



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 10th August 2025 (10.30am)

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-1009 The King of love

Hymn MP-1139 You chose the Cross

All Together Time

Song - The Sticky Song (v3, 5, 7)

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

Invitation to 24/7 Prayer Experience then Lord's Prayer*

Scripture Reading: Luke 7:31-43 (page 1036)

(Sharon Glass)

Prayer for Others

(Rena Moore)

Hymn MP-746 What a friend we have in Jesus

Message

We respond to God

Hymn MP-1244 You are holy

Benediction and Threefold Amen

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

** *We have a Summer Kids Club and Summer Teens Club 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 AND GENERAL UPDATES

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 Summer Clubs. Families are welcome to accompany them if they wish. There is a creche space for children under three. Today at Slamannan Ministry Centre, Donald Meek will be preaching.

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 at 10.00am 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.

Brightons Ministry Centre – Restart of Normal Services

Please note that from next week (17th August) we will revert back to normal times for the morning prayer (10.15am), service and Sunday School groups (11.00am).

Upper Braes Church Calendar

As we are about to start a new session at both ministry centres, it would be good to keep both centres informed of all that is happening. If you are involved with any group or events, please could you let Jim know dates and times so he can add them to the church calendar. Contact Jim Dick via email at lets@upperbraes.org.uk

Newsheet – Next Week

Please note that Heather is on holiday until 15th August, so please send all items for the Newsheet to newssheet@upperbraes.org.uk and Neil Matheson will pick these up. Thanks to Neil for covering this.



Upcoming Events

Alpha Course

Our Alpha course starts back on Wednesday 27th August. If you, or someone you know, are interested then please let Judith, or Tom and Annabella Nimmo know.

Youth Worker Half Day Training Session at Brightons Ministry Centre

If you're part of the youth ministry at Upper Braes Parish Church or would like to be a youth volunteer, you're invited to a special half-day event on Saturday 30th August at the Brightons Ministry Centre, running from 9am to 1pm. The session will be hosted by Paul Beautyman from Youth Work Journeys alongside Caroline, our Youth Development Worker. A time to grow your skills, connect with others in youth ministry, and share best practice. Please let Caroline know if you'd like to attend.

Global Week of Prayer 5th - 7th September

From 5th to 7th September, we would like to invite the church family to join part of the Global Week of 24/7 Prayer. Countries from all over the world will be praying non-stop, lifting up the name of Jesus and asking God to move in our hearts and across the earth, and we're seeking to fill 48 hours with prayer here in the Upper Braes. If you would like to be part of this special time of prayer, please choose an hour (or more) from the sign-up sheets at the front or rear entrance doors of both ministry centres. Speak to Caroline Whittit if you would like any more information.



Volunteering Opportunities

Martha's Pantry Slamannan

The pantry needs more volunteers. Our existing team of volunteers do a great job, however, there are times that personal commitments, holidays, illness and caring mean people need to step back for a time. Volunteering at the pantry involves either a 90-minute session on a Monday preparing the pantry for the Wednesday (this is usually done by two volunteers from 10am to 11.30am), or the second shift is a Wednesday from 12.45 to 3.45pm, when the pantry is open. Full training is given. We need volunteers who can offer one shift a month or those who are happy to be called upon when we are struggling to complete the rota. Please talk to Lesley Mann or Rev. Monica MacDonald for more information. If you do not drive, we can try to arrange for you to be collected by another volunteer.

Join the Bible Fun Club Team

The Bible Fun Club meets every Wednesday term time, 5:15–6:30pm at Slamannan Ministry Centre for songs, prayer, crafts, and Bible stories with children from P1–P7. We're looking for volunteers who enjoy working with children and want to make a difference - no experience needed, training provided, with potential to grow into leadership. If interested, please contact Caroline Whittit.

The Cross Café (next to Premier shop on the corner) is looking for volunteers. Just a couple of hours a week. Mornings, 10am till 1pm, or afternoons, 1pm till 3pm. If you are interested, or would like to find out more, please contact Malcolm Field 01324 714946 <https://wholenessthroughchrist.org.uk/shop>



Rotas, Thanks and Contact Details

Tea and Coffee – Brightons Ministry Centre

10th August – Alex Davis, Jane Bell, Jim Kerr, Maralyn Stirling.

17th August – Sandra Smillie, Bill Smillie, Norma Thompson, Alison Cassells.

Flowers in Church – Brightons Ministry Centre

The Flowers in the Church this week are provided by Helen Brodie.

Delivering the Flowers after this week's service will be Pat Paterson.

Delivering the Flowers after next week's service will be Shona Forrest.

Thanks to all those who contributed in different ways

Neil Matheson, Jean Meek, Heather O'Neill, AV Team, Organist, Praise Band, Summer Kids Club and Summer Teens Club Team, Welcome Team and Refreshment Team.

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Pastoral Assistant	Gayle Miller	☎: 07720 256336 gayle.miller@churchofscotland.org.uk Sabbath on Friday 16:00 - Saturday 16:00
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Session Clerk	Judith Norton	☎: 07919 998300 sessionclerk@upperbraes.org.uk On holiday 12-14 August inclusive.
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The Week Ahead at Upper Braes Parish Church

Date	Time	Activity	Location
TODAY Sunday 10 th August	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
Wednesday 13 th August	10.45am	Wednesday Book Group	Brightons Ministry Centre
	1.00pm	Martha's Pantry	Slamannan Community Centre
	7.30pm	Band Practice	Brightons Ministry Centre
	8.00pm	Huddle Catch Up	UBPC Manse
Thursday 14 th August	8.15pm	Thursday Evening Prayer	Online Event (Zoom only)
Sunday 17 th August	10.15am	Morning Prayer	Brightons Ministry Centre
	10.40am	Morning Prayer	Slamannan Ministry Centre
	11.00am	Morning Service Live Streamed	Brightons Ministry Centre
	11.00am	Youth Church Groups	Brightons Ministry Centre
	11.00am	Morning Service	Slamannan Ministry Centre
	7.45pm	Young Fellowship	UBPC Manse