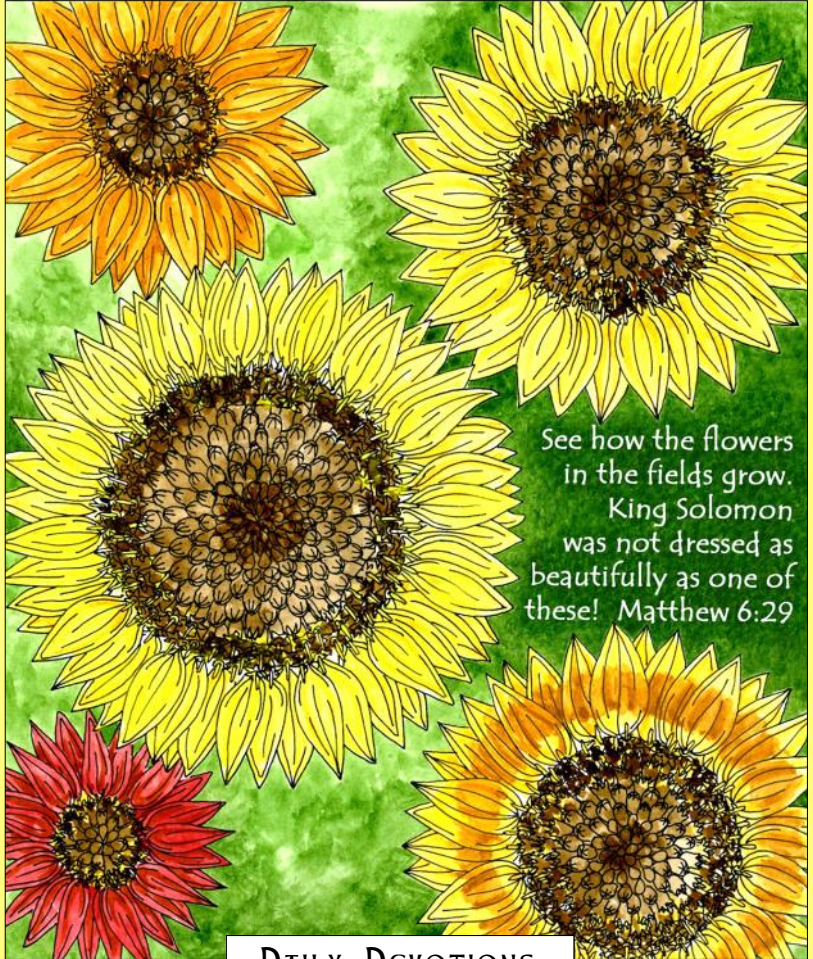


June 2024

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*'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'*

*Vision Statement*

See how the flowers in the fields grow. King Solomon was not dressed as beautifully as one of these! Matthew 6:29



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## Prayer for June

*O LORD our God*

*Teach us how*

*To trust You with all our heart  
and lean not on our own  
understanding;*

*Help us In all our ways to submit  
to You, and know You will make  
our paths straight.*

*For we believe and trust in You  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit  
Amen and Amen*

## Prayer for July

*O LORD our God*

*Continue to teach us how*

*To trust You with all our heart  
and lean not on our own  
understanding;*

*Help us day by day  
In all our ways to submit to  
You, and know You will make  
our paths straight.*

*For we do believe and trust in You  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit  
Amen and Amen*

Prayer for August - see page 6

## How best to measure love

What is the worst thing you would be willing to forgive?

Just over a year ago my son, Liam, and daughter-in-law, Fi, were all set to go off on a much longed for and well deserved holiday abroad. The flights were booked, the bags were packed, and all that was left was a few last minute details to arrange.

Part of their planning had involved where to leave their much loved dog – a one year old miniature schnauzer called 'Zadok' (yes, that's right – named after 'Zadok the Priest'). Arrangements had been made to leave him at the home of close friends, where he would be reunited with one of his favourite older brothers from the same parents.

The only problem was that young Zadok had sensed that change was in the air, and was a bit on edge as a result. Liam told me afterwards that they had only left the room for a matter of minutes, but when he returned he found his passport, (which had been placed safely on a shelf high above the couch), lying on the floor and looking rather chewed and battered, with half his photo missing, and Zadok looking a bit guilty.

Sadly, when they contacted the passport office, they discovered it was too late to get a substitute in time, and so the holiday had to be cancelled.

Did they forgive him? Of course they did! He was just a dog, and he didn't really know what he was doing, or did he? And besides, they still loved him to bits.

All of which brings us back to the heading for this reflection – '*how best to measure love*'. Because, on a more serious note, Zadok's misdemeanors, and Liam's grace reminded me of some famous words which were once uttered from a cross – words which come to mind if I ever begin to doubt how much God loves me.

***"Father, forgive them, they don't know what they are doing." (Luke 23.34)***

The best way to measure someone's love for you is by asking how much they are willing to forgive. And in God's case there is no sin too great, because his forgiveness cost him a lot more than a holiday abroad.

Much love  
John x



(Ps – if you have a foreign holiday planned, watch out where you keep your passport!)

Our Theme for 2024 is '*Be dressed and ready for service, and keep your lamps burning*' (Luke 12.35)



*'Read your Bible,  
Pray every day, Pray every day  
And you'll grow .. Grow .. grow!'*

As a Church, the Bible and Prayer are central to our life and work. In 2024 our Daily Devotions continue to focus on the written Word of God, and in particular the Old Testament – part of God's overall Plan.

There are many ways we can share in the journey of prayer together...

- ◆ The weekly Prayer List
- ◆ The prayer time in the Elders Room on a Sunday morning
- ◆ The Prayer Tree and the Prayer Ministry Team each Sunday
- ◆ Prayers in our times of worship together
- ◆ Prayer Request box in Offering House and Kirkgate Foyer
- ◆ Link Group times of sharing and praying together
- ◆ Upper Room space each Tuesday – time out with God
- ◆ The monthly Gathering for Prayer as a church family
- ◆ And other times of prayer in meetings and huddles in our life and work

**Is there somewhere you can join deeper in this journey?**

*Do you subscribe to the Prayer List?*

**Do you visit the Upper Room?**

*Could you become part of the Sunday morning prayer time  
or the monthly Gathering for Prayer?*

**Together let's grow, grow, grow in our prayer lives!**

From the Prayer Ministry Team

**Jeremiah 33:3**

**CALL TO ME  
AND I WILL  
ANSWER YOU**



# Bible Bite

A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in  
Ex.19:3-9,20:1-21,24:7,12-18,32:1-25,34:1-9

God rescued the Hebrew people from  
Egypt and led them to Sinai mountain.  
There He offered them a contract....

Keep My rules, and you will  
be My people, and I will be  
your God and protect you.



We promise to do  
what You tell us  
and worship only You.

Moses climbed the mountain.  
God gave him two stone slabs  
with the contract on them.



Then God and  
Moses talked ... for  
40 days and nights

Meanwhile...



Aaron, that Moses isn't coming back. We  
can't worship something we can't see.



Make us  
something we  
can worship

So Aaron made a gold bull  
and the people went wild.

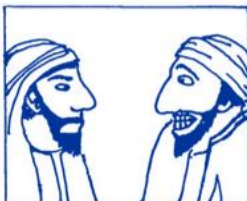


God told Moses....

Your people are already  
worshipping a statue.



Moses was so angry he  
smashed the contract  
slabs



It's not my fault,  
they made me do it.

God, please, please  
forgive Your people.



So God forgave His people and gave  
Moses two more contract slabs.



## Peace Pathway

In the months of July and August you will be able to walk the "Peace Pathway" once again in our lovely Kirkyard.

Leave the pressures of life for half an hour (or more) and enjoy God's creation and God's presence in this peaceful place.

If you start at the Offering House at the Main Gate you will be directed on a walk around the outside of the church building, with the benches providing a number of stopping points, and suggestions of something to think about or do for a few moments. The Kirkyard will be open from 8am to 8pm throughout these two months. Ruth Davies, tel. 664 3608



## Fresh Start

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

## 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.

### Prayer for August

*O LORD our God  
The God of the Prophets  
Yesterday, today and forever  
Meet with us*

*O LORD our God  
The God of the Prophets  
Yesterday, today and forever  
Speak with us*

*O LORD our God  
The God of the Prophets  
Yesterday, today and forever  
Lead us and use us  
Amen and Amen*

### Kirkgate Café

We look forward to welcoming you to the Kirkgate Café next time you are passing along the Kirkgate



Our opening hours are

Monday	09-00 to 14-00
Tuesday	09-00 to 14-00 17-00 to 20-00*
Wednesday	09-00 to 14-00 18-00 to 20-00*
Thursday	09-00 to 14-00

\* Evening opening during term times only  
See also Café article on page 30 for more information

# June 2024 Diary

- Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup>     **COMMUNION SUNDAY** (All welcome!)  
8.00am – Sunday reflection available on Website/Facebook  
9.30am – Shorter Communion Service in the Kirk  
& 11am – All-age Communion Service in the Kirk and on  
zoom (with Creche and Sunday Club)  
                  Theme: Introducing Stephen (Acts 6.1-7)  
                  Preacher: John Young  
10.20am – Prayer time in the Elders’ Room  
6.30pm – Café Church in Liberton Kirk Centre
- Monday 3<sup>rd</sup>     9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*
- Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup>     7.30am-7.30pm – Prayer space available in the *Upper Room*  
9.00am-2.00pm; 5.00pm-8.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*  
2.30pm – Service at *Liberton Brae Care Home*
- Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>     9.00am-2.00pm; 6.00pm-8.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*  
7.30pm – *Gathering for Praise* in the Kirk Centre
- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup>     9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*
- Friday 7<sup>th</sup>     1.00-4.30pm – *Warm Hub & IT Clinic* in the Kirk Centre  
7.00pm – Hawaiian Evening (for SEECOS Youth Fund)
- Saturday 8<sup>th</sup>     9.30am-2.30pm – Elders Retreat at Ferniehill EC
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- Sunday 9<sup>th</sup>     8.00am – Sunday reflection available on Website/Facebook  
9.30am – Shorter service in the Kirk  
& 11am – Service in the Kirk and on zoom (with  
Creche and Sunday Club)  
                  Theme: Paul (Acts 9.1-19a)  
                  Preacher: John Young  
10.20am – Prayer time in the Elders’ Room  
12.30pm – Summer Buzz planning Meeting in LKC  
6.30pm – Café Church in Liberton Kirk Centre
- Monday 10<sup>th</sup>     9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*  
7.30pm – Kirk Centre Management Team meeting in LKC
- Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup>     7.30am-7.30pm – Prayer space available in the *Upper Room*  
9.00am-2.00pm; 5.00pm-8.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*
- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>     9.00am-2.00pm; 6.00pm-8.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*  
11am – *Pram Praise* in the Small Hall
- Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>     9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*
- Friday 14<sup>th</sup>     1.00-4.30pm – *Warm Hub & IT Clinic* in the Kirk Centre
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- Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>     8.00am – Sunday reflection available on Website/Facebook

9.30am – Shorter service in the Kirk  
& 11am – Service in the Kirk and on zoom (with Creche and Sunday Club)

Theme: Barnabas (Acts 9.19b-31)

Preacher: John Young

10.20am – Prayer time in the Elders' Room

6.30pm – Café Church & baptism in Liberton Kirk Centre

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> 7.30am-7.30pm – Prayer space available in the *Upper Room*

9.00am-2.00pm; 5.00pm-8.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm; 6.00pm-8.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

7.30pm – *Gathering for Praise* in the Kirk Centre

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> 1.00-4.30pm – *Warm Hub & IT Clinic* in the Kirk Centre

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Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> **PROMOTION SUNDAY**

8.00am - Sunday reflection available on Website/Facebook

9.30am – Shorter service in the Kirk

& 11am – All-age Promotion Service in the Kirk and on zoom

Theme: Friends of God (Acts 15)

Preacher: John Young

10.20am – Prayer time in the Elders' Room

12.30pm – Annual Congregational Picnic in the Centre Court Gardens

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> 7.30am-7.30pm – Prayer space available in the *Upper Room*

9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

2.30pm – Service at *Guthrie House* Care Home

7.30pm – Gathering for Prayer in the Kirk

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> 1.00-4.30pm – *Warm Hub & IT Clinic* in the Kirk Centre

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Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> 8.00am – Sunday reflection available on Website/Facebook

9.30am – Shorter service in the Kirk

& 11am – Service in the Kirk and on zoom (with Creche and Sunday Club)

Theme: Jesus prays for us (Mark 10.13-16)

Preacher: John Young



Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> 10.20am – Prayer time in the Elders' Room  
6.30pm – Joint Stage 'n Slam Launch service (and BBQ)  
at Liberton Northfield church

## July 2024

**Note: During July & August, all Sunday Morning services start at 10.30am**

**7<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> July & 11<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> August - with Creche and Summer Sunday Club**

**4<sup>th</sup> August - Holiday Club Sunday**

**1<sup>st</sup> September - Sunday Clubs resume**

**July & August - Peace Pathway open in the Kirkyard from 8am until 8pm**

**1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> July – Stage 'n Slam Sports and Arts Week (for high school students)**

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

2.30pm – Service at *Liberton Brae Care Home*

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> 8.00am – Sunday reflection available on Website/Facebook  
10.30am – Service in the Kirk and on zoom (with Creche & Summer Sunday Club)

Theme: Jesus – the ultimate revelation (Hebrews 1.1-14)

Preacher: Jared Hay

10.20am – Prayer time in the Elders' Room

6.30pm – Summer Café Church (in the Kirk Centre)

**8<sup>th</sup> -14<sup>th</sup> July – Teenagers' Service Week**

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> 8.00am - Sunday reflection available on Website/Facebook  
10.30am – Service in the Kirk and on zoom (with Creche & Summer Sunday Club)

Theme: Jesus – the great high priest (Hebrews 4.15-5.10)

Preacher: Jared Hay

10.00am – Prayer time in the Elders' Room

No Evening Worship

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*  
Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*  
Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*  
Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

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Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> 8.00am - Sunday reflection available on Website/Facebook  
10.30am – Service in the Kirk and on zoom (with Creche & Summer Sunday Club)  
Theme: Jesus – the sacrifice for sin (Hebrews 9.1-14)  
Preacher: Jared Hay  
10.00am – Prayer time in the Elders’ Room  
6.30pm – Summer Café Church (in the Kirk Centre)

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> *No Kirkgate Café*  
Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> *No Kirkgate Café*  
Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> *No Kirkgate Café*  
Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> *No Kirkgate Café*

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Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> 8.00am - Sunday reflection available on Website/Facebook  
10.30am – Service in the Kirk and on zoom (with Creche & Summer Sunday Club)  
Theme: Jesus and the response of faith (Hebrews 11.32-12.3)  
Preacher: Jared Hay  
10.00am – Prayer time in the Elders’ Room  
No Evening Worship

**29<sup>th</sup> July to 6<sup>th</sup> August – Summer Buzz Holiday Club (for Primary School Children)**

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*  
Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*  
2.30pm – Service at *Guthrie House Care Home*  
Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

## August 2024

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

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Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> 8.00am – Sunday reflection available on Website/Facebook  
10.30am – Summer Buzz Service in the Kirk and on zoom (with Creche)  
Theme: The Good Shepherd (Psalm 23)  
Preacher: John Young  
10.00am – Prayer time in the Elders’ Room

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> 6.30pm – Summer Café Church (in the Kirk Centre)  
 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> 7.30am-7.30pm – Prayer space available in the *Upper Room*  
 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*  
 2.30pm – Service at *Liberton Brae Care Home*

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*  
 7.30pm – *Gathering for Praise* in the Kirk Centre

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> 1.00-4.30pm – *Warm Hub & IT Clinic* in the Kirk Centre

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Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> 8.00am - Sunday reflection available on Website/Facebook  
 10.30am – Service in the Kirk and on zoom (with Creche & Summer Sunday Club)  
 Theme: Puzzling Parables – the workers in the vineyard (Mt. 20.1-16)  
 Preacher: John Young

10.00am – Prayer time in the Elders’ Room  
 No Evening Worship

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> 7.30am-7.30pm – Prayer space available in the *Upper Room*  
 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> 1.00-4.30pm – *Warm Hub & IT Clinic* in the Kirk Centre

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Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> 8.00am – Sunday reflection available on Website/Facebook  
 10.30am – Service in the Kirk and on zoom (with Creche & Summer Sunday Club)  
 Theme: Puzzling Parables – the unforgiving servant (Mt. 18.21-35)  
 Preacher: John Young

10.00am – Prayer time in the Elders’ Room  
 6.30pm – Summer Café Church (in the Kirk Centre)

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> 7.30am-7.30pm – Prayer space available in the *Upper Room*  
 9.00am-2.00pm; 5.00pm-8.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm; 6.00pm-8.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*  
 7.30pm – *Gathering for Praise* in the Kirk Centre

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> 1.00-4.30pm – *Warm Hub & IT Clinic* in the Kirk Centre

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Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> **COVENANT SUNDAY**  
8.00am - Sunday reflection available on Website/Facebook  
10.30am – Joint Covenant Service in the Kirk and on zoom (with Creche & Summer Sunday Club)  
Theme: Puzzling Parables – the prodigal son  
(Luke 15.11-32)  
Preacher: John Young  
10.00am – Prayer time in the Elders' Room  
12.30pm – Congregational Meal in the Kirk Centre  
6.30pm – Joint Evening Worship at LKC (SEECOS)

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – Kirkgate Café  
7.30pm – Link Leaders Meeting (zoom)

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> 7.30am-7.30pm – Prayer space available in the *Upper Room*  
9.00am-2.00pm; 5.00pm-8.00pm – Kirkgate Café  
2.30pm – Service at *Guthrie House*

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm; 6.00pm-8.00pm – Kirkgate Café  
9.30am – *BIG Idea* planning meeting in the Wilson Hall

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – Kirkgate Café

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> 1.00-4.30pm – *Warm Hub & IT Clinic* in the Kirk Centre

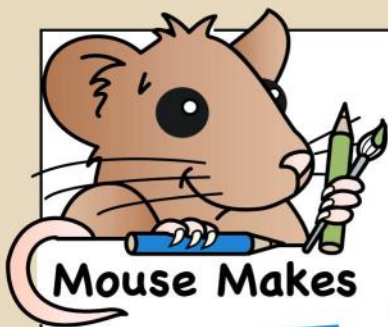
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Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> **Regular Sunday Club Resumes**  
8.00am - Sunday reflection available on Website/Facebook  
9.30am – Shorter service in the Kirk  
& 11am – Service in the Kirk and on zoom (with Creche & Sunday Club)  
Theme: *tbc*  
Preacher: John Young  
10.20am – Prayer time in the Elders' Room  
6.30pm – Café Church in the Kirk Centre







# Mouse Makes

Change each letter in this bible verse to the letter before it in the alphabet.

TFF XIBU LJOE PG  
 MPWF UIF GBUIFS  
 IBT HJWFO UP VT  
 UIBU XF TIPVME  
 CF DBMMFE  
 DIJMESFO PG HPE  
 POF KPUI UISFF: POF

## WHO IS MY FATHER?

Who was created by God and became the first father?

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 Genesis 2:20

Who had a son when he was very old?

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 Genesis 21:5

*Shem Ham and Japheth's father built a huge boat, who was he?*

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 Genesis 6:10-14

Who gave his son Joseph a robe of many colours?

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 Genesis 37:2-3

This Roman puzzle square reads the same from the top, bottom and sides and translates: "Arepo the sower guides the wheel with skill."



If you rearrange the letters it can spell **PATER NOSTER** which means "Our Father".



Solomon's father defeated a giant and became a King. Who was he?

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 1 Samuel 48-50

Whose daughter was healed by Jesus?

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 Mark 5:21



A G A D A U G H T E R E G  
 V A S E Z E C H A R I A H  
 J M O S E S A J A C O B O  
 A Z L I B O F A T H E R P  
 I J O S E P H J A N O A H  
 R O M A D A V I D G E H N  
 U B O A E I D A S O N A O  
 S V N C E E Z E A D A M A

Look up the Bible verses to find the fathers then look for them and the words below in the word search.

- FATHER • GOD
- SON • DAUGHTER
- JOSEPH • ISAAC
- MOSES • JOB
- SOLOMON
- ZECHARIAH
- ZEBEDEE

**Liberton Kirk Men's Collective**  
**Invite all men to**

**\*\*\* A Men's Breakfast \*\*\***

(hot rolls/pastries/hot and cold drinks)

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June**

9.30-11am Kirk Centre

**£5 on the day**

Sign up in Kirk or Café Foyer  
or see David Colley, Dave Storey or Alastair Cameron



**\*\*\* A Men's B B Q \*\*\***

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> August**

7.30-9.30pm Kirk Gardens

£7 on the day + BYOB

Sign up available soon  
or see David Colley, Dave Storey or Alastair Cameron



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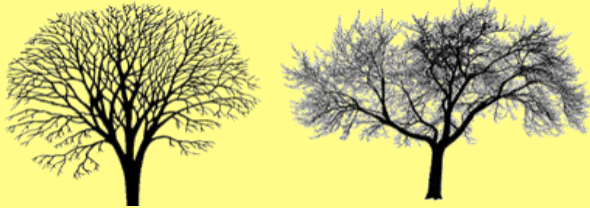
# LIBERTON KIRK DEVOTIONS

JUNE 24

*Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight..* **Proverbs 3 vs 5 and 6**

In 2024 we are considering **BEFORE THE GOOD NEWS – GOD'S PLAN BEGINS** - as we step back into the Old Testament and pausing at our times of Midday Devotion to pray for others in our church family, our city and our world.

In June we journey with a few Psalms and the book of Proverbs.



We are all invited to listen for God's voice and make our response as we journey together daily in our 'rhythm of devotion' in 2024. *These Devotions are but one way to feed on God's Word in the morning, at midday, in the evening... to pray with Him continually through the day and even to share with others the treasures or hurdles you discover. The Church website and Facebook page (even on a handy mobile) provide a fuller daily devotional page. However it all follows the pattern below which the information provided fits into, based on the Kirk's origins of the Celtic and Northumbrian traditions which we started as a church family back in 2015.*

## **Morning**

Reading and Meditation on the content and prayer of response

## **Midday**

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# LIBERTON KIRK DEVOTIONS FOR JUNE 24

- Sat 1<sup>st</sup> Morning – PSALM 5 – as we pause this morning we take the time to consider these particular words today .... and then pray to our God  
Midday – pray the words of the Lord’s Prayer as your own prayer today  
Evening – read the passage again – reflect + pray in response to what you read
- Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> Morning – PSALM 11 – we take time to consider these words on this Sunday morning... and then pause to pray to this God in response.  
Midday - pray the words of the Prayer for the Month as your own prayer  
Evening – read these words again ... reflect .. and pray to this God of ours.
- Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 1 verse 7 – take time to consider these words at the start of this new week ... And then pray to our God in response  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on the Scottish Parliament  
Evening – read the verses again – reflect and then pray to this God in response
- Tue 4<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 2 verse 6 – as we pause with God today we consider these words ..... and then respond in prayer with Him  
Midday – take time to listen for God to speak with you – ask, seek, knock – hear!  
Evening – read the verse again – reflect and then pray in response to our God
- Wed 5<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 3 vs 5+ 6 – As we pause with God this morning we consider these words - and then turn to pray to this God we trust  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in the Middle East  
Evening – read the words again – reflect, and then pray to the LORD our God
- Thur 6<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 3 verse 7- we pause and consider these words this morning and then we pray in response  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in Iraq  
Evening – read the set verse again – reflect on what is said here and then pray
- Fri 7<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 3 verses 11 and 12 – As we pause with God, we take time to consider these words – then pray in response to Father God  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on those on our Prayer List  
Evening – read these words again, take time to reflect and pray to this God of ours
- Sat 8<sup>th</sup> Morning – PSALM 25 – as we pause with God today we consider these words .... And then pray to Him as the day starts  
Midday – pray the words of the Lord’s Prayer as your own prayer today  
Evening – read the verses again – reflect and pray in response to what you read
- Sun 9<sup>th</sup> Morning – PSALM 32 - take time to pause this morning and consider these verses ... and then pray to this God in response on this Sunday  
Midday – pray the words of the Prayer for the Month as your own prayer  
Evening – read this passage again...reflect.. and then pray to this God of ours...
- Mon 10<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 4 verse 24 – as we pause with God, we take the time to consider these words today - and then pray to Him in response  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in Syria  
Evening – read the verse again – reflect and then pray to this God in response
- Tue 11<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 4 verse 25 – as we pause with God this morning we consider these words ..... then respond in prayer with this God we believe in



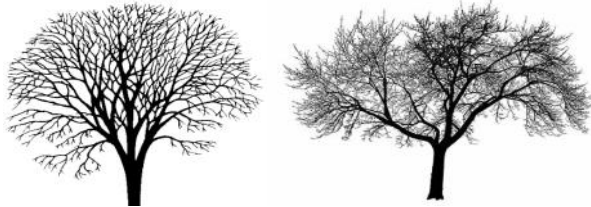
# LIBERTON KIRK DEVOTIONS

JULY 24

*Do not despise the Lord's discipline, and do not resent his rebuke, because the Lord disciplines those he loves, as a father the son he delights in. **Proverbs 3 vs 11 and 12***

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In July we continue our journey with a few Psalms and the book of Proverbs



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- Mon 1<sup>st</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 12 verse 5 – take time to consider these words  
at the start of this new week .... then pray to our God in response  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers across Canada  
Evening – read the verse again – reflect and then pray to this God in response
- Tue 2<sup>nd</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 12 verse 15 – as we pause with God today we  
consider these words ..... and then respond in prayer with Him  
Midday – take time to listen for God to speak with you – ask, seek, knock – hear!  
Evening – read the verse again – reflect and then pray in response to our God
- Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 12 verse 22 – As we pause with God this morning  
we consider these words - And then turn to pray to this God we trust  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in United States of America  
Evening – read the words again – reflect, then pray to the LORD our God
- Thur 4<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 12 verse 25 – we pause and consider these words  
this morning and then we pray in response  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in South America  
Evening – read the set verse again – reflect on what is said here and then pray
- Fri 5<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 12 verse 26 – As we pause with God, we take  
time to consider these words – then pray in response to Father God  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on those on our Prayer List  
Evening – read these words again, take time to reflect and pray to this God of ours
- Sat 6<sup>th</sup> Morning – PSALM 101 – as we pause with God today we consider these  
words .... and then pray to Him as the day starts  
Midday – pray the words of the Lord’s Prayer as your own prayer today  
Evening – read the verses again – reflect and pray in response to what you read
- Sun 7<sup>th</sup> Morning – PSALM 103— take time to pause this morning and consider  
these verses...And then pray to this God in response on this Sunday  
Midday – pray the words of the Prayer for the Month as your own prayer  
Evening – read this passage again...reflect .. and then pray to this God of ours...
- Mon 8<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 14 verse 7 – as we pause with God, we take the  
time to consider these words today - and then pray to Him in response  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in Scandinavia  
Evening – read the verse again – reflect and pray to this God in response
- Tue 9<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 15 verse 1 – as we pause with God this morning  
Midday – take time to listen for God to speak with you – ask, seek, knock – hear!  
Evening – read the words again – reflect and then pray in response to our God
- Wed 10<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 15 verse 13 – Pause and listen with God this  
morning. Consider what is said here ... then turn to pray to Him  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in France  
Evening – read the words again – reflect, and then pray to the LORD our God
- Thur 11<sup>th</sup> Morning - PROVERBS 16 verses 1-3 - consider these particular  
words this morning and then respond in prayer to this God, our God  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in the Belgium and Luxembourg

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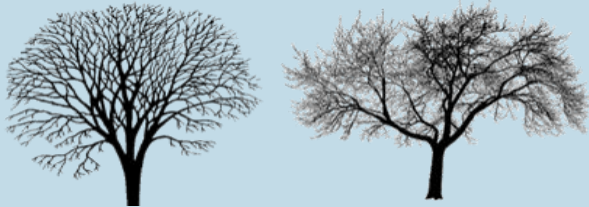
AUGUST 24

*A voice of one calling: "In the wilderness prepare the way for the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for our God.*

**Isaiah 40 verse 3**

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- Thur 1<sup>st</sup> Morning – ISAIAH 1 verses 11-20 – we pause and consider these words  
this morning and then we pray in response  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in Brazil  
Evening – read the set verses again – reflect on what is said here and then pray
- Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> Morning – ISAIAH 2 verses 3-5 – As we pause with God, we take time  
to consider these words – then pray in response to Father God  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on those on our Prayer List  
Evening – read these words again, take time to reflect & pray to this God of ours
- Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> Morning – ISAIAH 2 verses 10-22 – as we pause with God today we  
consider these words .... and then pray to Him as the day starts  
Midday – pray the words of the Lord’s Prayer as your own prayer today  
Evening – read the verses again – reflect and pray in response to what you read
- Sun 4<sup>th</sup> Morning – ISAIAH 5 v16 - take time to pause this morning to consider  
these words...And then pray to this God in response on this Sunday  
Midday – pray the words of the Prayer for the Month as your own prayer  
Evening – read this verse again...reflect.. and then pray to this God of ours
- Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Morning – ISAIAH chapter 6 – as we pause with God, we take the time  
to consider these words today - and then pray to Him in response  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in Denmark  
Evening – read the verses again – reflect and then pray to this God in response
- Tue 6<sup>th</sup> Morning – ISAIAH 7 vv 13-17 – as we pause with God this morning, we  
consider these words.....and then respond in prayer with this God we believe in  
Midday – take time to listen for God to speak with you – ask, seek, knock – hear!  
Evening – read the words again – reflect and then pray in response to our God
- Wed 7<sup>th</sup> Morning – ISAIAH 8 verses 13-17 – Pause and listen with God this new  
morning. Consider what is said here... then turn to pray to Him  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in Paris  
Evening – read the words again – reflect. and then pray to the LORD our God
- Thur 8<sup>th</sup> Morning - ISAIAH 9 verses 1-7 - consider these particular words this  
morning and then respond in prayer to this God, our God  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in the Brussels  
Evening – read the set verses again – reflect on what is said here and then pray
- Fri 9<sup>th</sup> Morning – ISAIAH 9 verses 8-21 – As we pause with God, we consider  
these truths this morning ... and then pray in response to Him  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on those on our church Prayer List  
Evening – read these words again, take time to reflect and pray to this God
- Sat 10<sup>th</sup> Morning – ISAIAH 11 verses 1-9 – as we pause with God we take time to  
consider these words and truths as the day starts- then pray to this God  
Midday – pray the words of the Lord’s Prayer as your own prayer today  
Evening – read the verses again – reflect and pray in response to what you read
- Sun 11<sup>th</sup> Morning – ISAIAH chapter 12 - we take time to consider these words  
this new morning .... and then we pray to this God in response



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Midday – pray the words of the Prayer for the Month as your own prayer

Evening – read these set verses again...reflect.. and then pray to this God of ours

Mon 12<sup>th</sup> Morning – ISAIAH 14 verses 1-8 – as we pause with God, take time to consider these particular words today.....And then pray in response

Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in Berlin

Evening – read the verses again – reflect and then pray to this God in response

Tue 13<sup>th</sup> Morning – ISAIAH chapter 24 – as we pause with God today we

consider these truths ..... and then respond in prayer with Him

Midday – take time to listen for God to speak with you – ask, seek, knock – hear!

Evening – read the words again – reflect and then pray in response to our God

Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Morning – ISAIAH chapter 25 – Pause with God this morning.

Consider these words written here...And then turn to pray to God

Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in Amsterdam

Evening – read the verses again – reflect.. and then pray to the LORD our God

Thur 15<sup>th</sup> Morning – ISAIAH chapter 26 - consider this particular chapter on

this new morning and then respond in prayer to God

Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in Madrid

Evening – read the set verses again – reflect on what is said here and then pray to this God we believe in

Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Morning – ISAIAH 40 verses 1-17 – As we pause with God, we take

time to consider these words ... And then pray in response to Father God

Midday – We pray God’s blessing on those on our Church Prayer List

Evening – read these verses again, take time to reflect and pray to Father God

Sat 17<sup>th</sup> Morning – ISAIAH 40 verses 18-31 – as we pause with God today we

take the time to consider these verses - And then pray to this God

Midday – pray the words of the Lord’s Prayer as your own prayer today

Evening – read the verses again – reflect and pray in response to what you read

Sun 18<sup>th</sup> Morning – ISAIAH 41 verses 9-14 – we take time with God to consider these

words on this Sunday morning, then we pray to Father God in response

Midday – pray the words of the Prayer for the Month as your own prayer

Evening – read these verses again...reflect.. and then pray to this God of ours as we step into a new week – together – with Him

Mon 19<sup>th</sup> Morning – ISAIAH 42 verses 1-9 – as we pause with God, take the time

to consider these particular words today ... And then pray in response

Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in Rome

Evening – read the verses again – reflect and pray in response to what you read

Tue 20<sup>th</sup> Morning – ISAIAH 42 verses 10-17 – as we pause with God today we

consider these truths ..... and then respond in prayer with Him

Midday – take time to listen for God to speak with you – ask, seek, knock – hear!

Evening – read the words again – reflect and then pray in response to our God

Wed 21<sup>st</sup> Morning – ISAIAH 48 verses 1-11 – Pause with God this morning.

Consider these words written here...And then turn to pray to God

Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in Indonesia

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- Evening – read the verses again – reflect.. and then pray to the LORD our God
- Thu 22<sup>nd</sup> Morning – ISAIAH chapter 50 - consider this particular chapter this morning and then respond in prayer to this God we believe in  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in South Africa  
Evening – read the set verses again – reflect on what is said here and then we pray to this God we believe and trust
- Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> Morning – ISAIAH 51 verses 1-3 – As we pause with God, we consider these words this morning... and then pray in response to God  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on those on our church Prayer List  
Evening – read these words again, take time to reflect and pray to this God
- Sat 24<sup>th</sup> Morning – ISAIAH 52 v13 – chapter 53 v12 – as we pause with God, we take time to consider these words and truths - and then pray to this God  
Midday – pray the words of the Lord’s Prayer as your own prayer today  
Evening – read the passage again – reflect and pray in response to what you read
- Sun 25<sup>th</sup> Morning – ISAIAH chapter 54 - we take time to consider these words on this Sunday morning .... And then we pray to this God in response  
Midday – pray the words of the Prayer for the Month as your own prayer  
Evening – read the chapter again...reflect.. and then pray to this God of ours as we step into a new week with Him, together
- Mon 26<sup>th</sup> Morning – ISAIAH chapter 55 – as we pause with God, take the time to consider these particular words today... and then pray in response  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in Sydney and Christchurch  
Evening – read the verses again – reflect and pray in response to what you read
- Tue 27<sup>th</sup> Morning – ISAIAH 56 verses 1-3 – as we pause with God today, we consider these truths .....and then respond in prayer with Him  
Midday – take time to listen for God to speak with you – ask, seek, knock – hear!  
Evening – read the words again – reflect and then pray in response to our God
- Wed 28<sup>th</sup> Morning – ISAIAH chapter 59 – Pause with God this morning.  
Consider these words written here...And then turn to pray to God  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in Moscow and Kyev  
Evening – read the verses again – reflect, then pray to the LORD our God
- Thu 29<sup>th</sup> Morning – ISAIAH 63 verses 7-19 - consider this particular passage this morning and then respond in prayer to this God we believe in  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in Cairo  
Evening – read the set verses again – reflect on what is said here and then pray to this God we believe and trust
- Fri 30<sup>th</sup> Morning – ISAIAH 65 verses 1-7 – As we pause with God, we consider these words this morning... And then pray in response to God  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on those on our church Prayer List  
Evening – read these words again, take time to reflect and pray to this God
- Sat 31<sup>st</sup> Morning – ISAIAH 66 verses 1-16 – as we pause with God this morning, We take time to consider these words and truths - And then pray to this God  
Midday – pray the words of the Lord’s Prayer as your own prayer today  
Evening – read the passage again – reflect and pray in response to our God

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- Thu 11<sup>th</sup> Evening – read the set verses again – reflect on what is said here and then pray
- Fri 12<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 17 verse 17 – As we pause with God, we consider these truths this morning... And then pray in response to Him  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on those on our church Prayer List  
Evening – read these words again, take time to reflect and pray to this God
- Sat 13<sup>th</sup> Morning – PSALM 111 – as we pause with God we take time to consider these words and truths as the day starts- And then pray to this God  
Midday – pray the words of the Lord’s Prayer as your own prayer today  
Evening – read the verses again – reflect and pray in response to what you read
- Sun 14<sup>th</sup> Morning – PSALM 116 - we take time to consider these words this new morning .... And then we pray to this God in response  
Midday – pray the words of the Prayer for the Month as your own prayer  
Evening – read these set verses again...reflect.. and then pray to this God of ours
- Mon 15<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 18 verse 10 – as we pause with God, take time to consider these particular words today.....And then pray in response  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in Germany  
Evening – read the verse again – reflect and then pray to this God in response
- Tue 16<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 18 verse 13 – as we pause with God today we consider these truths .... and then respond in prayer with Him  
Midday – take time to listen for God to speak with you – ask, seek, knock – hear!  
Evening – read the words again – reflect and then pray in response to our God
- Wed 17<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 19 verse 17 – Pause with God this morning. Consider these words written here... and then turn to pray to God  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in the Netherlands  
Evening – read the verse again – reflect.. and pray to the LORD our God
- Thur 18<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 20 verse 9 - consider this particular verse this morning and then respond in prayer to God  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in Spain and Portugal  
Evening – read the set verse again – reflect on what is said here and then pray to this God we believe in
- Fri 19<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 21 verse 2 – As we pause with God, we take time to consider these words ... And then pray in response to Father God  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on those on our Church Prayer List  
Evening – read this verse again, take time to reflect and pray to Father God
- Sat 20<sup>th</sup> Morning – PSALM 122 – as we pause with Jesus today we take the time to consider these verses - And then pray to this God  
Midday – pray the words of the Lord’s Prayer as your own prayer today  
Evening – read the verses again – reflect and pray in response to what you read
- Sun 21<sup>st</sup> Morning – PSALM 131 – we take the time with God to consider these words on this Sunday morning .... then we pray to Father God in response  
Midday – pray the words of the Prayer for the Month as your own prayer  
Evening – read these verses again...reflect.. and then pray to this God of ours as we step into a new week – together – with Him

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- Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 22 verse 2 – as we pause with God, take the time to consider these particular words today.... then pray in response  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in Italy  
Evening – read the verse again – reflect and pray in response to what you read
- Tue 23<sup>rd</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 22 verse 4 – as we pause with God today we consider these truths .....and then respond in prayer with Him  
Midday – take time to listen for God to speak with you – ask, seek, knock – hear!  
Evening – read the words again – reflect and then pray in response to our God
- Wed 24<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 22 verse 9 – Pause with God this morning.  
Consider these words written here...And then turn to pray to God  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in Asia  
Evening – read the verse again – reflect. and then pray to the LORD our God
- Thur 25<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 23 verses 4+5 - consider this particular verse this morning and then respond in prayer to this God we believe in  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in Africa  
Evening – read the set verses again – reflect on what is said here and then we pray to this God we believe and trust
- Fri 26<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 23 verse 12 – As we pause with God, we consider these words this morning ... And then pray in response to God  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on those on our church Prayer List  
Evening – read these words again, take time to reflect and pray to this God
- Sat 27<sup>th</sup> Morning – PSALM 142 – as we pause with God this morning, we take time to consider these words and truths - And then pray to this God  
Midday – pray the words of the Lord’s Prayer as your own prayer today  
Evening – read the Psalm again – reflect and pray in response to what you read
- Sun 28<sup>th</sup> Morning – PSALM 145 - we take time to consider these words on this Sunday morning .... And then we pray to this God in response  
Midday – pray the words of the Prayer for the Month as your own prayer  
Evening – read the Psalm again...reflect.. and then pray to this God of ours as we step into a new week with Him, together
- Mon 29<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 24 verses 19+20 – as we pause with God, take the time to consider these particular words today..... then pray in response  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in Australia and New Zealand  
Evening – read the verses again – reflect and pray in response to what you read
- Tue 30<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 25 verses 21+22 – as we pause with God today we consider these truths .....and then respond in prayer with Him  
Midday – take time to listen for God to speak with you – ask, seek, knock – hear!  
Evening – read the words again – reflect and then pray in response to our God
- Wed 31<sup>st</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 27 verse 1 – Pause with God this morning.  
Consider these words written here...And then turn to pray to God  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in Russia and Ukraine  
Evening – read the verse again – reflect.. and then pray to the LORD our God



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- Tue 11<sup>th</sup> Midday – take time to listen for God to speak with you – ask, seek, knock – hear!  
Evening – read the words again – reflect and then pray in response to our God
- Wed 12<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 4 verses 26 and 27 – Pause and listen with  
God this morning. Consider what is said here... then turn to pray to Him  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in Ethiopia  
Evening – read the words again – reflect, then pray to the LORD our God
- Thur 13<sup>th</sup> Morning - PROVERBS 5 verse 21 - consider these particular  
words this morning and then respond in prayer to this God, our God  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in the Philippines  
Evening – read the set verse again – reflect on what is said here and then pray
- Fri 14<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 6 verses 16-19 – As we pause with God, we  
consider these truths this morning... and then pray in response to Him  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on those on our church Prayer List  
Evening – read these words again, take time to reflect and pray to this God
- Sat 15<sup>th</sup> Morning – PSALM 47 – as we pause with God we take time to consider  
these words and truths as the day starts- And then pray to this God  
Midday – pray the words of the Lord’s Prayer as your own prayer today  
Evening – read the verses again – reflect and pray in response to what you read
- Sun 16<sup>th</sup> Morning – PSALM 53 - we take time to consider these words this new  
morning .... And then we pray to this God in response  
Midday – pray the words of the Prayer for the Month as your own prayer  
Evening – read these set verses again... reflect .. and then pray to this God of ours
- Mon 17<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 8 verses 7+8 – as we pause with God, take time to  
consider these particular words today... and then pray in response  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in Central Asia  
Evening – read the verses again – reflect and then pray to this God in response
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Evening – read the words again – reflect and then pray in response to our God
- Wed 19<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 10 verse 1 – Pause with God this morning.  
Consider these words written here...And then turn to pray to God  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in Kyrgyzstan  
Evening – read the verse again – reflect, and then pray to the LORD our God
- Thur 20<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 10 verse 4 - consider this particular verse  
this morning and then respond in prayer to God  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in Iran  
Evening – read the set verse again – reflect on what is said here and then  
pray to this God we believe in
- Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 10 verse 12 – As we pause with God, we take time to  
consider these words ... and then pray in response to Father God  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing believers in the Maldives  
Evening – read this verse again, take time to reflect and pray to Father God



# LIBERTON KIRK DEVOTIONS FOR JUNE 24

- Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> Morning – PSALM 61 – as we pause with Jesus today we take the time to consider these verses - And then pray to this God.  
Midday – pray the words of the Lord’s Prayer as your own prayer today.  
Evening – read the verses again – reflect and pray in response to what you read.
- Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> Morning – PSALM 71 – we take the time with God to consider these words on this Sunday morning .... and then we pray to Father God in response.  
Midday – pray the words of the Prayer for the Month as your own prayer.  
Evening – read these verses again...reflect.. and then pray to this God of ours as we step into a new week – together – with Him.
- Mon 24<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 11 verse 1 – as we pause with God, take the time to consider these particular words today..... and then pray in response.  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in Morocco.  
Evening – read the verse again – reflect and pray in response to what you read.
- Tue 25<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 11 verse 2 – as we pause with God today we consider these truths ..... and then respond in prayer with Him.  
Midday – take time to listen for God to speak with you – ask, seek, knock – hear!  
Evening – read the words again – reflect and then pray in response to our God.
- Wed 26<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 11 verse 11 – Pause with God this morning.  
Consider these words written here ... and then turn to pray to God.  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers in Egypt.  
Evening – read the verse again – reflect, and then pray to the LORD our God.
- Thu 27<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 11 verse 12 - consider this particular verse, this morning and then respond in prayer to this God we believe in.  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on believers persecuted for their faith in Jesus.  
Evening – read the set verse again – reflect on what is said here and then we pray to this God we believe and trust,
- Fri 28<sup>th</sup> Morning – PROVERBS 11 verse 13 – As we pause with God, we consider these words this morning... and then pray in response to God.  
Midday – We pray God’s blessing on those on our church Prayer List.  
Evening – read these words again, take time to reflect and pray to this God.
- Sat 29<sup>th</sup> Morning – PSALM 84 – as we pause with God this morning, we take time to consider these words and truths - and then pray to this God.  
Midday – pray the words of the Lord’s Prayer as your own prayer today.  
Evening – read the Psalm again – reflect and pray in response to what you read.
- Sun 30<sup>th</sup> Morning – PSALM 92 - we take time to consider these words on this Sunday morning .... and then we pray to this God in response.  
Midday – pray the words of the Prayer for the Month as your own prayer.

## Senior Citizens' Club

Our Club is off for the summer break; but, as you know life goes on outside the club.

We had just finished the Club, to find that one of our gents had passed away. Bob Henderson died a couple days after we ended. Our prayers go out to his family and friends.

Jack Abbot and Mary Anderson are in hospital; while Sheila Graham, who fell and badly broke her hip is recuperating in Liberton Hospital.

Of course we have nicer things to celebrate in June, July and August .... Our birthdays! I always feel sorry to our summer birthday people as they don't normally get happy birthday sung to them. So let's do that!



### JUNE

12 MARY McINTOSH

13 ELSA STERLING

15 HAMISH ROBERTSON celebrating a special birthday ending with a '6'

16 SYLVIA our Margo's guide pooch who's 3 already!

21 ANNE BARRETT and 21 MAIRI DODDS celebrating a birthday ending with a '0'

24 IRIS THOMSON

25 LIZ MCKENZIE and SUE GUNN one of our lovely volunteers

### JULY

2 MYRA HENRY and JOAN McLENNAN celebrating a special birthday ending with a '5'

6 JANETTE HORNE, and CYNTHIA MURRAY celebrating a special birthday ending with an '0'

12 JENNI RYALLS our special President

15 JEAN McLACHLAN celebrating a special birthday ending with an '0'

22 JANE FERGUSON

31 JANET McEWAN, and DIANNE MITCHELL one of our lovely volunteers

### AUGUST

3 BETTY THOMSON and JULIA ARMSTRONG

9 MARGO SCOTT

12 VALERIE BUNCH

18 MARGARET LAING

19 MARGARET HENDRY and PAT HENDERSON

23 MARGARET BROOKS

26 ANNE ELDER Celebrating her special birthday ending with a '5'

27 MAUREEN STITT Our wonderful treasurer

31 IAN HAY Celebrating his special birthday ending with '5'



Happy birthday to you,  
Happy birthday to you  
Happy birthday everybody,

**THE CLUB IS CLOSED FOR THE SUMMER BREAK BUT WE WILL BE BACK ON THURSDAY  
5TH SEPTEMBER 2024 .. HAPPY DAYS! DOORS OPEN AT 1PM CLUB STARTS AT 2PM**

**Jenni & her wee elves continue to wish every single member  
of our Club a wonderful summer break**

## The Guild

On Saturday 11 May our annual Guild Outing was a trip to the Festival Theatre where we enjoyed an Afternoon Matinee performance of Gilbert & Sullivan's "The Gondoliers".

### DATES TO REMEMBER

As the next magazine is not published until September, please make a note of the following two important dates.

#### Saturdays 7<sup>th</sup> September

Following the success of previous Historical Walks held in September, Ruth Davies is planning to hold another one this September. We will meet in the Kirk Centre between 9.45 am 10 am and return there for tea/coffee after the walk, about 11.30 am. Please note in your diary. Open to all.



#### Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September

Irene Malcolm is going to display her Knitted Gospel and talk about her experiences while producing it. This will be held in the Anderson Hall from 2 until 4pm and will be followed by light refreshments. Please note in your diary. Open to all.



More information in the September magazine.

Moira Cocksedge, Secretary

## Church Flowers dedication list

		In memory of
5th May	Mrs Dorothy Parr	Helen, Aileen and Jim Whyman
12th May	Mrs Helen Hodgkinson	Janet McGregor
19th May	Mrs Ann Weir	Hamish Weir
26th May	Mrs Jane Thomson	Isabella and John Watt
2nd June	Calum Gubby	Ken & Christine Logan
9th June	Shirley Dawson	<i>no dedication</i>
16th June	Mrs Helen Colley	Kate Ross, my mother, of Ravenscroft
23rd June	Mrs Christine Johnson	Bill & Mary Davie
30th June		
7th July	Mrs Shirley Dawson	<i>no dedication</i>
14th July	Ms Carol Anderson	my father Bill Anderson
21st July		
28th July	Mrs Pearl Kelly	<i>no dedication</i>
4th August		Grant and Alaine Cook
11th August	Mrs Ann Urquhart	Mrs Agnes Callender
18th August	Mrs Ann Gruber	Alastair W Walker
25th August	Kim Denholm	John and Barbara Jamieson



## Elders' Sunday Duties

		June 24	September 24	October 24
9.30am	West	David Lamb	Christina Young	David Lamb
	East	Tom Baxendale	Eric Brown	Tom Baxendale
11am	West	Jill Niven	Chris Brandie	Alastair Cameron
	East	Roslyn Wilson	Marie-Louise Robb	Christine Johnson
	Gallery	Netta Rough	Bill Robb	Netta Rough
	Front gate	Mary Davidson	Margaret Brandie	Linda Skinner
	Banker	David Lamb	Stewart Heney	David Lamb
		July 24	August 24	
10.30am	West	Eleanor Grieve	Claire Mayberry	
	East	John Gill	Janice Wilson	
	Gallery	Kim Denholm	Margrethe van Dijke	
	Front gate	Derek Jardine	Roslyn Wilson	
	Banker	Rink van Dijke	Alan Carmichael	



## Kirkgate Café

**Summer has arrived !**

With the warmer weather (hopefully) we have restarted our fruit smoothies and iced latte for some lovely cool refreshing drinks.



Thank you to all the volunteers who made the smooth relaunch of the Evening café a success, and to the customers who support it too. As it is operational during term time only, the Evening café will be closed for the Summer from Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June, and will reopen on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> August.

In addition, please note that the café will be closed for one week during the Summer to allow the volunteers to have a well-earned break.

We will close from Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July and reopen on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July.

**Have you got a few hours to spare each week?**

**If so, would you like to be part of our team?**

There is space for you to join the team of volunteers helping in the café with many different roles available. I am happy to have a chat, with no commitment, if you would like more information.

Remember to follow us on Facebook@kirkgate café  
Best Wishes, Jenny Thomasi,  
Kirkgate Café Manager,  
phone 07894 056 216  
email: kirkgatecafe@libertonkirk.net



If you have any items of interest about members, or their friends, that you would like to share, please pass details to the Editor, for inclusion in the Congregational News section of the Magazine.

### Neighbourhood Scheme

If you need help with shopping or small jobs, please contact Linda Wright on 07850 411 596, who will try to find someone to help

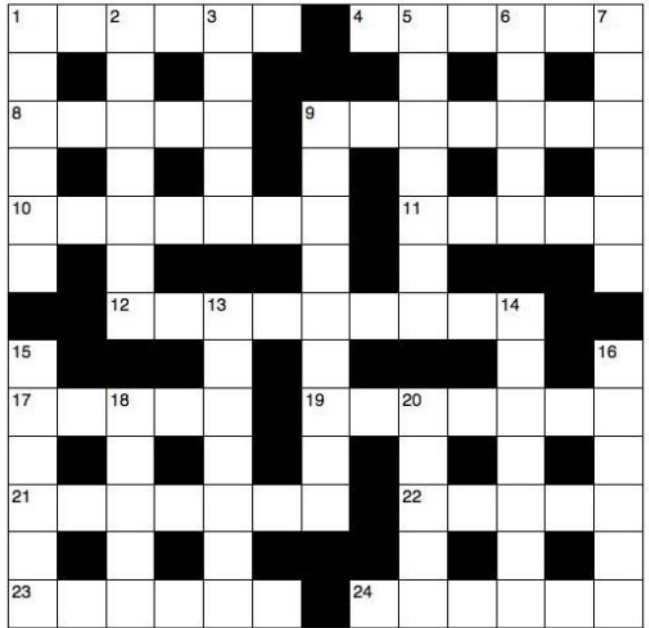
# Crossword

## Across

- 1 Military tactic used by Joshua to attack and destroy the city of Ai (Joshua 8:2) (6)
- 4 Place of learning (6)
- 8 'When Moses' hands grew —, they took a stone and put it under him and he sat on it' (Exodus 17:12) (5)
- 9 Unpleasant auguries of the end of the age, as forecast by Jesus (Matthew 24:7) (7)
- 10 Stronghold to which girls in King Xerxes' harem (including Esther) were taken (Esther 2:8) (7)
- 11 Where Saul went to consult a medium before fighting the Philistines (1 Samuel 28:7) (5)
- 12 Propitiation (Hebrews 2:17) (9)
- 17 Turn away (Jeremiah 11:15) (5)
- 19 So clear (anag.) (7)
- 21 'I have just got —, so I can't come': one excuse to be absent from the great banquet (Luke 14:20) (7)
- 22 Long weapon with a pointed head used by horsemen (Job 39:23) (5)
- 23 Musical beat (6)
- 24 What the Israelites were told to use to daub blood on their door-frames at the first Passover (Exodus 12:22) (6)

## Down

- 1 Fasten (Exodus 28:37) (6)
- 2 Art bite (anag.) (7)
- 3 'The people of the city were divided; some — with the Jews, others with the apostles' (Acts 14:4) (5)
- 5 Contend (Jeremiah 12:5) (7)
- 6 Possessed (Job 1:3) (5)
- 7 Sheen (Lamentations 4:1) (6)
- 9 'You love evil rather than good, — rather than speaking the truth' (Psalm 52:3) (9)
- 13 Large flightless bird (Job 39:13) (7)
- 14 They were worth several hundred pounds each (Matthew 25:15) (7)
- 15 'A — went out to sow his seed' (Matthew 13:3) (6)
- 16 How Jesus described Jairus's daughter when he went into the room where she lay (Mark 5:39) (6)
- 18 Part of the day when the women went to the tomb on the 1<sup>st</sup> Easter morning (John 20:1) (5)
- 20 Narrow passageway between buildings (Luke 14:21) (5)



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## Congregational News

I send my sympathies to The Muturi family following the death of Fidelis' Dad in Kenya, in April. Please pray for the family, who travelled to Kenya for the funeral service

I am sorry to record the death of **Grant Cook** on 12th April. Grant, who was an elder at Liberton Kirk for many years, was a well respected figure in the Liberton community - a fact reinforced by the attendance of several hundred friends at his memorial service at Liberton Kirk in early May.

We welcome **Mrs Susan Shaw** as a new member at Liberton Kirk, and hope that she enjoys worshipping with us.



## Brian Harrison

Mrs Harrison and family would like to thank everyone for their support, and for the kind expressions of sympathy which they received, following Brian's death. The collection at the funeral on 25th March raised over £400 for Chest Heart and Lung Association.

## Grant Cook

The family of Grant Cook would like to express their sincere thanks for the love and support received following Grant's death in April. Sincere thanks also go to all of the team of Liberton Kirk and the Kirkgate Café for their support in arranging Grant's service of thanksgiving and funeral lunch.

## The Scottish Bible Society



This is one of the charities supported by the World Mission Team. It works both at home and abroad to encourage people to engage with the Bible, and to enable everybody to have access to the Bible in their own language.

Modern technology has meant that the timescales needed for Bible translation have shortened dramatically, and it is forecast that within our lifetime everyone, everywhere, will be able to read some of God's Word in

their heart language.

In the last year alone, Bible Societies across the world completed Scripture translations in 106 languages, reaching over 1.25 billion people. And yet, over half the world's 7,396 languages have yet to receive any form of Scripture, so the scale of the task is vast – but, with technology's help, achievable!

Please pray for our own Bible Society and others around the globe as they work to complete their vision, and support our World Mission Team in their

## South East Edinburgh Food Banks

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## An introduction to the Old Testament Book of Ruth

The book of Ruth is a story of God's grace operating in difficult circumstances, during the period of the Judges. It unfolds as a four-act drama, telling the story of how Naomi, her husband and two sons left Judah for Moab, where her sons married. When Naomi's husband and sons died, she returns to Bethlehem in Judah.

In the first act, Naomi tells her Moabite daughters-in-law, Orpah and Ruth, to stay in Moab. However, Ruth refuses to leave Naomi and accompanies her to Bethlehem (chapter 1). In the next act Ruth meets Boaz, a relative of Naomi, while gathering barley in his fields (chapter 2).

The third act takes place at the threshing floor where Boaz is asleep and Ruth lies at his feet. She expresses her desire to marry him, as her kinsman-redeemer. But Boaz tells her of another prior claim (chapter 3). Finally, at the city gate, the other relative renounces his claim, and Boaz marries Ruth (chapter 4).

In Ruth's story we see God's unseen hand directing the lives of the characters to accomplish his purpose e.g. *'Naomi returned from Moab accompanied by Ruth, arriving in Bethlehem as the barley harvest was beginning'* (1:22). He transforms Naomi's sorrow into joy, rewarding Ruth with a place of honour in Israel's history. In Boaz, we see a foreshadowing of the work of Jesus Christ, as he pays the price to secure Ruth's future.

*'In its artful telling of this 'outsider' widow, uprooted and obscure, who turns out to be the great-grandmother of David and the ancestor of Jesus, the book of Ruth makes it possible for each of us to understand ourselves, however ordinary, as irreplaceable in the full telling of God's story.*

(Eugene Peterson).

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## Milk Bottle Tops

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## Bird Watching is good for you !

So says a new study out of North Carolina State University. It goes on to say that watching birds is even more beneficial to us than watching other forms of wildlife.

The new study found that birdwatchers' recorded 'distress' levels dropped by 13.7 per cent, compared to that of nature-walkers' at 6.9 per cent.

The study suggests that the reason may be that birds provide their own narrative and sense of drama, which can be enough to lift someone watching them out of the everyday.

The author and presenter Kate Humble agrees. "There is something reassuring about life continuing and nature just getting on with it, even if it feels like the rest of the world is falling to bits. Birdwatching makes me feel part of a bigger, richer, beautiful picture."

"Birds give me an excuse to explore and find some solitude and calmness away from the bustle of life," says James Lowen, author of *52 Wildlife Weekends*.

"It helps put me in my place."

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Information should be sent to me at [magazine@libertonkirk.net](mailto:magazine@libertonkirk.net)

**This the last issue of the magazine until September.**

I wish all readers an enjoyable Summer break  
*ED*



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Please note that there is a letterbox at the Office door,

## Normal Hours of Services : 9-30am, 11am & 6-30pm

Please see diary pages for details of our services

Services are recorded from time to time for distribution to the housebound. It may be possible to record a service on a one-off basis please contact John Young if you have a special request. Contact can be made with the minister, by telephone, at the above number, but please note that he is **not** available through the day on Fridays.



# Link Groups

## Weekly Groups

**Friday Fellowship** – Friday morning in the Kirk Centre  
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## Fortnightly Groups

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**Thrive** – Wednesday evening in the Kirk Centre  
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