



### **Dunscore Church Family Notices**

Registered Scottish Charity SC016060, Congregation Number 080454

**SUNDAY 19<sup>th</sup> July 2020**

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### **10.30am – Worship Together via Zoom video-conference.**

*Please have a wine glass of water, a flower from your garden and a packet of seed (if you have them) as well as paper and thick pen, to hand !*

**ZOOM link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86462478485>**

**Tel. 0131 460 1196 with meeting ID: 86462478485**

#### *A note from our Minister:*

It is good to see the decorations outside the houses in Moniaive as the adapted Gala event takes place. The colours, fabrics and flowers help to put a smile on the face of passing pedestrians and motorists. Whilst many things have had to be cancelled during lockdown, some things have continued by adapting – a great test of our imagination. Jesus taught us to share His Love, to be channels of His Peace, and the Holy Spirit literally inspires us to carry out His wishes day by day. He can stir our imagination to find new ways of sharing the Good News and being Good News in our communities – if only we ask Him.

God Bless & elbow bumps,

Mark

#### *Worship during self-isolation and social-distancing:*

To ensure that we can all continue to worship together as far as possible we currently mainly use the internet:

**Zoom** video-conferencing for Sunday worship (also by telephone!)

**YouTube** clips for meditation and reflection (highlighted in CFN)

**Facebook** posts for ongoing encouragement and information

Email for general contact and updates

- but ... we are aware that some of you are not connected to such things.

Your Elder will ensure that you get a copy of the CFN each week and these include the hymns, a few thoughts on the reading for Sunday Worship, and other ideas to enable you to join in the ongoing worship, prayer and study life of the congregations as you are able.

### **TOGETHER AT HOME ... 7pm Sunday & Thursday.**

Join in prayer, thought and reflection. Use the weekly prayer and theme from CFNs.

Light a candle. Look at pictures of friends/family/congregation. Listen to restful music.

As we pray in the name of Jesus the Holy Spirit will unite us across the distancing.

### **YOU can help ...**

If you have a helpful prayer ...

If you have any beautiful pictures ...

If you have any encouraging stories ...

...let Colin, Lindsay, Mark, Matthew, or Max have them to share with everyone

**\*\* Don't forget to pass on these CFNs to neighbours and friends as you are able \*\***

*This Week:*

**PRAYER OF THE WEEK** – *Lord, help me do all the good I can*

*by all the means I can,*

*in all the ways I can,*

*in all the places I can,*

*at all the times I can,*

*to all the people I can,*

*for as long as I can.*

*For the sake of Jesus, my precious Saviour. (after John Wesley)*

**PRAYER THEME** – Ask God's help to be a channel to spread His Love and Peace around.

***Mary of the Gaels*** – music and images for prayer, contemplation

<https://youtu.be/H6hjbQ6hPz4>

**WEDNESDAY REFLECTION** – Romans 8:12-27 { <https://youtu.be/jwZAKtmaEpk>

*Next Sunday:*

10.30am – Sunday Worship Together via **Zoom** video-conference

### **OPENING THE CHURCH AGAIN**

Following Scottish Government advice, a Kirk Session meeting and permission from Presbytery we can open the church with certain stringent safety measures. If you wish to use the church for private prayer please contact Colin or Mark. If Funeral Directors wish to use the church for a funeral they should also contact Colin or Mark. Most of the Kirk Session wished to continue with Zoom services unless there is a high demand to have services in the church (This would involve spaced out seating, no singing and wearing masks on the way into and out of church). Please let an elder or Mark know your thoughts about this.

**Connect Discussion Group.** The Discussion group is having a break until 18<sup>th</sup> August

If you would like to join in please contact Tim Harmer- [timharmer95@gmail.com](mailto:timharmer95@gmail.com)

### **Eco – Snippet – Freeze more**

Get into the habit of freezing food more often. There are plenty of everyday things you can store this way before they go off, such as milk, bread, cheese, cooked meat and even eggs (not in the shell) Wrap them up well or use an airtight container, then de - frost thoroughly before use.

**First Base Food Bank ...** Due to present difficulties, it has become preferable to donate money so that First Base can source the food required themselves. You can donate by using the following link .... [www.justgiving.com/first-base](http://www.justgiving.com/first-base) . Please do donate if you can.

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\* Notes for inclusion in July's CFNs to Colin by Friday midday please. \*

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### **Hymn 132**

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, Thy great Name we praise.

Unresting, unchanging, and silent as light,  
nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;  
Thy justice like mountains, high soaring above  
Thy clouds, which are fountains  
of goodness and love.

To all, life Thou givest, to both great and small;  
in all life Thou livest, the true life of all;  
we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,  
and wither and perish, but naught changeth Thee.

Great Father of Glory, pure Father of Light,  
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight.  
All praise we would render: O help us to see  
'tis only the splendour of light hideth Thee.

Walter Chalmers Smith (1824-1908)

### **Activity Sowing the seeds of Love**

### **Song**

### **Prayers & Lord's Prayer**

### **Hymn 528**

Make me a channel of Your Peace.

Where there is hatred

let me bring Your Love;

where there is injury, Your pardon, Lord;

and where there's doubt, true faith in You.

*Oh, Master,*

*grant that I may never seek*

*so much to be consoled as to console;*

*to be understood, as to understand;*

*to be loved, as to love with all my soul.*

Make me a channel of Your Peace.

Where there's despair in life

let me bring Hope;

where there is darkness, only light;

and where there's sadness, ever joy.

*Oh, Master, grant ...*

Make me a channel of Your Peace.

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

in giving of ourselves that we receive;

and in dying that we're born to Eternal Life.

Sebastian Temple (1928-1997) from the *Prayer of St Francis*

A familiar parable ...

seeds are broadcast across the terrain,

some die, some wither, some bolt,

some bear fruit – lots of fruit!

No instant results

No sure results

Today we are called to broadcast ...

Love

Peace

Hope

Joy

We spread these seeds liberally

hoping for the plant to grow and develop

never knowing what fruit will happen

but trusting God to do what is needed

to bring forth good fruit – lots of fruit!

### **Hymn 251**

I, the Lord of sea and sky,

I have heard My people cry.

All who dwell in dark and sin

My hand will save.

I, who made the stars of night,

I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear My light to them?

Whom shall I send?

*Here I am, Lord.*

*Is it I, Lord?*

*I have heard You calling in the night.*

*I will go, Lord,*

*if You lead me.*

*I will hold Your people in My heart.*

I, the Lord of snow and rain,

I have borne My people's pain.

I have wept for love of them.

They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone,

give them hearts for love alone.

I will speak My Word to them.

Whom shall I send?

*Here I am, Lord ...*

I, the Lord of wind and flame,

I will tend the poor and lame.

I will set a feast for them.

My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide

till their hearts be satisfied.

I will give My life to them.

Whom shall I send?

*Here I am, Lord ...*

Daniel L Schutte (b.1947)

### **Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23 The Sower**

Notes: