

## WELCOME and NOTICES

## OFFERING PRAYER

### OPENING MUSIC: Here in this place (first 2 verses)

Watch video <https://youtu.be/lbNXqjwh8is>

*We will sing all of this song later in the service.*

Here in this place new light is streaming,  
now is the darkness vanished away.  
See in this space our fears and our dreamings,  
brought here to you in the light of this day.  
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken,  
gather us in, the blind and the lame.  
Call to us now and we shall awaken,  
we shall arise at the sound of our name.  
We are the young, our lives are a mystery.  
we are the old who yearn for your face.  
We have been sung throughout all of history,  
called to be light to the whole human race.  
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty,  
gather us in, the proud and the strong.  
Give us a heart so meek and so lowly,  
give us the courage to enter the song.

Here we will take the wine and the water,  
here we will take the bread of new birth.  
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters,  
call us anew to be salt for the earth.  
Give us to drink the wine of compassion,  
give us to eat the bread that is you.  
Nourish us well and teach us to fashion  
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.  
Not in the dark of buildings confining,  
not in some heaven light years away  
But here in this place, the new light is shining;  
now is the kingdom, now is the day.  
Gather us in and hold us forever,  
gather us in and make us your own.  
Gather us in, all peoples together,  
fire of love in our flesh and our bone (repeat last line)

*Marty Haugen © 1982, GIA*

## INTRODUCTION and ACTIVITY (Joan Cape)

### PRAYER (Joan Cape)

#### SONG: Strength will rise

Watch video <https://youtu.be/f9SDIs145v8>

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord.  
We will wait upon the Lord.  
We will wait upon the Lord.  
Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord.  
We will wait upon the Lord.  
We will wait upon the Lord.  
Our God, You reign forever.  
Our hope, our Strong Deliverer.  
You are the everlasting God, the everlasting God.  
You do not faint, You won't grow weary.  
You're the defender of the weak  
You comfort those in need  
You lift us up on wings like eagles. (repeat from beginning)  
You are the everlasting God....

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### ALL-AGE SPOT (Joan Cape)

### PRAYER (John)

#### SONG: Blessed be the name of the Lord

Watch video <https://youtu.be/7jX4mQK8I7Y>

Blessèd be the name of the Lord,  
blessèd be the name of the Lord,  
blessèd be the name of the Lord, Most High. (repeat)  
The name of the Lord is a strong tower:  
the righteous run into it and they are saved.  
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Blessèd be the name of the Lord,  
blessèd be the name of the Lord,  
blessèd be the name of the Lord, Most High. (repeat)  
Jesus is the name of the Lord,  
Jesus is the name of the Lord,  
Jesus is the name of the Lord, Most High. (repeat)

*Clinton Utterbach © 1988, Polygram Music (Proverbs 18:10)*

## SONG: I will offer up my life

Watch video <https://youtu.be/5tYEo0DXcIE>

I will offer up my life in spirit and truth,  
pouring out the oil of love as my worship to you.  
In surrender I must give my every part;  
Lord, receive the sacrifice of a broken heart.  
*Jesus, what can I give, what can I bring  
to so faithful a friend, to so loving a King?  
Saviour, what can be said, what can be sung  
as a praise of your name for the things you have done?  
Oh, my words could not tell, not even in part,  
of the debt of love that is owed by this thankful heart.*

You deserve my every breath  
for you've paid the great cost;  
giving up your life to death, even death on a cross.  
You took all my shame away,  
there defeated my sin,  
opened up the gates of heaven,  
and have beckoned me in.

*Jesus, what can I give...*

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## BIBLE READING (Caroline McIntosh)

### 1 John 3: 16-24 (Christian Standard Bible)

This is how we have come to know love: He laid down his life for us. We should also lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters. If anyone has this world's goods and sees a fellow believer in need but withholds compassion from him – how does God's love reside in him? Little children, let us not love in word or speech, but in action and in truth.

This is how we will know that we belong to the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows all things.

Dear friends, if our hearts don't condemn us, we have confidence before God and receive whatever we ask from him because we keep his commands and do what is pleasing in his sight. Now this is his command: that we believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another as he commanded us. The one

who keeps his commands remains in him, and he in him. And the way we know that he remains in us is from the Spirit he has given us.

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## REFLECTIONS (John)

### SONG: May this place be one of nurture

Watch video <https://youtu.be/AvR-gFz6L5I>

May this place be one of nurture  
where we all may come to know  
how your endless love sustains us  
as we live and move and grow.  
May we work to build your kingdom  
full of truth and light and grace,  
living life in all its fullness  
held in one divine embrace.

For our negligence and failures  
you have called us to repent,  
drawing energy for action  
from the voices of lament.  
As the secret hurts long hidden  
may at last be brought to light,  
may the truth unlock the freedom  
that is every person's right.

When the smallest child is valued,  
and the strong empower the weak,  
and each human life is hallowed  
and the unheard voices speak:  
then your justice stands like mountains  
and your mercy falls like rain,  
and you hold the brokenhearted  
till they learn to live again.

So in gratitude we praise you,  
and we lift to you in prayer,  
all the people you are calling  
to this ministry of care.  
Give us wisdom, grace and courage,  
holding fast to all that's good,  
seeing Christ in one another  
we will love and serve our Lord.

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### PRAYERS for OTHER PEOPLE and OURSELVES

(led by Andrew Dunsire)

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and for ever. Amen.**

### SONG: Here in this place

*See OPENING MUSIC for the words.*

### THE BLESSING

#### CLOSING MUSIC: God waits

Watch video [https://youtu.be/\\_XSInO-5KG8](https://youtu.be/_XSInO-5KG8)

God weeps  
at love withheld, at strength misused,  
at children's innocence abused,  
and till we change the way we love,  
God weeps.

God bleeds  
at anger's fist, at trust betrayed,  
at women battered and afraid,  
and till we change the way we win,  
God bleeds.

God cries  
at hungry mouths, at running sores,  
at creatures dying without cause,  
and till we change the way we care,  
God cries.

God waits  
for stones to melt, for peace to seed,  
for hearts to hold each other's need,  
and till we understand the Christ,  
God waits.

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## Penicuik Trinity Community Church (Church of Scotland)



**Welcome to our service today,  
Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2025**

Whether you come here regularly,  
or are a visitor, we are glad  
that you can be with us today.

**We hope you'll stay after the service  
for tea/coffee and fellowship in the hall.**

### KIDSPACE

If you have children with you today, we have  
activities for them during the service.  
Please ask a welcomer, or listen out for  
announcements from the front.

### PRAYER

If you would like someone to pray with you,  
members of the prayer team will be glad to meet  
with you after the service, at the back of the church.

**Next week: Psalm 121**

Church website:  
[www.penicuiktrinitycommunity.church](http://www.penicuiktrinitycommunity.church)

## **PASTORAL CARE**

Please let us know of anyone who would like a telephone call, or a visit at home or in hospital.

Please phone Margaret Webster on 672347  
or Wilma Wilson on 07719 665505

## **TCC PRAYER MEETING**

**Tonight at 7.15 in the hall.** All welcome

## **THE GUILD**

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2pm in the hall:** all welcome.

Colinton Tunnels - Mike Scott/Eddie Banks

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meets each Tuesday evening in school term-time between 7-9 pm. Anyone between the ages of 11-17 interested in attending is most welcome to come along. We are currently following Youth for Christ material. The group is very informal and always includes food/drinks and time for people to chat and get to know each other better.

Contact Ann or Andrew Dunsire for further details (07974 605590 / 07580 593504).

## **CHRISTMAS FAYRE**

**Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November 10-12 in the hall**

Donations may be brought to the hall on Friday afternoon.

## **COFFEE AND CHAT at TCC**

**Every Thursday in the hall, 10am-12noon**

A warm invitation is extended to all.

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Pop in, bring a friend, stay for 10 mins or 2 hours.

## **RENEW 26**

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A café style space where it's ok not to be ok

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Our Bible Study/House Groups, are open to all who are interested: **Full details on the notice board.**

## FOOD FACTS FRIENDS: Midlothian Toy Appeal

From Kathleen Downey: I have been asked to take over organising the joint Advent events between Penicuik churches and Food Facts Friends. This year we are looking for people who can help with:

Crafts both for adults and children.

(Crafts can either be provided or you can bring along a favourite one yourself.)

Sitting and talking to the clients and visitors

Sharing the churches' Christmas Card programme

Carol singing .... or any new ideas.

The other activity where we are looking for some support at FFF is the Christmas Toys donation appeal.

We hope to be able to offer families a Christmas wrapping service. (This would be after they have made their choice of toys.)

If you are free to give an hour or a morning, please let me know which dates you are free from any Saturday, i.e. 29th Nov (the Saturday before Advent), 6th, 13th or 20th Dec. Also, please say what you would be interested in doing. **There's a sheet in the hall for you to sign up for activities on different dates.**

## PENICUIK NORTH KIRK FOODSTORE

is seeking donations from individuals or groups to support up to 35 families this Christmas. If you'd like to support a family for Christmas, or if you'd prefer to make a general contribution toward the overall cost of supporting the families this Christmas, please let Jan

Naylor (07740621814) know **no later than 21<sup>st</sup> November.** Details on church notice board.

## CHRISTMAS IS COMING! Details next week

**CROSSREACH: Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2025, 7-9pm**  
at the wonderful P's & G's Church, Edinburgh

## ORIGIN: Christmas with Origin Scotland

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