# MEADOWBANK

**Church of Scotland** 

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Due to Covid restrictions we can no longer have service in the church on Sunday mornings in January but we are meeting on Zoom at 11am!



At our 11am Zoom Service we follow the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity theme 'Abide in Christ'

and hear from Rich Cornfield 'Pioneer Priest' at Mustard Seed/St Margaret's Easter Road

Reflections at the Quay BBC SCOTLAND TV at a later time this week



## 2.05pm on 24th January 2021

With the Rev Aniko Schutz Bradwell and the Rev Diana Hall. Live music in the studio from Gary Innes.

(Available on iPlayer soon after the broadcast)

**Folks** 

#### **WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY**

Over 3 weeks our Sunday morning Zoom services will be following prayers and readings for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The close friendship we have with folks in the local Baptist and Episcopal congregations is a real blessing.

Last week we heard from **Simon Schofield**, the Baptist Pastor, and this week Russell will have a short conversation with **Rich Cornfield** who is 'Pioneer Priest' at St Margaret's on Easter Road with Mustard Seed.







Rich is passionate about connecting to the local community especially to those people who are dealing with the issue of homelessness, food poverty, addiction, isolation or poor mental health. Mustard Seed looks to share values are kindness, hospitality, justice, joy and creativity.

#### **UNEMPLOYMENT & DEBT**

Over the page you can see a few words from Jackie on her experience working with people in debt. There are also details of Mustard Seed's latest ON-LINE JOB CLUB which will be starting soon. Mustard Seed also run Life-Skills Courses and will soon be launching a Debt Advice Centre in partnership with Christians Against Poverty. You are invited to pray with those who are unemployed.

#### **CHEERING EVERYONE UP!**

One of the newer folk coming to church is very skilled in craftwork. Rachel has made some beautiful cards which she is arranging with Jackie to have sent to folk as an 'act of kindness'. She has also knitted WRISTIES (wrist-warmers) and wants these to be given to those who might benefit. All good news!

With grace and peace in Jesus



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Our friends in Mustard Seed at St Margaret's Episcopal Church in Easter Road have very practical help to offer those who are struggling with unemployment

# **ONLINE JOB CLUB**

# Each Monday, 1.00pm - 2.30pm 1 February - 8 March 2021

Are you looking to find work? Is there someone you know who is looking to find work? Mustard Seed is here to help with our online CAP Job Club. It is a friendly place where you will get practical help as you seek employment. It's a relaxed environment with the chance to meet other jobseekers, get support and gain the tools you need to find work.

#### What will the CAP Job Club involve?

Job Club will meet weekly on Zoom. You'll follow a six week course that will give you all the tools you need to find work, from writing a CV that employers won't be able to resist, to brushing up on those all important tant interview skills. You will also receive individual coaching at a time that suits you to provide focused support for the areas you want to work on the most.

#### How much does it cost?

Absolutely nothing - our Job Clubs are completely free.

#### Do I have to be a Christian?

Not at all – our services are for everyone. As Christians, we believe that God answers prayer, so we may offer to pray with you, but it's up to you if you're happy for us to do this or not. We are passionate about helping people from all ages, backgrounds, ethnicities and faiths (or none).

### How do I get signed up?

Great! Please get in touch with any of the team to let us know you are interested and we will let you know what happens next. You will need to be able to access Zoom over the internet in order to join in, so access to a PC, tablet or smartphone will be needed. Full details will be provided closer to the time. Each session will run for around 90 minutes.

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# SOME WORDS FROM JACKIE WHO WORKS PART OF THE WEEK ON DEBT ADVICE FOR PORT OF LEITH HOUSING ASSOCIATION



"My community outreach and money advice enable me to hear about difficulties folk are suffering. During this pandemic I've noticed many firms closing, leaving workers vulnerable to money problems. Some already living 'paycheck to paycheck' before a sudden illness or lost job.

My prayer is that the Lord will watch over these folk and enable workers like me to support them well during this period."

# Pray with those who are unemployed and living with debt

Heavenly Father,
I Come before you today to ask for
a financial blessing to improve my life.
My faith keeps me strong,
and I know you will provide for me
and the people I love.

I do not seek a large sum of money.

I do not trouble you for unneeded comforts or luxury. I only ask for enough money to relieve my financial woes and ease this stress.

Give me the means to do your work, and spread your Love. I have so much to give, if only I were allowed the chance.

In your name I pray, Amen

# Matthew 6 verses 31-34

So do not worry, saying, "What shall we eat?" or "What shall we drink?" or "What shall we wear?" For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.