

# The Communicant

News and Notices for the Diocese of Edinburgh

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## NOTICES

### YOUTH & CHILDREN

#### News from the Youth and Children Officer

Design a Brilliant Banner : Closing date coming up 1 September. Please encourage children and young people in your church to enter the competition to design a brilliant banner for Play Church – and win an ice-cream maker!

Also, A big thank you to congregations across the Diocese who sent delegates to the Provincial Youth Week at Glenalmond this year, and to everyone who supported us in prayer. It was a wonderful week - you can read all about it in the latest Youth and Children Newsletter here [http://www.edinburgh.anglican.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/Summer\\_2016\\_Newsletter.pdf](http://www.edinburgh.anglican.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/Summer_2016_Newsletter.pdf)



### ALL

## Bishop of Edinburgh Lent Appeal 2016


The total sum donated to this year's appeal was **£13,650** and payments have just been made to the 2 beneficiaries – **Faith in Older People** and the **Ecumenical Accompaniment Programme in Palestine and Israel**. This is, once again, a wonderful amount raised by *your* congregations and, on the beneficiaries' behalf, please thank your congregations for their generosity.

**Maureen O'Neill, FiOP's Director, writes:** *"We are incredibly grateful for the very generous donation. The support is so important to us, and I can assure you that the monies will be put to good use in extending and developing our work, a lot of which is currently around developing dementia-friendly faith communities".*

**Teresa Parker from EAPPI writes :**

*The generous contribution from Scottish Episcopal Church-Edinburgh towards the Ecumenical Accompaniment Programme in Palestine and Israel (EAPPI) will help us to take forward this work, carried out on behalf of Churches Together in*



	<p><i>Britain and Ireland, other Christian agencies and Quakers in Britain. It is thanks to the ongoing contributions and support of many people including Scottish Episcopal Church that we are able to undertake this work.</i></p> <p><i>Ecumenical Accompaniers (EAs) are getting an increasing number of requests to stand with families who have had their homes, wells or other community infrastructure demolished. EAs are often the first people to arrive, offer support and inform other agencies that emergency tents, water tankers, food and animal fodder are needed. When the immediate need has been dealt with, EAs collect evidence about the demolition to inform the EU and national governments.</i></p> <p><i>The long-term support from churches in Scotland is valuable on many levels and we truly value our ongoing relationship with you all. If you would like more information about the work carried out by EAPPI, please contact <a href="mailto:eappi@quaker.org.uk">eappi@quaker.org.uk</a></i></p>
CLERGY & TREASURERS	<p>The SEC is a founding member of the new <b>Churches' Mutual Credit Union</b>. CMCU has been set up as a joint initiative involving the Church of England, Church of Scotland, Church in Wales, the Methodist Church and ourselves. It is open to clergy, lay readers, church employees (including diocesan staff) and vestry members. General Synod has welcomed the establishment of the Credit Union and encourages support for its work.</p> <p>Additional information regarding membership and loans (including car loans) is available from the CMCU website at <a href="http://cmcu.org.uk">http://cmcu.org.uk</a></p>  <p>Whilst, as yet, membership is restricted, it is the hope of CMCU, once it has built an established track record, to be open to all church members and expand its denominational base. The Ven Antony MacRow-Wood, who was instrumental in the establishment of CMCU, says : <i>"Credit unions need to become, and be recognised as, a mainstream alternative to using a bank and to do that they need to serve a wide cross-section of society. Then they will be able to leverage what I call 'the credit union advantage' to achieve their social objectives. This advantage includes, the use of volunteers, payroll deduction (reducing both transaction costs and delinquency) and not having external shareholders. To reach out to that wider cross-section of society requires a changing of the public's perception about credit unions. There is a need to raise the 'brand image' so they are not just seen as a 'poor person's bank' but institutions that can offer an equivalent level of service and products as mainstream banks".</i></p> <p>CMCU aspires to do just that. Additionally by introducing clergy to the benefits of credit union membership they are better able explain those benefits to others. We understand that vestries are able to open accounts with CMCU if they wish to. Fuller information will be available from CMCU direct.</p> <p><i>John Stuart</i>  <i>Secretary General, Scottish Episcopal Church</i></p>
ALL	<p><b>The Very Reverend Norman MacCallum</b> died at the end of July. Norman was a Team Priest in Livingston from 1972 to 1982, and then moved to be Priest in Charge of Grangemouth &amp; Bo'ness, until 2000. From 1996 he was also a Canon of St Mary's Cathedral, and our Synod Clerk, until his move to be Provost of Oban in 2000. His funeral took place 5th August at St John's Cathedral, Oban Please pray for his widow, Barbara, and their family.</p>



## YOUTH & CHILDREN



### Brilliant Banner Competition

Play Church could be coming soon to a church near you... It's a child-sized church especially for children, and it needs a beautiful banner to hang above the altar. This summer sees a **competition for under 18s** to design this banner. Things to think about when designing: **COLOUR** - make it bright and beautiful!

**SHAPES** - think about Christian symbols and what you want your design to say about welcoming children to church. Google 'church hangings' for ideas but be original!

**SIZE** - remember that the winning design will be sewn in fabric and will be seen in big church buildings: make it big, bold and not too fiddly! The hanging will be 1m tall and 80cm wide, so designs should be on A4 paper and measure 20cm x 16cm. Please encourage children in your church to enter – they could win an ice cream maker and the chance to see their design, sewn in fabric, in pride of place above the Play Church altar. Closing date: 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016. More info and submissions [youthandchildren@dioceseofedinburgh.org](mailto:youthandchildren@dioceseofedinburgh.org) Office direct line: 0131 346 9081 Work mobile: 0747 372 8148

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**Accommodation Sought** Jason Lingiah, is a student in training for the United Free Church ministry who is looking for rented accommodation. He wondered if any of the 'Edinburgh Churches Together' denominations had available accommodation available to rent over the next year, something like a vacant minister's manse. He is able to pay Council Tax and look after the manse and grounds and pay up to £500 per month rent. He is in his final year of training for full time church ministry, would be finished his probationary period by Easter and would be settled elsewhere by the end of the summer. If you knew of suitable accommodation to rent (that is available to start rent over next few weeks), Jason can be contacted on [jasonlingiah@gmail.com](mailto:jasonlingiah@gmail.com)

## ALL

### ITEMS FOR 'SALE':

The **General Synod Office** owns an electric stairclimber which enables users in wheelchairs to climb/descend stairs. Following the completion of a ramp to provide access to the rear of the General Synod Office, we have no continuing need for the stairclimber. It was originally gifted to the office and we would now wish to gift it on to any church which would like it.


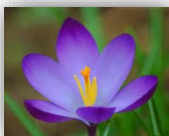


If you are interested, please contact Donna Glass [DonnaG@scotland.anglican.org](mailto:DonnaG@scotland.anglican.org) at the General Synod Office. First come, first served!

The **Diocesan Office** now has a spare laser printer, and we would like to offer this free to any of our congregations. It is a **Canon LBP7750C** and is in good working condition. We have a couple of spare toners to bundle in. If anyone would like it for non-church use, we would welcome a donation, which we would put into next year's Bishop's Lent Appeal. Contact Simon, Sam or Elizabeth at the Diocesan Office.





Sunday 21 August	Bishop John preaching and presiding at St Ebba's Eyemouth
Wednesday 24 August	The Adventures in Faith reference group meets today
Tuesday 30 August	The Bishop institutes Revd Willie Shaw as Rector of St Mary's Grangemouth and St Catherine's Bo'ness
	 <p>Advanced notice: Autumn 2016 Synod - <b>Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2016</b> from 5.30pm at Palmerston Place Church, Edinburgh</p>
	 <p>Advanced notice: Spring 2017 Synod - <b>Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2017</b> at St Paul's &amp; St George's Church, Edinburgh</p>

## CHANGES

- Revs Maggie and Nigel Rode retired from the shared post of Associate Priest, Christ Church, Morningside w.e.f 17 July 2016
- Revd Maurice Houston, retired, Rector St Cuthbert's Colinton, August 2016
- Revd Grace Redpath, Ordained as Priest, Saturday 3 September 2016, St Andrew's Kelso
- Mr Oliver Brewer-Lennon and Mrs Jane Green, Ordained Deacons, 25 September, St Mary's Cathedral Edinburgh
- Revd Yousouf Gooljary, as Assistant Rector, Christ Church, Morningside w.e.f 15 September 2016
- Revd Dr Kenneth Fleming, Ordained as Priest, 18 September, St Mary's Cathedral Edinburgh
- Revd Dr Jenny Wright, Ordained as Priest, 21 September, Old St Paul's Edinburgh





Please pray for those to be Licensed  
as Lay Readers at Michaelmas

Elizabeth Gordon

John Starr

Paul Stollard

Faithful and compassionate God,  
your Spirit guides the Church  
and makes it holy;  
hear the prayers we offer,  
that in the particular ministry  
of preaching and teaching,  
communication and catechesis  
to which you have called these your servants,  
they may serve you faithfully,  
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Amen



Please pray for those to be ordained  
to the Diaconate at Michaelmas

Nick Bowry

Oliver Brewer-Lennon

Jane Green

Norma Higgott

and for the congregations in the  
Dioceses of Aberdeen and Orkney,  
Edinburgh,  
and Moray, Ross and Caithness,  
in which they will serve.

Almighty God, the giver of all good gifts,  
by your Holy Spirit you have appointed  
various orders of ministry in the Church:  
look with mercy on your servants  
now called to be deacons;  
maintain them in truth  
and renew them in holiness,  
that by word and good example  
they may faithfully serve you  
to the glory of your name  
and the benefit of your Church;  
through the merits of our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

Scottish Episcopal Institute  
Scottish Episcopal Church



The St. Columba's Hospice in-patient unit treats over 450 patients and cares for their families every year, free at the point of need. We have an exceptional clinical environment and are committed to delivering the highest quality care to patients and support to their families. Our patients face a range of conditions, including cancer, respiratory disease, heart failure and MND. We currently have a part-time vacancy to join our dedicated team:



# Hospice Chaplain

**Band 6 £26,565 to £35,577 pro rata, per annum + unsocial hours enhancement + Pension**

**Part-time 34 hours per week**

We are looking for an approachable, encouraging and compassionate Chaplain with significant experience of working within healthcare to join our specialist multi-professional Supportive Care Team.

The role of the Supportive Care Team is to support people to live as they choose, to be where they want to be as independently as possible for as long as they can, and provide the opportunity to (re)discover hope and peace as they approach the end of their life. As part of the multidisciplinary team, the Chaplain is an integral part of the holistic care provided to people and their families at St Columba's.

With experience of working within a spiritual care setting, you will lead and develop our spiritual care service engaging the interests and meeting the needs of patients, families and carers of all backgrounds and beliefs. You will work well within a multi-disciplinary team, and enjoy teaching and being involved in the recruitment, support and supervision of volunteers.

*For an informal discussion about the role or to arrange a visit, please contact Becky Chaddock, Head of Supportive Care on: 0131 551 1381 or email: [rchaddock@stcolumbashospice.org.uk](mailto:rchaddock@stcolumbashospice.org.uk)*

**For an application form and job description, visit our website at [www.stcolumbashospice.org.uk](http://www.stcolumbashospice.org.uk); alternatively call 0131 551 7722 or by email [info@stcolumbashospice.org.uk](mailto:info@stcolumbashospice.org.uk)**

**Closing date:** Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2016

Scottish Charity No SC003634





**'Play and Pray'**, the ever-popular 6-week interactive sessions aimed at toddlers and their parents/carers, will begin in the Hall at St Cuthbert's, Westgarth Ave, Colinton, on **Wednesday 14th September from 11.15 am - 12.15 am**. An opportunity for carers and little ones to try out creative ways of becoming aware of God *together*. There are oodles of ways of making prayer fun and

yet real; something parents and children can do together in the midst of the 'untidiness' of everyday life.

Contact Sarah Shaw to sign up. [stcuthbertscurate@gmail.com](mailto:stcuthbertscurate@gmail.com) or call 07943 405 156  
[www.playandpray.net](http://www.playandpray.net)

## St Martin's Art Exhibition 2016

St Martin's Community Resource Centre  
 Dalry Road, corner of Murieston Crescent



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 Becky MacKenzie,  
 a student at  
 Tynecastle High School

**Monday 29 August - Friday 2 September 12 noon - 7pm**  
**Admission Free Cafe with homebakes**

**Monday 28 August**  
**3.30pm Concert by young musicians**  
 from Dalry School and Tynecastle High School.  
 Admission free.

**Saturday 3 September**  
**Coffee Morning**  
 10am - 12.30pm



# SCOTTISH FAITHS ACTION FOR REFUGEES

*'I was a stranger and you welcomed me.'* Matt 25:35

**Thursday 25th August at 7.30 pm**

**in St. Cuthbert's Episcopal Church Hall, Westgarth Ave**

How can we provide a welcome, support and hospitality to local refugees and migrants?

Come and hear David Bradwell, SFAR Refugee Co-ordinator, help us identify practical ways to help.

'I was a stranger and you welcomed me.' Scottish Faiths Action for Refugees (SFAR) is a project which seeks to co-ordinate and promote action by faith communities in Scotland to support asylum seekers and refugees - working with Christian, Jewish, Muslim and Interfaith groups. All are welcome.

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**Scottish National Walsingham**

**2016 Pilgrimage**

Friday September 23rd to Monday September 26th

A time for rest and refreshment.

A time to honour Mary, Mother of God

A time to pray for ourselves, our church and our world

The Walsingham theme for 2016 is, 'Merciful like the Father, Mary the Mother of Mercy.'

Bookings now being taken. Further details from any member of the Walsingham Scottish Pilgrimage Team

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## Festival spirit at St James the Less church, Penicuik



For some time, we've been aware that there are a lot of creative folk in the congregation of St James the Less church in Penicuik. This year, we decided to retrieve our lights from under various bushels, and offer an exhibition to our local community of the art and craft works of the congregation (past and present). We're now working hard to turn the idea into reality! Our "Bright and Beautiful" exhibition will be a contribution to Penicuik's Arts Festival (PENFEST: <https://penicuikarts.org/penfest-2016-2/>).

The exhibition will be displayed in our beautiful church (Broomhill Road, Penicuik, EH26 9EE). There is a free preview evening on Monday 5th September 2016, 7-9 pm, with live music (viols, organ, piano), wine and nibbles. St James' folk are well known for their catering & hospitality so the food table will also be a listed exhibit on the evening of the Preview!

The "Bright and Beautiful" exhibition is open Tuesday 6th September to Saturday 10th September, 10am - 4pm, and Sunday 11th September 2-4pm.

On Sunday 4th September, 2-4pm, we are offering another contribution to Penicuik's PENFEST with an afternoon of "Peace Games" in the church grounds (or in the church hall, depending on the weather). This is to celebrate International Peace day, and will include a wee session around our Peace Pole. Peace Games are non-competitive, and rely on fun collaboration and shared success. This is a free all-age event, but children must be accompanied by an adult.

Our final offering to the PENFEST fun takes place on Wednesday 7th September 7:30-9:30pm at The Art Centre, West Street, Penicuik, EH26 9DL. This will be a concert "Crossing Continents", presented by our very talented Alison Cole, supported by her equally talented family and friends. Alison is a gifted singer with a wide vocal range (I always think her voice is the vocal equivalent of a very favourite dessert!). She will offer a varied programme of songs and music from Europe and the Americas, celebrating folk themes and a sense of place. Tickets £5 from Penicuik Art Centre or from the PENFEST website. Not to be missed!

The full programme is available here: <https://penicuikarts.org/penfest-2016-2/>. Events are all free, at St James the Less church, Broomhill Road, Penicuik, EH26 9EE. Hope to see you there!

Sue Owen

## FESTIVAL AUGUST 2016 AT ST VINCENT'S, STOCKBRIDGE

### Saturday 20th August 2016

3.30pm Festival Choral Evensong: Precentor, The Reverend Fr William Mounsey, The Chapterhouse Singers, Les Shankland (director)

7.30pm Fringe: Aislinn Logan Concert

### Sunday 21st August 2016

10.30am Sung Eucharist 1970 Liturgy: The Reverend Fr William Mounsey

6pm Evensong: Mr Michael Johns-Perring, ordinand

### Wednesday 24th August 2016

8pm Fringe: Matthew Dames, Australian folk singer

### Thursday 25th August 2016

11am Said Eucharist: The Reverend Fr William Mounsey

7pm Fringe: Classical Piano Recital Two Piano Students from Edinburgh Napier University

### Sunday 28th August 2016

10.30am Sung Eucharist: The Reverend Fr William Mounsey

6pm Evensong: The Rector, Canon Allan Maclean

### Wednesday 31st August 2016

8pm Fringe: Matthew Dames, Australian folk singer





On Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August at 7pm at the Odeon, Wester Hailes, Edinburgh, **Premier Christian Radio**, in partnership with **Paramount Pictures UK**, is delighted to invite you and your friends/family and Church members to a **FREE** exclusive preview screening of **Ben-Hur** starring Jack Huston as Judah "Ben-Hur" and Morgan Freeman as Sheik Ilderim.

**Ben-Hur**, is the epic story of Judah "Ben-Hur", a Jewish prince falsely accused of treason by his adopted brother Messala (Toby Kebbell), an officer in the Roman army. Stripped of his title, separated from his family and the woman he loves (Nazanin Boniadi), Judah is forced into slavery. After years at sea, Judah returns to his homeland to seek revenge, but finds redemption.

What they're saying about Ben-Hur:

*"Ben-Hur is a remarkable gift to the global Church. It is a full on epic movie with incredible cinematography. But it also has powerful story lines of faith, reconciliation, forgiveness and hope - a message that our world is aching to hear. Christians can rally behind this film. They will be greatly inspired. It will touch millions of lives for the good."*

**Dr. Geoff Tunnicliffe, Former Secretary General, World Evangelical Alliance**

*"Ben-Hur is one of history's great stories of redemption, and this reimagining of that iconic tale will be a blessing to millions."*

**Dr. David Jeremiah (Turning Point broadcasting 6am on Wednesdays on Premier Christian Radio)**

**Ben Hur goes on general release on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September** so this is an opportunity for you to be one of the first to see one of the most exciting films of 2016.

*Places are limited, and will be on a first come first served basis*, so to register for your **FREE** places to attend this unique screening on **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August at 7pm at the Odeon, 120 Wester Hailes Road, Edinburgh EH14 3HR** follow the link below

<https://my.premier.org.uk/events/booking-pages/ben-hur-2016---booking-page-odeon-edinburgh-leaders>

*We look forward to seeing you there.*

**Ian Britton**

**Church and Partnership Relations**



Leaders in Christian Communications



## St Paul's and St George's Church, Edinburgh

On Saturday 3 September 7.45 pm - 9.30 pm we are running an event at Ps & Gs with Tom Price, particularly aimed at parents and **those working with in older children and youth**. Tom Price is a speaker, cultural commentator and theologian who will be excellent at helping us to understand the media driven world that the 'i generation' live in today and the influence that this has on their understanding of faith and life. The evening will include a presentation, some discussion and a Q & A. (nibbles and wine will also be served!)

Please put the date in your diary, invite others you think may be interested and email [office@psandgs.org.uk](mailto:office@psandgs.org.uk) if you are intending to come.

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### Edinburgh Interfaith Association AGM

Monday September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016, 6.30 – 8.30 pm

Venue: City of Edinburgh Methodist Church, 25 Nicolson Square

Open to all members and anyone interested in finding out more about our work. Meeting followed by community meal. All welcome, please RSVP to [aliya@eifa.org.uk](mailto:aliya@eifa.org.uk)



### Interfaith Service for the International Day of Peace

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September, 7-8pm

Annandale Street Mosque

43-45 Annandale Street, Edinburgh, EH7 4AZ

**Edinburgh Interfaith Association and Annandale Street Mosque invite you to an Interfaith Service for the International Day of Peace. We will pray for peace across the world and for all the victims of war and terrorism.**

The service will be hosted by the Annandale Street Mosque, with a contribution from the Moderator of the Church of Scotland and prayers and reflections from Edinburgh's many faith communities. We hope that there will be strong representation from Edinburgh's political, civic and consulate bodies, as well as the general public, to show unity on this important day.

RSVP to [info@eifa.org.uk](mailto:info@eifa.org.uk) / 0131 283 5427





**Adventures in Faith presents:**

***Safeguarding Training for Spiritual Directors***

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2016  
10.30 coffee, 11am (start) until 3pm**

£5 with soup provided, please bring your own sandwiches  
at The Church of the Good Shepherd, 13 Murrayfield Avenue, Edinburgh, EH12 6AU

The Adventures in Faith programme of the Diocese of Edinburgh is offering an event for trained spiritual directors/accompaniers from any tradition. The day is suitable for new and experienced directors, especially if you have not received safeguarding training in another role.

The day will be led by **Daphne Audsley, Assistant Provincial Officer in the Scottish Episcopal Church for the Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults.**

More information and booking: Elizabeth White [adventures@dioceseofedinburgh.org](mailto:adventures@dioceseofedinburgh.org) or 07398 954 011

**Adventures in Faith event**

**Trinity Centre, Haddington 2pm - 4pm**

**Saturday 10 September Prophets: From Doom to Salvation**

The prophets of Israel as we encounter them in the Hebrew Bible are the distinctive representatives of Hebrew Religion. In looking back at the past, analysing the present and predicting the future, they bear witness to the history of the God of Israel

and his people. The prophets, as mediators between God and the people, played an important role all over the Ancient Near East. However, only the Hebrew prophets come in books that reflect on the relationship between God and his people. We will focus on the emergence of Hebrew prophets and the theological history of Israel that can be glimpsed in their writings.

With Dr Anja Klein, Chancellor's Fellow in Biblical Studies (Hebrew Bible), School of Divinity, University of Edinburgh.

All welcome to one or more events: No booking required for either event; £5 on the door.

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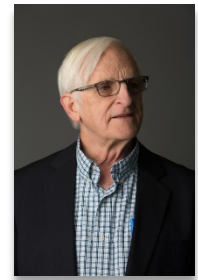
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## An Evening with Matthew Fox

Title: Thomas Merton: A Celtic Mystic, Warrior,  
Eco-prophet and Martyr for our Times.



Sanctuary, Augustine United Church, 41 George IV Bridge, Edinburgh.

Thursday 8 September 2016

Registration: 6.30pm-7pm. Event: 7pm-approximately 9pm.

Event Description: Matthew Fox is an internationally acclaimed theologian and spiritual maverick who has spent the last 40 years revolutionizing Christian theology, taking on patriarchal religion, and advocating for a creation-centered spirituality of compassion and justice and re-sacralizing of the earth.

As a spiritual theologian, he has written over 30 books including *Original Blessing*, *The Coming of the Cosmic Christ*, *A Spirituality Named Compassion*, *Christian Mystics* and *The Pope's War*. His books have been translated into 49 languages and have been known for pioneering a unique approach to spirituality as a powerful force to transform religion, education, and culture.

Originally a Catholic priest, he was silenced for a year and then expelled from the Dominican Order to which he had belonged for 34 years by Cardinal Ratzinger for teaching liberation theology and creation spirituality. Matthew Fox currently serves as an Episcopal priest after he received what he calls "religious asylum" from the Episcopal Church. With exciting results he has worked with young people to create the Cosmic Mass ([www.thecosmicmass.org](http://www.thecosmicmass.org)) to revitalize worship by bringing elements of rave to the western liturgical tradition.

Booking: [www.eicsp.org/events/event-details/404-matthew-fox-8-september-2016](http://www.eicsp.org/events/event-details/404-matthew-fox-8-september-2016)

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### **2-Day Retreat: The Journey from the Mind to the Heart: learning from the wisdom of the Christian mystics.**

Facilitator: Liz Watson.

Skye Room, Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB.

Saturday 17 - Sunday 18 September 2016.

Time: Registration: 9.30am-10am. Retreat Days: 10am-5pm.

Description: Meister Eckhart, 14th century German mystic, considered the journey from the mind to the heart the longest journey any human being could undertake, but also the only journey really worth making. During these two days we will draw from the wisdom of the Christian mystics as we reflect on some of the paradoxes of travelling in the realm of the heart: self-knowledge and self-forgetfulness, discipline and freedom, suffering and joy, solitude and unity, contemplation and action. The weekend will weave together talks, periods of meditation, movement in stillness, reflection in solitude and in common.

Liz Watson, became interested in the Christian mystical tradition after returning to Christianity and beginning to meditate in her early forties. Previously she had pursued a career in public libraries after graduating from Manchester University. She has since studied for an MA in Theology writing her dissertation on 'Theology and Joy'. She is a member of The World Community for Christian Meditation ([www.wccm.org](http://www.wccm.org)), teaching, leading retreats and as a spiritual director. She recently contributed two chapters to the book 'Journey to The Heart' and recorded a CD of short talks, 'Images of Meditation'.

Info and booking: [www.eicsp.org/events/event-details/362-2-day-retreat-the-journey-from-the-mind-to-the-heart-17-18-september-2016](http://www.eicsp.org/events/event-details/362-2-day-retreat-the-journey-from-the-mind-to-the-heart-17-18-september-2016)





**SCOTTISH CHURCHES  
DISABILITY GROUP  
and EDINBURGH &  
LOTHIANS  
ROOFBREAKERS**



## **FAITH & WORSHIP STORIES**

**People with disabilities share their experience  
of church life**

**Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> October 2016**

**11.15 a.m. to 3.30 p.m.**

**Davidson's Mains Church**

**1 Quality Street, Edinburgh EH4 5BB**

SCDG and Roofbreakers want everyone to participate fully in worship and church life, whether or not they have a disability. We invite you and your friends and family to join in our annual gathering.

Basic charge for lunch and refreshments: £6.50

For those who can afford to contribute to the full costs: £12

Booking form **by 26<sup>th</sup> September:**

**Miss Barbara Graham, SCDG Secretary,  
[barbara.graham74@btinternet.com](mailto:barbara.graham74@btinternet.com) Tel. 01563-522108**



# **THE SCOTTISH GUILD OF SERVERS**

## **The Eighty Eighth Annual Festival and Annual General Meeting**

**St Mary's Cathedral, Palmerston Place,  
Edinburgh**

**Saturday 3rd September 2016**

The Festival will commence with High Mass at 1.30pm

Celebrant – The Warden

Preacher – Rev Canon Dr Alison Peden

This will be followed by refreshments  
after which the A.G.M. will be held at 3.15pm

Included in the business of the A.G.M. will be the election of Secretary-General.  
The Council has nominated Bro Barry Nisbet and Sister Vicki Paterson jointly.  
Benediction will be given at 4.15pm

Servers are asked to wear Cassocks and Cottas or Surplices or Albs.

Clergy are asked to wear Cassocks, Cottas or Surplices and White Stoles

All to be robed by 1.15pm

All members of the Scottish Guild of Servers, all other Servers, their friends and relations are invited to attend.

JBC Nisbet, Secretary General



*The Church and non-violence*

*Just peace or just war?*

7.30pm Wednesday 14th September 2016

Pat Gaffney – Secretary General of Pax Christi UK

**Lauriston**  
J E S U I T C E N T R E

Pat recently attended the conference in Rome on Non-violence and Just Peace. This conference delivered an appeal to the church to re-commit to the centrality of Gospel nonviolence. Come along and hear more about that conference, about the work of Pax Christi and about what Christians can do for peace in Scotland.

Meeting organised by Scottish Christians Against Nuclear Weapons, The Fellowship of Reconciliation in Scotland and the Scottish Commission for Justice and Peace

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***SafeTALK® —  
Save the date***

- ***Would you recognise someone with thoughts of suicide?***
- ***Would you know how to talk to them about it?***
- ***Would you know how to connect them to appropriate support/help?***
- ***Would you like to feel more able to help someone in this situation?***

SafeTALK® is a 3-hr suicide alertness training which addresses these questions AUC is planning to offer SafeTALK® on:

***Sunday 2nd October 2016***

***1-4pm***

***at Augustine United Church,  
George IV Bridge***

***(Cost tbc with trainer but £10-15)***

If you would like to register your interest in attending, &/or be kept informed of updates, please contact Rachel Fitzgerald (AUC Administrator) on [administrator@augustine.org.uk](mailto:administrator@augustine.org.uk) or 0131 220 1677

Places on this certificated course are strictly limited.





# Festival of Faiths

celebrating spirituality ♦ exploring the richness of  
world religions ♦ honouring diversity in the human family



All events will take place in  
Mayfield Salisbury Parish Church, 18 West Mayfield, Edinburgh, EH9 1TQ

## Programme

Date	Time	Guest Speaker
<b>Sunday</b> <b>4 September</b>	9.30am & 10.45am	<b>Yahya Barry</b> <i>The beauty in Islam</i> Imam, Edinburgh Central Mosque
	7.00pm	<b>Dharmveer Singh</b> <i>The beauty in Sikhism</i> A member of Edinburgh Gurdwara
<b>Sunday</b> <b>11 September</b>	9.30am & 10.45am	<b>Scott McKenna</b> <i>The beauty in Mysticism</i> Minister, Mayfield Salisbury Parish
	7.00pm	<b>Carole Hillenbrand</b> <i>Islam: Diversity &amp; Women</i> Professor of Islamic History
<b>Sunday</b> <b>18 September</b>	9.30am & 10.45am	<b>John Armes</b> <i>The beauty in Christianity</i> Bishop of Edinburgh, Scottish Episcopal Church
	7.00pm	<b>Bryan Webb</b> <i>The beauty in Buddhism</i> Facilitator of Mindfulness
<b>Sunday</b> <b>25 September</b>	9.30am & 10.45am	<b>Mark Solomon</b> <i>The beauty in Judaism</i> Rabbi, Liberal Jewish Community
	7.00pm	<b>Francesco Stermotich Cappellari</b> <i>The beauty in the Baha'i Faith</i> A member of the Baha'i community