



**Trinity Community Church Guild Afternoon Tea**

*Saturday 7th June, 2-4pm*

**Ticket £7**  
Ticket only

Tickets available from any Guild member, and every Sunday morning at church

**Deep Sea Divers is the theme for this years Holiday Club**

**29th July - 1st August in Trinity Community Church Hall**

if you are interested in being part of the "dive team" or the "support (prayer) team" then please see **Agnes Haggart or Ruth Aird.**

**Stop Press**  
Church Hall refurbishment starts week commencing 5 May. Small Hall and kitchen out of bounds until further notice.

**Planned Guests for Heart of the Matter May 2025**

<https://www.heartofthematter.biz/>

Date	Guest	
4 May	Paula Roots MBE	Depute Session Clerk Kirkliston Parish Church
11 May	VE and Wartime Reflections	Midlothian Residents
18 May	Rev Neil Glover	Author and Broadcaster
25 May	Steven McLeish	The Leprosy Mission Scotland Country Head

**Weekly Broadcasting Schedule**  
Black Diamond FM 107.8: Sunday 9 am. and 7 am. (repeat)  
Crystal FM 107.4: Sunday at 11 am., 12 midnight, Sunday, Tuesday 11am.  
Alive FM: 107.3: Sunday 12 noon, Tuesday 1 am.  
All above on FM and online

**Trinity Community Diary**

3 May 9.00 - 10.30am	Prayer Breakfast - Church Hall. Praying for all our Penicuik children and young people.
4, 11, 18, 25 May 7.15pm	Sunday Evening Prayer Meeting. - Church Hall
5, 12, 19, 26 May 7.00pm	Monday Bible Study Group - Small Hall. Details Kathleen Downey 07985 294495
5, 12, 19, 26 May 7.15pm	Monday Bible Study Group - Zoom. Details Sheena Dawe 07810 477597
5, 12, 19, 26 May 7.30pm	Monday Bible Study Group - Various homes. Details Ruth Aird <a href="mailto:rutheaird@outlook.com">rutheaird@outlook.com</a>
5, 12, 19, 26 May 7.30pm	Monday Bible Study Group - - Zoom. Details from Neil & Joan Cape 674276
6, 13, 20, 27 May 7.30pm	Tuesday Youth Bible Group (TYBG) - Contact Ann 07974 605590 or Andrew 07580 593504
6, 13, 20, 27 May 10.00am	Tuesday House Group - Small Hall. Details Mary Darling 01968 660585.
6, 13, 20, 27 May 7.00pm	Tuesday House Group - Various homes. Details Caroline McIntosh 07747 894046
7, 21, 28 May 10.00am	Wednesday Bible Study Group - Small Hall
8, 15, 22, 29 May 10.00am to 12 noon	Thursday Coffee and Chat - Church Hall
11 May Sunday Service 11.00am	Christian Aid Service - in the sanctuary.
11 May 3.30 to 5.30pm	Messy Church - Church Hall
14 May 2025	Friendship Hour - Small Hall ( Details contact Margaret Webster 07761 096472)
19 May 7.30pm	Acorn Evening with Paul Haringman - in the church sanctuary
24 May 10.00am to 12 noon	Christian Aid Grand Coffee Morning - Church Hall (Coffee and cakes, baking & mystery stalls)
27 May 7.30pm	Penicuik Churches Together Songs of Praise service - in the church sanctuary.
1 June 7.30pm	Presbytery Praise, - in church sanctuary, with the Rev Keith Mack
7 June 2.00pm to 4.00pm	Guild Afternoon Tea - Church Hall

**Pastoral Care** - Please remember that we are always here for church members and for anyone in the community, and you are welcome to phone (in confidence) at any time for a chat, prayer, or to source other help or to request a visit;  
Either: John Urquhart (01968 382116; Margaret Webster (01968 672347 or 07761 096 472) or Wilma Wilson (07719 665505)

**TC News**

MAY 2025  
Newsletter of Penicuik Trinity Community Church

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**All age gatherings celebrate Resurrection Sunday**

**Members of the Penicuik Churches Together and beyond met on Easter Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> April to celebrate the Risen Christ.**

The first gathering was before dawn at St. James the Less where some 20 plus early risers of all ages gathered to walk to the top of Broomhill. The Rev Nick Bowry led us as we turned to face east toward the rising sun. Although we were silent we could hear the birds already singing signalling the coming of a new day. Though the earth was cold signs of new life and growth surrounded us.



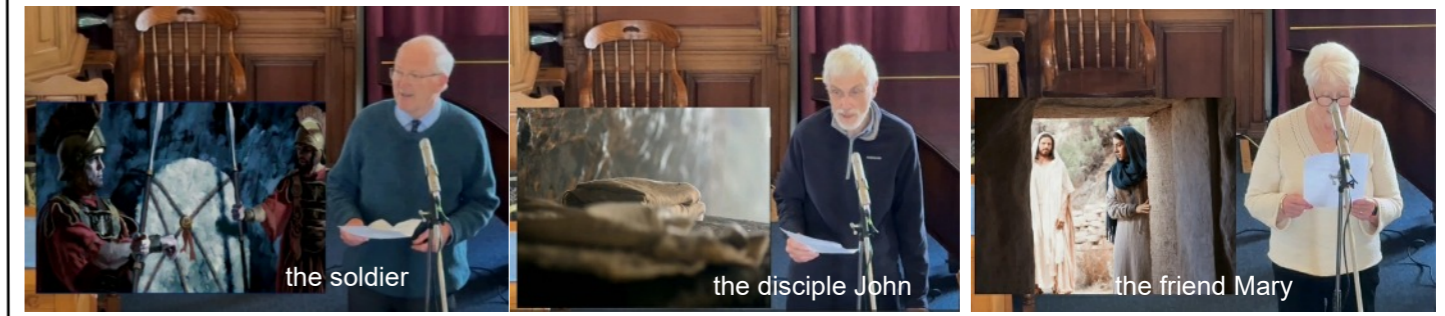
Nick opened with 1 Corinthians 15:20, Christ has been raised from the dead, as the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. We sang Thine be the glory as our opening hymn, followed by a reading from Luke 24 Jesus has Risen. At 5.55am the sun was rising in the east, piercing the light cloud cover of the night, proclaiming the start of a new day. Prayers and praise, included 'Jesus Light of the world shine upon us'.

We descended Broomhill back to St. James the Less for a welcome breakfast with hot drinks, filled rolls Croissants.

At 11am many of us met again at **Trinity Community church** All Age service with Joan Cape leading. Three of our hymns were led by the praise musicians Andrew Dunsire on guitar, Holly Hadwen vocals, and Caroline Toms guitar and vocals. The service included accounts of the Resurrection from the Roman soldier, played by Neil Cape, John the disciple, played by Bill Webster and the friend Mary Magdalene, played by Christine Jackson. Some of the younger children handed out small Easter eggs to the congregation as they left the service at the end.

Both these services included people of all ages. The Trinity Community services address the very young who learn about God and Jesus through our Kidspace activities time on a Sunday morning, with the all age bringing the gospel to young people, mums and dads, grandparents and elderly worshippers. Everyone.

You can watch this Resurrection All Age service at [https://youtu.be/tsDIHtd8x\\_A](https://youtu.be/tsDIHtd8x_A)



## Songs of Praise - 27 May 7.30pm



During Hunter & Lass week Trinity Community Church will play host to this PCT Songs of Praise event.

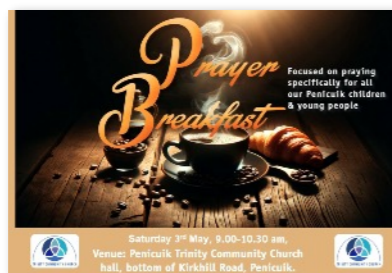


Featuring a range of hymns and songs, some introduced by the people who chose them, telling us why they are special to them.

The Rev Graham Astles, Nick Bowry and Tom McEvoy will lead the event.

## Prayer Breakfast - Saturday 3 May 9.00 - 10.30am

It is encouraging that people come along to pray for all the churches' work amongst children and young people in Penicuik. It was lovely to have a spread of folks from across the churches at our first prayer breakfast in March.



This time two of our young people (Adam & Benjamin) will be making pancakes and hot chocolates and there will also be an opportunity to make a donation to Benjamin's chosen charity, World Extreme Medicine Trust.

## Messy Church - 6 April Report Margaret Webster

We spoke about the Lost Sheep. Jesus said He is our Shepherd, and He loves us and cares for us like the shepherd who looked everywhere to find his one lost sheep.



Talked about how Jesus died on a cross and was resurrected on Easter Sunday to show just how much God loves us.

We rounded up 99 sheep and searched for the lost one.

We made edible sheep and shepherds and sang Jesus love is very wonderful, and ended our afternoon having a meal together.



## Easter Week at Trinity Community

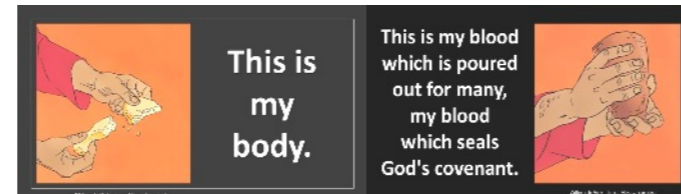


Our church celebrated Easter Holy Week with four services, commencing with Palm Sunday on the 13 April, Easter Monday, which was joint Penicuik Churches Together (PCT) service on the 14th April, Good Friday on 18th and finally Resurrection Sunday on the 20th April. Other PCT joint services were held during the week at Penicuik North Kirk, St. James the Less and Sacred Heart.

### Palm Sunday



Palm Sunday commemorates Jesus's triumphant entry into Jerusalem, where he was greeted by crowds waving palm branches and shouting "Hosanna". This event marks the beginning of Holy Week and is a time for reflecting on both the joy of Jesus's arrival and the subsequent suffering he would endure. John's reflections time took us from the Passover to the last supper, which we celebrate during holy communion,



commemorating the Lord's death taking of a small piece of bread and sip of wine. We are following a commandment given by Jesus, that His followers take in remembrance of Him.

You can watch John's Reflections from our service at <https://youtu.be/IIRAlm3OWP0?feature=shared&t=1332>

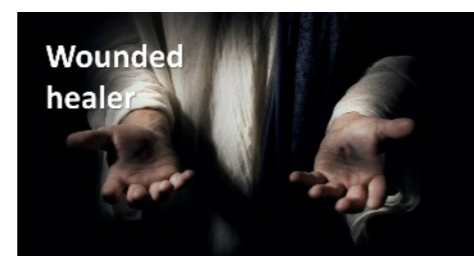
### Holy Week Monday

We continued the Passover story with John's gospel chapter 11 & 12. We hear how the temple chief priests and the Pharisees had given orders that anyone who knew where Jesus was should report it, so that they could arrest him. However six days before Passover Jesus visited the house of Lazarus, whom Jesus had raised from the dead, and was served a meal. Mary bathed the feet of Jesus in expensive aromatic oil, drying them with her hair. Judas, he who would later betray Jesus, attempted to make capital from the situation criticising the loss of revenue for this oil, which could have been given to the poor! The chief priests on hearing of Jesus and Lazarus planned on killing them both, as many of the Jewish people were beginning to believe in Jesus. John Urquhart Reflections covers the full story. <https://youtu.be/CR7YowUyXto?feature=shared&t=385>

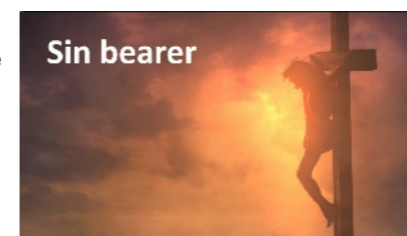


### Good Friday

The evening service covered the final stage before Jesus is taken to the cross. Reading from Matthew 26. When Jesus goes to pray in the garden of Gethsemane, accompanied by Peter and the two sons of Zebedee. Later Jesus chastises the disciples when he finds them asleep, not once but three times. After Judas betrayed Jesus who was then arrested we heard how Peter followed, but on questioning denied any knowledge of Jesus, not once but three times. When a cock crowed Peter recalled that Jesus prophesied that Peter would deny him, and he wept bitterly. Our final reading from John 19 followed Jesus carrying his own cross to Calvary, his crucifixion, death and removal from the cross to a nearby empty tomb. John's reflections took the words of Thabiti Anyabwile in *Christianity Today*; "He committed no sins" and "By his wounds you have been healed" (1Peter 2: 22-24). Although Jesus committed no sin he carried our sin onto the cross.



John Urquhart Reflections covers the full story. <https://youtu.be/WUO0JBOVsu0?feature=shared&t=679>



On the third day He rose again and the story of our celebrations on **Resurrection Sunday** is the lead story on page 1

## Christian Aid Week 11-17 May



Janis Hogg our church Christian Aid organiser will have her famous collection Bucket available for your donations. Also envelopes for those who can commit to adding gift Aid to their donation, further enhancing your giving at no extra cost to you.

## Christian Aid Week: Grand Coffee Morning! Saturday 24th May 10 - 12.



Coffee and cakes - baking stall - mystery stalls too! Come and enjoy, look and join in the fun!

