

Granton

Church of Scotland

Sunday 8th September 2019 10:30am



Welcome and Introduction

Hymn: O God our help in ages past CH4 161

Bible Reading: Esther 4 - page 498

Introduction to the Message - 'Servant Queen'

Prayer including the Lord's Prayer

Hymn: I'll clap my hands to Jesus the King (children gather in Session Room)

The Bible Speaks Today - 'Stepping Up'

Hymn of the Month: Jesus Your Name

The Bible Speaks Today

Hymn: O for a thousand tongues to sing MP 352

Offering **We give out of a sense of thanks to God, recognising his love for us is beyond measure. If you are a guest with us today, please do not feel you have to give.**

Prayer for Others

Hymn: Glorious things of thee are spoken CH4 738

THE BLESSING






Welcome to our service this morning. It is nice to have you worshipping with us and we hope you will enjoy your time amongst us.

If you are visiting please ask for a "Life@Granton" information sheet which has details of who we are and what we do here at Granton.

Esther 4:15-16 Good News Translation (GNT)

15 Esther sent Mordecai this reply: 16 "Go and get all the Jews in Susa together; hold a fast and pray for me. Don't eat or drink anything for three days and nights. My servant women and I will be doing the same. After that, I will go to the king, even though it is against the law. If I must die for doing it, I will die."

Call to Action - this week's checklist

	Sign up for the next Faith Refresher and Spiritual Away Day on Saturday 14th September. Sign up sheets in the coffee area.
	Installation of the new heating system is continuing this this week. There may be a bit of disruption in hall use - but it will all be worth it when winter comes.
	Have you visited the website recently? Updated regularly with more detail than we can get in the Bulletin - grantonchurch.org.uk (it's mobile friendly)
	Can you go 30 days without buying clothes? The church is joining up with Oxfam for the #SecondHandSeptember challenge.
	Pastoral Visits - help keep folk on our radar! Let us know when people would appreciate a visit from church.

Regular events - full details on the yellow sheet ('b' on summer break)

Tuesday 1st October (b)	2pm	Ladies Fellowship	West Hall
Tuesday 8th October (b)	2pm	Indoor Bowls	East Hall
Wednesday 11th September	12-1pm	Lunch Club	West Hall
Wednesday 11th September	From 6.30pm	Boys Brigade	Both Halls
Wednesday 2nd October	7.30pm	Wednesday Home Group	Barbara's home
Thursday 12th September	10-11am	Kirstie's Coffee	West Hall
Thursday 10th October (b)	2pm	Indoor Bowls	East Hall
Thursday 3rd October	7.30pm	Thursday Home Group	Linda's home
Thursday 12th September	6pm	Church Prayer Meeting	Church
Friday 13th September	11am	Magic Carpet Club	East Hall
Saturday 14th September	9am	Men's Breakfast	Session Room

If you'd like to find out about the groups that meet in our church pick up a copy of our life@Granton leaflet at the back of the church - or ask any of the Welcome Team for one.

www.grantonchurch.org.uk/diary/



In Brief - more on the website

read more at www.grantonchurch.org.uk



Faith Refresher/Spiritual Away Day 14 Sept

Following on from the success of our first Spiritual Refresher event at Cramond in June, the Nurture Group is planning the next one in the Royal Botanic Gardens on Saturday 14th September. Sign up on the list in the Coffee Area.

Church Prayer Meeting

Our monthly prayer meeting is this Thursday at 6pm in the church.

The Bible Project Animations

The Bible Project is a non-profit animation studio that produces short-form, fully animated videos to make the biblical story accessible to everyone, everywhere.

Well worth a look - go to their website at thebibleproject.com.



30 days without buying clothes?

A Challenge from Granton Goes Greener - #SecondHandSeptember

Every week 11 million items of clothing end up in landfill. Throwaway fashion is putting increasing pressure on our planet and its people – it's unsustainable.

Now there's something you can do to help. Granton Goes Greener is encouraging everyone to join Second Hand September and pledge to say no to new clothes for 30 days. Pop into our Share 'n' Wear area in the West Hall and pick up an autumn outfit.

Street Pastors Training

Street Pastors are holding training on the weekends of 18th to 20th October and 15th to 17th November and will be run on the Friday evening, Saturday part day and Sunday afternoon of both weekends. Interested? Find out more about Street Pastors on the website.

Blue Skies Project Update

We are really pleased that the first phase of fabric work around the church such as repairing and updating windows has now mostly been done. All the halls now have secondary glazing with only the church windows still to do. Where possible all the roof spaces have been insulated. In addition every light fitting has been replaced for a low energy alternative. Taken together these should reduce our carbon footprint significantly over the next few years.

The other strand of our Granton Goes Greener project is the ongoing clothes swap and bread distribution. What's been happening there is quite amazing. Over 1,300Kg of clothes were donated from April to July this year. Just short of 1,000kg of clothes given away rather than going to landfill. 86kg of bread were used rather than being thrown out.

Not only are these huge carbon savings they are also putting into practice our faith. - **read Matthew 25:35-40.**

New Heating System

Work continues this month on installation of the new heating system. Be patient with the disruption!

(s) swap

8th Sept

15th Sept

Beadle
Welcome lead
Outer welcome

Neil
Sandra C
Liz

Neil
Linda
Dan

Inner welcome
Front Welcome
Reader
Count Leader
Offering

Malky
Irene
Norman
Linda
Stuart
Malky
Sandra S

Ruth
Anne
David M
Sandra S
David D
Anne
Ian M

Sound Desk
Teas and Coffees

Anne
Sylvia
Elizabeth

Ian Mc
Irene
Sandra S

Creche

Stuart
Susan

Brenda
Liz

Kids' Activities

Alan

David M

SEP
8
Sun

Sunday Service – "Esther" +

Sep 8 @ 10:30 – 12:00

SEP
12
Thu

Church Prayer Meeting @ Church +

Sep 12 @ 18:00 – 19:00

SEP
14
Sat

Men's Breakfast @ Session Room +

Sep 14 @ 09:00 – 10:00

Faith Refresher/Spiritual Away Day @ Botanic Gardens (tbc) +

Sep 14 @ 10:00 – 15:00

SEP
15
Sun

Sunday Service +

Sep 15 @ 10:30 – 12:00

SEP
17
Tue

Worship Group Meeting +

Sep 17 @ 19:30 – 20:30

SEP
22
Sun

Sunday Service +

Sep 22 @ 10:30 – 12:00

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Coming Up.... and check the full diary at grantonchurch.org.uk/diary