

SUNDAY 29TH MARCH 2020

E-NEWS

The replacement for our Pews News over the coming weeks, at Bellshill Central Parish Church

Welcome to our weekly **E-NEWS** our replacement for our Pews News, we hope that you find this a useful accompaniment to our online services. To access our Sunday services online please visit www.bellshillcentral.church/watch-live

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Welcome to **Online Church** this 5th Sunday in Lent. Our E-NEWS this week incorporates the hymns and some words to prepare you to worship.

Preparation for worship

Wait for the Lord,
like those who hope in God's mercy.
God's steadfast love endures forever.
Watch for God, like those
who eagerly await the morning.
We watch for God, whose power redeems us.
Hear God's hopeful word,
like those who long for pardon.
Sing praise to God and
rejoice in God's love.

Our first song is **My Jesus, My Saviour**

My Jesus, my Saviour, Lord, there is none like you.
All of my days I want to praise the wonders of your mighty love.
My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength,
let every breath, all that I am, never cease to worship you.

*Shout to the Lord all the earth, let us sing,
power and majesty, praise to the King
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar
at the sound of your name.*

*I sing for joy at the work of your hands,
for ever I'll love you, for ever I'll stand
Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.*

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Kevin's theme this week and readings for thought are:
Jesus Christ as the life-giving power of God
Psalm 130 and John 11:1-45

Our second song is **At the Name of Jesus**

- 1 At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow,
every tongue confess him King of glory now;
'tis the Father's pleasure we should call him Lord,
who from the beginning was the mighty Word.
- 2 Brothers, sisters, name him with love strong as death,
but with awe and wonder and with bated breath!
He is God the Saviour, he is Christ the Lord,
ever to be worshipped, trusted, and adored.
- 3 In your hearts enthrone him; there let him subdue
all that is not holy, all that is not true:
let his grace support you in temptation's hour;
and his will enfold you in its light and power.
- 4 In his Father's glory Christ shall come again,
angel hosts proclaiming his return to reign.
For all wreaths of empire meet upon his brow,
and our hearts confess him King of glory now.

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For your information

Church Finance

Please keep up to date with your financial giving to your Church. Please continue with your standing orders and direct debits. If you give by way of envelopes/donations save these and bring to Church when we re-open.

If you would like to change to direct bank giving please let us know and we can give you the necessary information.

There will be a significant impact on our Church finances over these weeks so your continued generosity will be particularly important and very much appreciated.

Keeping in touch

In these challenging times it is important that we stay in close contact with our church family, please let Kevin or Stanley know ASAP about anyone unwell, needing the support of the church or any regular pastoral care.

We've set up a WhatsApp group and are enjoying keeping in touch each day, sharing some much needed humour and just staying connected. If you have a smartphone and the WhatsApp "app" and would like to be part of this group let us know.

Remember to phone those who aren't online, share some news, ask them how they are, it really will make all the difference.

BCPC Prayer Pointers:

- Dedicate 5min of prayer time each night at 8pm – *the power of corporate prayer!*
- If you can, light a candle to shine **God's love & light** into the darkness
- Pray for yourself, your family & those sick and isolated by COVID-19
- Pray for Dr's, nurses & our NHS
- Pray for researchers looking for a cure
- Pray for our leaders and governments
- Ask God's love and healing on the world

Looking ahead

Sunday 5th April – news & music from 10.45am and online worship from 11am for Palm Sunday (Feedback is that folks are finding our online services remarkably comforting)

Task for the week ahead – make some Palm Branches from items around the house and wave as we shout "**Hosanna**" during our online worship!

Next week's **E-NEWS** will again be issued ahead of the online service, with the words to the hymns included, and a prayer to use to settle ourselves, in our homes to come together and worship.

Keep safe throughout the week, follow the Government's advice, keep in touch with each other and pray without ceasing.

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