet on Monday 30th June at 7.30pm in the Vestry at Brightons Ministry Centre.

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 as soon as possible.

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 29 th June	10.00am	Morning Prayer	Brightons Ministry Centre
	10.30am	Morning Service Live Streamed	Brightons Ministry Centre
	10.30am	Sunday Kids/Teens Club	Brightons Ministry Centre
	10.40am	Morning Prayer	Slamannan Ministry Centre
	11.00am	Morning Service	Slamannan Ministry Centre
Monday 30 th June	11.00am	Margaret Patrick Funeral Service	Brightons Ministry Centre
	7.30pm	Men's Book Group	Brightons Ministry Centre
	7.45pm	Fellowship Group CA	Offsite Event
Wednesday 2nd July	1.00pm	Martha's Pantry	Slamannan Community Centre
	11.00am	Ray Page Funeral Service	Muiravonside Church
	7.30pm	Band Practice	Brightons Ministry Centre
Thursday 3 rd July	8.15pm	Thursday Live Prayer	Zoom only
Sunday 6 th July	10.00am	Morning Prayer	Brightons Ministry Centre
	10.30am	Morning Service Live Streamed	Brightons Ministry Centre
	10.30am	Sunday Kids/Teens Club	Brightons Ministry Centre
	11.40am	Morning Prayer	Slamannan Ministry Centre
	11.00am	Morning Service	Slamannan Ministry Centre
	2.00pm	St Margaret's Care Home Service	St Margaret's Care Home