

Welcome to worship today at



Bellshill and Bothwell Parish
Church of Scotland

Sunday 21st June 2026

Minister: Revd. Iain Majcher

Organist: Mr Matt Edwards

Asst. Organist: Mrs Janet Young

Pastoral Ministry: Mhairi Phillipson

Digital Ministry: Stewart Mason



ORGAN PRELUDE

WORDS OF WELCOME AND NOTICES

CALL TO WORSHIP

When we feel abandoned and alone, unable to find a way out of the wilderness that surrounds, we cry out to God

All: And God listens to us.

When we feel discouraged and defeated, unsure and worried we cry out to God...

All: And God listens to us.

When we feel lost and forgotten, unable to find the words for how we feel, our hearts cry out to God...

All: And God pays attention to us.

As we gather together today, remember: You are not alone. God knows where you are, and God listens to the cries of our hearts.

All: May we listen to one another as God leads us to the cool, refreshing waters we need for the journey ahead.

HYMN MP 30

Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks

Chorus

**Alleluia, alleluia,
give thanks to the risen Lord;
alleluia, alleluia,
give praise to his name.**

3. We have been crucified
with Christ;
now we shall live forever

Chorus

1. Jesus is Lord of all the earth,
He is the King of creation

Chorus

4. God has proclaimed
the just reward,
live for all men alleluia

2. Spread the good news
o'er all the earth,
Jesus has died and has risen

Chorus

5. Come let us praise
the living God,
joyfully sing to our Saviour

Chorus

PRAYERS OF APPROACH & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father which 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

ALL AGE TALK

ALL AGE SONG CH4 142

A small thing like a hazelnut

1st BIBLE READING

Genesis 21:8-21

2nd BIBLE READING

Matthew 10:24-39

HYMN CH4 191

Do not be afraid

SERMON

PAUSE FOR REFLECTION

We pause to pray in silence and spend time with God while we listen to the music.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

We pause to pray to God for the world, our community and one another.

HYMN CH4 124

Praise to the Lord

BENEDICTION We remain standing, if we are able, for the blessing.

ORGAN POSTLUDE

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Welcome to worship in Bellshill and Bothwell Parish Church. Whether you join in person or online, come every week, are here for the first time or the first time in a long time, a very warm welcome.

This service is live-streamed. Should you not wish to appear in the recording, please speak to our welcome team.

You'll find tea, coffee, juice, ready for you after the service in the Church Centre. We'd love for you to stick around for a cup of something warm and a good chat.

Have You Noticed the Lanyards? You may have spotted some people around wearing lanyards. Anyone who is helping or mentioned in the notices will be wearing one, making them easy to find. If you have any questions, please ask anyone wearing a lanyard, and they will be happy to point you in the right direction.

Please note that Revd. Iain will be on annual leave from Friday, 26th June, returning on Monday, 13th July. During his absence, please contact David and Sally, the joint Session Clerks, by emailing sessionclerk@bbcofs.org.uk.

Please note that Mhairi is on annual leave and will be back on the 29th of June. For pastoral support please email David and Sally the joint Session Clerks at sessionclerk@bbcofs.org.uk

WHAT'S ON TODAY

The Creche is open from the start of the service and can be used at any point during the service. Please ask at the door for more information.

Sunday School is on this morning! Any children of primary school age are warmly invited to leave with their leaders after the all-age hymn. They will be based in the Church Centre and can be collected there at the end of the service.

After the Amen: Stewart is looking for a few volunteers to share, in just a few words, what you took away from this morning's sermon. Please find him after the service if you are happy to help, or simply say yes if he approaches you!

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Bothwell Memory Café: meets every Tuesday in our Bothwell Centre for those living with dementia from 12:30 to 14:15, offering tea, coffee, a light lunch, and homemade baking.

NOTICES

West Blend is coming back! Put that date in your diary, Tuesday the 30th of June, from 10:00 am. Although there is still work to be done at West Halls, we are very glad to be reopening the doors for this important outreach event. If you have never been along, why not make the 30th your first visit? There may even be a special cake!

Advance notice: From Sunday, 26th July, and throughout August, we will be exploring different seating arrangements in the church. Each Sunday, certain areas will be out of use as we try each arrangement in turn. At the end of August, there will be an opportunity to provide feedback to help shape how we use the space going forward.

SAVE THE DATE

Church summer picnic: Join us for our Church Summer Picnic on Sunday 16th August, in the Manse garden after morning worship. We would love to see you there, and more details will follow after the summer break.

Hogmanay at BBCofS...This Hogmanay we have something special planned. We will be holding a ceilidh for the whole church family, with family and friends very much welcome too. More details will follow after the summer break.

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Newsletter



Get news, updates, and reflections from across our congregation delivered straight to your inbox. Scan the QR code below to sign up for our regular newsletter.

WhatsApp channel

As we continue to improve how we keep in touch, we have set up a WhatsApp channel to share upcoming news and information relevant to the life of the congregation. To join, simply scan the QR code.



GIVING

Your generosity keeps our doors open and enables us to share the Gospel within our parish and further afield. If you would like to support the work and Mission of Bellshill and Bothwell Parish Church, a basket is available at the door. You are also welcome to give using the contactless machine or by scanning the QR code. Thank you.



Bellshill & Bothwell Parish Church

Music @ 3pm Concerts

A series of light musical interludes...

Date to be confirmed

Matt Edwards - A Night at the Musicals
Organ - Director of Music, Bothwell Parish Church

12th July: **Rachel & Holli - Fiddle & Accordion**
Traditional Scottish Music

9th August: **Harp Choir**
Come and Relax for an Hour of Beautiful Music

13th September: **Music for the Soul***
Music for Piano, 'Cello, Violin and Clarinet

11th October: **Arietta Ladies Choir**
Directed by Janet Young

8th November: **Pianorama**
Bringing the Piano to Life with Four Hands

6th December: **A Christmas Quartet**
Festive Music from a String Quartet

Second Sundays at 3.00pm

Entry is FREE

Retiring Collection - All proceeds to Church Funds*

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