Welcome to St Columba's Sunday 24th April

The Bible (please stand if you are able)
Welcome and intimations and introit
Call to worship

Hymn 124 - Praise to the Lord

Prayer and Lord's prayer Children's time

Hymn 792 - Our God is a God who makes friends

Update from Jenny Featherstone

Reading- 1 Corinthians 1:10-18 (New Testament page 205)

Reading - Mark 9:34-36 (New Testament page 59)

Offering Hymn 694 - Brother, sister, let me serve you Sermon

Hymn 657 - Father most loving, listen to your children

Communion and Prayers of intercession

Hymn 396 - And can it be, that I should gain
Benediction

Recessional Hymn 333 - Now, Lord! according to thy word

Now, Lord! according
to thy word
let me in peace depart;
mine eyes have thy
salvation seen
and gladness fills my heart.

This great salvation,
long prepared,
and now disclosed to view,
hath proved thy love
was constant still,
and promises were true.

To Father, Son and Holy Ghost, the God whom we adore, be glory, as it was, and is, and shall be evermore. Amen.

This morning we welcome Jenny Featherstone who is the missionary partner of Kirkcaldy Presbytery. She is the principal of the Chodort Training Centre in Choma, in Southern Zambia.

We also **welcome** any visitors with us this morning. It's great to share in fellowship with you. Toilets are along the corridor under the organ pipes. Please join us for tea or coffee in the hall after the service, along the same corridor. There is an **Introduction to worship at St Columba's** on the back of this leaflet.

'Opportunity Knocks' - Anyone who has been PVG'd in the last 4 years is expected to attend an **Safeguarding training** course. The next is at St Margaret's Church, Glenrothes on Wed 11th May at 7pm. Names should be given to Jim Shand by 4th May.

The fundraising committee is organising an evening of music and laughter, presented by 'STAGESTRUCK' featuring Margo Imrie and friends. This will take place in the church on Saturday 21st May at 7pm. Tickets are from the fundraising committee.

For the Malawi Partnership Group **Journey to Malawi** sponsored walk a group of us are adding steps together to see if we can reach Malawi. So far, we have reached **Arlit in Niger**, which is very nearly half way and almost out of the Sahara!

Glenrothes Y are looking for volunteers to assist clients with completing forms and applications. This initiative is in partnership with Adult Education. If you are interested in helping someone with basic literacy and numeracy issues and can offer a couple of hours then please speak to Chris Hay. Training will be provided.

If anyone would be interested in sharing travel to **Heart and Soul** in Princes Street Gardens on May 22nd, please see Alan.

St. Columba's Parish Church of Scotland, Glenrothes (SC016386) www.st-columbas.com and we are on Facebook Minister – Alan Kimmitt (01592) 742233 or alan@kimmitt.org.uk If anyone would be interested in going to the **Solas Festival** near Perth on June 18th, please see Alan. (www.solasfestival.co.uk).

SUNSHINE TOURS

Inveraray Wed 11 May (£34.50) - money for this is due today.

Robert Smail's Printing Works - Thursday 7 July - The bookings for this trip are quite low so if you are interested and have not put your name down please speak to Beth or June.

Ghost the Musical (Edinburgh Playhouse) - Wed 23 November. We have provisionally booked seats for this show and if you are interested please speak to Beth or June. The tickets cost £27.50 but they do not need to be paid until later in the year.

World Mission April/May edition is in the stand at the west door with a wide variety of articles on the theme 'People of the Way'.

MAY DAY, MAY DAY.....Well, Monday 2nd May, 6pm (ish) to be exact. Budding gardeners or Blooming Horticulturists (or volunteers) required for the **annual Spring garden tidy.** Names of volunteers to Jim Shand asap. Wages doubled since last year!

Reading next Sunday - 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Prayers in Bobby Brown Room at 10:30am next Sunday.

Rothes Trinity Parish Grouping – Shared Notices

As One! – The Shield 2016 - A national prayer call being promoted by 'Pray for Scotland' and 'Parliamentary Prayer Scotland'. As a symbol of the call to prayer and to connect the nation, the Shield will travel for the 40 days between Easter Sunday to the elections for the Scottish Parliament on 5th May. We expect 'The Shield' to be in St. Columba's Church about noon on Tuesday 3rd May. The church will be open from 11.30am to 12.30pm. You are invited to pray for our community and nation.

Introduction to worship at St Columba's

We welcome visitors to our services. Please don't worry about what to do when, what to wear or feel you have to be on your best behaviour. If you need to move around, or leave during the service, that's just fine. We also enjoy children being present and don't expect them to be silent and still all the time. We start the service together and, except for family services, children leave for the crèche or Junior Church after about 20 minutes. For information about these, please ask one of the welcome team.

We are delighted to welcome you!

Please sign the visitor's book in the vestibule.

On the last Sunday of most months the service includes communion. This is open to others from different denominations.

In general, if you are able to stand comfortably, you are invited to stand for the Bible coming in at the start of the service and during hymns (except offering). We usually remain seated for prayers.

The **page numbers** for the readings refer to the Bibles in the pews. The Old Testament readings are at in the first section of the Bible, the New Testament readings are towards the back.

The version of the **Lord's Prayer** that we use is:

Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors,

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors,
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,
Forever, Amen.