

**Sunday 30 August 2026 at 10.45am**

# **THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**



*Image: Burning Bush. Seventeenth-century painting  
by Sébastien Bourdon in the Hermitage Museum, Saint Petersburg*

**Led by Revd Angus Mathieson**  
**Reader: David Dickson**  
**Organist: Kate Pearson**

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# WELCOME TO NEWINGTON TRINITY 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 send an email message to: [office@newingtontrinity.org](mailto:office@newingtontrinity.org)



## WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

**Organ Voluntary**      *Pastorale, César Franck (1822-1890)*

**Welcome and News**

**The Peace**

**Preparatory Silence**

**Opening Responses**      Leader: Gracious God, you bring us together  
from different places,  
**ALL:    YOU TRUST US WITH VARIED GIFTS  
AND RESPONSIBILITIES,**  
Leader: you challenge us to respond to your call.  
**ALL:    GUIDE OUR HALTING, IMPATIENT STEPS,**  
Leader: Sustain us and help us sustain each other,  
**ALL:    THAT, WE MAY HELP BRING YOUR  
KINGDOM INTO THE WORLD. AMEN.**

**Hymn 132**      **Immortal, invisible, God only wise**      *Tune: St Denio-Joanna*

**Prayer of Approach**

**The Lord's Prayer**      Our Father in heaven, holy is your name. Your kingdom come,  
your will be done on earth, as in heaven. Give us today our daily  
bread; and forgive us our wrongdoing, as we forgive those who  
have wronged us. Save us from temptation and deliver us from  
evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now  
and forever. Amen.

**Hymn 603**      **For your gift of God the Spirit**      *Tune: Laus Deo Redhead No.46*

# WE LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

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| Reading  | Exodus 3:1 - 15                                                                  | Page: OT 51                   |
| Reading  | St Matthew 16:21 - 28                                                            | Page: NT 17                   |
| Response | Reader: For the Word of God revealed through Scripture.<br>All: Thanks be to God |                               |
| Hymn 133 | Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud                                             | Tune: St George's Windsor 233 |
| Sermon   |                                                                                  |                               |

## Pause for Reflection

# WE GO OUT TO SERVE GOD IN THE WORLD

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| Prayer            | Dedication and Intercession                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                   |
| Hymn 167          | Guide me O thou great Jehovah                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Tune: CWM Rhondda |
| Closing Responses | Leader: The Maker's blessing be yours<br>ALL: <b>ON YOUR ROAD, ON YOUR JOURNEY<br/>GUIDING US, CHERISHING US.</b><br>Leader: The Son's blessing be yours,<br>ALL: <b>WINE AND WATER, BREAD AND STORIES<br/>FEEDING US, CHALLENGING US.</b><br>Leader: The Spirit's blessing be yours<br>wind and fire, joy and wisdom<br>comforting us, disturbing us.<br>ALL: <b>GOD'S BLESSING BE OURS;<br/>THE BLESSING OF PILGRIMS<br/>ALL THE NIGHTS AND DAYS<br/>OF OUR JOURNEY HOME.</b> |                   |

## Benediction

## Threefold Amen

Organ Voluntary      Toccata on Cwm Rhondda, James Biery (b. 1956)





*The Burning Bush, Henry Daras, c.1895, Museum of Fine Arts of Angoulême, France*

## WEEKLY NEWS

**1. INDUCTION OF REVD DR MARYANN RENNIE** We are drawing closer to welcoming our new minister, Revd Dr MaryAnn Rennie. Her induction will take place at NT-Mayfield Church at 7.00pm on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September when Presbytery will be conducting the service. It will be led by the Moderator of the Presbytery of Edinburgh and West Lothian, Darren Philip, and the Revd Dr Scott Rennie from St Giles (no relation) will preach. If you can please do attend, all are welcome.

**2. PARKING** One of our near neighbours at NT-Mayfield has been in touch to ask if, when parking on Sundays, care could be taken to make sure you have left sufficient space at driveway exits along the street. Another resident was recently blocked in entirely when a car was parked over their driveway gates. Please help to look after our neighbours. With thanks in anticipation.

**3. SERVICES OF WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY (7 SEPTEMBER)** 10.30am All-Age Service and 7.00pm Evening Service.

**4. LIVESTREAMING** The 10.30am and 10.45am morning services are streamed live on YouTube and can be viewed on either our website or YouTube page.

**5. OPEN TO ALL** Coffee and tea will be served in **Bill McDonald Hall** at the close of the Sunday service. Everyone is most welcome.

**6. FUNERAL** The Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Stewart Robertson will be at 1.00pm at NT- Mayfield on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September. All are welcome.

**7. ANNUAL LEAVE.** Boyd McAdam is away 28<sup>th</sup> August to 2<sup>nd</sup> September inclusive. Pauline Robertson DCS is on leave from 4<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> September inclusive.

**8. PASTORAL CARE** If you or someone you know would like a pastoral visit or phone call please contact William in the office, **0780 8701 1234** or **office@newingtontrinity.org**, in the first instance when Pauline Robertson DCS is on leave (see number 7 above). Otherwise Pauline's email address is **parishdeacon@newingtontrinity.org**: her phone number is **0758 704 3191**.

**9. OFFERINGS** The Kirk Session agreed that as the new congregation of Newington Trinity, we should have a stewardship season. To support that, a leaflet has been prepared which is available around the buildings, on the website and in the parish magazine. We invite you not to scroll through it quickly but to read and reflect on its messages and think about how you focus your time and efforts. You may be doing all you can, but if possible, do review any arrangements you may have in place for giving and supporting the life of the congregation. **God bless.**

**Regular Donations** To set up or alter your regular donations please visit the link on the church website: **www.newingtontrinity.org/give** Alternatively, please contact our Freewill Offerings Treasurer, Sean McKenna, for more information: **offerings@newingtontrinity.org**

**One-Off Donations** One-off donations are still possible online at this link: **www.give.net/20311853** Alternatively, please contact our Treasurer, Charles Garland, for more information: **treasurer@newingtontrinity.org**

**10. YOUNG CHURCH NEWS** Today (30<sup>th</sup> Aug) directly after the 9.30am service: Young Church **additional needs training workshop** with Revd Reuben Addis

**Youth Group dates:** Sundays 6<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> September 5.30pm to 7.00pm. Venue tbc. For High schoolers up to aged 16.

**11. MESSY CHURCH** The next meeting will be on Sat 26<sup>th</sup> September from 4.00pm to 6.00pm.

**12. MORNING PRAYERS ON TUESDAYS** We meet for prayers every Tuesday at 10.00am in the Salisbury Room opposite the Office.

**13. PRAISE AND PRAYER** This small group meets every two weeks at Newington Trinity - Priestfield. Anyone is welcome to join others for this time of prayer from 7.30pm until about 9.00pm. We next meet on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September- Check the Newington Trinity website calendar for any changes.

**14. The NEXT AFTERNOON SERVICE** will be held **THIS TUESDAY** (1<sup>st</sup> SEPTEMBER) at 2.30pm in the Bill McDonald Hall [via West Mayfield level access] and led by Pauline Robertson, DCS., Parish Deacon. (Unfortunately this time the date clashes with the Guild Meeting). As usual everyone always made most welcome - please do come!

This is a short informal service seated around tables, followed by light refreshments until around 3.45pm. If you haven't attended in the past and would like to join us we will be really glad to welcome you. If you need further information please get in touch with Pauline Robertson on 0758 704 3191/ **parishdeacon@newingtontrinity.org** or Anne Sturrock/ **afternoonservice@newingtontrinity.org** It's always a special afternoon.

**15. SOUTHSIDE GUILD** The next session of our Guild begins on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September at 2.00pm. Our speaker at our first meeting is the Rev Karen Campbell from Blackford and Grange Church, she is going to talk on this years theme **'beyond the walls'**. We are meeting in the Salisbury Room in September as the Afternoon Service is taking place in the Bill McDonald Hall. Everyone is welcome to join us and our meetings.

## **16. FUND RAISING**

**i - KNITTING** Helen Hibbert is knitting daily in August to raise money for Children's Hospices Across Scotland. If you wish to support Helen in this task her Just Giving page is: [www.justgiving.com/fundraising/helen1785501612968](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/helen1785501612968)

**ii - KILT WALK 1** Jen Cresswell is taking part in the Edinburgh Kilt walk on 13<sup>th</sup> September for Liberty in North Korea: helping North Korean refugees. If you wish to support Jen with this cause, the link is: [www.justgiving.com/page/jen-cresswell-11](http://www.justgiving.com/page/jen-cresswell-11)

**iii - KILT WALK 2** David Dickson is also taking part in the Edinburgh Kilt walk on 13<sup>th</sup> September in support of ALZHEIMERS'S Scotland. A devastating and harrowing disease affecting many individuals and their families across Scotland. Should anyone be kind enough to support this amazing charity I am sure many will benefit. I have set up a 'Just Giving' page for any donations - **link to follow**.

**17. SEPTEMBER CARDS** As regular distributors have been informed, cards for delivery around the parish will be ready for delivery during the week beginning 7 September. New distributors are always welcome. If you would like to volunteer to serve the church in this way and can spare an hour that week, please see Fiona Ferguson or contact [mission@newingtontrinity.org](mailto:mission@newingtontrinity.org)

**18. CAFE TIME** The next Cafe Time will be held, again at the Priestfield centre, on Saturday 5 September from 10.00am to 12.00 noon, when donations will be received for Macmillan Cancer Support. Do come along for coffee and a chat, and why not bring a friend?

**19. CAMEO** (Come And Meet Each Other) is a women's friendship group for international students organised in partnership with Friends International. We meet at Newington Trinity Priestfield building every Wednesday morning during term time (9.30 - 11.00) starting up again for our tenth year on September 2nd. Children are welcome. Activities focus around making new friends, English practice and getting to know more about life here in Scotland. We are looking to welcome new members as the new academic year begins so if you know of someone for whom this group might be relevant do contact Diana Frost [dianpdg@gmail.com](mailto:dianpdg@gmail.com) for more information. Thanks.



## **Forthcoming Deadlines**

Order of Service: Thursday at 10.00am  
Parish Magazine: Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October at 6.00pm

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