

## Intimations 16<sup>th</sup> February 2025

- Today: 16<sup>th</sup> February 2025:** Early Morning service 9.30am (Cluny Hall) and 10.30am Morning Worship. The theme – Ups and downs. Tea and coffee after the service in the St Matthew Hall after both services. Please remember to give an appropriate donation.
- Jam, Baking and Making stall:** Next Sunday is already the last Sunday of the month so it's the date for the next stall. Please support us with your usual enthusiasm.
- Elders' visitation sheets** are now available for collection from the pigeonholes
- 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.  
**In Church every Sunday** there is opportunity to make your donation through the open plate which is passed around at the time of the offering, and for those who are 'cashless' there is a card machine located in the vestibule.  
**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 Hope:**  
**Music and Memories** - 2-4pm, workshops for those with dementia and their partners/carers. The next workshops will be on Mondays 17<sup>th</sup> February and 3<sup>rd</sup> March.  
**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 24<sup>th</sup> February and 10<sup>th</sup> March in the Church.  
**Games Afternoon** – 2-4pm, Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February (Braid Hall).
- Presbytery Mission Partner, Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February, 7.30pm in the Church:** The Revd Dr Stewart Gillan took up the post of Minister of St Andrew's Jerusalem & Tiberias and Mission Partner Jerusalem in December 2022, and shares ministry with the Rev Muriel Pearson, seeking prayerfully to serve the congregations and partner with Church, Interfaith and Human Rights organisations on both sides of the wall on the long walk towards a just and lasting peace in the Holy Land. In this, Stewart seeks to bring together the spiritual and strategic dimensions of peace work with people who have been working for justice and peace in

God's name all of their lives. He will give a talk and answer questions on the ongoing tragedies, complexities and opportunities in Israel Palestine.

7. **Pastoral Skills Course, an Introduction:** Tuesdays 18th and 25th March. Caring for one another is the responsibility of each and every one of us and so we are offering a brief introduction to Pastoral Skills running from 6 –9.30pm each evening, starting with a light supper. There is a maximum of 16 places on the course and it is open to anyone interested in finding out a bit more about pastoral care, without the necessity of making any commitment, beyond the course itself.

The course will look at topics such as:

- Communication & listening skills.
- Self-awareness & self-care
- Boundaries and why they matter.
- Dementia

The training will be hands on/experiential in nature and the aim is to make it an enjoyable experience for those attending. There is no charge for the training, although donations are welcome, and CPD certificates will be provided. To book your place or simply to find out a little bit more, please contact: Jacqui Lindsay on 07834 364 628 or e mail: [pastoralassistant@morningsideparishchurch.org.uk](mailto:pastoralassistant@morningsideparishchurch.org.uk)

8. **Organ Favourites CD:** Our organist and choirmaster, Morley Whitehead, has recorded a CD with a number of favourite organ compositions. The CD is priced at £10. All monies raised will go towards choral scholarships for the future. On sale on Sundays from the organist or from the Church Office on weekdays, 9am to 1pm.
9. **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 **Ashley Court** service is on Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> February at 2.30pm.  
The next **Cluny Lodge** service will be held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 2.30pm.  
The next **Morningside Manor** service is on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March at 2.30pm.
10. **Scottish Love in Action Charity cinema night, Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March:** We will be screening "9 to 5" (1980) at the Dominion Cinema. Every ticket you buy goes to charity, giving every child in India an opportunity to thrive. You can buy your tickets here <https://www.sla-india.org/news/cinema-night-2025/>
11. **Next Sunday: 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2025:** Early Morning service 9.30am (Cluny Hall) and 10.30am Morning Worship. The theme – Wait patiently  
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](mailto: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)

**Morningside Parish Church Website and Facebook:** the website [www.morningsideparishchurch.org.uk](http://www.morningsideparishchurch.org.uk) 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.