

Tuesday 24/4	"Do not be anxious about anything, But in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, presents your requests to God." Philippians 4: 6(NIV). Help us to make this a reality in our lives and to put our full trust in the Lord who will sustain us.
Wednesday 25/4	Give thanks for the senior pupil leadership of the SU Group at Trinity Academy which Peter and Cassie support. Pray that next year's leader will feel called to continue pupil leadership at the school.
Thursday 26/4	Continue to pray for a new church cleaner. We will be re-advertising. Pray that there may be someone who will come forward. Help us to consider ways to make the hours more attractive to people.
Friday 27/4	Pray for all those you know who are going through difficult times. And for ourselves, pray:- Stay with us Lord in the uncertain moments. With your Holy Spirit raise us from our hopelessness, and wipe away our disbelief and strengthen our faith, so that our hearts will burn to proclaim your resurrection, your eternal life springing forth and bringing hope.
Saturday 28/4	The Church of Scotland is running an Elders training weekend. Pray for all those attending. Pray that it will help to give them a vision of the importance of the role of an elder and how God wants them to play their part in His church.
Sunday 29/4	Pray for all those attending the daffodil tea for our older members. This is an opportunity for some of those who are not always able to get to church to meet with their friends. Pray for those elderly members who can no longer come to church, help them to know that they are still part of the fellowship.
Monday 30/4	Pray for Prison Fellowship and the message they bring, that lives will be changed and families reunited, through the good news of Jesus.

Newhaven Church Prayer Calendar

April 2018

Sunday 1/4	He is risen; He is risen indeed! Let's give thanks that we worship a living saviour who is alive and with us at all times. If Christ be not risen, then our faith is in vain. (1 Corinthians 15 14)
Monday 2/4	Give thanks for the perfect and complete salvation God secured for us at the cross. Help us to never take our salvation for granted. Give thanks that we are eternally saved. Pray that our loyalty and commitment in our love and service to our Lord Jesus will stand firm.
Tuesday 3/4	Pray for those living in poverty in countries that are badly affected by extremes of climate. Pray for agencies working to bring them better access to clean water and safe sanitation. Remember Christian Aid, Tear Fund, World Vision and many other agencies with a strong Christian tradition of care and compassion.
Wednesday 4/4	Let us continue to remember Freddie (the boy with the injury at the rugby match). He is getting good support but he struggles to understand why it happened to him and why he has not got better. His consultant indicated that he is doing really well and in fact better than expected. However it is expected to be months before the brain fully recovers.
Thursday 5/4	Prayer for Church of Scotland World Mission Council. John Chalmers is the new convenor. God of Mercy, even as we long to understand that which is often beyond our comprehension, we lay before you the hearts , minds and bodies of all those suffering from conflict. Shower upon all the people living in conflict the spirit of justice and reconciliation. Amen.

Friday 6/4	Pray for rest for the teachers, staff, and pupils at our local schools. Pray that they would be safe during the school holidays and would come back refreshed for the summer term.
Saturday 7/4	Let us also remember Freddie's family and the toll that it is taking on them having to cope with the trauma and also the ongoing complete upheaval in their life and routine. Pray that they would be able to trust that God is in control and will support them at this very difficult time.
Sunday 8/4	Remember Alastair Sutherland as he leads worship this morning. Pray that he will have the word that God wants us to hear today. Give thanks for Alastair's gifts and his willingness to use them for our benefit.
Monday 9/4	Pray for all those suffering with medical issues at this time. Pray for those who are in great pain and awaiting to see specialists. Pray that they would get an early appointment and a diagnosis.
Tuesday 10/4	Matthew tells us (ch.27, v.3) that Judas "was seized with remorse" for what he had done. Pray for those stricken with remorse for deeds they cannot undo, deeds which have damaged the lives of others and themselves. In their anguish may they turn to the One who offers forgiveness, peace, healing and wholeness.
Wednesday 11/4	Pray for the Messy Family Day on Monday. This is a chance to build on contact made with younger children and let them find out more about Jesus. Pray that the children will be receptive to the message and that the Holy Spirit will work in their lives
Thursday 12/4	Let us remember and pray for the most vulnerable in our society and our world:- Those who are homeless and living rough on our streets; Men, women and children fleeing conflict and violence who are displaced in their own country or refugees in other lands. May they know the Love, Peace and Hope of Jesus this Easter and pray for God's blessing on all who work to provide food, aid, and shelter in Jesus name.

Friday 13/4	Remember the Boys Brigade captain and officers and their witness to the boys in their lives and dedication. Pray for them with all the competing demands on their time, family, work and other activities. Pray for additional support to enable this valuable work to continue.
Saturday 14/4	Give thanks for a fun and safe inflatables day and for all the families we met and relationships built on. Pray that they would have felt the fragrance of Christ and that they might want to come to other outreach events.
Sunday 15/4	Pray that we all may see what God is calling us to be as part of the Newhaven fellowship. "Where there is no vision the people perish" (Proverbs 29 18) Lord help us to see how you want to use us and give us the courage to join in with Your work.
Monday 16/4	Give thanks for the opportunity to run activities for children and families out of Newhaven Church. Pray for today's activity day from 10am-12:30pm. That families would be blessed, encouraged, and challenged by the story of Jesus reinstating Peter as his disciple on the beach.
Tuesday 17/4	Give thanks for our Growth Groups; for our learning together of God's word and how we can apply it in our everyday lives. Give thanks for friendships made and for the love and support we gain from one another as brothers and sisters in Christ. Pray for those groups that have stopped, and for new groups to be formed.
Wednesday 18/4	Give thanks for Lighthouse Learners SU Group at Victoria Primary School. Give thanks for their excitement to explore the Bible. Pray for their relationships with one another, that they would begin to see one another as Christ sees them, and grow in their encouragement of one another.
Thursday 19/4	Pray for someone to take on the role of prayer secretary and to organise this vital ministry. So often it has been said recently that we do not understand prayer or how it works, but it does work and make a difference. The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results. James 5:16 NLT

Friday 20/4	Pray for Christian caring agencies at home, Salvation Army, Bethany Christian Trust, Street Pastors, & the Edinburgh & Glasgow City Missions. Pray for the work that goes on to help those on the street in our cities. Think of them as they work tonight in the various towns and cities.
Saturday 21/4	Pray for the work of Interserve and other missionary organisations, for all the people working in foreign lands to serve others. Pray they will be strengthened through the Holy Spirit in difficult times.
Sunday 22/4	<p>“Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ” Ephesians 5:20 (NIV)</p> <p>Give thanks for contribution of our music group and the vocalists who lead our worship.</p>
Monday 23/4	Give thanks for the counselling services available through Crossreach at Simpson House, here in Edinburgh. Lives blighted by substance abuse are being transformed through recovery appointments, one-to-one counselling and group work. This service is valued and respected by local authorities and health boards but they are not in a position to fund it. Pray that there will be an increasing flow of voluntary donations to enable this work to transform many more lives.