

PRAYERS FOR PEACE

We continue to meet for 20 minutes of collective silent prayer in the Mitchel Chapel every Friday at 12 noon. In these times of conflict and anxiety across the world, we are reminded peace lives within us and is for sharing with all.

WEDNESDAY WORSHIP AT KING'S COLLEGE CHAPEL

All are invited to join in the services of Wednesday Worship at 5.15 pm each week in term time in the University Chapel.
Do come along and enjoy this time of spiritual nourishment, which is followed by tea/coffee and biscuits - sustenance for the body as well as the soul!

(Services will resume after the Easter break on Wed 15th April.)

ST STEPHENS PARISH CHURCH HALL Powis Place, Aberdeen AB25 3TS

Mondays - new dance class for 55+, 10.30-11.30 - £20.00 per month
Tuesdays - Chair Pilates (with props) - 11.00-12.00 - £6.00/class payable monthly
Wednesdays- Chatterbox - drop in cafe 10am-12noon

Contact & Join

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Email: Maggie.Whyte@churchofscotland.org.uk



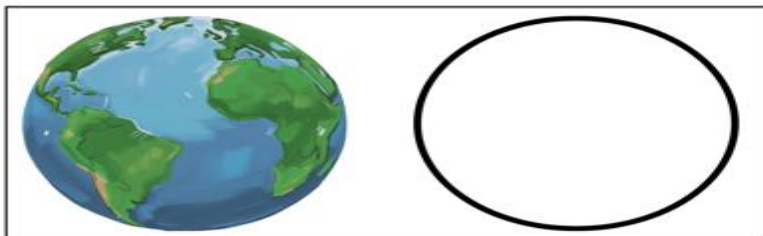
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Fridays - Community Cafe 10am-12noon. Adults £4.00 Children £2.00 which includes unlimited tea, coffee and snacks.

1st Saturday of every month - Ladies breakfast 9-10.30am - a relaxed friendly breakfast with a guest speaker chatting for a short while.

Lent Eco Group Reflection

There is no PLANet B



St Machar's Cathedral

Sunday 29th March 2026

SERVICES

Sunday 5th April 2026	11 am - Morning Worship with Rev Sarah Brown 6pm - Evening Worship with Rev Michael Mair
Sunday 12th April 2026	11 am - Morning Worship with Rev Michael Mair 6pm - Evening Worship with Rev TBC
Sunday 19th April 2026	11 am - Morning Worship with Rev Sarah Brown 6pm - Evening Worship with Rev Sarah Brown

OUR CONTACT DETAILS

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*** CATHEDRAL EVENTS and CONCERTS ***

WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP



The next meeting of the Woman's Book Group will be on **Wednesday 9th April at 6.30pm** in the Snug at Ma Cameron's and new members are very welcome. This month's book is "**Raising Hare**" by **Chloe Dalton**.
For further information, please contact the Cathedral office.

BIBLE STUDY

Our bible study classes have started again and take place on the second Sunday of each month. Please note a change in date - the next class will be on **Sunday 19th April at 12.30pm**.

CHRISTIAN AID PRAYERS FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST

Every 24th day of the month Christian Aid meet online at 7-8pm to pray for peace in the Middle East. Supported by partners and friends of Christian Aid, this hour once a month pledges solidarity towards peace in this territory marred by conflict. If you would like to join the monthly prayer meeting, please sign up on the Christian Aid Scotland website.

<https://www.christianaid.org.uk/get-involved/campaigns/prayers-for-peace>

ASYLUM SEEKERS COFFEE AFTERNOONS

As you will be aware, the former student accommodation at Don Street has been repurposed to accommodate over 100 Asylum seekers who moved in before Christmas. In partnership with other churches, we have been looking at ways to welcome these strangers in our midst and to help them feel part of our community for as long as they are with us.

As part of that effort we will be holding tea and coffee sessions in the Dunbar Street Hall on alternate Tuesday afternoons, beginning Tuesday 14th April from 2pm. We are looking for volunteers to help with this. If this interests you and you are able to offer a couple of hours on a Tuesday afternoon, say once a month or thereby, please speak to the Session Clerk, Alan Grant, for more details.

LENT FOODBANK APPEAL

This year the Kirk Session decided that the Lent Appeal should be in support of the Foodbanks operated by the Tilly Flat, and the STAR Flat, the two Community Flats operating in our parish, and of course who are our Nominated Charities for 2026/2027.

The usual Trugs are at the West End for the collection of foodstuffs, particularly tinned or dry food with a long sell by date, and for toiletries. And if you want to contribute, but find it difficult to bring parcels of food, money is always useful and you will be able to make a payment in cash or by using the card machine

WELCOME!

We are delighted to welcome Rev Michael Mair to our team as associate minister. Michael brings a wealth of experience from his time as a parish minister in Broomhouse in Edinburgh and his continuing role as army chaplain. Michael also currently serves as convenor to the Business Committee of the General Assembly. We look forward to an official presbytery service to welcome him in the near future.

EASTER SERVICES

- Sunday 29th March** – **Palm Sunday** – Morning Worship 11am
Palm Sunday – Evening Worship 6pm
- Monday 30th March** – Evening Worship 7.30pm
- Tuesday 31st March** – Evening Worship 7.30pm
- Wednesday 1st April** – Evening Worship 7.30pm
- Thursday 2nd April** – Maundy Thursday Service 7.30pm
- Friday 3rd April** – Lunchtime Worship 12pm
Evening Worship 7.30pm
- Saturday 4th April** – Evening Worship 7.30pm
- Sunday 5th April** – **Easter Sunday** – Morning Worship 11am
Evening Worship 6pm with Rev Michael Mair

Discover together
St Machar's Cathedral, Old Aberdeen

Easter Family Fun

FREE

Sat 4 April 1.30-3.30
Mon 6 and Tues 7 April 10.30-12.30

dressing up box | easter hunt | spring crafts | tree trail |
interactive puzzles | drinks and biscuits

No booking required

Easter Hunt and interactive puzzles available everyday Monday-Saturday 09.30-16.30
Sunday 14.00-17.00. Children must be accompanied by an adult

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HOW DO YOU BECOME A MEMBER OF OUR CHURCH?

If you have been a member of the Church of Scotland or another denomination, you can become a member by submitting your name to the Kirk Session and the process is one of administration, adding your name to our roll.

If you have never been baptised or made a public profession of faith, we offer an opportunity to spend some time reflecting on your faith journey. During this time, we share learning about our worship, governance and practices, as well as your own experience of God and what it means to follow Jesus. The time is very much shaped by your conversation and questions.

We will run another series of new members classes in the near future. This is also a lovely way to get to know others in the congregation if you don't know many people and would like to become more involved in our community. There are no expectations of outcome, if you are simply exploring what this might mean for you right now. Please contact Carol in the office if you are interested in coming along.

Faith in the City

Being Still in the Shadow of the Cross

Host: The Very Revd Prof Martyn Percy

St Andrew
Cathedral
Church,
Aberdeen
28 King Street

Good Friday
3rd April 2026
12noon – 3pm.



Guests

Angela Scott CEO,
Aberdeen City Council

Barney Crockett former
Lord Provost of Aberdeen

Campbell Thomson
Independent Chair of the
Child Protection
Committee (CPC) and
Adult Protection
Committee (APC)
Aberdeen City Council

David Cameron
Lord Provost, Aberdeen

Sarah Brown
St Machar's Cathedral,
Aberdeen

Hugh Gilbert
Bishop of Aberdeen

Context : Aberdeen is carrying a particular weight just now — geopolitical tension, energy insecurity, the moral complexity of being both a place of refuge and a place whose resources are entangled in global crisis.

It makes sense that Good Friday would feel less like a distant liturgical commemoration and more like a lens through which the city's anxieties, hopes, and responsibilities come into sharp focus.

Format: This is a series of six conversations lasting 30 minutes with Introduction by the Host, Conversation with the Guest, a piece of music, silence and prayer.

Wedding Fair

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Saturday 18th April

12 - 2pm



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To book a place contact
Cathedral Office 01224 485988

Spring Ramble: Friday 10 April

The Fountainhall Church Eco Team invite you to join them for their next Spring ramble to follow the Red Squirrel Trail (also known as the Ley Way) on the National Trust for Scotland's Crathes Castle estate. The walk will be a joint event with the Cults O50s led by Lindsay Kilvington.

Meet in the carpark at Milton of Crathes, Banchory, AB31 5QH, at 10.00am for 10.15am departure on Friday 10 April.

Note: The Stagecoach 201 service departs from Aberdeen Music Hall at 9.20am arriving at Crathes at 10.00am. There is parking at Milton of Crathes.

We shall follow a waymarked path through a wide range of habitats – including woodland, marsh, ponds and streams – with the chance to spot a rich variety of wildlife. Please note the walk is not suitable for mobility scooters because of the terrain.

We shall pause for refreshments part way through the walk at Café 1702 on the Crathes Castle estate. The walk is approximately 4.0 miles.

NB Warm clothing and stout walking shoes are recommended as sections of the walk can be muddy after rain.

This is a free event. All are very welcome. Please contact Sheila via email eco@fountainhallchurch.org.uk if you would like to join us.

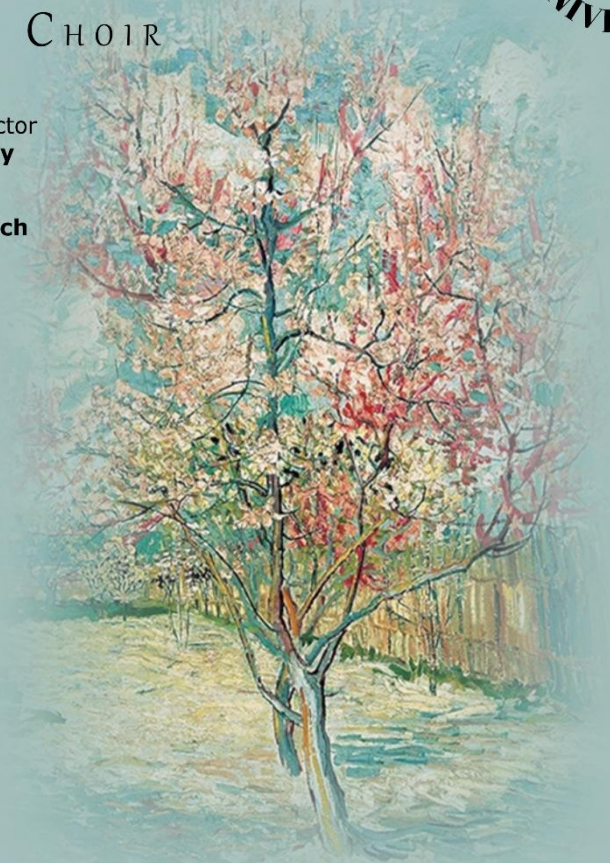


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