



Order of Service



20th February 2011 - Kirknewton 9.45am



Worship led by
Rev Dr André Groenewald

Musician
Jean Gilchrist

Gathering of God's People

Time when we greet one another and prepare for worship.
Those who are able please stand for the entry of the Bible.
Words of welcome and announcements.

Worshipping God Together

Call to worship

Minister: Teach me, O LORD, to follow your decrees;

All: then I will keep them to the end.

Minister: Give me understanding, and I will keep
your law

All: and obey it with all my heart.

Minister: Direct me in the path of your commands,

All: for there I find delight.

MP 59

Blessed assurance

Opening prayer and The Lord's Prayer

We ask this in the name of Jesus who taught us to pray:

ALL: 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 for ever.
Amen.

Prayers for others: (Prayers are led on a rota basis by members of the congregation)

MP 450 **Love lifted me**

Reflecting on God's Word

Reading: Matthew 5: 38-48 (page 970)

Reader: (Readings are done on a rota basis by members of the congregation)

Background to the reading

MP 187 **God is love (verses 1 & 3)**

Sermon

Responding to God's Word

Our offerings are given for the ministry and mission of the church.

Prayer of dedication

MP 590 **Seek ye first the kingdom of God**

Blessing

Sung Amen

Please remain standing as The Bible is removed.

Prayer

Sometimes it's harder to lend than to give.
At least when I give I know it's gone.
It might not even have meant that much in the first place.
But when I lend something, that probably means
I'm still clinging on to it.
Help me to hold my possessions lightly in my hands,
remembering that it is more blessed to give than to receive.
Jesus, you turn things upside down,
you tell me to be generous,
give my cloak as well as my coat.
To go the second mile,
give to everyone who asks,
not refuse anyone who wants to borrow.
Perhaps hardest of all,
you tell me
to love my enemies.
Where do I begin with all that?
Yes, Lord, I know.
With you.
Amen



You are invited to stay for tea and coffee which are served in the hall.