

SUNDAY 17th MAY 2020

E-NEWS

The replacement for our Pews News over the coming weeks, at Bellshill Central Parish Church



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Welcome to our Sunday online worship

The ascetics (Loving God in solitude and simplicity)

Call to worship (Based on Psalm 96:1-3)
Please join in with the online leaders

**O sing to the Lord a new song
sing to the Lord, all the earth.
Sing to the Lord, bless his name;
tell of his salvation from day to day.
Declare his glory among the nations
his marvellous works among all the peoples.
For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised.**

What is an ascetic person?

A person who dedicates his or her life to a pursuit of contemplative ideals and practices extreme self-denial or self-mortification for religious reasons.

A person who leads an austere simple life, especially one who abstains from the normal pleasures of life or denies himself or herself material satisfaction.

Ways to contact the Church...

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For those members & friends of BCPC who can't take part using the internet we have the dial-in option so anyone can now hear Kevin's weekly message using their phone.

Just call 01698 533211 (local rate number). Please share this info with folks not online so they can take part in our worship. It is available anytime & every day, and updated on Sunday mornings.

Solitude...

- The state or situation of being alone.
- A lonely or uninhabited place.

Simplicity...

- the quality or condition of being plain or uncomplicated in form or design.



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Today's Prayers for Others is taken from Christian Aid's Worship Resources.

Please join in the response of God in your mercy, hear our prayer.

During the Prayer you are asked to

1. Hold your index finger and, in silence, ask the question that most burdens your heart or simply sit in silence before God.
2. Hold your ring finger and pray for comfort for those you know who are bereaved or simply sit in silence before God.
3. Hold your middle finger and in the silence tell God what you are most looking forward to in the future or simply sit in silence before God.
4. Hold your thumb as you pray for the most vulnerable, those closest to God's heart, or simply sit in silence before God.
5. Hold your little finger and ask God for what you need, or simply sit in silence before God.
6. Put your hands together and pray for the many frontline workers and volunteers and for Christian Aid partners working to help others across the world, or simply sit in silence before God.
7. Clap your hands in praise of God's glorious creation and with the hope of new possibilities for the world

HEART AND SOLE

Sunday 17th May 2020

2pm – 4.20pm

Watch Online at

<https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/>

Church Finance

Please keep up to date with your financial giving to your Church. Please continue with your standing orders and direct debits. If you give by way of envelopes/donations save these and bring to Church when we re-open.

If you would like to change to direct bank giving please let us know and we can give you the necessary information.

There will be a significant impact on our Church finances over these weeks so your continued generosity will be particularly important and very much appreciated.

Keeping in touch

Please let Kevin or Stanley know ASAP about anyone unwell, needing the support of the church or any regular pastoral care.

We've set up a WhatsApp group, so if you have a smartphone and the WhatsApp "app" and would like to be part of this group let us know.

Remember to phone those who aren't online, share some news, ask them how they are, it really will make all the difference.

Prayer

Pray regularly, Pray from the heart, Pray for yourself and others. Remember the sick and our key-workers. **Remember this week our new Moderator, Rev Dr W Martin Fair.**

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