



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 Jim Hope.

Order of Service – Sunday 14th June 2026 (11.00am)

We offer ourselves to God in worship

Gathering Moment with MP-38 As we are gathered*

Welcome and Notices

(Linda McGarry)

Call to Worship

Hymn MP 254 – I am a new creation

Hymn MP 728 – We have a gospel to proclaim (v1 and 6 only)

Prayer of Approach, Confession and Lord's Prayer

We listen for God speaking to us

Hymn MP 220 – He is Lord (Once)

Scripture Reading: Revelation 4:1-11

(Bobby Robertson)

Hymn MP 1076 Jesus, be the centre

Message

Hymn MP 220 - He is Lord (Repeat)

We respond to God

Prayers for Others

(Linzi Matheson)

Hymn MP 564 – Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

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

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.

➤ **Please Remember in your Prayers**

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of Robert Jack on Monday 8th June. Please remember Robert’s Wife Norma, Son Gordon, Daughter Jennifer and the wider family in your prayers at this time. Robert’s Funeral Service will be held on Tuesday 23rd June at 3.15pm at Falkirk Crematorium.

Holidays

Monica will be on holiday from 10th to 15th June inclusive - please see Gayle or Scott for any pastoral matters. Judith will also be on holiday from 14th to 27th June inclusive – please see Jean Meek (deputeclerk@upperbraes.org.uk) or Scott for any church matters.

A Lending Library in Slamannan

Following the Thrive Sundays at SMC, we are asking for donations of Christian (auto)biography for a local lending library. If you have any to donate, please leave in vestry.

➤ **Communion retiring collection – an opportunity to support our Missionary Partners**

If you wish and are able, you still have the opportunity this week to support the Duncans in South Africa. You can give by card or contactless. Thank you.

➤ **Is Upper Braes your spiritual family? Consider joining!**

We’ve had some interest in folks exploring the meaning of membership and formally identifying the Upper Braes as their spiritual family and home. If you would like to join in this conversation, after the summer break, then please let Scott or Judith know.

➤ **Continuation of the Card Stall**

We are pleased to announce that the sale of Christian Cards will continue! There will be a stand every Thursday at the coffee morning and in the Hall after church each Sunday in Brightons Ministry Centre and at Slamannan Ministry Centre within the next couple of weeks. A cash box for receipt of payment will be available. Those requiring change please see Anne or Willie Tomlinson or Linda McGarry. There are a range of cards covering Birthdays, Sympathy, Get Well and Praying for you cards, together with Christian bookmarks one of which contains the Lord's Prayer. There are also cards for Baptism and New Baby. Proceeds from the sale will go to Martha's Pantry. Thank you for supporting this venture.

Upcoming events



Church BBQ

The church BBQ is on Sunday 21st June after the service. The sign-up sheets are at the front & back doors. Cost is Adults £7, Children under 14 £3. Everyone welcome and we look forward to having you all join us for a time of food & fellowship. Any queries see Caroline or Maggy.

Thrive Sunday Feedback

For all our members across both ministry centres, we are looking for feedback on where each of us is sensing God's leading in this season of change, as we respond to the Thrive Sundays and seek for all to thrive across our broad parish. To help with this, we have made an online version of the feedback form, which can be accessed via the QR code and link. It will only take 5 minutes or less to complete. <https://tinyurl.com/thrivefeedback-may26>



➤ **Slamannan Under-5s Play Group – Meeting 28th June**

We invite anyone who is interested in exploring and supporting the idea of starting a baby and toddler group in Slamannan Ministry Centre to come to a meeting after worship on Sunday 28th June. If you cannot attend, but are keen to support, please let Scott know.

➤ **Kirk Session**

Please note that the next Kirk Session Meeting will be on Wednesday 24th June at 7.15pm in the Small Hall at Brightons Ministry Centre.

➤ **Men's Book Group**

The last meeting of the Men's Book group this session will be at BMC on Monday 15th June at 7.30 pm. Look out for details of when we resume after the summer - it will be great to welcome some new members.

➤ **Half-Hour Service – Thursday 25th June 11.30am**

All are welcome to our shorter monthly service at the end of the month, and please let others know who might benefit.

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Gathering Moment

As we are gathered, Jesus is here
us 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
As we travel from this place
May the love of Jesus keep us
Firm in hope and full of grace.

Sermon Notes

key verses:

Since we have some space this week, why not take a note of the things in the sermon or service that speak to your heart?

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| Minister | Rev Scott Burton | ☎: 341590 scott.burton@churchofscotland.org.uk Sabbath on Friday 2.30pm to Saturday 2.30pm |
| Pastoral Assistant (lead) | Rev Monica MacDonald | ☎: 07833 102874 monica.macdonald@churchofscotland.org.uk On Holiday from 10th to 15th June inclusive |
| Pastoral Assistant | Gayle McLachlan | ☎: 07720 256336 gayle@upperbraes.org.uk Sabbath on Friday 16:00 - Saturday 16:00 |
| Youth Development Worker | Caroline Whittit | ☎: 07848 480801 cwhittit@churchofscotland.org.uk Sabbath on Saturday |
| Session Clerk | Judith Norton | ☎: 07919 998300 On Holiday from 14th to 27th June inclusive |
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The Week Ahead at Upper Braes Parish Church



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| Sunday 14 th June | 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 | Brightons Ministry Centre |
| | 11.00am | Morning Service | Slamannan Ministry Centre |
| | 7.00pm | Prayer Time | Brightons Ministry Centre |
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| Monday 15 th June | 7.30pm | Men's Book Group | Brightons Ministry Centre |
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| Tuesday 16 th June | 9.30am | Pre 5s | Brightons Ministry Centre |
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| Wednesday 17 th June | 8.45am | Property Team | Brightons Ministry Centre |
| | 1.00pm | Martha's Pantry | Off Site Event |
| | 6.00pm | Safeguarding Training | Brightons Ministry Centre |
| | 7.30pm | Band Practice | Brightons Ministry Centre |
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| Thursday 18 th June | 10.00am | Coffee Morning | Brightons Ministry Centre |
| | 6.00pm | Alpha Course | Brightons Ministry Centre |
| | 8.15pm | Thursday Evening Live Prayer | Online Event |
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