



## **Dunscore Church Family Notices**

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**SUNDAY 26<sup>th</sup> September 2021**

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### **TODAY:**

- **10.00am - Café Church** in St Ninian's Church, Moniaive
- **11.45am - Harvest Festival** in Dunscore Church (also on Zoom)

### **A Message from our Minister:**

*Over the next two weeks we are celebrating Harvest Festivals in our churches and schools. It's a time to give thanks for the food we have, a reminder of the work that goes into providing that food, and a challenge to share with those in need. As we have looked at what the Bible says about Creation & Me we have discovered a lot about our place and our responsibilities in relation to nature and each other. However 'superior' we feel as humans, we have responsibilities for creation and to each other. However distant we feel from the natural world, we are affected by its changes and problems. We have been given much and, therefore, much is expected of us. Are you up to the challenge?*

*God Bless,  
Mark*

**PRAYER THEME –** Creation & Me: ask God's help in sharing with those in need

**PRAYER for September:** *Creator God,*

*thank you for the beauty of the earth and universe around us,  
thank you for making me part of that creation.*

*I am sorry for the times I take it for granted,*

*I am sorry for the damage I cause to Your creation,*

*I am sorry for the ways my lifestyle hurts others.*

*Help me remember that I am part of Your great work of creation,*

*help me remember that I am in a position of trust with creation,*

*help me remember that I am capable of making a difference.*

*Guide me to be a good steward of creation*

*and play my part in protecting and managing its resources*

*so that I may reflect You in all that I do.*

### **Next Sunday:**

- 10.00am – **Harvest Festival** in St Ninian's Church, Moniaive
- 11.45am – **Morning Worship** in Dunscore Church (also on Zoom)

### **Connect**

The Connect group are now meeting weekly in the Church on Thursday evenings at 7.30pm. All are welcome to join us. We are currently studying the Old Testament book of Proverbs. Tim Harmer ([timharmer95@gmail.com](mailto:timharmer95@gmail.com))

**Thought Walks:** Dunscore Fairtrade and our Eco Group invite you to take "thought walks" this week....20<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> September. Each day there is a theme. Have a walk, consider the theme, take a photo based on that day's theme and send it to [dunscorefairtrade@ifilmu.co.uk](mailto:dunscorefairtrade@ifilmu.co.uk). The photos will be judged and the winner will win a fantastic Fairtrade hamper.

(The daily themes are: Monday - Biodiversity; Tuesday - Trees; Wednesday - Air quality; Thursday - Rivers; Friday - Hills and mountains; Saturday (joint walk) – Humans).

Join with others for **Saturday's walk (25<sup>th</sup> September)** starting at **9:30 am** from the church car park. There is also a Fairtrade café in the Glenriddell Hall and crafts and videos in the church from **10:30 - 12:00 noon**.

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> October.... Church Stated Annual Meeting** will take place after our 11.45am Church Service. Do come and hear how we have been doing over the last few years. We will also have proposals for 3 new Board members.

### **Eco Snippet**

Consider a long life laundry ball for the washing. Kinder to the environment and saves money on detergents

### **First Base Food Bank**

Please remember to support this excellent charity. It is still hard for many folk living on little income. I know that many of you give through "Just Giving" online [www.justgiving.com/first-base](http://www.justgiving.com/first-base), but as an alternative, Mark Frankland would be delighted to receive cheques to "The First Base Food Agency", 6 Buccleuch Street, Dumfries, DG1 2NH

Please send items for October CFNs to **Tim Harmer** on [timharmer95@gmail.com](mailto:timharmer95@gmail.com)