

# Dunscore Church Family Notices Registered Scottish Charity SC016060, Congregation Number 080454

Zoom live - https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86939887756 Minister REV MARK SMITH

Manse: 01387 820475. Mobile: 0776 215 2755 Email: Mark.Smith@churchofscotland.org.uk Facebook: Rev Mark Smith YouTube: CairnValley Churches

# Sunday 22nd January

Together with KiKs in Dunscore Church 10am

# A Message from our Minister:

We began the week by receiving a new member into the family and ended it saying farewell to a dear friend. Throughout both celebrations we were aware that God was with us, just as He is with us at all stages in between. We invite Him into the ordinary days of life as well as the extra-ordinary experiences we face, knowing that He wants to be with us each step of the way. The first Disciples were ordinary people who accepted Jesus' invitation to follow Him, put down what they were doing, and stepped into a new life with Him. They became extra-ordinary, learning from their Master and Friend, and sharing the Good News He came to bring. We have the chance to join them as we, too, respond to Jesus' invitation - "Will you come and follow me?"

**PRAYER for this week:** Father God, thank you that You sent Jesus who came to give me freedom through the Cross. You have called me

to put down my 'nets and follow You.You have offered me new life in You -a new path to follow, as a new light has dawned Thank You that You walk beside me on the journey,the journey from darkness into Your marvellous Light.Thank You that You offer me life full of adventure,life in all its fullness.

<u>**PRAYER THEME</u></u> – Thank Jesus for His invitation and challenge – then accept them!</u>** 

#### Next Sunday:

28<sup>th</sup> January Joint Service with St Ninians Moniaive 10.30 am Zoom live - https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86939887756

26th Thursday: 7.30pm – Connect Bible Study Group meets in Dunscore Church

### International Holocaust Memorial Day 2023

A short act of remembrance will be held at the Cairn on the Church Car Park at 11am on <u>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January</u> to remember Miss Jane Haining and all victims of the Holocaust. All are welcome.

27<sup>th</sup> January: Eco- meeting following memorial at Susan Leask's house.

### Important dates

Hopefully you will all have noticed our logo for our  $200^{th}$  Anniversary of our church building. There are plans for this celebration concluding with a weekend event <u> $1^{st} - 3^{rd}$  September</u>. More information to follow.

20th May for the plant, book and bric-a-brac sale.

### Eco-snippet

Continuing on the water theme, 25% of household water used is showers and baths. So an oldie tip but a goodie, take a shorter shower. You could change to a low -flow shower head has the potential to massively reduce amount of water used.

### Help! We still need volunteers to be on CFN Rota!

There are vacancies to assist with CFN collation and production. This is not a very onerous task and help is always available. Please contact **John Drabble** if you can help.

## <u>Heritage Centre....</u>

The centre is closed until the spring, but access always available by contacting Pam Mitchell, Matthew Aitken or John Drabble.

## The First Base Food Bank...

IF YOU CAN: Please Donate through 'Just Giving' online -

**www.justgiving.com/firstbase** OR Mark Frankland would be delighted to receive cheques made out to 'The First Base Food Agency' at First Base Food Bank 6 Buccleuch Street, Dumfries DG1 2NH. Or I will be happy to take a donation in church and send it. Many thanks for your help. Sheila.

Tel. 01387 820236 or e-mail <u>sheila69@btinternet.com</u> Please send any items for the January CFNs by Thursday afternoon to

Mary Waugh 01387 820301 or Craigeller@hotmail.co.uk