- 1. **Today: 12<sup>th</sup> January 2025:** Early Morning service 9.30am (Cluny Hall) and 10.30am Morning Worship. The theme Baptized. Tea and coffee after the service in the St Matthew Hall after both services. Please remember to give an appropriate donation.
- 2. **Organ Favourites CD:** Our organist and choirmaster, Morley Whitehead, has recorded a CD with a number of his favourite organ compositions. The CD is priced at £10. All monies raised will go towards choral scholarships for the future.
- 3. **Believing and Belonging**: three evening events will be held in the St Andrew's Room for anyone who is thinking about becoming part of our Church Family and exploring some of the big issues around faith today. Tuesdays 14<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> January; and Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February. Anyone interested will be warmly welcome.

## 4. Morningside Hope:

**Music and Memories in the Cluny Hall**, 2-4pm, workshops for those with dementia and their partners/carers. The next workshop will be on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January.

**Heart for Art workshops** for those with dementia and their partners. Held every Tuesday in the St Matthew Hall, 11am – 1pm.

**Gentle Exercise Class** – 2-4pm, Mondays 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> January, in the Church.

Games Afternoon – 2-4pm, Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January in Braid Hall

- 5. Nursing Home services: It is helpful to have 'singers' boosting the hymn singing at these services. If you can help you will be most welcome. The next Morningside Manor service is on 15<sup>th</sup> January at 2.30pm. The next Ashley Court service is on 29<sup>th</sup> January at 2.30pm. The next Cluny Lodge A Christmas service will be held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February at 2.30pm.
- 6. **Deadline for February 2025 magazine** is Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January. Please send your articles to <u>editor@morningsideparishchurch.org.uk</u>
- 7. Revd Dr Conor Fegan: our former probationer, who has served as Minister of Markinch, has been called to be the Minister of the Edinburgh New Town Charge (formerly known as St Andrew's and St George's West). His induction service will be on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January at 7pm.
- 8. **Next Sunday: 19<sup>th</sup> January 2025:** Early Morning service 9.30am (Cluny Hall) and 10.30am Morning Worship. The theme A Wedding. Tea and coffee after the service in the St Matthew Hall after both services. Please remember to give an appropriate donation.

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In the Event of the Fire Alarm sounding: Please take a few moments to make yourself aware of the fire exits in the Church. Should the fire alarm sound during the service please evacuate the building using the nearest safe fire exit to you.

If you are able, please assist those around you to evacuate. Elders will be on hand to direct you once outside the building.

**Sunday Service live-stream:** the cameras for the live-stream of the church service go live at around 10.15am. One of the camera shots is of the front half of the Church. If you do not wish to appear in the camera shot, please find a seat in the back half of the Church.

**Sunday Contact:** if you become aware that there is a problem with the Sunday service broadcast, please phone – 07712 118033 or email a.bleck55@outlook.com.

**Intimations**: if you wish to have intimations included in the weekly sheet, please email these to the Church Office by Thursday 1pm at the latest.

**Be a good neighbour:** many Church members, elders and visitors, along with the Minister, Pastoral Assistant, are keeping in touch with people by telephone or email. Face-to-face visiting is now available by arrangement with the Ministerial team. Everyone is encouraged, where possible, to keep in touch with neighbours, friends, and family, whether they are Church members or not. If there is anything you wish to pass on to the Ministerial team, please contact them as soon as possible.

**Baby and Toddler Group:** our weekly Baby and Toddler Group meets on Mondays from 10am – 11.30am in the St Matthew Hall. All are welcome.

**Wednesday Coffee Morning:** in the Braid Hall on, 10am – 11.30am. We look forward to seeing you and your friends. If you need any further information or wish to volunteer to join the Rota to help then please contact Lesley Murphy (mobile: 07981 265308)

**Financial Giving to the Church**: Please keep up to date with your financial giving via standing order or direct debit or save your envelopes and other financial gifts and bring them to church.

**Increase regular donations:** please consider instructing your bank to increase your existing standing order if you are able. Cheques can be posted to the Church Office for processing.

If you would like to make a one-off donation, please use the new 'Donate' button on the Church website.

Your continuing, or increased, generosity is very important. It enables so much to happen in and around our Church. **Thank you**.

**Morningside Parish Church Website and Facebook:** the website <u>www.morningsideparishchurch.org.uk</u> has details of services and sermons and information about the Church. You can also 'like' the Morningside Parish Church page on Facebook. This will be one of the regular means by which you can keep informed about what is happening at the Church.