



WELCOME

**Sherbrooke Mossspark
Parish Church**

Sunday 19th September 2021

ORDER OF SERVICE

Voluntary

Call to Worship “ If the Lord does not build the house, the work of the builders is useless”
(Psalm 127:1)

Praise 512 To God be the glory

1 To God be the glory, great things he has done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

*Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the people rejoice!
Oh, come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory! Great things he has done!*

2 O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
to every believer the promise of God;
for every offender who truly believes,
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives. [Refrain]

3 Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son:
but purer, and higher, and greater will be
our joy and our wonder, when Jesus we see. [Refrain]

Prayers of approach confession and the Lord's Prayer

**New
Testament**

Acts 15:30-39

(p. 128)

30 So when they were sent off, they went down to Antioch; and having gathered the congregation together, they delivered the letter. **31** And when they read it, they rejoiced at the exhortation. **32** And Judas and Silas, who were themselves prophets, exhorted the brethren with many words and strengthened them. **33** And after they had spent some time, they were sent off in peace by the brethren to those who had sent them. **34 35** But Paul and Barnabas remained in Antioch, teaching and preaching the word of the Lord, with many others also. **36** And after some days Paul said to Barnabas, "Come, let us return and visit the brethren in every city where we proclaimed the word of the Lord, and see how they are." **37** And Barnabas wanted to take with them John called Mark. **38** But Paul thought best not to take with them one who had withdrawn from them in Pamphyl'ia, and had not gone with them to the work. **39** And there arose a sharp contention, so that they separated from each other; Barnabas took Mark with him and sailed away to Cyprus.

Anthem *Adoramus te Christe* – Th. Dubois

Adoramus te, Christe,
We adore you, Christ,
et benedicimus tibi
and we bless you
quia per sanctam crucem tuam
because by your holy cross
redemisti mundum.
You have redeemed the world.

Gospel Mark 8:27-30 (p.41)

27 And Jesus went on with his disciples, to the villages of Caesare'a Philip'pi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do men say that I am?" **28** And they told him, "John the Baptist; and others say, Eli'jah; and others one of the prophets." **29** And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Christ." **30** And he charged them to tell no one about him.

Praise 645 I'm not ashamed to own my Lord

1 I'm not ashamed to own my Lord,
or to defend his cause,
maintain the glory of his cross,
and honour all his laws.

2 Jesus, my Lord! I know his name,
his name is all my boast;
nor will he put my soul to shame,
nor let my hope be lost.

3 I know that safe with him remains,
protected by his power,
what I've committed to his trust,
till the decisive hour.

4 Then will he own his servant's name,
before his Father's face,
and in the new Jerusalem
appoint my soul a place.

SERMON
“Just as I am”

Praise

547 What a friend we have in Jesus

1 What a friend we have in Jesus,
all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
everything to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit,
oh, what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry
everything to God in prayer!

2 Have we trials and temptations,
is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged:
take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful,
who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness:
take it to the Lord in prayer.

3 Are we weak and heavy-laden,
cumbered with a load of care?
Jesus is our only refuge:
take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do your friends despise, forsake you?
Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield you;
you will find a solace there.

Offerings

Prayers of Dedication, Thanksgiving and Intercessions

Praise 737 Will your anchor hold

1 Will your anchor hold in the storms of life,
when the clouds unfold their wings of strife?
When the strong tides lift, and the cables strain,
will your anchor drift, or firm remain?

*We have an anchor that keeps the soul
steadfast and sure while the billows roll;
fastened to the Rock which cannot move,
grounded firm and deep in the Saviour's love!*

2 Will your anchor hold in the straits of fear,
when the breakers roar and the reef is near?
While the surges rage, and the wild winds blow,
shall the angry waves then your bark o'erflow? [Refrain]

3 Will your anchor hold in the floods of death,
when the waters cold chill your latest breath?
On the rising tide you can never fail,
while your anchor holds within the veil. [Refrain]

4 Will your eyes behold through the morning light
the city of gold and the harbour bright?
Will you anchor safe by the heavenly shore,
when life's storms are past for evermore? [Refrain]

BLESSING

Voluntary

PLEASE NOTE You will be shown your seat by one of the duty team today. We ask you remain in it for the duration of the Service. Please follow the guidance of the team who are responsible for ensuring you are kept safe.

You are required to familiarise yourself with the current government guidelines about social distancing and hand-sanitising while in the building. Please remember we have to operate a one-way system of entry and exit to the building

Attendance at services: Following the recent guidance from the Scottish Government and Church of Scotland, we have been able to increase the capacity of our sanctuary to 100 people for worship with 10 people now able to sing in the choir. These encouraging developments are possible due to the reduction in distancing requirements from 2 metres to 1 metre. We do still need to retain our masks and keep attendance records. We would be delighted if you wish to attend for worship but would ask if you would continue to contact the office in advance, either through the website or via email

Covid Health & Safety Review – Changes

Following last night's Kirk Session, the following changes were agreed. They will take effect from this Sunday 12th September.

- Chairs – all red fabric chairs will be used within the sanctuary. They will be cleaned with our fabric cleaner after the service if the Sanctuary is to be used within 3 days
- Attendees to be allocated to specific chairs (as is currently the case)
- Masks to be used by everyone (unless exempt)
- One metre distancing to be retained
- Singing:
 - Choir will continue to stand and sing without masks throughout the service
 - Congregational singing:
 - Please sit and sing hymns while wearing masks
 - If people wish, they can stand and sing the last hymn wearing masks
 - The congregation will be asked to remain standing for the final blessing

The Kirk Session agreed to take a cautious approach with lifting the restrictions in order to ensure that our congregation feel safe and comfortable in our sanctuary. We are currently establishing a framework through which further changes can be made at a steady and suitable pace as we move forward.

Covid Sub-Committee

Clare Williams, Una Heaney, Julian Guse, Kary O'Brien

H NOTICE OF NOMINATION – Section 22(2)

At a meeting held at Sherbrooke Mossspark Parish church on Saturday 4th September 2021, the Nominating Committee chose the person whom they wish to propose to this congregation of Sherbrooke Mossspark Parish Church to be our new minister. The name of the person proposed is Reverend Adam Dillon.

Arrangements have been made for Reverend Adam Dillon to conduct public worship in this Church on Sunday, 26th September 2021 at 10.30am. The service will also be live streamed via the internet to allow those not able to be physically present to view the service. A recording of the service will also be posted on the website of Sherbrooke Mossspark Parish Church.

Immediately after the service, there will be a vote on whether Reverend Adam Dillon should be appointed as the new minister of this congregation of Sherbrooke Mossspark Parish Church. Anyone whose name appears on the Electoral Register of this congregation of Sherbrooke Mossspark Parish Church shall be entitled to vote. No-one else shall be entitled to vote.

In accordance with Vacancy protocol (v2, 16 July 2020, Act VIII 2003), the vote may take place by those physically present by completing a hard copy of a voting paper, and in the case of those not, by their completing and posting or hand delivering a hard copy of a voting paper to Sherbrooke Mossspark Parish Church, 240 Nithsdale Road, Glasgow G41 5AD, marked for the attention of the Session Clerk, Mrs Clare Williams. All voting arrangements will ensure the secrecy of the ballot while maintaining verification of eligibility to vote. The ballot will remain open for seven days from 26th September 2021.

Voting will therefore close at 12 noon on Sunday, 3rd October 2021.

Minister: Douglas Clark

Organist: Colin Mackay

Beadle: Cameron Aitken

Welcome Team Ranald Findlay

Publicity & website: Mags Cargey

Carole Mackie

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Notices

Messy Church: New video for September on website.