



Order of Service

15th September 2024

10am

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Worship led by:

Grant Gordon

Musicians:

Martin Petty and the choir

Gathering of God's People

Time when we greet one another and prepare for worship. Those who are able please stand for the entry of the Bible. Words of welcome and announcements.

Worshipping God Together

Call to Worship

Leader: From the mustard seed a great and mighty shrub emerges.

ALL: Good things can come from something that seemed so insignificant!

Leader: The spore of the yeast can leaven the whole loaf of bread.

ALL: We can be those people who bring hope and peace to God's world.

Leader: Come, let us praise the God of great and mighty wonders.

ALL: Let our spirits soar in gratitude for the opportunities God gives us to serve.

HYMN CH4 173 Sing to God new songs of worship

Opening prayer and the Lord's Prayer

We ask this in the name of Jesus who taught us to pray:

ALL: Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory for ever. Amen.

Reflecting on God's Word

Reading: Ezekiel 17: 22-24

Choir sings SGP 87: Oh the life of the world is a joy and a treasure
by K & I Galloway vs 1 and 4

Reading: Matthew 13: 31-33 and 44-52
Both readings read by Margaret Forsyth

**HYMN To what can the Kingdom of God be compared
(Tune: To God be the Glory)**

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Sermon The Kingdom of God is like.....

HYMN CH4 606 Lord, you sometimes speak in wonders

Responding to God's word

Prayer for others: Elaine McCullough

**HYMN CH4 231 For the fruits of all creation
(Tune: Ar Hyd Y Nos)**

Benediction

Sung Amen, Amen, Amen

Please remain standing as The Bible is removed.

*You are invited to stay for tea and coffee which
are served in the hall.*

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BALERNO PARISH CHURCH
Intimations
Sunday, 15th September 2024

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What's on September/ October 2024

Church Services:

22 September Joint Church service 10:30 in Currie led by Rev Susan Galloway (there will be no church service in Balerno)

29 September Church service 10:00 Balerno led by Rev. Derek Munn

6 October Church service 10:00 Balerno led by Rev. Derek Munn

Harvest Celebration please bring any non-perishable goods or items with a long sell by date to the church either on the morning of Saturday Oct 5th 09.30 -11.00 or with you on the Sunday

Help required with gardening in the Church campus on the 1st Tuesday of the month at 10.00am Bring gloves and gardening tools 1st October, 5th November & 3rd December For more info contact George Harrison on margaretgeorge28@gmail.com

Fair trade Fortnight 9-22 September: You can help by choosing Fair trade products when you shop & and supporting the Fair trade stall at the Farmers Market on 14 September.

Balerno Music Festival 2024: Tickets from balernochurch.org.uk or the Church office (Mon-Fri 8:00-12.00) **Edinburgh Police Choir Saturday 5th October** at Balerno Parish Church 19:30 Tickets £12 **Jazz Party Sunday 6th October** with Stirling Crisis at St Joseph's Centre 19:30-22:30 Tickets £18 (inc light snacks)

Balerno Parish Church Guild – Ogston Hall 19:30 (open to everyone)

2 October Dedication & Communion service with Rev Douglas Nicol

16 October Shelter Scotland with Samantha Myers

For full syllabus www.balernochurch.org.uk/activities/guild-syllabus/

FreshStart Collection: 11th & 12th October 10am-12noon, rear hall. Sunday is reserved for packing (no drop offs). A van loading day will follow. Offers to help with any of that to Sandra Lyall [Tel 449 4375]. Thank You!

Food bank Donations can be left in the box in the entrance to the Mill Café

The Mill Café is always looking for new volunteers. Please ask friends & family. For more info pop in for a chat with Lynsey

Are you interested in assisting us with our Audio / Visual displays in the church for the Sunday services? Full training would be given. Please contact Pam in the church office or email bpc-admin@balernochurch.org.uk (We really need more volunteers for the rota to help with the Sunday service)