

Mothers' Union

A reminder that our next branch meeting is

Tuesday, 13th January at 7:30pm.

The membership subscription is due at **£33.00**. There are some changes to the way we gift aid and pay our subscription which will be explained at the meeting or if unable to attend **Val** or **June** will contact you. Please therefore await hearing about the changes before making payment,

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If you have an item that you wish to be added to the pew sheet, please email the relevant information by 6:00pm on Thursday to:
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FOR OUR PRAYERS

SICK: Yvonne Longsden, Barry Tootill, Joan Joyce, Hazel Robinson, Harry Mullen, Brian Schofield, Viv Webb; All in nursing homes, care homes or hospices; We also pray for anyone who is awaiting test results.

RIP: Martyn Bryan;
11th - John Tomlinson;
12th - Margery & Kenneth Whitehead, Clement Beaumont;
13th - Darren Kay, Raymond Wood;
14th - Marian Bocking, Madge Gallagher;
15th - Ina Lees;
16th - Jane Stevenson;
17th - Evelyn Schofield, Thomas Cheetham, Henry Maddison, Danny Smith, Roma Cooper



Welcome to St Matthew and St Luke, Chadderton

*"Living out our call to share the
Gospel in Faith, Hope and Love"*

11th January 2026
The Baptism of Christ
HYMNS

609, 646, 114, 118, 150, 944, 503

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sunday, 11th January

9:00am Choral Eucharist

Tuesday, 13th

9:30am Parent & Toddler

12:30pm Luncheon Club

2:00pm Drop In

7:30pm Mothers' Union

Thursday, 15th

10:00am Dressmaking

6:00pm All Age Service

7:15pm Choir Practice

Sanctuary Light Dedication

This week's Sanctuary Light
has been dedicated
'In Memory of Martyn Bryan'



First Reading

Isaiah 42. 1-9

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

Here is my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;
I have put my spirit upon him;
he will bring forth justice to the nations.
He will not cry or lift up his voice,
or make it heard in the street;
a bruised reed he will not break,
and a dimly burning wick he will not
quench;

he will faithfully bring forth justice.

He will not grow faint or be crushed
until he has established justice in the earth;
and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

Thus says God, the Lord,
who created the heavens and stretched
them out,
who spread out the earth and what comes
from it,

who gives breath to the people upon it
and spirit to those who walk in it:

I am the Lord, I have called you in
righteousness,

I have taken you by the hand and kept you;
I have given you as a covenant to the people,
a light to the nations,
to open the eyes that are blind,
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
from the prison those who sit in darkness.

I am the Lord, that is my name;
my glory I give to no other,
nor my praise to idols.

See, the former things have come to pass,
and new things I now declare;
before they spring forth,
I tell you of them.

Second Reading

Acts 10. 34-43

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

Gospel

Matthew 3. 13-end.

Hear the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, 'I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?' But Jesus answered him, 'Let it be so now; for

it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness.' Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.'



Primary & Secondary School Supplementary Forms

A gentle reminder to all parents and guardians about the system we use to help us complete **Primary and Secondary School Supplementary Forms**: For consistency and fairness, the PCC ask that you use the sign in sheet to record attendance, as we use this data to complete the supplementary forms for all church schools. Please note that each church school sets its own admission's policy, and we encourage you to read the relevant policies so that you are fully informed of the criteria that each school uses in the admission process. Whilst signing in can feel a little formal, we have found over the years that this is the best way for us to treat everyone in exactly the same way and be transparent in our administration of such an important process. If you have any questions, please see **Revd Liz or Margaret**. Thank you.