

# MEADOWBANK

Church of Scotland

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## Psalm 148—in Scots

Hallelujah! Gie praise  
tae the Lord in his holy hoose.

Gie him praise  
in the tapmaist heights.  
Gie praise tae the heralds o heaven.

Laud him for baith sun, moon  
an a the shinin stars o light  
alang wi the watter o the seas.  
Gie awesome wonder in the hail,  
an snaw, an ice cairryin oot God's will.

Praise God fae the mountains  
an howes; for beasts o the field  
an creepy-crawlies,  
an bonny burds on the wing.

Dear Faither, gie honest power  
tae a the kings in the warld,  
an aw the guid folk,  
baith lads an lassies,  
auld folk an bairns.

Gie them aw the strength  
tae love yer majesty.

From Psalms for the People by Jamie Stewart

## weekly message

**Sunday 6th September 11am**

**Reflective service with Iain Campbell,  
artist of Painting Luke's Gospel**

We are 'fully booked' for this service  
with a good mix of people attending

**Sunday 13th September 11am**



## Climate Sunday

**Climate Sunday** We will be holding  
climate-focused services through the rest  
of September where we look to explore  
the theological and scientific basis of  
creation care and action on climate, to  
pray, and to commit to action.

There are only 24 places in the church  
so you **MUST** text/phone/email Russell  
if you want to attend.



Dear friends

My good friend **Jamie Stewart**,  
an elder in Carntyne in  
Glasgow wrote The Glasgow  
Gospel, a Scots Bible and also  
**Psalms for the People**.

He died just a few years ago  
aged 95 having found this new 'career' late in  
life—not translating into Scots but giving a  
'rendition'. It led to Jamie giving the reflection  
at the Scottish Parliament not once but twice.

Psalm 148 is very appropriate for this 'Creation  
Time' month of September. The Psalm calls for  
all of creation to praise God—even the creepy-  
crawlies! The last part asks that God would give  
'honest power' to us all in the way we live.

**We trust in Jesus'  
love and light**

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# Prayers in Pictures of our Parish



In this part of Edinburgh we have more and more expensive houses and flats filling every empty space. These in Marionville Road built on an old factory site costing over £300,000.

***We pray for affordable housing for people living and working in this part of the city***



Many people are renting and with high rents a significant number of people above the average in Scotland who struggle with fuel poverty.

***We pray that people would be able to heat their homes not to have to choose between eating or warmth this winter.***

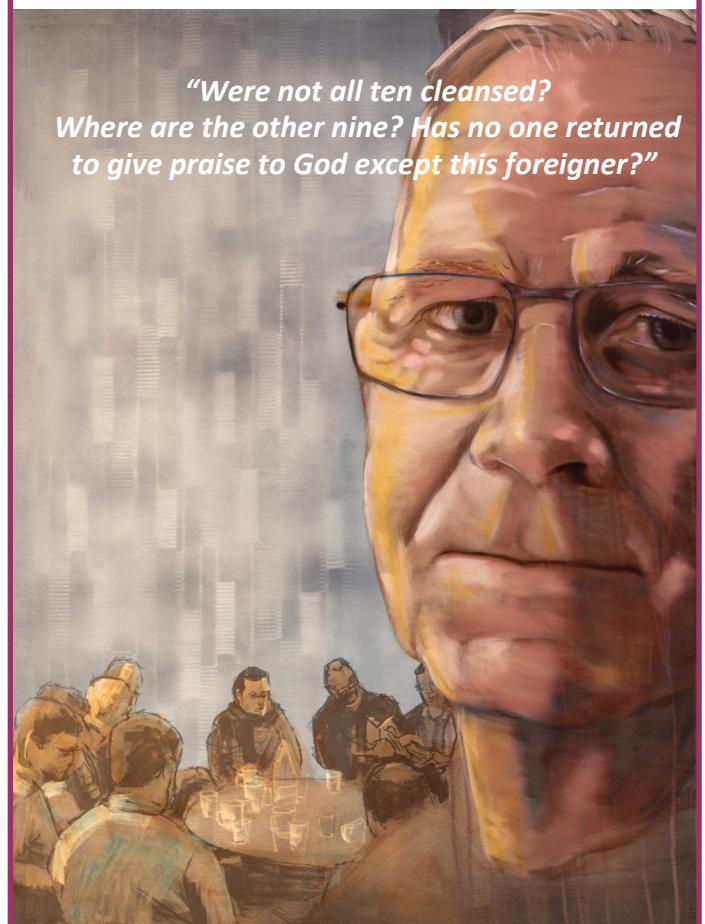


Abbeyhill Colonies were built around the 1860's. They were built by a worker's co-operative and sold for around £136

at the time. They now sell for around £300,000.

**Russell & Jackie meet every week on ZOOM with the ministry people in Abbeyhill Baptist, Mustard Seed and Edinburgh City Mission. We pray together for our community.**

## art exhibition



*"Were not all ten cleansed?  
Where are the other nine? Has no one returned  
to give praise to God except this foreigner?"*

Every Thursday, in St George's Tron Church, a group of men meet for Bible study. Each has their own experience of the criminal justice system. They all could tell their own tale of feeling excluded from society, just like the group of lepers in Luke chapter 17.

Sandy is a stalwart of the group, and exudes a sense of calm, peace and gratitude for life. It would be hard to find someone more appropriate to model gratitude to God for being restored to a sense of wholeness.

Jesus healed 10 lepers but only one came back to thank him

***"Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?"***

We should be inspired by the Gospel and by Sandy towards being more grateful for so many good things in our lives.

- Saying 'thanks' or 'grace' before we eat
- Taking time each day in prayer to think through how we have been blessed by God and by other people
- Going out of our way to thank people who have done some act of kindness