

Northesk News



Join us for worship:

In person – Sundays at 11am

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Minister's Message

The Rev Hayley Cohen

'Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen!' – Luke 24:5

With the news that Ross and I are expecting not one but two babies this summer, I've been reflecting on the unexpectedness of life. We are absolutely thrilled with our unexpected news but it hasn't come without some serious rethinking of life as we know it. Unexpected things are not always welcome: we like to know what's coming down the road, to be prepared. But unexpectedness can be a source of growth – it can cause us to change our perspective, reimagine our lives, shift our priorities, and see the future in ways we never imagined.

I wonder what it was like for the women who went to the tomb that Easter morning? They were expecting to find the body of their beloved teacher, to anoint him with spices and to mourn together. Instead, they were greeted by angels, who told them the most unexpected news: 'He is not here, but has risen!' They thought their journey with Jesus had ended, when they received the news that it was only just beginning – the future reimaged.

Easter is a celebration of God doing the unexpected. When we think death has the final word, God declares life. When we think all is lost, God gives us hope. It is an unexpected moment that changes us and the whole of creation: through Christ we are reconciled to God and to one another and all things are made new. As we prepare to journey with Jesus from 'Hosanna!' to 'He is risen!' – may we expect the unexpected from God and be open to the hope and newness of life that unexpectedness can bring.



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Holy Week

SERVICES

Palm Sunday

13th April 11am Palm Sunday Worship at Northesk

Holy Wednesday

16th April 7pm Ecumenical Stations of the Cross
at Our Lady of Loretto RC

Maundy Thursday

17th April 7pm Maundy Thursday Communion
at St Michael's Church Hall on Dalrymple Loan
(joint Church of Scotland service)

Good Friday

18th April 2:30pm Good Friday Service
at St Andrew's High on Millhill / High St
(joint Church of Scotland service)

Easter Sunday

20th April at 8am Ecumenical Easter Service
at Fisherrow Harbour

20th April at 11am Easter Worship Celebration
at Northesk

Clothes Encounters: Saturday 10 May at 3pm

We have been rummaging in our drawers and in our wardrobes and together are delighted to present a wonderfully eclectic mix of memorable clothing. We invite you to too revisit high days, holidays and every days at this fashion show with a difference...everything from iconic vintage pieces by Vivienne Westwood to ragbag fun. Tickets are £10 which also includes fizz and finger food.



Thanks,
Nell Graham

Celebrating 120 Years of our Organ

Our organ is celebrating it's 120th birthday this year and to honour it's 120 years of bringing music to Northesk, our organist, Jeonghee, is preparing a recital with our choir and friends to be held in June. More details to come but look forward to a fantastic musical event!

Knit and Knatter

The Knit and Natter group has welcomed three new members since we resumed after Christmas. They are not members of Northesk, but saw our advertisement on Facebook, and are very keen to enter into all aspects of our group. We are a very friendly bunch, discussing all sorts of topics and often nattering more than knitting! We have, from our fortnightly donations, once again raised £100 for Church funds and given £100 to CHAS.

At the moment we are knitting car seat blankets for the Special Care Baby Unit at Simpson's, some members very prolifically! Our last meeting for this session will be 9th April, and we shall resume meetings after Easter; dates to be confirmed. New members will be warmly welcomed.

Thanks,
Audrey Arthur



Forthcoming events to look forward to this summer...

Our Social and Fundraising Committee are looking to the, hopefully, warm summer months ahead and are planning our annual Bowling Competition in July and the Pitch and Putt event in August. We'll be bringing you more details as they get confirmed.