

Welcome to worship today at



Bellshill and Bothwell Parish
Church of Scotland

Sunday 30th August 2026

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ORGAN PRELUDE

WORDS OF WELCOME AND NOTICES

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come!
Come and worship,
you who woke early and you who slept late;
you who come often, and you who don't.

All: Whether we are first or last or somewhere in between,
there is room for all of us in God's kingdom,
and more than enough grace to go around.
Let us worship God together!

HYMN CH4 416

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing

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 GWA 200

One church, one voice

*Great is our God,
Great is our God.*

1. We come to worship you,
to bring you praise, to hear your truth;
one Church, one voice, one song
to thank you Lord
for all you've done.

2. We come to worship you
as different people joined as one.
One Church, one voice, one song,
all saved by grace in Christ alone.
*Great is our God,
Great is our God.*

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3. We come to worship you
in times of trouble, times of doubt.
One Church, one voice, one song,
and in our weakness you are strong.

4. We come to worship you,
to celebrate when life is good.
One Church, one voice, one song
to honour you, our faithful one.

*Great is our God,
Great is our God.*

5. We come to worship you
with all the gifts you give to us.
One Church, one voice, one song
to see your will on earth be done.

1st BIBLE READING

Genesis 12:1-5

2nd BIBLE READING

John 20:19–23

3 MINUTES TOGETHER. *Discuss with those around you*

Where have you seen God at work this week, in a place where the church had **nothing** to do with it?

HYMN CH4 161

The God of Abraham praise

SERMON

Whose Mission Is It?

Sent: What Is Mission?

Over five Sundays we are asking what mission actually is, beginning today not with what we should be doing but with what God is already doing.

PAUSE FOR REFLECTION

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

OFFERING DEDICATION However we give, whether by standing order, by cash at the door, or electronically via the QR code or contactless machine, we offer it all to God.

Gracious and holy God,
accept all that we offer today:

**All: Our money and our faltering steps,
our brokenness and our leftovers.
Our hope, our risking and our whole lives.
Bless and transform all that we offer
in Jesus' name. Amen**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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

HYMN

Go forth and tell! (Tune Woodlands)

1. Go forth and tell!
O Church of God, awake!
God's saving news to all the
nations take.
Proclaim Christ Jesus, Saviour,
Lord, and King,
That all the world His worthy
praise may sing.

2. Go forth and tell!
God's love embraces all;
He will in grace respond to all
who call;
how shall they call if they have
never heard
the gracious invitation of his
word?

3. Go forth and tell!
The doors are open wide;
share God's good gifts, let no one
be denied
Live out your life as Christ your
Lord shall choose;
Your ransomed powers for His
sole glory use.

4. Go forth and tell!
O Church of God, arise!
Go in the strength which Christ
your Lord supplies.
Go till all nations His great name
adore,
And serve Him, Lord and King
forever more.

SENDING *We remain standing, if we are able*

God has gone before us.

All: God is already at work.

We are not sent to start the work.

All: We are sent to join in his work.

Go in the love of the Father,

All: in the peace of Christ, and in the power of the Spirit

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 the building 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.

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.

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Westblend is back! Come along to the West Halls in Bellshill from 10:00am every Tuesday for coffee, tea, cakes, toast and great company.

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.

1ST BELLSHILL GIRLS' BRIGADE

The 1st Bellshill Girls' Brigade starts back on Wednesday 2nd September in our West Halls. New girls are always welcome, and we ask you to pray for the leaders and for all the girls who attend.

Explorers (P1 to P3) 6pm to 7pm

Juniors (P4 to P7) 7.15pm to 8.15pm

Brigaders (S1 and above) 7.15pm to 8.15pm

MIDWEEK WORSHIP

Join us in our West Halls on the first and third Wednesday of each month, 11.00 am to 12 noon for Wednesday Welcome. Come in for tea, coffee and a short service of well-loved hymns, prayer, a Bible reading and a brief reflection on the text. All are welcome, and we would love to see you there.

HOGMANAY @BBCofS

Buy your Hogmanay tickets - £10

See in the Bells with us! Live music, a ceilidh, and a floor waiting for you. Doors open at 20:30 at the West Halls, first dance at 21:00, last dance just before 01:00. Bring your own drinks (alcoholic or soft) and snacks, and bring your family and friends along for a night of fun as we dance our way from one year into the next. Tickets £10, available from Mary and Graham, who will be wearing lanyards or email hogmanay@bbcofs.org.uk.

THE STAINED GLASS BOOK LAUNCH

Friday 4 September 2026, 6.30pm, in Bothwell Church

We are delighted to announce the launch of a new illustrated guide to the stained glass of our church in Bothwell, produced and generously gifted to the congregation by architectural photographer Colin McLean. Colin will join us on the evening to say a few words about the collection, and refreshments will be served. All are warmly welcome, and please do bring friends and neighbours.

The booklet will be available from the church starting next Sunday for £5.00, with all proceeds supporting the life and mission of the congregation.

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GIVING



Your generosity keeps our doors open and enables us to share the Gospel within our parish and further afield. We ask God to bless all that is given and to guide us in using it for his will rather than our own.

If you would like to support the work and mission of Bellshill and Bothwell Parish Church, a box is available at the door today for any coins or notes. You are also welcome to use the contactless machine or scan the QR code to give digitally.

If you would prefer to give regularly by standing order, or to add Gift Aid to your giving at no cost to yourself, please speak to a member of the Finance Team or email finance@bbcofs.org.uk.

To all who already give, thank you for your kindness and faithfulness.