

Welcome to Stonehaven Fetteresso



Prayer focus for April 2025

Waiting, watching, walking.

I say to myself, "The Lord is my portion; therefore, I will wait for him."

The Lord is good to those whose hope is in him, to the one who seeks him; it is good to wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord.

Lamentation 3:24-26

As we journey through Lent we are encouraged to slow down, to take time to wait on God. This is a wilderness time, a time of preparation.

As we approach Easter we see Jesus take time to wait on God in prayer. He asks the Disciples to wait in prayer with him. He knows what lies ahead. Waiting on God is not easy. We see the disciples struggle to wait with him. We watch our Lord's anguish in the Garden of Gethsemane, yet see his complete obedience to God in going to the cross. We watch as our Lord bears our sin and the sin of the world at Calvary. We watch as the disciples mourn his death. Their hopes seemingly dashed. Then comes the glory of that Easter morning and the resurrection of our Lord. Death is overcome and oh the change in the disciples.

As a church we have been waiting, the wait may have seemed long. Yet God is faithful. Time and again we have heard on Sundays of God's faithfulness. That we are to stand firm and see what he will do.

As we journey this month through Lent to the Cross and the Resurrection let us remember we are an Easter people.

Let us stand firm in Christ and wait on God who is faithful. He alone knows what and whom he has planned for us. Let us watch and pray to see what God will do and walk on in faith, hope and trust.

Listen! I hear the voice of someone shouting, "Make a road for the Lord through the wilderness; make him a straight, smooth road through the desert. Fill the valleys; level the hills; straighten out the crooked paths, and smooth off the rough spots in the road. The glory of the Lord will be seen by all mankind together." The Lord has spoken—it shall be.

Isaiah 40:3-5

But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength. They shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

Isaiah 40:31

As we pray the way forward for a new minister and youth leader let us be faithful in prayer.

We offer a thought for your prayers for each day this month.

1st. Those who mourn.

2nd. God's plans for us at Fetteresso in changing times.

3rd. A new minister and a new children and youth leader.

4th. For our children and youth team.

5th. For those who are at a crossroads may God guide them.

6th. For all who speak Gods word today.

7th. Give thanks for all who organise and help at the food bank.

8th. For the longest journey that begins one step at a time.

9th. That those who are weary, may they find rest in Jesus.

10th. Give thanks as God provides everything we need for the journey.

11th. For world leaders and governments.

- 12th.** Remember all those who need the food bank now.
- 13th.** For the reconciliation of estranged families.
- 14th.** Hope and strength for those who feel that they cannot go on.
- 15th.** For those whose journey is almost at its end.
- 16th.** For those who are at the start of their journey with God.
- 17th.** Our Easter event tomorrow
- 18th.** Give thanks for Jesus and his sacrifice.
- 19th.** For those who have lost hope.
- 20th.** Give thanks for the redeeming work of Christ.
- 21st.** For students in universities
- 22nd.** Those taking exams.
- 23rd.** Those seeking employment.
- 24th.** All facing surgery or treatment.
- 25th.** All who are afraid.
- 26th.** For those for whom the night is long and painful. For God's light in the darkest night
- 27th.** Our church family.
- 28th.** All in hospital.
- 29th.** For the prodigal who returns - the Father's heart is always filled with joy.
- 30th.** For peace in our war-torn world.



Prayer requests for the prayer chain can be emailed to:

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As always all prayer requests will be treated confidentially.

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Small Groups at Fetteresso

As well as prayer groups in Fetteresso, we have small home groups that meet on different days. If you are interested in running or being part of a small group, please get in touch with James Dickinson or the office.

Place to Pray...

Monday afternoons (term time)

There will be a time to come together for prayer. For more details please speak with Roseanne Shewan or the office.

