

## Intimations Easter Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2026

1. **Today:** 10.30am Morning Worship. Theme, Everlasting Love. Tea and coffee will be served in the St Matthew Hall after the service. Please make an appropriate donation.
2. **Graeme Allan:** This is Graeme's last Sunday with us as his placement period comes to an end. We thank him for his contributions to worship and wish him well as he moves towards completing his training for the Readership.
3. **Jam, Baking and Making Stall** - Many thanks to everyone who contributed in any way to another successful stall last Sunday. The amount raised was £356.65, a wonderful total which goes towards our own church funds. The next stall will be on Sunday 26th April when we look forward to your continued support. Thank you.
4. **April Magazine:** this edition is available. The deadline for the May edition is Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April, items to [editor@morningsideparishchurch.org.uk](mailto:editor@morningsideparishchurch.org.uk)
5. **Financial Giving to the Church:** **Please** keep your financial contributions to our Church up to date by setting up a standing order or saving your envelopes and other gifts, and bringing them to church. For information, inflation is currently running at around 3%.  
**If you'd like to increase your regular donations,** please ask your bank to adjust your existing standing order if possible.  
**Each Sunday,** you have the chance to donate through the open plate, which is passed around during the offering. If you prefer not to use cash, there is a contactless card machine in the vestibule.  
To use the **QR code in the Order of Service,** simply open your phone's camera and point it at the code. Then, follow the instructions on your screen.  
**If you'd like to make a one-off donation, you can use the Donate button on the church website or the QR code.** You can also post cheques to the Church Office for processing.  
Your continued or increased generosity is very much appreciated, as it helps make so much happen in and around our Church. If you need more information, please contact the Treasurer, Euan Murray 📞 07702 092174. **Thank you.**
6. **Bereavement and Arranging a Funeral, Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April, 3.15pm, Cluny Hall:** What do you need to do when a family member, friend or loved one dies? What are the practical steps that need to be taken? Who do you need to contact? How is a funeral arranged and who is responsible for what? How do I begin to cope with bereavement? Help is at hand. The Minister and local undertakers William Purves are hosting an afternoon event to talk about some of the issues that arise

when a death occurs. The event will last around one hour and is open to anyone who would like to attend.

7. **Morningside Hope:**

**Music and Memories** - 2-4pm, workshops for those with dementia and their partners/carers. The next workshops, Mondays 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> April, Cluny Hall.

**Heart for Art workshop** for those with dementia and their partners/carers, every Tuesday 11am - 1pm, St Matthew Hall.

**Gentle Exercise Class** – dementia-friendly and also open to all 60+. Next class, Mondays 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> April, the Church, 2- 4pm

**Games Afternoon** – 2-4pm, dementia-friendly and open to everyone. Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April, Braid Hall.

8. **Morningside Umbrella Festival:**

**Edinburgh Telephone Choir, Friday 17th April at 7:30pm** – Entry by donation

**Tesco Colinton Tombola Saturday 18th April:** Can you do a 30-minute slots between 10 and 3:30pm.

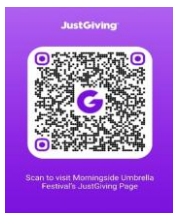
**An Evening With Keith Jack** - Friday 12th June, 7.30pm in the Church. Tickets are now on sale and priced from £28

**Family Ceilidh Sunday 14th June 5pm - 8pm** -Tickets are now on sale and are priced at £12 for adults and £8 for children. A limited bar and snack food will be available. Join us as our wonderful Festival comes to an end and let's celebrate together. Limited tickets based on capacity.

**The Morningside Umbrella Festival Recipe Book** - We have received a fabulous suggestion to compile a Morningside Umbrella Festival Recipe book, and with your help would like to try and have something produced to sell at our Festival. We hope to have 50 of your favourite recipes with a couple of sentences explaining why you have chosen to share your recipe. You are welcome to submit more than one recipe but depending on submissions it may be necessary to limit to one per person. If, we receive more than one recipe for the same or very similar item you may be asked to submit a different recipe. It would be great to have an equal number of recipes from both men and women. Younger bakers are also welcome to submit a recipe. If you are keen to be part of this project, please ask me to reserve you a page. You should then submit your recipe in a typed word format with ingredients in metric to [kerryelgey@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:kerryelgey@hotmail.co.uk) by the 23rd of April 2026.

For further information about any of the above please contact Kerr Watt on 07530 971367 or email [kerryelgey@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:kerryelgey@hotmail.co.uk)

**The Festival Period** - If you can spare a few hours between Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May and Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June please discuss your availability with Kerry. Some volunteering roles are suitable for children over 12 years old so why not involve your children and grandchildren.



**Our Festival is now less 9 weeks away** and if you haven't already done so we would ask you to consider making a donation. We now have a Morningside Umbrella Just Giving Page and you can donate by using the QR code

9. **Baby and Toddler Group:** re-opens on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April at 10am.
10. **Scottish Parliamentary Hustings, 7.30pm, Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April, Greenbank Parish Church:** these hustings have been organised by Greenbank, Fairmilehead, and Morningside Parish Churches. If you could help steward, please contact the Minister.
11. **The Future of Philanthropy: Trends, Tools, and Impact in Partnership, Wednesday 29 April, 5:00pm to 9:00pm, Library of Mistakes in Edinburgh, 33a Melville Street Lane, Edinburgh, EH3 7QB:** Christian Aid is hosting an event on An inspiring gathering of leaders, practitioners, and partners shaping the future of philanthropy. Philanthropy is undergoing a fundamental shift. Traditional grant-making is being complemented by new approaches such as impact investing, data-driven decision-making, and collaborative funding models. This event explores how philanthropy is evolving and what this means for funders, nonprofits, and social innovators.
12. **The Church Office and Halls** will be closed on Easter Monday (6<sup>th</sup> April), reopening on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April.
13. **Next Sunday, Low Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> April 2026:** 9.30am Early Service (*Cluny Hall*) and 10.30am Morning Worship. Theme, 'Faith and Doubt. Tea and coffee will be served in the St Matthew Hall after the services. Please make an appropriate donation.  
**Remembering Service, 3pm:** Our Remembering Service is open to everyone in the Church and in the wider community who would like to come and sit quietly at this simple, reflective service, which will last for around half an hour. It is an opportunity to remember those we have loved and lost, recently or a long time ago. During the service there will be an opportunity to write names on stars and attach them to our Remembering tree which will be placed beside the communion table. Please let friends, neighbours and family know that the service is taking place and invite them to attend if they would like. We will serve tea and coffee after the service.

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**Church Office Hours:** Please note that the Church Office hours are 9.15am – 1.30 pm, Monday to Friday. Could office-bearers and members of the congregation please ensure that any work you would like to be carried out by the Church Administrator is given with as much notice as possible. There is always a large amount of work going on in and around the Church, over and above routine work, so your understanding and co-operation would be greatly appreciated.

***In the Event of the Fire Alarm sounding: Please take a few moments to make yourself aware of the fire exits in the Church. Should the fire alarm sound during the service please evacuate the building using the nearest safe fire exit to you. If you are able, please assist those around you to evacuate the building. Elders will be on hand to direct you once outside the building.***

**Sunday Service live-stream:** the cameras for the live-stream of the church service go live at around 10.15am. One of the camera shots is of the front half of the Church. If you do not wish to appear in the camera shot, please find a seat in the back half of the Church.

**Sunday Contact:** if you become aware that there is a problem with the Sunday service broadcast, please phone – 07712 118033 or email [a.bleck55@outlook.com](mailto:a.bleck55@outlook.com).

**Wednesday Coffee Morning:** in the Braid Hall on, 10am – 11.30am. We look forward to seeing you and your friends. If you need any further information or wish to volunteer to join the Rota to help, then please contact Lesley Murphy (mobile: 07981 265308).

**Intimations:** If you wish to have intimations included in the Sunday order of service, please email these to the Church Office by **Thursday, 12 noon** at the latest

**Weekly Email:** A weekly email can be emailed to you so that you can keep up to date with events going on in the life of the Church, particularly if you miss the Sunday intimations. If you would like the Weekly email (and the Church Magazine), please email the Church Office to request. [office@morningsideparishchurch.org.uk](mailto:office@morningsideparishchurch.org.uk)

**Be a good neighbour:** many Church members, elders and visitors, along with the Minister, Pastoral Assistant, are keeping in touch with people by telephone or email. Face-to-face visiting is now available by arrangement with the Ministerial team. Everyone is encouraged, where possible, to keep

in touch with neighbours, friends, and family, whether they are Church members or not. If there is anything you wish to pass on to the Ministerial team, please contact them as soon as possible.

**Morningside Parish Church Website and Facebook:** the website [www.morningsideparishchurch.org.uk](http://www.morningsideparishchurch.org.uk) has details of services and sermons and information about the Church. You can also 'like' the Morningside Parish Church page on Facebook. This will be one of the regular means by which you can keep informed about what is happening at the Church.

**Becoming part of the Church family:** we've had a number of people asking to become members of our Church family at Morningside in recent weeks which is wonderful. There are a number of ways to do this:

- i. *By profession of faith - coming along to one of the Enquiry classes run by the Minister at different times in the year, then taking vows during a Sunday morning service.*
- ii. *By transferring your membership ('lines') from a congregation you were a member of to our congregation. You will need to ask the Roll Keeper of your former Church to send you the certificate. Then hand in the paperwork to our Roll Keeper, Minister, or to the Church Office.*
- iii. *Admission by Resolution of the Kirk Session. If you're not sure where your membership lies, or you come from another Christian tradition, the Kirk Session can formally admit you into membership.*