



Dalsersf Parish Church Newsletter



April 2018



April Church Calendar

Sunday 1st	Easter Sunday
Sunday 1st	Service Rorison (2:30pm)
Thursday 5th	Focus
Sunday 8th	AGM Dalsersf
Wednesday 11th	Saturday Teas Meeting
Sunday 15th	Praise Evening Dalsersf
Wednesday 25th	Session Meeting
Friday 27th	Nursing Homes

Mission Statement

“Dalsersf Church exists to make disciples of Jesus Christ through the preaching of the word and witness of every member”

All Welcome

Worship at Dalsersf Church is at 11.30am Sundays, all year through

Worship at Rorison Church is on 1st Sunday of each month at 2.30pm

Sunday Pathfinders (Sunday school) is at 11.30am (term time)

Mondays

Bible Study is at 11.00am, Hamilton Hall

Girls Brigade is from 6.15pm, Rorison

House Group is on 1st Monday of each month at 1.30pm

Thursdays

Boys Brigade from 5.45pm, Rorison

Announcements

Deaths

Agnes Murray on Fri 23rd February 2018

Weddings

Aileen Gill to Keith Cowan
On Friday 9th March 2018

Bible Verse of the Month



Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him. The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Romans 6:8-11

Nursing Home Visits

On the last Friday of each month. Please come along and support our visits to the homes.

- 1.45pm Clinton House
- 2.15pm Ballantine Court (1)
- 2.45pm Ballantine Court (2)



Prayer for Others

May the light of God surround you,
May the love of God enfold you,
May the power of God protect you,
May God place his healing hands upon you and heal you quickly,
May the presence of God watch over you,
Wherever your God is, Amen



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Prayer of the Month

Lord God,
 you loved this world so much,
 that you gave your one and only Son,
 that we might be called your
 children too.

Lord, help us to live in the gladness and
 grace of Easter Sunday, every day.

Let us have hearts of thankfulness
 for your sacrifice.

Let us have eyes that look upon
 your grace and rejoice in our salvation.

Help us to walk in that mighty grace
 and tell your good news to the world.

All for your glory do we pray,
 Lord,
 Amen.

APRIL: by the time most of you read this letter we will have CELEBRATED EASTER!

It always seems strange to me that this season of the Christian Calendar is never given the same, or more, credence as Christmas!

Why do I say this? Well, Easter is, or should be, the highest focus of our Christian faith. Our faith is an EASTER faith.

This is the point when Jesus offered himself to die the cruellest of deaths on a cross. In this act he took upon himself our sin and died our death so that all who would believe in him would have eternal life.

The cross is the sign of Christ's dying for each one of us. He did not need to die on that cross, but he chose to die as sign of the great love that God has for us that he was willing to give his only Son so that we might know his love and forgiveness.

However, there is another, victorious, element to the EASTER story, and that is the empty tomb! By raising Christ to life from death God demonstrates his power over the final enemy. Here God offers to all who would believe in his Son that same gift of new life, eternal life!

What a wonderful affirmation of our worth to God!

I ask the question; Why does Easter not carry the same excitement and anticipation with which we celebrate Christmas??

We could blame the commercial world and the chocolate eggs and chocolate bunnies but really the real blame lies with us who proclaim Christ as Lord and Saviour. How often do we share with non-believers the joy of this wondrous EASTER reality?

This world, today, is a fairly bleak place with exposures of corruption and abuse; of hardship and cruelty; of wars and violence. Is it not about time we lived our EASTER faith and brought that LIGHT of the risen Lord into the darkness of society?

May the joy, hope and assurance of the EASTER story bring a reality to your life as you try to live as Christ desires us all to live.

John Stevenson (Locum)

"FATHER, FORGIVE THEM, FOR THEY KNOW NOT WHAT THEY DO"



Luke 23:34

" You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead. We are witnesses of this "
 (Acts 3:15)





Congregational Lunch and AGM

The Congregational Lunch and Annual General Meeting will take place immediately after the morning worship on Sunday 8th April 2018.

Members and adherents are all cordially invited to share in food and fellowship. This is a time to ask questions and to state your views, and also to hear the latest news regarding the future of Dalserf Church.

If you would like to attend, and also if you require transport afterwards, please speak to Sheena Archibald.

Bruce Archibald

House Group

The House Group meets at 1:30pm on the first Monday of every month at 96 Craignethan Crescent, Netherburn.

We share Bible readings, discussion, prayer and wonderful Christian fellowship, including tea of course!

Please join us for all or any of our monthly meetings and enjoy the welcome given by Mary Grove who generously opens her house to us.

Lorna Brodie

Puzzle Time



The SWEET Truth of Easter

These candies tell a story~
the best news you'll ever hear.
~It's about Jesus dying on the cross
so that we could be brought near.

So hold them and turn them and you will see...
the "M" become a "W" an "E" and then a "3"

The "E" stands for... Easter....
God's everlasting love and His eternal plan.

It reminds us of the cross
and the way God rescued sinful man

The "3" represent the 3 days Jesus spent in the grave....
By His death, His children He did save

The "M" reminds us of the mercy the Messiah showed
as He died in our place.
and the miracle of the resurrection
so we can see Him face to face.

The "W" reminds us... that He alone
is worthy of our worship and praise
and calls us to be His witnesses
around the world for all of our days.

Easter Word Search

S	C	B	M	N	E	J	E	S	U	S	C	H	R	I	S	T
K	A	A	P	O	D	V	G	V	A	R	E	J	O	I	C	E
J	R	V	M	S	P	R	A	Y	E	R	W	C	B	V	F	S
Y	N	O	I	X	I	F	I	C	U	R	C	T	R	M	L	E
L	A	P	C	O	I	E	B	Q	O	X	B	B	N	O	O	L
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T	R	E	P	P	U	S	T	S	A	L	Y	E	M	B	L	S
S	H	L	U	P	V	Y	T	K	V	F	D	M	T	E	K	O
O	C	A	R	N	E	P	A	X	R	E	S	I	H	M	R	P
C	R	M	E	P	E	N	L	D	M	A	N	A	O	I	E	A
E	U	B	I	K	G	A	A	P	I	J	R	R	R	R	V	V
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N	C	N	C	A	M	I	E	O	C	T	F	Y	S	C	S	J
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- APOSTLES
- BETRAYAL
- CAVE
- CHURCH
- CROSS
- CROWN
- CRUCIFIXION
- DISCIPLES
- FAITH
- GOOD FRIDAY

- JESUS CHRIST
- JUDAS
- LAMB
- LAST SUPPER
- LENT
- MARY
- MIRACLE
- PASSOVER
- PENANCE
- PENTECOST

- PRAYER
- REDEMPTION
- REJOICE
- RESURRECTION
- RISEN
- SAVIOR
- SON
- THORNS
- TOMB

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die;" (John 11:25)



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Rotas



	 Coffee	 Crèche	 Flowers
1st Apr	Mr & Mrs Archibald	as required	Ms M Watt (Rowan Bank)
8th Apr	Mr Johnstone & Mrs Kelly	as required	Mrs & Mrs Gilmour (Lanark)
15th Apr	Mrs Clarkson & Mrs Gilmour	as required	Mrs L Marshall (Ashgill)
22nd Apr	Mrs Blair	as required	Mrs K Blair (Ashgill)
29th Apr	Mr & Mrs Harvey	as required	Mrs I Baillie (Over Dalsersh)
6th May	To be confirmed	as required	Mrs A Warnock (Crossford)

Items for next Newsletter

If you have any news or information that you wish to submit for the newsletter for May 2018, the deadline will be Sunday 15th of April 2018. Please contact the editor with your content by this date.

" With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all "

(Acts 4:33)

