



*Our aim is to draw closer to God and to each other so that, through us, He can make known to all people the joys and challenges of following Jesus.*

## Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2024

**Reading:** Nehemiah 12.27-43 (p.498)  
**Preacher:** John Young  
**Theme:** Nehemiah II: Dedication

**Morning Worship** 9.30am Service (in church)

Call: (Ps127)

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good

**His love endures forever**

Give thanks to the God of gods

**His love endures forever**

Give thanks to the Lord of lords

**His love endures forever**

CH4 106 Bring to the Lord a glad new song

CH4 599 Holy Spirit, hear us

CH4 201 Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness

**11am Service** in church and on Zoom (with **Crèche and Sunday Club** in the Kirk Centre).

Call	Song	Father God, fill this place
	Song	I cast my mind to Calvary
	Song	Blessed be the Name of the Lord
	Song	God I look to You
	Song	Lord I come to You
	CH4 160	Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven
	CH4 500	Lord of creation, to You be all praise

- Children are welcome throughout the service. Sound **and vision** are also piped into the church vestry (toys available).
- We have a loop system for those who use a hearing aid.
- **Offerings** - Please put any Offering Envelopes or other donations into the Donations Boxes on the Welcome Desks.

**Zoom** - Join from 10.30am to chat. For access contact Gary Ross on rollkeeper@libertonkirk.net

Coffee and teas will be served after the services in the Kirk Centre Foyer.

**Evening Worship** 6.30pm Café Church in the Kirk Centre

## WEEKLY DIARY

### TODAY

10.20am	Elders' Room	Sunday Morning Prayer Time
After services	Cross at East Door	Prayer Team Ministry
<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Kirk Centre</b>	<b>Café Church</b>

### Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January

9am-2pm	Foyer	Kirkgate Café
2pm	St Barnabas'	Short WPCU service (see notices)

### Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January

7.30am-7.30pm	Upper Room	Prayer Space (see below)
9am-2pm	Foyer	Kirkgate Café

### Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January

9am-2pm	Foyer	Kirkgate Café
7.30pm	Wilson Hall	SEECoS Reps meeting

### Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January

9am-2pm	Foyer	Kirkgate Café
2pm (Doors open 1pm)	Anderson Hall	Senior Citizens
7pm	St Gregory's	Main WPCU service (see notices)

### Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January

1pm-4.30pm	Foyer	Warm Hub & IT Clinic
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### Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> January

9.30-11am	Foyer	Men's Breakfast (see notices)
<b>4pm-6pm</b>	<b>Kirk Centre</b>	<b>Messy Church</b> (see notices)

### World Mission Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> January

8.00am	Sunday reflection available on Website/Facebook
10.20am	Prayer Time in Elders' Room

#### **Morning Worship**

<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Shorter service in the Kirk</b>
<b>11am</b>	<b>Service in the Kirk and on zoom</b> (with Creche and Sunday Club) Theme: Defending the rights of the poor Guest Speaker: Callum Henderson from Comfort International

### **CONGREGATIONAL VOTE AFTER BOTH SERVICES**

**6.30pm**    **Café Church in the Kirk Centre**

Prayer Requests - can be sent to either John (see page 4) or Lindsay at nicolyoung3@gmail.com who will pass details on to the rest of the prayer team.

**Upper Room** – a safe quiet space above the Kirkgate Café open 7.30am-7.30pm every Tuesday, with time of prayer with others at 8am, 12 noon and 7pm.

## NOTICES

**December/January Magazines** – Spare magazines on Welcome Desks, in the Offering House and Kirk Centre Entrance. Also available online.

**Week of prayer for Christian Unity** – Services at St Barnabas' Church on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January at 2pm and St Gregory's Church on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January at 7pm (main service, followed by refreshments). Prayer cards (blue) available on Welcome Desks, in the Offering House or in the Kirk Centre Entrance.

**Annual Burns Supper Friday 26th January** – Run by the Liberton Kirk Scout Group. Tickets are priced at £12.00 per adult with family tickets available. To order tickets please speak to David Colley or contact him on 07766151167.

**Men's Breakfast** – Saturday 27th January 9.30-11am in the Kirk Centre, £5 per person for hot rolls, hot drinks, muffins. Please sign-up ASAP as numbers are limited.

**Messy Church** – Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> January 4pm-6pm Kirk Centre. Please encourage young families (children 0-10) to come along.

**Gathering for Prayer** – (on zoom) Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January 7.30pm

**Alpha Course** – Begins Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February, 7pm in the Kirk Centre. If you are interested add your name to the sign-up sheets on the welcome desks or in the Kirk Centre; for more information speak to John Young.

**Alpha Meals** – Kirkgate Café hospitality team provide the meals for Alpha on Thursdays from 1st February to 22<sup>nd</sup> March. We would like to get a team of volunteers together – even if you can do one Thursday that would be a help. We prepare the meals from 5pm-7.30pm. No experience needed!!  
Contact: [kirkgatecafe@libertonkirk.net](mailto:kirkgatecafe@libertonkirk.net)

**Bereavement Support Group** – we are looking for volunteers for the next bereavement group on Tuesday evenings, during March and April, with a break for Easter. It is a commitment of 8 evenings; it involves hospitality and also a willingness to listen respectfully to other people's experiences and be prepared to share something of one's own, within limits. Contact Fiona Devoy for more info - tel. 0131-666-1004 or email [fiona.devoy@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:fiona.devoy@yahoo.co.uk).

**The Word for Today** – In the Kirkyard with a passage from 1<sup>st</sup> Peter, Chapter 3. Start at the Offering House and follow the trail around the church.

**Kirkgate Evening Café** – would like to open again on a Tuesday and Wednesday evening 5pm-8pm, during term time when uniformed organisations meet. We need a team – if you can volunteer, even for one night a month, contact Jenny Thomasi (café manager) in the café, at [kirkgatecafe@libertonkirk.net](mailto:kirkgatecafe@libertonkirk.net) or on 07894056216.

**Milk Bottle Tops** – only tops **with a 2 or 4 (including the new clear lids)** will be accepted. Please put all tops in bags (not loose) into the box in the Offering House.

**Southeast Edinburgh Food Banks** - Donations can be left in the boxes provided in the Offering House or with the Lambs, 36 Liberton Drive (box outside garage if out). For special arrangements phone 0131 664 3059, or email david@dlamb.co.uk

**Church of Scotland Stamp Appeal** – donations of used stamps or stamp collections can be left in the box in the Kirk Centre Foyer. Alternatively contact David Lamb 0131 664 3059 or email david@dlamb.co.uk.

**No Clothing Please!** - The monthly Bethany Care Van team can take some: Warm coats/jackets, blankets, sleeping bags, new underwear or socks. BUT please don't just leave it – contact Eleanor Grieve on ellie.57@hotmail.co.uk for instructions.

**Fresh Start** – Please leave contributions for Starter Packs in the Offering House. Please note that duvets, pillows, valance sheets and furniture can not be accepted. If you have large quantities please contact Sylvia Bennett on 0131 664 3189.

### **Bible Verse for the Week**

The second son he named Ephraim and said,  
“It is because God has made me fruitful in the land of my suffering.”

***Genesis 41 verse 52***

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