April 12, 2026
Worship Outline

THIS WEEK AT BRECHIN
Minister: Rev. Katherine Brittain
Guest Presider: Rev. Bert Ramsey
Music Director and Choir Leader: Tim Weger
Lay Leader: Eileen Carolan
Greeters: Marilyn & Rob Russell
Power Point: Kathy Torhjelm
Announcement Preparation: Jim Boggs
Audio Visual: Ian Gartshore
Coffee Servers: Bruce & Linda Wilson
Welcome Table: Gloria Le Gal

Centering and Land Acknowledgement and Lighting the Christ Candle

Call to Worship
(from Psalm 62)
One: Those of low estate are but a breath,
All: Those of high estate a dream forgotten.
One: Put both in the scales and up they go,
All: lighter than a puff of wind.
One: In the love of God lies our dignity, honour and glory.
All: We celebrate the everlasting love that meets us here.

Affirming statement:
All: As an Affirming Ministry we boldly declare that we fully welcome and include the full participation of all people in the life and work of Ministry as we journey together, regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, ethnicity, age, marital status, mental or physical ability, beliefs, cultural backgrounds, or economic circumstance. We are dedicated to being good stewards of God's world, working and living towards justice and wholeness for all God's people.

Hymn: VU 222 "Come, Let Us Sing"

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piano arr. Jean Strathdee 1976
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1. Come, let us sing to the Lord our song,
we have stood silently too long;
surely the Lord deserves our praise,
so joyfully thank God for our days.

2. **O thirsty soul, come drink at the well;**
God's living waters will never fail.
Surely the Lord will help you to stand,
strengthened and comforted by God's hand.

3. **You dwell among us and cause us to pray,**
and walk with each other following your way;
our precious brothers and sisters will grow
in the fulfilling love they know.

4. **Deserts shall bloom and mountains shall sing**
to the desire of all living things.
Come, all you creatures, high and low,
let your praises endlessly flow.

Scripture: John 20:19-29

Response:
One: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church
All: Thanks be to God

Theme Moment

Hymn: VU 117 "Jesus Christ Is Waiting"

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Music: French carol, 15th century, harm. The Iona Community 1984
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1 **Jesus Christ is waiting, waiting in the streets;**
no one is his neighbour, all alone he eats.
Listen, Lord Jesus, I am lonely too.
Make me, friend or stranger, fit to wait on you.

2 **Jesus Christ is raging, raging in the streets,**
where injustice spirals and real hope retreats.
Listen, Lord Jesus, I am angry too.
In the Kingdom's causes let me rage with you.

3 **Jesus Christ is healing, healing in the streets;**
curing those who suffer, touching those he greets.
Listen, Lord Jesus, I have pity too.
Let my care be active, healing just like you.

4 **Jesus Christ is dancing, dancing in the streets,**
where each sign of hatred he, with love, defeats.
Listen, Lord Jesus, I should triumph too.
On suspicion's graveyard let me dance with you.

5 Jesus Christ is calling, calling in the streets,
'Who will join my journey? I will guide their feet.'
Listen, Lord Jesus, let my fears be few.
Walk one step before me; I will follow you.

Reflection Bert Ramsey

Anthem: "When Pain or Sorrow" (Hold On)

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Invitation to Offering

Offering Hymn: VU 541 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

(Words: Thomas Ken ca 1674
Music: Genevan Psalter 1551
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Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures high and low;
give thanks to God in love made known,
Creator, Word and Spirit, One.

Offering Prayer
All: Gentle Spirit, may the gifts we bring be made strong to create beauty around us.
And grant us to become the gifts you intend: strong, loving and lovely.
Amen.

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer VU 916
Our Father-Mother, who is in the heavens,
may your name be made holy,
may your dominion come,
may your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today the bread we need;
and forgive us our debts,
as we have forgiven our debtors;
and do not put us to the test,
but rescue us from evil.
For yours is the dominion, and the power,
and the glory forever. Amen.

Announcements: Life and Work of the Church

Hymn: VU 639 "One More Step Along the World I Go"

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1. One more step along the world I go,
one more step along the world I go,
from the old things to the new,
keep me travelling along with you:
And it's from the old I travel to the new;
keep me travelling along with you.

2. Round the corner of the world I turn,
more and more about the world I learn;
all the new things that I see
you'll be looking at along with me:
And it's from the old I travel to the new;
keep me travelling along with you.

3. As I travel through the bad and good,
keep me travelling the way I should;
where I see no way to go
you'll be telling me the way, I know:
And it's from the old I travel to the new;
keep me travelling along with you.

4. Give me courage when the world is rough,
keep me loving though the world is tough,
leap and sing in all I do,
keep me travelling along with you:
And it's from the old I travel to the new;
keep me travelling along with you.

5. You are older than the world can be,
you are younger than the life in me,
ever old and ever new,
keep me travelling along with you:
And it's from the old I travel to the new;
keep me travelling along with you.

Commissioning and Benediction