## **March 2023**

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Dear Friend,

Now that we're into March it feels like spring is in the air and people have more energy for being involved in wider activities. We extended the hours of Make, Do, and Mend on Tuesdays and this has given the group a boost. It includes Anne and Lily who have been nurturing seedlings for our planters and keeping an eye on the spring bulbs which are growing fast. We also have a group of enthusiastic knitters and the sewing machine is being used to learn how to sew and to mend clothes.

We welcomed David Coleman, the Church of Scotland's Ecochaplain to the group last week and he said that we're well on our way to receiving a first stage award as an Ecocongregation but we need to register with the programme first!

Perhaps most exciting is that we are re-starting our children's ministry with a Sunday Club for school-age children. It will run on the first Sunday of the month during the morning service. We will continue to have a children's corner at the back of the church where younger children can play and everyone will gather together at the end. Please invite anyone you think would like to come. Our modern building means we are buggy accessible and have nappy-changing in the disabled toilet.

In this first week of Lent, we began a book study on the theme of Failure. Our first meeting included stories of feelings of failure through the pandemic and how failure can be turned to an opportunity for growth. More copies of the book have been ordered and it's not too late to come along. We meet on Wednesdays 2–3pm.

## **EVERY WEEK**

- Sunday 11-12 Morning Worship
- Monday 10-12 Men's Group
- Monday 1-3.30 Zest for Life relaxation with gentle movement
- Tuesday 10-3 Make, Do and Mend Drop-in and crafts
- Wednesday 10-2 Cooking and baking with our new neighbours
- Last Wednesday Worship 2-3pm
- Thursday 12-1 All for 1 Yoga Lunch afterwards



Until next time...

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## MENS GROUP

MONDAYS 11-1

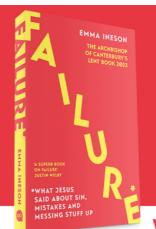








David Coleman, Eco-chaplain visiting Make, Do and Mend



The Big Church Read

Join Emma Ineson as she leads us through her new book 'Failure'

The Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent Book 2023

www.thebigchurchread.co.uk

It's not too late to join us as we read through this book and discuss the questions it raises. We have free copies of the book to share. Wednesdays 2-3pm





A blessing box contains little rolls of Bible verses from which visitors to churches or retreat centres can take a word of encouragement or blessing as they leave.

In order to start one in our church, please email, text or write out your favourite verse of encouragement and give it to Catriona. She'll make sure it is added to our box as we put it together. Catriona has shared one above.