

Notices continued

Today at 6pm ('St Giles at 6') Celebrating Women Composers St Giles Cathedral

FREE entry, advanced booking is not necessary

The Scottish Chamber Choir wanted to mark this day by celebrating the achievements of women composers through the ages. Our programme will include the mystic Medieval plainchant of Hildegard von Bingen, florid Renaissance polyphony of Leonora d'Este, lush French Romanticism of Lili Boulanger, and sacred works by contemporary British composers.

More information on <https://scottishchamberchoir.org.uk>

Ecumenical Lent study Group.

St Michael's Church, Annex Room, Slateford Road, from 7pm - 8.30pm. Reading **Ruth Valerio: Saying Yes to Life**

The group will meet on: Monday 9th March, Monday 16th March, Tuesday 24th March and Monday 30th March.

Sceptics group today, which will meet on the First Sunday of the month, straight after the service. Those who would like to join a discussion around the sermon should get their coffee quickly and come into the circle near the piano. During Lent this will happen each Sunday as a small way to get into training, as it were, so that we can be ready and prepared to celebrate the great and joyful Festival of Easter. The gatherings will close at 12.30 and should provide us with a good opportunity to discuss, share ideas and grow together.

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15th March 2020

Lent 3

10.30am Celebrating Communion

Preacher: Rev. Sarah Kilbey
President: Rev. Stuart Robertson
Readings: Exodus 17. 1-7
Romans 5. 1-11
John 4. 5-42

St Martin of Tours Gorgie-Dalry, Scottish Episcopal Church
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Second Sunday in Lent Sunday 8th March 2020



Preacher:
President:

*Living out faith in our community
through prayer, reflection and action*

Hymns HON 15, 261, CG 93, HON 518

Collect for Second Sunday in Lent

God of patience and humility, in your love you gave your Son to be rejected and raised up on a cross. Gather us under its shadow and open our eyes to its mystery, that we may share even now in the life that is from above; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 12. 1-4a

Read by: *Elizabeth South*

Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 121

Lift up my eyes to the hills— from where will my help come?
My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.
He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.

He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand.

The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore.

New Testament Reading: Romans 4. 1-5, 13-17

Read by: Elizabeth South

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.” Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”) —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel: John 3, 1- 17

Read by: Liz Moir

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born

after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? “Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. “Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Chalice: Walter Savory, Roderick MacKenzie

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Quiet Space Prayer Saturday 11th April 2020 venue to be decided. We’ll begin at 09:45 for approx. 1 hour. As usual, volunteers to lead are most welcome. Please be in touch with Ms Liz Moir.

Vestry Meeting Tuesday 10th March 2020.

Saturday 28th March , Day Workshop: The Spiritual Essence of the Enneagram, facilitated by Ken Webb at Augustine United Church, 41 George IV Bridge, Edinburgh, EH1 1EL. Registration 9.30-10am and Event from 10am till 5pm. Cost: £25/£20 (Concessions)/£10 (Students). For a [Registration Form](#): Contact: Neill Walker, mesp2020@hotmail.com, 0131 331 4469. Or register online at <http://www.eicsp.org/events/event-details/763-mesp-2020-main-events-7-march-29-march> and search for 28th March even