

September Readers/Readings

<u>Reader</u>	<u>Readings</u>
Sun 3 Sept Andy Young Christine Barker	Jerimiah 15: 15-21; Romans 12: 9-21 Psalm 26: 1-8 <i>(Matthew 16: 21-28)</i>
Sun 10 Sept Mike Baxter Margaret Gray	Deuteronomy 8: 7-18; 2 Corinthians 9: 6-15 Psalm 65 <i>(Luke 12: 16-30)</i>
Sun 17 Sept Janette Turvey Margaret Gray	Genesis 50: 15-21; Romans 14: 1-12 Psalm 103(1-7), 8-13 <i>(Matthew 18: 21-35)</i>
Sun 24 Sept Andy Young Margaret Gray	Jonah 3: 10-4:11; Philippians 1:21-30 Psalm 145: 1-8 <i>(Matthew 20: 1-16)</i>
Sun 1 Oct Mike Baxter Margaret Gray	Ezekiel 18: 1-4,25-32; Philippians 2:1-13 Psalm 25: 1-9 <i>(Matthew 21: 23-32)</i>

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*The humble, glorious Michaelmas daisy, named for
The Feast of St Michael*

ST MARGARET'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Priest's Message

Rootedness. You and I are deeply planted in tradition - family, culture, church and in the world. So are the festivals which extend even way back into pagan times. Lammastide is one:

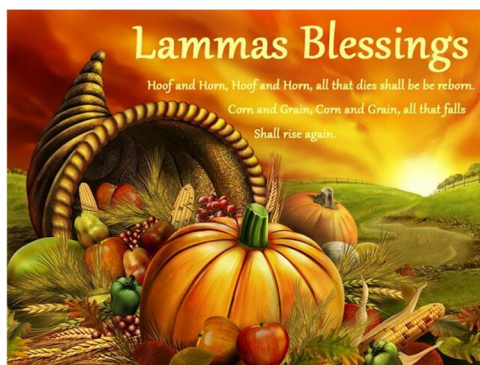
1st August is known as Lammas Day or as the Gaelic festival period of Lughnasadh. Lammas origins lie in the Christian liturgical calendar, its name deriving from the Anglo-Saxon *hlaf-mas* meaning *loaf-mass*. It marked a time when the agricultural year and the Christian calendar came together. From Mediaeval times it marked the end of the hay harvest and the beginning of the grain. Our churches still dedicate a Sunday to thanksgiving for the harvest, which promises to be a bumper one this year, praise God!

Our spiritual lives are flushed by the seasons: the Autumn equinox on 23 September reminds us to store away for winter: food and of the spiritual kind; how we care and adjust, as God's beloved.

Michaelmas is a term used by public schools to mark the first term of the year. Reflected in fields and gardens, the cheeriness and resilience of Michaelmas daisies along walkways, fields and in gardens and their cheeriness reflects the Feast of St Michael on the 23 September.

So, in the midst of the flourish of activity in nature, our rich tradition and celebrations, may we too allow the seasons their glory, in this world God created for our pleasure and stewardship.

Grace and peace be with you.
Revd Kathy Barrable.



Lammastide - feast and thanksgiving aplenty!

September Services Diary

Wed 30 Aug	10.30am	Midweek Ecumenical Service
Sun 3 Sept	9.30am	Pentecost 14. Reserved Sacrament Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall
Wed 6 Sept	10.30am	Midweek Ecumenical Service
Sun 10 Sept	9.30am	Creation 1. Harvest Festival Eucharist , followed by tea/coffee in the hall
Wed 13 Sept	10.30am	Midweek Ecumenical Service
Sun 17 Sept	9.30am	Creation 2. Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall
Wed 20 Sept	10.30am	Midweek Ecumenical Service
Sun 24 Sept	9.30am	Creation 3. Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall
Wed 27 Sept	10.30am	Midweek Ecumenical Service
Sun 1 Oct	9.30am	Creation 4 Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall

September Rotas

Reception

Intercessions

Sun 3 Sept	Janette Turvey	Mike Baxter
Sun 10 Sept	Christine Barker	Andy Young
Sun 17 Sept	Mike Baxter	Margaret Gray
Sun 24 Sept	Margaret Redpath	Mike Baxter
Sun 1 Oct	Janette Turvey	Andy Young

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September Events

Sun 27 Aug	3.00pm	Ferryport Fiddlers concert in Parish Church
Sun 3 Sept	10.00am - 4.00pm	Doors Open Day. Auld Kirk and Burgh Chambers open all day. St Margaret's, Our Lady's and Parish Church open 1.00pm - 4.00pm.
Sun 3 Sept	6.30pm	Taizé service in Our Lady's
Sun 10 Sept	10.30am	Harvest Festival with donations for the Foodbank
Sat 30 Sept	10.30am	Vestry Meeting
Sun 1 Oct	6.30pm	Taizé service in United Free Church

St Margaret's Mission Statement

The mission of St Margaret's Church is to worship together, reach out, with the other churches, to those in the community and beyond, offering them welcome and hospitality wherever they are on their spiritual journey.