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but because you say so,
I will let down the nets.'**



Connect

Your Weekly News from St Leonard's & St Mary's

Sunday 6th February - Continuing Celebrations of Epiphany



Sunday Services in person at

9.30am St Mary's Church

11.15am St Leonard's Church

WELCOME BACK

2022 A time of Prayer and Visioning

**For I know the plans I have for you,
'declares the Lord,'
plans to prosper you and not to harm you,
plans to give you hope and a future.**

**When you will call on me
and come and pray to me,
I will listen to you.**

**When you seek me with all your heart
You will find me.**

Jeremiah 29 v 11-13

A prayer as we seek God's vision and plan for St Leonard's & St Mary's

Father God, we desire as a church
to take hold of the vision and plan You have for us
and pray that You would lead and guide us
to take a step of faith in the direction that You would have us go.
Help us we pray,
to grasp your vision for the churches of St Leonard's and St Mary's.
May we be sensitive to the Holy Spirit's leading and guidance.
Help us not to make rash and quick decisions
out of fear or a sense of urgency,
but to humble ourselves and to trust that we are held by you
as we seek Your plans and purposes.
Draw us closer to each other and to You,
that as the church vision emerges in our hearts,
we will know the Holy Spirit at work in us,
for the glory and praise of your name.
This we ask in Jesus' name.
Amen.



Return to Church - Return to the Lord

As we prepare to resume worship within our church buildings I am reminded of the stories of God's people in exile returning home. The Prophecy of Ezra and Nehemiah in our Old Testament scriptures reveal to us the joy they had in returning. A joy that I hope many of us to will have as we come to worship and physically see one another again after our winter isolation.

However, on arriving back in Jerusalem the exiles in the Old Testament soon realised there was a lot of work to do. No doubt there were some who were despondent and fearful for the future but as they returned there was also a sense of hope and willingness to trust the Lord.

Likewise in our Gospel reading for this Sunday we come across a group of weary fishermen on the shores of Galilee. Having fished all night and having caught nothing they had returned to shore and set about washing and repairing their nets ready to try again in the evening. Into this scene of weariness Jesus comes alongside them, and with a simple request asks to use their boat. So they push out a little way from the shore. From there Jesus talks to the gathered crowd as the fishermen listen in. But then he tells Peter to go out to the deep and to fish once more. Peter to begin with sounds a bit reluctant. He states the situation, "we've been out all night and caught nothing!" yet Peter is also willing to do as he is asked and soon the fishermen are rewarded with a miraculous catch of fish and then further called out to follow Jesus and to become Fishers of Men.

As a congregation I am aware that there is a sense of weariness and even a degree of fearfulness about the future. We come afresh into the new year and seek to be renewed trusting in Christ our hope. We come back to church knowing that there is much work to be done in the life of the church and wonder what will Jesus ask of us. Some actions may be little like just pushing the boat out a little. Other actions may call us to trust the Lord even when our instincts and past experiences says it won't work. But if it is Jesus that asks us to do so, will we go and do as he asks?

Yours with love Peter

Hi everyone, it was very windy on Tuesday afternoon for our first Digital Connect group and no one came! However, it gave the volunteers a chance to meet one another and learn new skills too. I now understand how I can create a mobile hotspot by using my smartphone data connection to connect my laptop to the Internet!

The class can be used as 'drop in' service, it's free for everyone. So, if you have one question about digital communication, that will take you to a new level, simply drop in on a Tuesday afternoon between 2pm and 3.30pm and meet the volunteers. There will be two skilful volunteers from Volunteer Midlothian, Sheila and Mike, Una, myself, and John. (John or I will make you a coffee).

On that point of coffee, if you are passing pop in and say Hello, it's an informal café style approach and simply sit at a table and listen to others learning, you never know what you might pick up.

Here's to a bustling café on a Tuesday afternoon.

Margaret

Digital Connect Group **at St Mary's**

Organised by Una
from Volunteer Midlothian.

Tuesday 8th Feb 2022



Tuesday afternoons 2pm -3.30pm

Learn Digital Skills (free)

Get help with digital skills and learn how to make the best use of your smart phone, tablet, iPad or laptop.

Bring your device along to the group and ask what you want to know.

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Bible Fun

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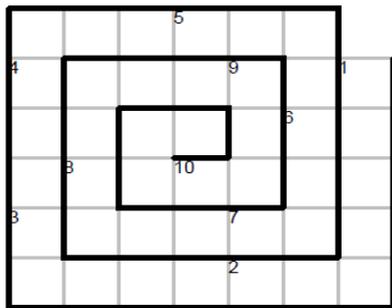
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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To get behind someone and go where they go 2. The land along the edge of an ocean, sea, lake, or river 3. A large area of salty water, smaller than an ocean 4. To go down below the surface of the water 5. A small vehicle for travelling on water | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. An openwork fabric of cords used to catch fish 7. An animal which lives in water and is covered with scales 8. The Son of God 9. An openwork fabric of cords used to catch fish 10. To go down below the surface of the water |
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Coffee at Mary's

**1st Saturday
of the Month
10.30am — Noon**

We are delighted to invite and welcome you back to our Monthly Coffee at Mary's event taking place on the 1st Saturday of each Month. This is a time of opening the doors of St Mary's to you and to anyone who would like to pop in for a coffee (other beverages are available) and a chat. There may even be cake stall some Saturdays but always a warm welcome.

Saturday 5th March 10.30—Noon

Could you help us host Coffee at Mary' this year from March to November?

A simple ask to come and make a cuppa for those who come and to wash up afterward. You could even bring cake.

Thank You.

Storehouse donations

can be dropped off at the Full Gospel Church on Dalkeith High Street on a Wednesday Morning between 10 and 10.30am or call the church office and we can arrange a pick up for you.

Items request:

Hot Chocolate Powder for mixing with water
Tomato Ketchup/ Brown Sauces / Mayonnaise

Tins of Macaroni Cheese, and other ready meals

Soups, Pot Noodles, Fray Bentos Pies

Breakfast Cereal — Rice Krispies, Frosties, etc

Washing up Liquid, Laundry Liquid, Toilet Paper, Kitchen rolls

Soap, Toothbrushes and Toothpaste



Opening Responses

The Lord be with you
And also with you

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen

Hymn CHRIST TRIUMPHANT, ever reigning, Saviour, Master, King,
Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining, hear us as we sing:

*Yours the glory and the crown,
The high renown, the eternal name.*

Word incarnate, truth revealing, Son of Man on earth!
Power and majesty concealing by your humble birth:

Suffering Servant, scorned, ill-treated, victim crucified!
Death is through the cross defeated, sinners justified:

Priestly King, enthroned forever, high in heaven above!
Sin and death and hell shall never stifle hymns of love:

So, our hearts and voices raising through the ages long,
Ceaselessly upon You gazing, this shall be our song:

Prayer of Confession

**Father we acknowledge
that we have not loved as you would have us love.
We turn to you again and ask for your mercy,
forgive us and renew us
through Jesus Christ our Lord Amen**

The minister declares God's forgiveness

God who is both power and love,
forgive us and free us from our sins,
heal and strengthen us by His Spirit,
and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord.

Collect:

**Merciful Lord, grant to your faithful people
pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins
and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen**

Reading from 1 Corinthians 15.v1-11

Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.

For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve. After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born.

For I am the least of the apostles and do not even deserve to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them, yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me. Whether, then, it is I or they, this is what we preach, and this is what you believed.

**Hymn HERE IS LOVE vast as the ocean,
loving kindness as the flood,
When the Prince of life, our ransom
Shed for us His precious blood.
Who His love will not remember?
Who can cease to sing His praise?
He can never be forgotten
Throughout heaven's eternal days.**

On the Mount of Crucifixion
Fountains opened deep and wide;
Through the floodgates of God's mercy
Flowed a vast and gracious tide.
Grace and love, like mighty rivers,
Poured incessant from above,
And heaven's peace and perfect justice
Kissed a guilty world in love.

Gospel Reading from Luke 5 v1-11

Hear the Gospel of our Lord according to Luke
Glory to Christ our Saviour.

One day as Jesus was standing by the Lake of Galilee, the people were crowding round him and listening to the word of God. He saw at the water's edge two boats, left there by the fishermen, who were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the people from the boat.

When he had finished, he said to Simon, 'Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch.' Simon answered, 'Master, we've worked hard all night and haven't caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets.' When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break. So they signalled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them, and they came and filled both boats so full that they began to sink.

When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, 'Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!' For he and all his companions were astonished at the catch of fish they had taken, and so were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, Simon's partners. Then Jesus said to Simon, 'Don't be afraid; from now on you will fish for people.' So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him.

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.
Praise to Christ our Lord.

Sermon

Prayers

The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be always with you
And also with you

Hymn

O LET THE SON OF GOD ENFOLD YOU

With His Spirit and His love,
Let Him fill your heart and satisfy your soul.
O let Him have the things that hold you,
And His Spirit like a dove
Will descend upon your life and make you whole.

*Jesus, O Jesus, Come and fill Your lambs.
Jesus, O Jesus, Come and fill Your lambs.*

O come and sing this song with gladness
As your hearts are filled with joy,
Lift your hands in sweet surrender to His name.
O give Him all your tears and sadness,
Give Him all your years of pain,
And you'll enter into life in Jesus' name.

Offering

Let us present our offerings to the Lord
Yours Lord, is the greatness, the power and the glory,
the splendour and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is
your. All things come from you, and of your own we give you.

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to praise you, faithful God!

**You answer sin with grace and mercy;
you guide our wayward steps
toward our heavenly home.**

You offer healing for the broken, safety for the poor,
belonging for the outcast, strength for the weak,
and pardon for the sinner.

You reveal your kindness in every sorrow,
your mercy even in death.

All your creatures see your works;
and sing your eternal song

**Holy, holy, holy Lord
God of power and might
Heaven and earth are full of your glory
Hosanna in the highest
Blessed is the one who comes
In the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord Jesus we remember your birth at Bethlehem,
Your teaching and miraculous works,
and your call for us to receive the Holy Spirit
We recall your journey to the cross
and the night on which you were betrayed
While at supper with your friends
You took bread and gave thanks
You broke the bread and gave it to them saying
"This is my body broken for you
Do this in remembrance of me"

Later at that same meal
you took wine and having given thanks
you shared it with those around you saying
"This cup is the new covenant sealed with my blood,
drink this in remembrance of me."

**We now obey your Son's command.
We recall his blessed passion and death,
his glorious resurrection and ascension;**

**and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.
Made one with him, we offer you these gifts
and with them ourselves, a single, holy, living sacrifice.**

Hear us, most merciful Father,
and send your Holy Spirit upon us
and upon this bread and this wine,
that, overshadowed by his life-giving power,
they may be the Body and Blood of your Son,
and we may be kindled with the fire of your love
and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

**Help us, who are baptised into the fellowship of Christ's Body
to live and work to your praise and glory;
may we grow together in unity and love until at last,
in your new creation, we enter into our heritage
in the company of the Virgin Mary, the apostles, and prophets,
and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed. Amen**

Breaking of the Bread

The living bread is broken for the life of the world
Lord, unite us in this sign.

The Lord's Prayer

As our saviour taught us so we pray

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

**Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

*All are welcome to come and receive the bread of communion
Or a blessing at this time
(mask - sanitise - receive - consume - mask - return)*

Prayer after communion

Give thanks to the Lord for God is gracious
And the Lord's mercy endures for ever

**Source of all goodness, with faith, hope and love in you,
renew our lives by the power of the Holy Spirit,
that we may show your glory to all the world;
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen**

The Blessing

Christ the Son of God gladden your hearts with the good news of his
kingdom; and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**

Hymn WILL YOU COME AND FOLLOW ME

If I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know
And never be the same?
Will you let My love be shown,
Will you let My name be known,
Will you let My life be grown in you,
And you in Me?

Will you leave yourself behind
If I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind
And never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare,
Should your life attract or scare?
Will you let Me answer prayer
In you and you in Me?

Will you let the blinded see
If I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free
And never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean,
And do such as this unseen,
And admit to what I mean
In you and you in Me?

Will you love the 'you' you hide
If I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside
And never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found
To reshape the world around,
Through My sight and touch and sound
In you and you in Me?

Lord, Your summons echoes true
When You but call my name.
Let me turn and follow You
And never be the same.
In Your company I'll go
Where Your love and footsteps show;
Thus I'll move and live and grow
In You and You in me.

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
in the name Christ Amen

NEXT WEEK

Wednesday Worship Online 10am

**Sunday Worship back in the Church Buildings
Sunday 9.3am St Mary's 11.15am St Leonard's**



Prayer for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Almighty and eternal God,
you uphold and govern all things
both in heaven and on earth,
and by your grace alone kings and queens do reign.

We thank you for all the blessings
which you have bestowed upon us
throughout the reign of our sovereign lady,
Queen Elizabeth, whom you have set over us
these threescore years and ten.



We thank you for the wisdom of her guidance
and her love of peace,
for the care and devotion
with which she has served her people,
for the example of her gracious life.



As we rejoice before you with thankful hearts,
we pray that we may ever be united in love
and service to one another,
as people called to live according to your will,
for the good of all the world,
and the glory of your great name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Eco work continues and we will bring you an update in due course but here is a little heads up!

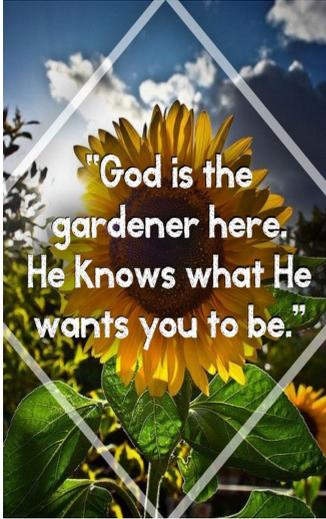
Look out for News about our "Swapshop Café and Refill-ary"

We all know we need to reduce, reuses and recycle and we hope the Swapshop will give you the opportunity to reuses items while the Refillary will give you the opportunity to come and refill your containers with dried goods such as Soap, or Rice etc.





Saturday 26th February
at 2pm



Come join us for some messy fun activities as we make Seed Bombs, plant lettuce and make a new flower bed for the community. Along with this there will be other creative and messy crafts as well as an Afternoon Tea with Sandwiches, Sausage rolls, Story Time and cake too.

Sign up by emailing or calling the Church Office



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