



WELCOME



Sherbrooke Mosspark Parish Church

**4th. Sunday of Easter
Sunday 25th. April 2021**

ORDER OF SERVICE

Voluntary Praeludium in D (BuxWV 139) – D. Buxtehude

**Call to
Worship** My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord. I know them and they follow me.
St John 10:14

Praise 63 All people that on earth do dwell

1 All people that on earth do dwell,
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.
Him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell,
come ye before him and rejoice.

2 Know that the Lord is God indeed;
without our aid he did us make;
we are his folk, he doth us feed,
and for his sheep he doth us take.

3 Oh, enter then his gates with praise,
approach with joy his courts unto:
praise, laud, and bless his name always,
for it is seemly so to do.

4 For why? the Lord our God is good,
his mercy is for ever sure;
his truth at all times firmly stood,
and shall from age to age endure.

5 To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
the God whom heaven and earth adore,
be glory as it was of old,
is now, and shall be evermore. Amen.

Prayers (Sung Kyrie) Gormley

This is the ancient prayer of the Church asking for God's mercy upon us.

Lord have mercy upon us.

Christ have mercy upon us.

Lord have mercy upon us.

Epistle

1st John 3:16-24

(p. 223)

16 By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us; and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. **17** But if any one has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? **18** Little children, let us not love in word or speech but in deed and in truth. **19** By this we shall know that we are of the truth, and reassure our hearts before him **20** whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. **21** Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God; **22** and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. **23** And this is his commandment that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. **24** All who keep his commandments abide in him, and he in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit which he has given us.

Anthem

Loving Shepherd of Thy Sheep – P. Ledger
Words: J Leeson

Loving Shepherd of thy sheep,
Keep thy lamb in safety keep;
Nothing can thy power withstand,
None can pluck me from thy hand.

I would praise thee ev'ry day,
Gladly all thy will obey,
Like the blessed ones above
Happy in thy precious love.

Loving Shepherd, ever near,
Teach thy lamb thy voice to hear;
Suffer not thy steps to stray
From the straight and narrow way.

Where thou leadest I would go,
Walking in thy steps below,
Till before my Father's throne
I shall know as I am known.

11 I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. **12** He who is a hireling and not a shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees; and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. **13** He flees because he is a hireling and cares nothing for the sheep. **14** I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, **15** as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. **16** And I have other sheep that are not of this fold; I must bring them also, and they will heed my voice. So there shall be one flock, one shepherd. **17** For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life, that I may take it again. **18** No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again; this charge I have received from my Father."

Praise

16 The Lord is my shepherd

1 The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want.
He makes me down to lie
in pastures green: he leadeth me
the quiet waters by.

2 My soul he doth restore again;
and me to walk doth make
within the paths of righteousness,
ev'n for his own name's sake.

3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
yet will I fear none ill:
for thou art with me; and thy rod
and staff me comfort still.

4 My table thou hast furnishèd
in presence of my foes;
my head thou dost with oil anoint,
and my cup overflows.

5 Goodness and mercy all my life
shall surely follow me:
and in God's house for evermore
my dwelling-place shall be.

SERMON

Praise 19 Ye gates, lift up your heads on high

7 Ye gates lift up your heads on high;
ye doors that last for aye,
be lifted up, that so the King
of glory enter may.

8 But who of glory is the King?
The mighty Lord is this;
even that same Lord that great in might
and strong in battle is.

9 Ye gates, lift up your heads; ye doors,
doors that do last for aye,
be lifted up, that so the King
of glory enter may.

10 But who is he that is the King,
the King of glory? who is this?
The Lord of hosts, and none but he,
the King of glory is.

Alleluia! alleluia!
alleluia! alleluia! alleluia!
Amen, amen, amen.

Offerings **Prayers of Dedication, Thanksgiving and Intercessions**

Praise 100 O Lord, thou art my God and King

1 O Lord, thou art my God and King;
thee will I magnify and praise:
I will thee bless, and gladly sing
unto thy holy name always.

2 Each day I rise I will thee bless,
and praise thy name time without end.
Much to be praised, and great God is;
his greatness none can comprehend.

3 Race shall thy works praise unto race,
the mighty acts show done by thee.
I will speak of the glorious grace,
and honour of thy majesty:

4 Thy wondrous works I will record.
By many shall the might be told
of all thy awesome acts, O Lord:
and I thy greatness will unfold.

BLESSING

Voluntary Fantasia in G (*Pièce d'orgue*) (BWV 572) – J. S. Bach

NOTICES

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

Up to 50 people will be permitted to be present in the sanctuary for public worship on Sunday's and Thursday's. If wishing to attend please contact the office to register in advance, otherwise we may not be able to allow you admission (Government regulations).

The Readings are printed

The Young Church talk is on the website each weekend and Messy Church will produce a video every month covering the topic for that month. This also will be on the church website.

Christian Aid Week 10 - 16 May 2021

This year we shall again be seeking personal donations, rather than via our Church. We may have donation tins at our mini plant sale. Christian Aid envelopes will be left in the church throughout May for folks to pick up, to make your own donation and return to Christian Aid. You can also make a donation via their web site www.christinaid.org.uk/Scotland or telephone no. 0131 220 1254. If you wish for a donation envelope, please contact Janet Lamb @ email - janetmbrand@aol.com or telephone her on 0141 424 0648, and she can drop one off to your address. Please be generous this year. If its been challenging for us, how much more so for those less advantaged. **Thanks, Janet Lamb.**

Plant Sale: Mini plant sale on Saturday 8th May 2021

Covid rules permitting, a mini-plant sale is planned outside in the church grounds, because of the difficulty of socially distancing large numbers in the hall.

We are looking for home grown or surplus plants of any kind to sell for church funds. Please send your list of expected items to Stuart Hislop, so we can assess how much stock we'll have. [Contact details below] Please note that bedding plants this year will only be available by pre-order via the usual forms. Which can be **downloaded** for you to print and use. Stuart Hislop; stuhi@aol.com; 07774 116659

Sherbrooke Mosspark Women's Group - Thursday 6 May at 7.30 on Zoom. We will be joined by Revd. Catherine Beattie, minister of Giffnock South Parish Church, who will be talking to us about her journey from being a school cook to a career in the Church of Scotland. A zoom invitation will be sent to those already on the distribution list. If you don't receive emails from the Women's Group but would like to come, please email jan.bostock@hotmail.co.uk to receive an invitation.

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