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# Markinch Parish Church Sunday Bulletin

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Our Mission To Worship God, Share His love and Serve His World



# Grace To You And Peace

During the organ prelude please quietly prepare yourself for sharing in the service by offering a prayer and reading the lessons set for today.

To access the loop system switch to setting "T"

We enter to worship

Prelude - music for prayer and meditation

Welcome & Intimations

HYMN 449 Rejoice the Lord is King

Prayers & Lord's Prayer

Learning Together

HYMN 181 For The Beauty

The children continue with their service in the hall.

Psalm 98 p603

1 John 5.1-6 p1228

John 15. 9-17 p 1083

HYMN 63 All People That On Earth

Prayers for the Church & the World

HYMN 166 Lord of All Hopefulness

The Sermon

Offering

HYMN 519 Love Divine

The Blessing & Choral Amen

Postlude - music for prayer and reflection

We depart to serve

#### HELP RAISE MONEY FOR OUR CHUCH BY RECYCLING

During the next few months we will be collecting all types of unwanted textiles including adult's and children's clothes, paired shoes, hats, bags, belts, curtains, towels and bed linen. We take all qualities of textiles, even ripped or with buttons missing!!! Our Church will get money for every kilo of textiles we collect.

Start collecting today and bring bagged items to the Church Hall, where we will store any items until our collection date which has now been confirmed as 13th June 2010. For more information contact Tracy Thomson on 01592 775752 or visit the Rag Bag Website at www.rag-bag.co.uk

## 450th anniversary of the Scottish Reformation

There will be a special session of the General Assembly to mark the 450th anniversary of the Scottish Reformation. This will be held in the Assembly Hall from 4 pm to 6 pm on Sunday 23rd May and will include worship, drama, special music with Hyndland School choir and orchestra (where the Moderator was school chaplain), historical input and reflections on the Reformation legacy today. This will be an open session of the Assembly and visitors will be very welcome.

### LIFE AND WORK - CURRENT ISSUE - MAY 2010

**General Assembly 2010** Interviews with the Moderator Designate, the Rev John Christie, and the Lord High Commissioner, Lord Wilson of Tillyorn - Reports to the assembly - Fringe diary

**Ballot Box Views** Representatives of Church organisations and Christian charities offer their thoughts on the issues that should count at the forthcoming Westminster election.

**Water Works** To mark Christian Aid Week, Jackie Macadam meets a collector who had the chance to experience the charity's work in Kenya first-hand.

**Arbroath's Ancient Site'** John R Hume visits St Vigean's Church in Arbroath **From Lent to Pentecost'** The Rev Martin Allen ends his series with a look at John 20.

**Winning Religious Freedom** Peter Howie's final pen portrait of the Reformation examines the role of James Renwick, the last of the Covenanters to be executed.

**40 Years of the SRT** Dr Murdo Macdonald celebrates the anniversary of the Kirk's Society, Religion and Technology Project.

**A European Vision** The Rev Doug McRoberts highlights the diversity, breadth and history of the Presbytery of Europe, which "really isn't about providing convenient churches for Scots on holiday".

**Plus:** Lochaber Presbytery, all the regular columnists, news, letters, reviews and crosswords - all for just £1.60

**Online:** Life and Work will provide updates throughout the General Assembly at www.facebook.com/lifeandwork and twitter.com/cofslifeandwork.

Update Welcome. We hope you will feel at home and among friends.

Would visitors please sign our visitors book.

Please join us for coffee and a chat in the hall after the service.

If you would like information about the Church or any of the organisations please see a member of the welcome team.

The reader today is John Burns.

Ministers Vestry Hour 12 noon - 1.00 pm. Please contact the Minister for an appointment - phone 01592-758264 or E-mail alex@forsyth.com In the event of hospitalisation, serious illness, family anxiety, bereavement or personal difficulty the Minister is readily available to visit. You have to let him know if he can help.

Coffee Morning from 10.00am to 11.30am on Thursdays in the church hall. Join us for tea or coffee and a chat. Sales table and lucky tickets. Would you be able to help one Thursday in five? (That is only ten times in a year!) Due to illness, one or two of our five teams are short of volunteers. Please come along to the church hall any Thursday morning for coffee and a chat, and to find out more.

Christian Aid - please support the Christian Aid Coffee Morning Saturday 15th May 10.00 -12 noon. Tickets £2.00 from Jean Forsyth

The Flowers in Church today are gifted to the church by Alex and Muriel Craig. They are dedicated to the Glory of God and in loving memory of their parents and sister, Alice.

Coffee Morning in Aid of Cancer Research Scotland. The Markinch Local Committee are holding a coffee morning on Saturday 8th May 2010 at Balbirnie Court, Markinch, from 10,00am until 12,00noon, Raffles - Tombola - Sales Table, Tickets priced £1.50 from Lottie Wilson or Teresa Henderson.

GROW Prayer Support - Come along and support Gwyneth (the local churches youth worker) through prayer. Next meeting is in the Salvation Army Hall, Glenrothes, Monday 24th May from 5 - 5.30pm

50 Years of St. Columba's in Glenrothes - An anniversary exhibition of the evolving life of St. Columba's Church will take place at St. Columba's on Saturday 15th May (10am - 4pm) and Sunday 16th May (1 - 3pm) Entry is free. Tea/coffee and a quiz for children will be available.

Exploring Healing. The work of Healing Rooms - led by Diane & Andrew West. Wednesday 19th May at 7.30 p.m. in the Small Hall at St Margaret's Church, Woodside Road, Glenrothes. A search to discover a way in which the churches in Glenrothes could offer a healing ministry to the town.