



Dunscore Church Family Notices

Registered Scottish Charity SC016060, Congregation Number 080454

SUNDAY 30th August 2020

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10.30am – Worship Together via Zoom video-conference. Organist: Andrew Thorne

ZOOM link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87215335611>

Tel. 0131 460 1196 with meeting ID: 87215335611#

A note from our Minister:

Thanks to the hard work of a handful of folk, who have completed the relevant piles of paperwork to ensure that the buildings are safe for us to use, we are able to hold two Meditations this afternoon. They might be a one-off for now, but it is a start and I pray that it will be an encouragement to us, especially those who are not internet-connected and have missed the fellowship. No singing, social-distancing and one-way systems are not how we see worship, but the time spent focussed on God is vital for us all.

God Bless & elbow bumps,

Mark

Prayer Theme – Pray for our link friends in Lubuto, Zambia, facing political upheaval at this time.

Prayer of the Week

Thank You, Lord, that we can meet with You wherever we are.

Across the world, we come together,
seeking Your presence, Your comfort, Your strength.

Holy Spirit, fill us with Faith whatever we face.

Jesus Christ, may Your yoke help us carry our burdens.

Heavenly Father, may Your Love spill out to all we meet.

We ask this in Your Name and for Your sake

Eco Snippet

If you are a cyclist, from time to time you probably have inner tubes that are beyond repair. Don't just throw them out, they make good tree support ties or, alternatively, drop them off in a local bike shop (such as Power Bikes near the Burns statue) that participates in the [Cycle of Good](#) scheme. They will be made into wallets and other products by workers in Malawi. Power Bikes have a range of Cycle of Good products available for sale.

One method of reducing our plastic usage is to re-use bags such as from cereal boxes or sugar instead of using a new plastic bag where this is a suitable alternative.

POST OFFICE RE-OPENS

The Post Office based in the Glenriddell Hall is now open at the following times:

Monday 11.00 – 12.30

Wednesday 12.30 – 1.30

Friday 11.45 – 1.45

Only one customer at a time and face coverings need to be worn.

Connect Discussion Group

The Discussion group is now being continued online on Thursday evenings. If you would like to join in please contact Tim Harmer- timharmer95@gmail.com

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. Please do donate if you can by using the following link

www.justgiving.com/first-base

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

We are aware that some of you are not connected to such things so 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.

Meditation

Both church buildings will be open for a brief Meditation led by our Minister, Rev Mark Smith. St Ninian's at Noon and Dunscore at Dusk(-ish) (4pm).

The Meditation will last half an hour and there will be no singing.

- Hygiene and social-distancing conventions will be in place as per National Protocols.
- BRING YOUR OWN FACE-MASK to wear inside the building.
- Notices will show where to enter and exit the buildings.
- We will note the names of all who attend to comply with Test-and-Trace requirements.
- Please follow any directions given by the Elders on duty.

NB Toilet facilities will NOT be available at St Ninian's (public toilets are open).

TOGETHER AT HOME, Sunday and Thursdays at 7pm

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

Please let Colin, Lindsay, Mark, Matthew, or Max have them to share with everyone and don't forget to pass on these CFNs to neighbours and friends as you are able.

Notes for inclusion in September's CFNs to Linda by Friday midday please. You can contact her on linm122@outlook.com or Tel. 01387 820229

Words for Sunday's service are overleaf.

Hymn 378

Praise to the Holiest in the height,
and in the depth be praise –
in all His words most wonderful,
most sure in all His ways.

O loving Wisdom of our God!
when all was sin and shame,
a second Adam to the fight
and to the rescue came.

O wisest Love! that flesh and blood,
which did in Adam fail,
should strive afresh against the foe,
should strive and should prevail.

O generous Love! that He who smote
in Man, for man, the foe,
the double agony in Man
for man should undergo;

And in the garden secretly,
and on the Cross on high,
should teach His brethren, and inspire
to suffer and to die.

Praise to the Holiest in the height,
and in the depth be praise –
in all His words most wonderful,
most sure in all His ways.

JH Newman (1801-1890)

Song JP232

Thank You, Lord, for this fine day, {x3
Right where we are.

*Alleluia, praise the Lord {x3
Right where we are.*

Thank You, Lord, for ... {x3
Right where we are. *Alleluia ...*

Thank You, Lord for loving me, {x3
Right where we are. *Alleluia ...*

Hymn 514 (updated words)

Onward, Christian pilgrims,
Christ will be our light:
see, the heav'nly vision
breaks upon our sight!
Out of death's enslavement
Christ has set us free,
on then to salvation,
hope and liberty.

*Onward, Christian pilgrims,
Christ will be our light;
see, the heav'nly vision
breaks upon our sight!*

Onward, Christian pilgrims,
up the rocky way,
where the dying Saviour
bids us watch and pray.
Through the darkened valley
walk with those who mourn,
share the pain and anger,
share the promised dawn!

Onward, Christian pilgrims ...

Onward, Christian pilgrims,
in the early dawn;
death's great seal is broken,
life and hope reborn!
Faith in resurrection
strengthens pilgrims' hearts,
ev'ry load is lightened,
ev'ry fear departs.

Onward, Christian pilgrims ...

Onward, Christian pilgrims,
hearts and voices raise,
till the whole creation
echoes perfect praise:
swords are turned to ploughshares,
pride and envy cease,
truth embraces justice,
hope resolves in peace.

Onward, Christian pilgrims ...

M Forster (b.1946)

Hymn 167

Guide me, O Thou Great Jehovah,
pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but Thou art mighty;
hold me with Thy powerful hand:
Bread of Heaven, Bread of Heaven,
feed me till my want is o'er {x2

Open now the crystal fountain
whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through:
strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer,
be Thou still my strength and shield {x2

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside!
Death of death, and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side!
Songs of praises, songs of praises,
I will ever give to Thee {x2

W Williams (1717-1791) trans P Williams (1727-1796)

Jesus is Lord! ...

David J.Mansell