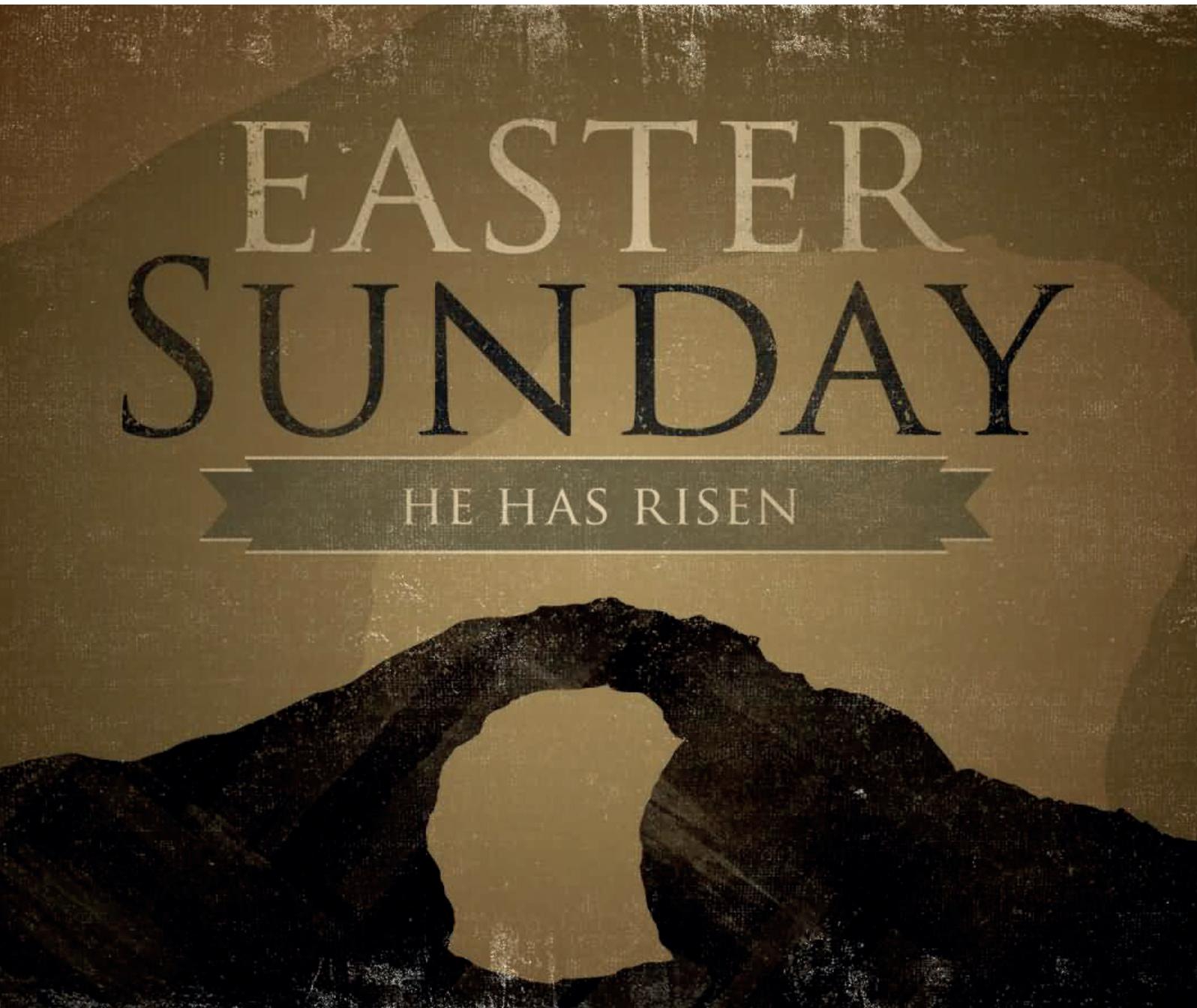


Free North Church Inverness

Sunday 1st April 2018

A graphic with a textured, brownish-gold background. At the top, the word "EASTER" is written in a light, serif font. Below it, the word "SUNDAY" is written in a larger, dark, serif font. Underneath "SUNDAY", a dark banner contains the text "HE HAS RISEN" in a light, serif font. At the bottom of the graphic, a dark, jagged shape represents a stone rolled away from a tomb, with a bright light shining through the opening.

EASTER
SUNDAY

HE HAS RISEN

WELCOME!

The services today are taken by our minister, Colin.

We are always glad to have visitors at our services. Tea and coffee will be served in the hall after the morning and evening services. Do wait if you can.

We use the New International Version of the Bible (red book) and we sing the metrical psalms, Sing Scripture and Hymns (with musical accompaniment). These are projected on to the walls on either side of the pulpit. Printed versions of the hymns are available at the sound area for those who can't see the screens properly. We stand to sing and sit to pray. If you wish to give an offering to the Lord's work, there are boxes at the front and side doors as you leave. The service lasts about an hour.

Morning Service

Praise

Psalm 95:1-6 (Scottish Psalter)
Amazing Grace
Jesus Paid it All
In Christ Alone

Reading

John 20 (p. 1089/1090)

Title

Resurrection: April Fool?

- Honest Doubting (v24-25)
- Confirming Discovery (v26-27)
- Amazing Declaration (v28)
- Personal Decision (v30)

Evening Service

Praise

Thine be the Glory
Psalm 69:13-16, 30-33 (Sing Psalms)
When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
Grace

Reading

2 Corinthians 6 (p. 1162)

Title

Open wide your heart to...

- Recieve God's Salvation (v1-2)
- Recognise Paul's Sincerity (v3-13)
- Realise Their Separateness (v14-18)

Today

Holiday Sunday School meets today in the hall. It'll be on for the next two Sundays. Children leave after the second singing.

Crèche – children and helpers leave after the second singing to meet in the Session Room.

All-Age Service today at 4pm in the hall. Entry by Church Lane door.

Hymn – Jesus Loves me this I know

Pray

Hymn – 10000 Reasons

Reading: Ecclesiastes 1:1-11 (p. 670)

Sermonette: *Life – Pointless or Purposeful?*

- In our Work (v3)
- In our World (v4-7)
- In our Wishes (v8-11)

Discussion

Psalm – 96a. 1-9 (p126)

The **front doors will be open for exiting** at the end of the service as from today.

The **Missionary Prayer Notes** for April are available today.

The latest **Merkinch Church Planter** newsletter is available today.

There are still copies of the **activities and strategy reports** available collect if you would like them.

This week

Tumbletots will be on holiday on Wednesdays, 4th and 11th April, resuming on 18th April.

Guys Gearing for Growth meets in the Manse on Tuesday at 7.30pm. We will be looking at a new DVD series, 'Vintage Jesus'.

The mid-week meeting this week is **prayer around tables** on Wednesday in the hall at 7.30pm.

Adam will be preaching in the evening service next Sunday (8th April).

Kidzone is off for the holidays and will be back on Thursday 19th at 6pm.

Road to Recovery – a meeting for those with addiction problems will be held in the fellowship area on Thursday at 7.30pm (entry from Church Lane door). If you have any queries, please phone 07918 775368 or speak to Donalda, Colin or Martin.

Other News

Advance Notice – The Lord's Supper will be celebrated in the congregation on Sunday 22nd April. Rev John Marker (Thurso FC) will be preaching on the Saturday and Sunday of the Communion weekend. Anyone wishing to become a member by professing faith in the Lord Jesus Christ or transferring by Certificate should speak to Colin or one of the elders.

Highland Foodbank – During the months of April and May, we'd be grateful for donations of the following:

- Tins of Potatoes
- Cartons of UHT Milk
- Tins of Mince/Stew
- Sugar.

Donations can be placed in the blue bin at the side door. This is emptied on a weekly basis.

Blythswood Shop Assistant Required - Nairn. An organised, motivated and flexible person with good communication skills is required to assist in Blythswood Care's charity shop in Nairn. Previous retail experience is essential, however training will be provided.

The position is for 12 hours per week over 2 days between Monday and Saturday.

For an Application Form and Job Description please contact Barbara Grace on 01349 830777 or personnel@blythswood.org or visit our website www.blythswood.org

Closing date for completed applications – Monday 9 April 2018.

Adopt a Child 10th Anniversary in our new offices, Keppoch Road, Culloden, on Saturday 14th April from 10am to 4pm. See posters for more information.

Rotas Next Week – April 1st

DOOR: Murdo, Anne, Ed, Angus (F); Murina, **Alec**, Vicky (S)

CRECHE: Jessie, Effie and Marian

WEDNESDAY: Alec and Ed

HEATING: Martin

Rotas Next Week – April 8th

DOOR: Murina, **Alec**, Vicky Angus (F); Murdo, Anne, Ed (S)

CRECHE: Sarah, Maureen and Alison W

WEDNESDAY: Alec and Alan

HEATING: Martin

Notes

Contact details

If you are new to the congregation and you would like a visit from a member of our pastoral team, please contact our minister, Colin Macleod (Tel: 01463 231981).

You can visit our website at www.freenorthchurch.org and our denomination at: www.freechurch.org. Find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/FreeNorthFreeChurchofScotland

Notice Sheet: Any items for next week's notice sheet should be sent to editor@freenorthchurch.org or given to M MacLean by noon on Friday.

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