

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

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Sunday 4th February 2024 Reading - Isaiah 40:21-31

### A Message from our Minister:

As we enter February with Candlemas, with Shrove Tuesday, Ash Wednesday, Valentine's Day, still ahead, it seems that 2024 is slipping away from us. Yet the flow of the seasons tells a different story. Snowdrops abound and are a great metaphor for how God often works! Something small and seemingly delicate breaks through the frosted ground and shows something beautiful which holds its ground against wind, rain, frost, snow, and all that a British day can throw at it. Then it tucks itself up for the night to re-emerge with the sun for another day. At times our lives feel delicate and fragile. Our mood can be broken so easily. Our contentment can dissipate like the frost in the sun. YET ... (one of those great Bible words) ... God is with us and does not forget us in the wind, rain, frost and snow of life. However small, delicate, overwhelmed, we feel, Jesus walks with us so that we can be the beautiful flowers He wants us to be. Flowers which speak of His Love - for us and for others. This February, be more snowdrop!!

God Bless,

Mark

PRAYER for this week: Almighty God,

You show Your strength by lifting up the weak;
You show Your compassion by supporting the helpless,
You show Your tenderness by reaching those in darkness;
You show Your faithfulness by remembering all Your children.
Wherever we are, night or day,
we thank You in wonder and gratitude.

PRAYER THEME - Thank the Lord that He does not forget you, whatever is going on.

## Thursday:

7.30pm - Connect: Lent Bring & Share Supper in Dunscore Church

### Next Sunday:

10am - Family Worship in St Ninian's, Moniaive 11.30am - Family Worship with Baptism (Dougie Mackay) in Dunscore Church



**Eco Snippet:** At the start of February, be aware that it is Fairbruary! It makes a huge difference if you swap even one or two items for Fairtrade alternatives.

Fairtrade Big Brew
Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 11am-2pm Craft stalls in the Church
Soup, Cake & Refreshments in the Glenriddel Hall

Please send any items for CFNs for service on Sunday 11th February by Friday afternoon 9th February to Tim Harmer timharmer95@gmail.com Telephone 820861