



**WELCOME**

**Sherbrooke Mossspark  
Parish Church**

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2021**

## ORDER OF SERVICE

**Voluntary** Sonata in C Minor/Major (1st & 2nd movements) – F. Mendelssohn

### Call to Worship

**Praise** 172 Sing For God's Glory

- 1 Sing for God's glory that colours the dawn of creation,  
racing across the sky, trailing bright clouds of elation ;  
sun of delight  
succeeds the velvet of night,  
warming the earth's exultation.
- 2 Sing for God's power that shatters the chains that would bind us,  
searing the darkness of fear and despair that could blind us,  
touching our shame  
with love that will not lay blame,  
reaching out gently to find us.
- 3 Sing for God's justice disturbing each easy illusion,  
tearing down tyrants and putting our pride to confusion ;  
lifeblood of right,  
resisting evil and slight,  
offering freedom's transfusion.
- 4 Sing for God's saints who have travelled faith's journey before us,  
who in our weariness give us their hope to restore us ;  
in them we see  
the new creation to be,  
spirit of love made flesh for us.

### Prayers of approach confession and the Lord's Prayer

#### All Age Talk

**Praise** 795 Take, Oh, Take Me (sing twice)

Take, oh, take me as I am;  
summon out what I shall be;  
set your seal upon my heart  
and live in me

**Old  
Testament**

2 Kings 5.1-19

(p.328 )

1 Naaman, the commander of the Syrian army, was highly respected and esteemed by the king of Syria, because through Naaman the LORD had given victory to the Syrian forces. He was a great soldier, but he suffered from a dreaded skin disease. 2 In one of their raids against Israel, the Syrians had carried off a little Israelite girl, who became a servant of Naaman's wife. 3 One day she said to her mistress, "I wish that my master could go to the prophet who lives in Samaria! He would cure him of his disease." 4 When Naaman heard of this, he went to the king and told him what the girl had said. 5 The king said, "Go to the king of Israel and take this letter to him." So Naaman set out, taking 30,000 pieces of silver, 6,000 pieces of gold, and ten changes of fine clothes. 6 The letter that he took read: "This letter will introduce my officer Naaman. I want you to cure him of his disease."

7 When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes in dismay and exclaimed, "How can the king of Syria expect me to cure this man? Does he think that I am God, with the power of life and death? It's plain that he is trying to start a quarrel with me!" 8 When the prophet Elisha heard what had happened, he sent word to the king: "Why are you so upset? Send the man to me, and I'll show him that there is a prophet in Israel!"

9 So Naaman went with his horses and chariot, and stopped at the entrance to Elisha's house. 10 Elisha sent a servant out to tell him to go and wash himself seven times in the River Jordan, and he would be completely cured of his disease. 11 But Naaman left in a rage, saying, "I thought that he would at least come out to me, pray to the LORD his God, wave his hand over the diseased spot, and cure me! 12 Besides, aren't the rivers Abana and Pharpar, back in Damascus, better than any river in Israel? I could have washed in them and been cured!"

13 His servants went up to him and said, "Sir, if the prophet had told you to do something difficult, you would have done it. Now why can't you just wash yourself, as he said, and be cured?" 14 So Naaman went down to the Jordan, dipped himself in it seven times, as Elisha had instructed, and he was completely cured. His flesh became firm and healthy, like that of a child. 15 He returned to Elisha with all his men and said, "Now I know that there is no god but the God of Israel; so please, sir, accept a gift from me." 16 Elisha answered, "By the living LORD, whom I serve, I swear that I will not accept a gift." Naaman insisted that he accept it, but he would not. 17 So Naaman said, "If you won't accept my gift, then let me have two mule-loads of earth to take home with me, because from now on I will not offer sacrifices or burnt offerings to any god except the LORD. 18 So I hope that the LORD will forgive me when I accompany my king to the temple of Rimmon, the god of Syria, and worship him. Surely the LORD will forgive me!" 19 "Go in peace," Elisha said. And Naaman left.

**Anthem**      *Cantate Domino* – G. O. Pitoni  
Words: Ps. 149:1–2

Cantate Domino, canticum novum: laus eius in ecclesia sanctorum.  
Laetetur Israel in eo qui fecit eum: et filiae Sion exultent in rege suo.

*O sing to the Lord a new song; sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful. Let Israel rejoice in their maker; let the children of Zion be joyful in their king.*

**New Testament**      Matthew 18.1-5      (p.18)

1 At that time the disciples came to Jesus, asking, “Who is the greatest in the Kingdom of heaven?” 2 So Jesus called a child, made him stand in front of them, 3 and said, “I assure you that unless you change and become like children, you will never enter the Kingdom of heaven. 4 The greatest in the Kingdom of heaven is the one who humbles himself and becomes like this child. 5 And whoever welcomes in my name one such child as this, welcomes me.

**Praise**      702      Lord, in Love and Perfect Wisdom

- 1 Lord, in love and perfect wisdom  
times and seasons you arrange,  
working out your changeless purpose  
in a world of ceaseless change ;  
you have formed our ancient nation,  
guiding it through all the days,  
to unfold in it your purpose  
to your glory and your praise.
- 2 To our shores remote, benighted,  
barrier of the western waves,  
tidings in your love you sent us,  
tidings of the cross that saves.  
Saints and heroes strove and suffered  
here your gospel to proclaim ;  
we, the heirs of their endeavour,  
tell the honour of their name.
- 3 You maintain your ageless purpose  
every change and chance above ;  
still your holy Church is bearing  
witness to your changeless love.  
Grant us vision, Lord, and courage  
to fulfil your work begun ;  
in the Church and in the nation,  
King of kings, your will be done.

**Interview with Patricia Kombo and Gorden Simango**

## **SERMON**

**Praise**      706 For the Healing of the Nations

- 1 For the healing of the nations,  
Lord, we pray with one accord ;  
for a just and equal sharing  
of the things that earth affords.  
To a life of love in action  
help us rise and pledge our word.
- 2 Lead us forward into freedom,  
from despair your world release,  
that, redeemed from war and hatred,  
all may come and go in peace.  
Show us how through care and goodness  
fear will die and hope increase.
- 3 All that kills abundant living,  
let it from the earth be banned ;  
pride of status, race, or schooling,  
dogmas that obscure your plan.  
In our common quest for justice  
may we hallow life's brief span.
- 4 You, Creator-God, have written  
your great name on humankind ;  
for our growing in your likeness  
bring the life of Christ to mind ;  
that by our response and service  
earth its destiny may find.

## **Offerings**

## **Prayer of Response**

## **Church News**

**Praise**      710      I Have a Dream

- 1 'I have a dream', a man once said,  
'where all is perfect peace ;  
where men and women, black and white,  
stand hand in hand, and all unite  
in freedom and in love.'
- 2 But in this world of bitter strife  
the dream can often fade ;  
reality seems dark as night,  
we catch but glimpses of the light  
Christ sheds on humankind.
- 3 Fierce persecution, war, and hate  
are raging everywhere ;  
God calls us now to pay the price  
through struggles and through sacrifice  
of standing for the right.
- 4 So dream the dreams and sing the songs,  
but never be content ;  
for thoughts and words don't ease the pain :  
unless there's action, all is vain ;  
faith proves itself in deeds.
- 5 Lord, give us vision, make us strong,  
help us to do your will ;  
don't let us rest until we see  
your love throughout humanity  
uniting us in peace.

## **BLESSING**

**Voluntary**     Sonata in C Minor/Major (3rd and 4th movements) – F. Mendelssohn



**NOTICE OF INDUCTION – SCHEDULE O**  
**Sections 31(1) and 32(1), Vacancy Procedure Act 2003 (Act VIII 2003)**

Notice is hereby given that the Presbytery of Glasgow has received a Call from this congregation of GLASGOW: SHERBROOKE MOSSPARK addressed to the Rev Adam Dillon to be the new minister. The Call has been sustained as a regular Call and has been accepted by him.

The Presbytery of Glasgow, having judged the said Adam Dillon qualified for the ministry of the Gospel and for this charge, has resolved to proceed to his induction on Thursday the Eighteenth day of November 2021 at 7pm. The only circumstance in which this would not occur is if an objection occurs which may reasonably impede it.

Notice is given that if any member of this congregation of GLASGOW: SHERBROOK MOSSPARK has objection to the life or doctrine of the said Adam Dillon you should intimate your objection at the earliest opportunity to the Presbytery Clerk. If you do this, you will also need to submit to the Presbytery Clerk appropriate evidence to substantiate your objection.

The Presbytery is to meet at 6.45pm on 18<sup>th</sup> November 2021. If an objection is not notified in advance but is first brought at that meeting the objector must satisfy the Presbytery that there was no earlier opportunity to bring the objection to the attention of the Presbytery Clerk.

Unless a substantiated objection is made which is then upheld, the Presbytery shall proceed to the induction of the said Adam Dillon without further delays.

By order of the Presbytery

**Grant Barclay, Interim Presbytery Clerk**

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**Notices**

**Covid Health & Safety Framework update:** following the meeting of the Covid sub-committee on 27<sup>th</sup> September, various changes have been made to our health and safety framework with effect from Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October. Further details can be found on the Church website; the key aspects are:

- **Masks:** to be worn inside the sanctuary (throughout the service) and in the hall while moving around
- **Singing:** please stand and sing with your masks on for all hymns if you wish.
- **Seating:** a return of the church pews with no allocation of seating; prebooking of seats to remain.
- **Movement between Sanctuary and Halls:** either through the side door or double doors next to the organ. Please take your time and keep your distance.
- **Tea and Coffee:** we've taken every precaution to keep us all safe which means wearing a mask when not seated, sanitising, sitting at tables and individually wrapped biscuits. Please bring your own cup if you would prefer although recyclable disposables will be used. It's not yet back to normal, but the benefits of meeting up and chatting is worth the effort we think.

**COP26 News**

As the COP26 Climate Change Conference is underway, we are hearing more and more about it in the news (and expecting quite a bit of disruption in getting around Glasgow in the next few weeks).

Some of us are looking forward to welcoming a guest (ours is from Egypt), and our church is being used for some COP-related events. The Glasgow Churches have set up a Welcome Hub for pilgrims, delegates and others coming to Glasgow for the COP; it will be at the Salvation Army in Anderston, and we are looking for volunteers to assist the welcome team there from between 8am and 8pm from 29 October - 12 November (excluding 6/7 November). If you are able to do this it would be much appreciated, as well as being potentially a really interesting experience. However, if you are offering times when you could help, please take account of transport issues (greater in the Anderston area, with the Clydeside Expressway etc closed).

If you are able to help, please send your available times to Audrey Kelly, COP26 Administrator, Glasgow Churches Together (email: [cop26office@glasgowchurches.org.uk](mailto:cop26office@glasgowchurches.org.uk) or phone: 07423 245843; contact her if you have any questions. Global Day for Climate Justice (6<sup>th</sup> November 2021): If you haven't already done so, please sign up to be part of the faiths & beliefs bloc on the march from Kelvingrove Park to Glasgow Green on the 6<sup>th</sup> November. You can sign up and find more information at [https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/faiths-beliefs-bloc-cop26-tickets-185221351047?aff=ebdssbdestsearch&keep\\_tld=1](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/faiths-beliefs-bloc-cop26-tickets-185221351047?aff=ebdssbdestsearch&keep_tld=1). The hope is that as many as 100,000 people will march through Glasgow that afternoon, crying out for climate justice for the planet and the poorest. Let's make sure that thousands of those are people from our churches and that we are amongst them.

**Here at Sherbrooke Mosspark**, we have an evening of Taize music and worship on Wednesday 10 November from 7pm. Further details are on the website but this is a great opportunity open to all in the congregation.

**Kirk Session: to be held on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 7.30pm in the Sanctuary, rather than previously intimated Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November.**

**Messy Church:** New video uploaded on website.

**Ministers: Sheila Blount**

**Organist: John Gormley**

**Beadle: Cameron Aitken**

**Welcome Team** Allan Lapsley  
Una Heaney  
Stewart Davis  
Elizabeth Tytler  
Neil Buchanan

**Publicity & website: Mags Cargey**

**Reader:** Stewart Davis

**Flowers** The flowers today have been kindly donated by Ewan Love in memory of his wife Cath

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