## 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!

You are invited to 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 lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,
Forever, Amen.

# Welcome to St Columba's Sunday 2nd October

### **Harvest Thanksgiving**

We celebrate God's goodness to us and think about other people. Donations of items for the Foodbank or money for the Christian Aid Malawi food crisis appeal can be brought up during the first hymn, or there will be plates by both doors when we leave.

The Bible
Welcome, Intimations and Introit
Call to Worship

Hymn 233 - Come, ye thankful people come
Prayer and Lord's Prayer
"Thank you God for....."

Hymn 229 - We plough the field and scatter
Setting the scene

Reading - Exodus 13:1-8 (Old Testament Page 69)

Hymn 655 - For your generous providing
Offertory Prayer
"Telling important stories"

Hymn 680 - You are called to tell the story
Joined up prayer

Hymn 553 - Just as I am, without one plea
Benediction

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. For other contacts, please see www.st-columbas.com/contacts We **welcome** any visitors with us this morning. It's great to share in fellowship with you. Please join us for tea or coffee in the hall after the service (along the corridor under the organ pipes).

Toilets are along the same corridor.

For an Introduction to Worship, please see the back of this leaflet.

The deadline for the **autumn edition of the Grapevine newsletter** is today. Please contact Margaret Kimmitt (margaret@kimmitt.org.uk) with articles, news or other items) as soon as possible.

**Prayers** are being held today **before the service** from 10:30am in the Bobby Brown Room. If you are here early, please join in.

Autumn Fayre - Saturday 29 October 2pm-4pm Tea tickets (£3) are available from the Junior Church and Fundraising Committee. There will be the usual stalls and donations for any of these may be given to Beth or June or handed in on the morning of the fayre. Can we please ask that only small items are handed in for the bric-a-brac stall. Donations of home baking would be much appreciated for the cake and candy and/or the teas. Thank you.

**Grapevine Café** – The Grapevine Café is on Wednesdays from 2pm to 4pm. All welcome for tea, coffee, home baking and chat.

The **Bible reading next Sunday** will be Exodus 32:1-14.

Sunshine Tours - Billy Elliott – Thursday 20 October 2016 – The balance is £24.50, to be paid by next Sunday.

The **Kirk Session** meets on Wednesday at 7pm in the Hugh Jenkins Hall. This is a public meeting and anyone can attend.

Our **Harvest** collection is for the **Malawi Food Crisis appeal** by Christian Aid Scotland (Scottish Charity SC039150). The Scottish Government is match funding this appeal (for details see - www.christianaid.org.uk/emergencies/malawi-food-crisis

The food crisis is affecting people in the area around our **partner church in Chuluchosema**. However, their community is supported by Christian Aid. The Kirk Session will be considering how we can support our partners. More information will be available soon.

The Kirk Session is considering whether it might be possible to provide a **Christmas Lunch** in the church hall on Christmas Day for people who would otherwise be on their own or unable to have a Christmas lunch. This will only be possible if there are volunteers to help with setting up, cooking, serving and clearing up. If you might be able to help, please speak to Alan or one of the clerks.

Messy Church at St Columba's – Next Sunday from 4pm to 6pm. The theme is "Getting lost" and there will be the usual crafts, games, stories, fellowship and a shared meal together. Messy Church is free and open to families and individuals of any age.

### **Rothes Trinity Parish Grouping – Shared Notice**

Beetle Drive at St. Ninian's - Thursday 4th November at 6pm in the Large Hall. Come along for some fun and excitement! Bring your kids, your friends......your granny or grandpa! Admission Adults £1, Children 50p (light refreshments included). Tickets available from the St Ninian's Charity Shop/Café at Glenwood Centre or at the door