



RIVERSIDE
church

SUNDAY PROGRAMME

January – April 2019

*Seeking to be
an intentional community of grace*

Riverside Evangelical Church SC007616

Sharing Jesus

Our Church Vision is to seek to be an intentional community of grace by Praying, Caring, Sharing Jesus, Worshipping and Going Deeper with God.

Our focus this term will be on *sharing Jesus*. Jesus' last words to his disciples were to go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit (Matthew 28: 19).

What does this command mean for us today? How can we be more intentional in *sharing Jesus* in the midst of our everyday, ordinary lives? What kind of church do we need to be to make a Gospel impact on our local community and beyond? Over the next 6 months *sharing Jesus* will be at the heart of our various teaching themes and activities.

What Kind of Church?

3 years ago Fred Drummond, of the Evangelical Alliance Scotland, produced a document called 'What Kind of Church? A Manifesto for a Future Church'. His intention was not to criticise the Church but to ask serious questions about what we, as the Church, need to be and do to make a difference in our nation. The document led to a national tour with teaching, debate and discussion in churches across Scotland. To further help churches consider their missional impact, Fred has now produced a series of short videos and a booklet of Small Group discussion sessions. In January & February we will be looking at this material both at Family Service and in our Small Groups. If you would like to participate but are not in a group please speak to Ian or contact the Church Office

Be My Witnesses

On **23-24 March, Peter Maiden** will lead a special weekend of teaching at Riverside. There will be sessions on Saturday morning, Saturday evening and at our usual Family Service. Peter says of this topic *Be My Witnesses*,

“It's the last request of Jesus before he returned to heaven. We will look at the witness of our lives, our words and our church and we will see the power available to us for witness”.

In Ayr as in Heaven

As part of our focus on sharing Jesus, this series will look at the good news of the Kingdom of God. Journeying through Matthew's Gospel, we see that the Kingdom of God is not just a heavenly hope for the future, but a very earthly hope for now. Pray, that as we discover afresh the good news of this kingdom and our place within it, we would grow in excitement and confidence in sharing Jesus' message. Although Jesus brought God's rule and reign to the world in a very upside-down way, it is the best news you could ever hope to hear.

Joel: The Ultimate Deadline

At our Evening Services we will begin a short series looking at the prophecy of Joel. In the midst of chaos and disaster Joel pointed people back to the Lord. But his prophecy goes beyond a specific crisis to call everyone everywhere back to God. There is a decision to be made and there is both judgement and renewal to come.

Dates for Your Diary

- *Korean Prayer School at Findlay Church, Glasgow*
27-29 March

Dr Namsoo Choi is one of Korea's leading teachers on prayer. This Prayer School is a thrilling opportunity to spend two and a half days in God's Word learning and being inspired in prayer and spending time interceding for our nation and church. See Ian for more information.

- [Keswick Ayrshire 2019 at Park Hotel, Kilmarnock](#)
[Friday 31 May – Sunday 2 June](#)
'Confidence in Christ' - Studies in Romans 8 with Jeremy McQuoid. Join with Christians from across Ayrshire for some great teaching and worship.
- [Prayer Room @ Riverside 3-8 June](#)
An opportunity to book some time in a space dedicated to helping you pray. This can be a time and space just for you and God... or it can be something to share with others. More information to come.

[Prayer at Riverside](#)

We have a **Prayer Gathering** in the church every Wednesday at 8pm. We also have a **Prayer Breakfast** in the Church Centre on the first Saturday of (almost) every month.

Prayer is a key part of our **Small Groups** and we also encourage people to meet together informally to pray.

For more information speak to Ian or just come along!

[Contact Information](#)

If we can be of any help please get in touch. You may have questions about the beliefs and practices of the church; about baptism or church membership. You may have some personal issues you would like to discuss or you may know of someone who would like a visit.

Pastor: Ian Gall 07801 751229

i.gall@btconnect.com

Youth Pastor: Scholtz van der Walt scholtz@btconnect.com

Riverside Community Trust

brucebunten@riversidecommunitytrust.org.uk

Church Office: 01292 262686

www.riverside-ayr.org

www.riversidecommunitytrust.org.uk