

# MAYFIELD SALISBURY PARISH CHURCH

Service Live Streamed Every Sunday

Sunday 15 May 2022 at 10.30am

## Christian Aid Week



*Jessica, hungry to provide for her children, carries maize grain from the fields to make porridge for her family*

### **This Christian Aid Week**

- ➔ We stand with the resilient women who are determined to lift their families out of hunger.
- ➔ We raise our voices to call for climate justice.
- ➔ We pray that families will stay strong during times of drought.

*With every gift, every action, every prayer, every one of us can change lives.*

**Led by the Christian Aid group  
with the congregation onsite and online**



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## WELCOME TO MAYFIELD SALISBURY PARISH CHURCH

This congregation is part of the Church of Scotland: we are Reformed in our understanding of Christian faith, Presbyterian in how we form our community, and a member of the worldwide family of the Christian Church. Whether you are in regular attendance at worship or this is one of your first visits, you are very welcome as part of this community and today's service of worship. God bless you. If you would like to keep in touch, please complete the Connection Card on the back page or email [churchmanager@googlemail.com](mailto:churchmanager@googlemail.com)

## AS A DIVERSE PEOPLE, THE CHURCH GATHERS TO WORSHIP ALMIGHTY GOD

### Voluntary

### Welcome & Introduction

### Preparatory Silence for Worship

### Introit - We are marching in the light of God

Music: South African traditional melody

arranged Anders Nyberg (b. 1955)

Words: Xhosa Traditional hymn

### **Siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenhos' (repeated)**

**O-o siyahamba ekukhanyen' kwenhos'**

### ***We are marching in the light of God (repeated)***

***O-o we are marching in the light of God***

### Gathering Prayer

Led by Grace Dunsmore and Eilidh Robertson

For the beauty of the earth,  
for the beauty of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth  
over and around us lies:

*Christ our God, to you we raise  
this our sacrifice of praise.*

For the beauty of each hour  
of the day and of the night,  
hill and vale, and tree and flower,  
sun and moon and stars of light:

For the joy of ear and eye,  
for the heart and mind's delight,  
for the mystic harmony  
linking sense to sound and sight:

For the joy of human love,  
brother, sister, parent, child,  
friends on earth, and friends above,  
for all gentle thoughts and mild:

For each perfect gift and sign  
of your love so freely given,  
graces human and divine,  
flowers of earth and buds of heaven:

*Folliott Sandford Pierpoint (1835-1917)*

**Prayer of Confession and Lord's Prayer**

**Led by Catriona Spratt**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.**

**The Two Ways**

1 Happy are those

who do not follow the advice of the wicked,  
or take the path that sinners tread,  
or sit in the seat of scoffers;

2 but their delight is in the law of the Lord,  
and on his law they meditate day and night.

3 They are like trees  
planted by streams of water,  
which yield their fruit in its season,  
and their leaves do not wither.

In all that they do, they prosper.

4 The wicked are not so,  
but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

5 Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgement,  
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

6 for the Lord watches over the way of the righteous,  
but the way of the wicked will perish.

**Children's Talk**  
**Deirdre Eustace**

**Hymn 804**

Sung three times

**You shall go out with joy**

*(t. You shall go out with joy)*

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace,  
and the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you.  
There'll be shouts of joy, and the trees of the field  
shall clap, shall clap their hands.

*And the trees of the field shall clap their hands,  
and the trees of the field shall clap their hands,  
and the trees of the field shall clap their hands,  
and you'll go out with joy.*

**Young people leave for age-appropriate activities**

**0 - 3s and 4 - 6s Lower Hall**

**7 - 8s Newington Room**

**9 - 11s Fountainhall Room**

**12 - 16+ Youth Room**



*Janet and her fellow congregants gather joyfully at church for the Sunday service*

### **Anthem - Humbly in your sight**

*Words: Tumbuka hymn by J Chirwa*

*Music: trad northern Malawian tune*

**Humbly in your sight we come together, Lord. Grant us now the blessing of your presence here.**

**These, our hearts, are yours, we give them to you, Lord, purify our love to make it like your own.**

**These, our eyes, are yours. We give them to you, Lord, may we always see your world as with your sight.**

**These, our hands, are yours, we give them to you, Lord, give them strength and skill to do all work for you.**

**These, our feet, are yours, we give them to you, Lord, may we always walk the path of life with you.**

**These, our tongues, are yours, we give them to you, Lord, may we speak your healing words of life and truth.**

**These, our ears, are yours, we give them to you, Lord, open them to hear the Gospel as from you.**

**Our whole selves are yours, we give them to you, Lord, take us now and keep us yours for evermore**



*Jessica walks home from the garden with her husband and children as the sun sets*

**Reading**

**Revelation 21:1 - 4 and 22:1 - 5**

**Read by Anne Mulligan**

### **The New Heaven and the New Earth**

21 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. 2 And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. 3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

*'See, the home of God is among mortals.  
He will dwell with them;  
they will be his peoples,  
and God himself will be with them;  
4 he will wipe every tear from their eyes.  
Death will be no more;  
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,  
for the first things have passed away.'*

### **The River of Life**

22 Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb 2 through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. 3 Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; 4 they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. 5 And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign for ever and ever.



*In the past, Janet's family has gone through drought which drove them into hunger.  
Today she smiles because they now have food to spare.*

**Hymn 141**

**Oh, the life of the world is a joy and a treasure** *(t. Life of the world)*

Oh, the life of the world is a joy and a treasure,  
unfolding in beauty the green-growing tree,  
the changing of seasons in mountain and valley,  
the stars and the bright restless sea.

Oh, the life of the world is a fountain of goodness  
overflowing in labour and passion and pain,  
in the sound of the city and the silence of wisdom,  
in the birth of a child once again.

Oh, the life of the world is the source of our healing.  
It rises in laughter and wells up in song;  
it springs from the care of the poor and the broken  
and refreshes where justice is strong.

So give thanks for the life and give love to the Maker,  
and rejoice in the gift of the bright risen Son,  
and walk in the peace and the power of the Spirit  
till the days of our living are done.

*Kathryn Galloway (b.1952)*

**Sermon – Christian Aid**  
**Fionnuala Shakespeare**

**Hymn 771**  
Sung three times

**If you believe and I believe** (t. *If you believe and I believe*)

If you believe and I believe  
and we together pray,  
the Holy Spirit shall come down  
and set God's people free,  
and set God's people free,  
and set God's people free,  
the Holy Spirit shall come down  
and set God's people free.

*Zimbabwean traditional song  
based on Matthew 18: 19*

**Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession**  
**Led by Neil Newton**

**Hymn 543**      **Longing for light, we wait in darkness** (t. *Christ, be our light*)

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.  
Longing for truth, we turn to you.  
Make us your own, your holy people,  
light for the world to see.

*Christ, be our light!*  
*Shine in our hearts.*  
*Shine through the darkness.*  
*Christ, be our light!*  
*Shine in your Church gathered today.*

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.  
Longing for hope, many despair.  
Your word alone has power to save us.  
Make us your living voice.

Longing for food, many are hungry.  
Longing for water, many still thirst.  
Make us your bread, broken for others,  
shared until all are fed.



*Love gives Janet the courage to stand strong against drought and hunger.*

Longing for shelter, many are homeless.  
Longing for warmth, many are cold.  
Make us your building, sheltering others,  
walls made of living stone.

Many the gifts, many the people,  
many the hearts that yearn to belong.  
Let us be servants to one another,  
making your kingdom come.

*Bernadette Farrell (b.1957)*

## **Benediction**

**Amen! Amen! Amen! Amen! Amen!**

## **Voluntary**

**THIS MORNING'S CHAMBER GROUP MUSIC** The two choir items this morning are based on traditional African hymns. The introit now appears in CH4.. We will use both the Xhosa and the English words in this lively piece which uses much repetition to increase tension. The anthem is a simple hymn using a melody from Northern Malawi, arranged by John Bell. The words are a Tumbuka hymn by J Chirwa, translated and adapted by T Colvin. For some verses we have changed the harmonies and provided a descant to add variety.

## NEWS AND INTIMATIONS

1. **SERVICES NEXT WEEK** – return to their usual format at 9.30am (All Age Worship) and 10.45am (Traditional Service.)
2. **OFFERINGS** The Kirk Session wishes to express its continuing gratitude to those who support the Church's work through their offerings. Covid restrictions have prevented circulation of the 'plate' during services but those who would have wished to use it may make use of the bowls marked 'Plate Collection' situated in the vestibule and halls entrance, at the close of the service . Regular and one-off donations are possible online at [www.give.net/20311853](http://www.give.net/20311853) Or please contact our Freewill Offerings Treasurer, Hugh Somerville on 0131 466 2446 or [hs.somerville2@gmail.com](mailto:hs.somerville2@gmail.com)
3. **OPEN TO ALL** Coffee will be served in the Bill McDonald Hall at the close of this service. Everyone is very welcome. **Single use bio-compostable cups will be provided but you are encouraged to bring your own cup!**
4. **ANNUAL LEAVE** The Minister, Revd Dr Sandy Forsyth, will be on annual leave from 9 to 16 of May inclusive.
5. **YOUTH UPDATE** **Youth Group 15 May**: ALL AGES (P6-S1 and S2-S6) from 6.15-8.30pm in the Youth Room for a film night and discussion. We will be watching the superhero film 'Black Panther' (rated 12A). Movie snacks provided!
6. **READINGS OF FAITH** - next meeting Wednesday 18 May at 7.30pm in the Youth Room. **New members welcome!** At each meeting you can expect chat over tea and coffee to begin, followed by discussion about short readings developing our faith and spirituality, and ending with a prayer practice. If you wish to know more details, please contact Hillary at [hillary.mayfielddyouth@gmail.com](mailto:hillary.mayfielddyouth@gmail.com)
7. **MARMALADE SALE** The Christian Aid group will be holding its popular marmalade sale after the service TODAY in the Lower Hall. Tangy and delicious, every jar helps to raise much-needed funds for Christian Aid!
8. **PASTORAL CARE** If you now would like to have a regular visit or phone call, please do contact me and I shall arrange that for you. If you would like to be held in prayer or be one of the people on our confidential prayer chain. Please do contact me with your prayer request. Please contact Kay on **07587 043 191** or [pastoralassistantms@gmail.com](mailto:pastoralassistantms@gmail.com)

9. **MIDWEEK PRAYERS** You are most welcome to attend a time of peace, prayer and reflection in the church sanctuary, this Tuesday at 10.00am.
10. **CHRISTIAN AID DONATIONS** Envelopes for donations will be available in the pews this morning, and can be dropped into our familiar red buckets as you leave church on both the 15 and 22 May. Alternatively, you can donate online at [www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/key-appeals/christian-aid-week](http://www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/key-appeals/christian-aid-week)

If you're a UK taxpayer, please don't forget to fill in the gift aid form to enable Christian Aid to reclaim the tax, giving them an extra 25 pence for every pound you donate. It won't cost you a penny more!

With every action, every prayer, every one of us can change lives. Thank you for all your support!

11. **SEVEN HILLS OF EDINBURGH CHARITY WALK 2022** As part of Christian Aid Week 2022 this charity walk is being organised to get everyone out into the fresh air to enjoy exercise and the beauty of Edinburgh, and this year to raise funds for vulnerable families in Zimbabwe, struggling to grow crops to feed their children. You do not have to be super fit and can use any means that you wish between the hills, be it by foot, bus, car, scooter or bicycle. Come for the challenge whether you walk up 1,2,3 or more, or perhaps all seven hills!

**When?** Saturday 21 May **Start?** Wherever & whenever you wish. It's up to you. Some of us will be gathering at Priestfield Church at 10.00am. where Christian Aid T-shirts will be available for walkers. (This will coincide with Priestfield's Café Time for Christian Aid. Come and join us!)

Contact Robert Abel with any queries: [robertabel84@yahoo.com](mailto:robertabel84@yahoo.com) 07570 434410

12. **SANGSTREAM SCOTS FOLK CHOIR TONIGHT!** A programme of Scottish folk songs, traditional and modern , songs of Edinburgh , Lothians and beyond. St Giles Cathedral, Sunday 15 May at 6.00pm Entry is free , with an optional donation. To book, go to [www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/st-giles-at-six-tickets-321224229317](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/st-giles-at-six-tickets-321224229317)
13. **BOOK SALE WITH COLLECTABLES IN SUPPORT OF CHRISTIAN AID** St Andrew's and St George's West Church, in George Street, will be holding a Book Sale with Collectables on Saturday 14 May 10.00am – 4.00pm; and Monday 16 – Friday 20 May 10.00am – 3.30pm; late opening until 7.00pm Thursday 19. **Do** come along and BUY!



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