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*“The LORD your God is with you, the Mighty Warrior who saves.
He will take great delight in you; in his love he will no longer rebuke you, but
will rejoice over you with singing.”*

Zephaniah 3:17

October 7th 2010 was a significant day in my life, it was the day that I was Inducted and Ordained as the Minister of Partick South, now Partick Victoria Park. At that time, we had a banner group and I was asked if I would like to choose a verse for a banner. I selected the closing words of Zephaniah 3:17 “He will rejoice over you with singing”. I just love the image of God in the glories of heaven singing over us, taking delight in us. Can you see God singing over you, can you hear God singing over you?

Our view of God determines our relationship with Him. Many individuals see the Lord as someone who stands off in the distance, watching and waiting to strike us down the minute we mess up. He is viewed as a God of rules and regulations, looking to stifle our fun and suppress our freedom; and to some people He is not a God to be desired.

The Bible teaches that the Lord is not impersonal, and He does not wish to remain somewhere in the distance; but rather, He desires a close and intimate relationship with us. In fact, for those of us who confess Him as Lord and Saviour, He is a God who loves us so greatly and is filled with such joy for us, that He sings over us!

I often get asked by my ministerial colleagues, “what are you enjoying most about the union”, I always respond with the same answer ‘the singing’. Since we have come together, the volume and passion in our singing has reached a new level. As I stand at the front, I am often blown away by the level we reach, with so many wow moments, it is actually quite emotional.

As we continue to develop our worship with new hymns and songs, maybe adding various instruments as we go, can I encourage to sing your heart out, rejoice in your singing, for God rejoices in singing over you.

Blessings and prayers,
Rev Andy

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What's On/Dates for your Diary

- Sunday** Worship Services: 11am and 6.30pm
Creche and Young Church available
Sunday Café: 5pm-6pm
- Tuesday** Gambler's Anonymous: 6.30pm-7.30pm
- Wednesday** Worship: 10.30am (*Followed by tea/coffee*)
- Thursday** Baby and Toddler Group: 9.45am-11.45am
Vocal Dynamics (*Community Choir*): 5.30pm-7pm
Prayer and Praise Meeting: 7.30pm-9pm

Broken Voices Fellowship Group – ran by John Carslaw and meets on different days, if you are interested in going along, please speak to John or the Minister for more details.

Upcoming events and services

Sunday 8th October – Harvest Thanksgiving

There will be a collection of tins, packets etc. for Lodging House Mission in Glasgow and a Soup and Sandwich Lunch after Morning Worship in aid of Compassion UK.

Sunday 12th November – Remembrance Sunday

Morning Service will begin at 10.45am

Coffee Morning and Bake Sale

There will be a Coffee Morning and Bake Sale in the Balshagray Centre on Saturday 16th September from 10am-12noon.