

## Following Christ Spreading the Word Serving the Community

## Prayer Diary - March 2018

This month we walk with Jesus the way of the Cross. As you journey forward each day, know that Christ is not only by your side but is before you and behind you, above and beneath. Ask Him to make Himself known to others you meet along the way.

**Thursday 1**<sup>st</sup> **March** – Leviticus 26:1-13 – *Blessings for Obedience*. Pray for the family of David Cochrane whose funeral service is today. Thursday Group at 7.30pm

**Friday 2**<sup>nd</sup> – *Lev.26:14-46* – *Curses for Disobedience*. As people gather for the World Day of Prayer with the theme 'All God's creation is very good', give thanks that across the whole world the voice of prayer is never silent . Brigade sections from 6-10pm.

**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup>** – *Lev.27:1-34* – *Dedication to the Lord*. Pray that the Churches Together stall at the Better Place to Live Fair may have a positive impact on all attending the event. Coffee Stop all morning.

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup>** – *Mark 14:12* – *The Passover Lamb*. Morning Communion at 10.30 (Creche, Junior Church, Jampact). Communicants Class at 4.30pm. Evening Communion at 6.30pm. Crossfire at 7.30pm. Ask God to unite us as a fellowship of His people in this place, with the whole Church in earth and heaven.

**Monday 5**<sup>th</sup> – *Mark 14:13-16* – *Preparing for the Passover.* Silent Meditation at 8am. Pray that the work of Traidcraft Exchange will benefit from yesterday's retiring offering and that people may be brought out of poverty.

**Tuesday 6**<sup>th</sup> – *Mark 14:17-21* – *One of you will betray me*. Pram Service at 10am. Whyte Court Service at 2.30pm. Sycamores Service at 4pm. KCT Lent Study at 7pm. Guild at 7.15pm. Pray that all followers of Christ may deepen their faith through prayer, study and service in these weeks before Easter.

**Wednesday 7**<sup>th</sup> – *Mark 14:22* – *This is my Body.* Midweek Service at 10.45am. Craft Group at 1.30pm. Talkback at 3pm. Give thanks that the Talkback Group is resuming for children in P6 and P7, and that this will prove to be a helpful group for all involved.

"Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take it; this is my body.'"

(Mark 14:22)

**Thursday 8**<sup>th</sup> – *Mark 14:23-26* – *The Blood of the New Covenant*. Stewardship meeting at 7.30pm. Pray for those appointed to be part of the Stewardship Group, preparing for this autumn's focus on stewardship of money, as they meet this evening with one of the staff from the Church of Scotland offices.

**Friday 9**<sup>th</sup> – *Mark 14:27-28* – *The sheep will be scattered.* Pray for 'After Hours' - an evening of chat and live music for teenagers organised by Kythe, at Loch Leven's Larder tonight. Brigade sections from 6-10pm.

**Saturday 10**<sup>th</sup> – *Mark 14:29-31 – Peter's Commitment.* Pray for the Presbytery of Perth as they hold their quarterly conference session in Kinross this morning on the theme of Planning for the Future, and then meet for business this afternoon. Coffee Stop all morning.

**Sunday 11**<sup>th</sup> – *Mark 14:32-34* – *Jesus Prays in Gethsemane*. Service at 10.30 (Creche, Junior Church, Jampact) Give thanks for all who play a part in facilitating our weekly worship, from the welcome at the door to the serving of refreshments, and everything in between. Pray that all would be to God's glory.

"Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak." (Mark 14:38)

**Monday 12**<sup>th</sup> – *Mark 14:35-36* – *Take this Cup of Suffering from Me*. Remember those who are currently going through an agony of suffering, and intercede for them in their time of struggle.

**Tuesday 13**<sup>th</sup> – *Mark 14:37-38* – *Watch and Pray*. Pram Service at 10am. Pray for the group who are preparing to go to Malawi this summer with Tearfund, as they meet this evening with one of the Tearfund staff.

**Wednesday 14**<sup>th</sup> – *Mark 14:39-42* – *The Hour has Come*. Midweek Service at 10.45am. Craft Group at 1.30pm. Talkback at 3pm. Ask God's blessing on the work of Kinross Centre, and pray that others may be persuaded to benefit from the food and fellowship on offer there each day.

**Thursday 15**<sup>th</sup> – *Mark 14:43-46* – *Betrayed with a Kiss*. Compline at 9pm. Ask God's blessing on those who are suffering from ill-health at this time, and remember all who care for them.

**Friday 16**<sup>th</sup> – *Mark 14:47-49* – *Swords and Clubs.* Pray for the early preparations for this year's Family Week . Brigade sections from 6-10pm.

**Saturday 17**<sup>th</sup> – *Mark 15:50-52* – *The Disciples Run Away*. Prayer Breakfast at 8.30am. All Friends Together at 11am. Ask God's blessing on those who gather this lunchtime for All Friends Together. Coffee Stop all morning.

"They put a purple robe on him, then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on him. And they began to call out to him, 'Hail, king of the Jews!'."

(Mark 15:17-18)

**Sunday 18**<sup>th</sup> – *Mark 14:53-59* – *False Testimony.* Service at 10.30 (Creche, Junior Church, Jampact) Crossfire at 7.30pm. As we reflect on the past year as a congregation, at today's Stated Annual Meeting, may there be thanksgiving for what has been accomplished, and prayer and vision for the year ahead.

**Monday 19**<sup>th</sup> – *Mark 14:60-65 – I am who I am*. Pray for the team preparing for this year's summer mission to Debrecen as they meet this evening.

**Tuesday 20**<sup>th</sup> – *Mark 14:66-72 – Peter's Denial*. Pray for tonight's meeting of the Kirk Session

Council as it settles in to its co-ordinating role. KCT Lent Study at Portmoak at 7pm. Guild meeting at 7.15pm.

**Wednesday 21**<sup>st</sup> – *Mark 15:1-5* – *The Silence of the Lamb.* Midweek Service at 10.45am. Craft Group at 1.30pm. Talkback at 3pm. Pray that the Lord Jesus Christ may be lifted up in our midst as a congregation, and that many people may be drawn to Him.

**Thursday 22**<sup>nd</sup> – *Mark 15:6-11* – *Barabbas is set free.* Give thanks for those who play a vital role behind the scenes in the work of the church here through ministries of administration and practical service.

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>** – *Mark 15:12-15* – *Jesus is Condemned*. Uphold in prayer all church members who work with children and young people, that they may have a lasting and godly influence. Brigade sections from 6-10pm.

**Saturday 24**<sup>th</sup> – *Mark 15:16-20* – *Jesus is King*. Ask God to bless our worship tomorrow, and especially those making public profession of their faith in Christ. Coffee Stop all morning.

**Sunday 25**<sup>th</sup> – *Mark 15:21-22 – The Way to the Cross*. Service at 10.30am. (Creche, Junior Church, Jampact). Evening Service at 6.30pm. Pray that our worship and reflections this Holy Week will enable us more faithfully to walk the way of Christ.

## "And they crucified Him." (Mark 15:24)

**Monday 26**<sup>th</sup> – *Mark 15:23-28* – *And they crucified Him.* Pray that our Holy Week journey will equip us to take the love of Jesus into every area of our lives. Stations of the Cross at St James' Church at 7pm.

**Tuesday 27**<sup>th</sup> – *Mark 15:29-32* – *They mocked Him.* Pray that the Easter message may be heard loud and clear in our community and in our nation, as Christ's followers stand up for Him. Causeway Court service at 2.30pm.

**Wednesday 28**<sup>th</sup> – *Mark 15:33-36* – *Abandoned.* Pray that the One who came not to be served but to serve may teach us His way and that we would be willing to learn. Midweek Service at 10.45am. Craft Group at 1.30pm. Talkback at 3pm.

**Maundy Thursday 29**<sup>th</sup> – *Mark 15:37-39* – *The Death of Jesus*. Pray that the Family Easter Supper, this evening at 6pm, would be a blessing to people of all ages. United Communion Service at 8pm.

**Good Friday 30**<sup>th</sup> – *Mark 15:40-41 – Following Jesus to the end.* "Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift." (2 Cor.9:15). Walk of Witness at 1pm. Last Hour at the Cross at St Paul's at 2pm. United Service at Fossoway Church at 7.30pm.

**Holy Saturday 31**<sup>st</sup> – *Mark 15:42-47* – *The Burial of Jesus.* In the quietness of this day of rest, ask God to make real to you, in a fresh way, the power of the Cross and of the Resurrection.

## Time for Prayer - in the Church

Prayer Breakfast at 8.30am on Sat. 17<sup>th</sup> March Silent Meditation at 8am on the first Monday of the month - 5<sup>th</sup> March Compline at 9pm on the third Thursday of the month - 15<sup>th</sup> March