Intimations
Sunday 1st November 2026

1. **Today: All Saints' Day** - 9.30am and 10.30am in the Church. Theme - Saints everywhere. Tea and coffee will be served in the St Matthew Hall after the services. Please make an appropriate donation.

2. **Bereavement Notice:** We give thanks for the life of Douglas Ross. A funeral service has still to be arranged. Please remember his family in your prayers.

3. **Flower List 2027:** The new flower list for 2027 is now available on the vestibule noticeboard. If you would like to supply flowers one Sunday, please put your name and phone number against your chosen date. The cost remains at £45. Cheques should be made payable to 'Morningside Parish Church Flower Fund' or payment can be made by bank transfer if preferred. If you are a UK taxpayer and can give by Gift Aid, please advise me if you have registered with the Gift Aid Convener or complete one of the Gift Aid envelopes. Monies can be given to a member of the Committee, put in the Flower Committee pigeon hole or sent to the church office clearly marked for the Flower Fund. Please contact Irene Wilsom direct on 0131 449 2866;
e-mail: irene_a_wilson@btinternet.com if you require details to make a bank transfer

4. **November Magazine:** the November edition is now available. Please note that copy for the December edition should be with the editor or the Church Office by Friday 13th November, with the December magazine available by 29th November editor@morningsideparishchurch.org.uk

5. **Morningside Hope:**
Music and Memories: Mondays 2nd and 16th November, 2-4pm, Cluny Hall. Workshops for those with dementia and their partners/carers.
Heart for Art workshop: for those with dementia and their partners/ carers, every Tuesday 11am - 1pm, St Matthew Hall.
Gentle Exercise Class: Mondays 9th and 23rd November, 2-4pm in the Church sanctuary. Dementia friendly but open to all 60+ The class will last 40-45 minutes, followed by tea, coffee and the chance to chat.
Games Afternoon: Wednesday 18th November, 2-4pm. open to **everyone**, these afternoons are a chance to meet up with friends, old and new, play our favourite board games, jigsaws and have a coffee and catch up.
Dementia Friendly Concerts: We offer four dementia friendly concerts each year. Open to everyone, this will be a varied programme. Next concert- Saturday 28th November. 2pm featuring the Rock Choir

6. **Kirk Krafters:** The **Kirk Krafters** would like to thank those who have knitted/crocheted poppies for Remembrance Sunday. The poppy table last Sunday raised £140 for Poppy Scotland so many thanks to those who

supported and contributed. There will be a table with poppies in the St Matthew Hall for those who still wish to support Poppy Scotland. The November **Kirk Krafters** will meet on Tuesday 24th November, 2-4pm in the Cluny Hall where a warm welcome awaits. Cost £5.

7. **Gift service for The Edinburgh Clothing Store (Charity Number SC039409):** By popular demand this year's Gift Service will once again be for the children who are referred to The Edinburgh Clothing Store (ECS) In previous years the congregation has been extremely generous in the gifts they have given and also in the money they have donated to buy necessary items of clothing which are in short supply. Over the past year, there has been a very significant increase in the number of children who have been referred for help. At the same time, there has been a notable drop in the number of good quality items which have been donated possibly because people are buying less new clothes and so many people are selling on-line their good quality items. The increase in the cost of living has hit everyone. We are having to buy much more to meet the increasing number who need our help. Warm winter clothing is desperately needed. On the two Sundays prior to the 15th i.e. the **1st and 8th November,** labels will be laid out on tables at the back of the church. Each label will name an item of clothing and the age of a boy or girl to whom the item will go. If you would like to give a gift there are three options available -
   1. Take a label and buy the suggested gift. Bring the gift on Sunday 15th November before the 10.30a.m. service to the tables below the pulpit. **PLEASE DO NOT WRAP YOUR GIFTS.**
   2. If you cannot come on the 15th, please bring your gift on the 8th and put it in the Clothing Store box below the elders' pigeon holes.
   3. If you prefer not to go shopping, cash or cheque Donations are also most welcome. Please make cheques payable to The Edinburgh Clothing Store and send them to 7 Greenbank Crescent. EH10 5TE. If you wish to Gift Aid your donation include a note stating that you wish to Donate £x to The Edinburgh Clothing Store, with your name, address and postcode, state that you are a U.K. taxpayer and sign your name.

   Your donation will make a huge difference to a child who is living in poverty in our city. Thank you very much in anticipation.

8. **The Edinburgh Clothing Store Coffee Morning**: The 14th annual Coffee Morning for the Edinburgh Clothing Store will take place on **Saturday 21st November, 10am - 12 noon** in the Sanctuary. Cream scones and coffee will be served, and there will be the usual variety of stalls with this year's 'different' stall being a Costume Jewellery Stall. Everyone is most welcome and tickets priced £7 for adults and £3 for children can be bought at the 10.30am after-service coffees from Clothing Store helpers or at the door on the day. Please come and support this

most enjoyable fundraising event and meet with friends from across the city. Let's make it the best Clothing Store Coffee Morning ever!

9. **Speaker Supper Friday 27th November, 7.30pm, Braid Hall:** Please come and join us for what will prove to be a very interesting evening. Our speaker will be Gillian Field, who will talk to us about the Kindertransport. She is the daughter of Holocaust survivors, who both fled to Glasgow in 1939 as part of the rescue operation. Gillian Field lives in Edinburgh and retired in 2019 after a career in medicine development. She is the younger daughter of Henry and Ingrid Wuga who were born in Germany in 1924. Being Jewish meant that Henry and Ingrid and their families were subjected to antisemitism under the Nazi regime and were in grave danger. At the age of 15 both were fortunate to escape Nazi Germany and came to the UK on the Kindertransport before the outbreak of the Second World War. Gillian speaks in schools all over Scotland and North England about her parent's Holocaust experience stressing that hatred should never prevail. Ticket Price: Adults £30, children £15. This includes a two-course meal & refreshments will be available to purchase from the bar on the evening. Please do let us know about any dietary requirements you may have when purchasing your ticket. Tickets will be available to purchase from 25th October. All funds raised will go to the Edinburgh Clothing Store (SCO39409), The David Nott Foundation (1162537) and Morningside Parish Church (SCO34396). The evening is organised by the Outreach Committee.

10. **Jam, Baking and Making Stall** - the amount raised at the stall last Sunday was £180. Thank you to all who contributed in any way to another successful stall

11. **Wednesday Coffee Morning:** in the **Braid Hall**, 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).

12. **Financial Giving to our Church**: **Please** keep your contributions up to date in relation to changing prices either by standing order or bringing envelopes and gifts to church; inflation is hitting us all hard and your continued support in this way is very important. **To alter your giving**, please amend your standing order. **On Sundays**, you can use the plate or the contactless machine in the vestibule. Alternatively, scan the **QR code in the Order of Service with** your phone camera. If you need more information assistance, contact Treasurer Euan Murray on 07702 092174. **Many thanks.**

13. **Greenbank Parish Church:** The Eco-Group is organising, 'An Evening with the Maclean Brothers: Three Brothers in a Boat', on Sunday 22nd November at 7pm, when we welcome Edinburgh's Maclean Brothers who rowed across the Pacific in record breaking time and raised £1 million for clean water projects in Madagascar. They will talk about

their adventures and the project that they feel so passionate about and will sign their new book - Three Brothers in their Boat. The link for tickets is on the poster and is at: https://www.ticketsource.com/greenbank-parish-church/an-evening-with-the-maclean-brothers-three-brothers-in-a-boat/2026-11-22/19:00/t-vxjypyz

14. **Next Sunday, 8th November, Remembrance Sunday:** *(No Early Service 9.30am)* **10.45am** in the Church. Theme - Being Prepared. Tea and coffee will be served in the St Matthew Hall after the services. Please make an appropriate donation.

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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.

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

Baby and Toddler Group: 10am-11.30am in the St Matthew Hall. All are welcome.

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 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.*