



Church Family Notices

25th August 2024

Morning Worship at 10:00 am

Reading: – 1 Kings 8

Join the Service Online:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86939887756>

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A Message from our Minister

Did you dance? When the schools returned ... did you dance? We thought about King David dancing a few weeks ago. Have you had much chance to dance since? (The answer is YES, by the way – Galas do have that effect!)

Today we reflect on another great celebration – the opening of the new Temple in Jerusalem. A grand occasion by all accounts. A great achievement for the craftsmen and women who built it. A relief for Solomon after so much time. A place to meet with God, hear His Word, pray for His help, receive His forgiveness and blessing.

Last year we celebrated 200 years of the current Dunscore Church building (the history book is at the printer's as I write). It is our hope that our buildings reflect God's Love and are places where people can meet with God, hear His Word, pray for His help, receive His forgiveness and blessing.

As we fill the buildings with the sound of worship and prayer, we sense God's presence as we gather together in His Name. Sometimes we dance!

If you're not sure what I mean, join us to find out for yourself how generations have met with God, heard His Word, prayed for His help, received His forgiveness and blessing.
God Bless, Mark

Prayer for this week:

*Father, we praise You for giving us special places to gather.
But, most of all, we praise You for Your presence as we gather.
Thank You for bringing us together
within the hallowed walls of our church buildings.
We bow in gratitude for the grace that nurtures our fellowship,
as in community with one another and in communion with You,
we hear Your Word, and learn more about Your Love.
All praise and thanks be to the One
whose dearest wish is to find a place in our hearts for Himself.*

PRAYER THEME - Thank God for the precious places and times when He meets with you.

First Base Food Bank

The Dumfries Food Bank, First Base is always in need of support. 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 FoodBank, 6 Buccleuch Street, Dumfries DG1 2NH or Sheila will be happy to take a donation in church and send it. Many thanks for your help. Phone Sheila on 01387 820236 or email sheila69@btinternet.com for more information.

ECO-Snippet While the weather is still good(!), please consider walking or cycling to church or for any other journeys you make. Car sharing is also a very good option. By minimising the journeys we make using fossil fuels and reducing our emissions we can improve our environment for everyone. Every little helps.

Prayer rota – At the last Session meeting it was suggested that members of the congregation could deliver the prayer of intercession during the service on Sundays. Please let Colin know if you would be willing to join the rota for this.

Forthcoming Events

Date	Time	Event
Sunday 25 August	10:00 am	Together with KiKs in the church
Saturday 31 August	4:00 – 7:00 pm	Dumfries Christian Network BBQ and fun day at Dumfries Baptist Church
Sunday 1 September	10:00 am	Morning Worship in the Church
Thursday 5 September	7:30 pm	Roaming through Romans bible study – starting with a bring and share supper
Saturday 7 September	11:00 am – 3:00 pm	Tea Party / Fete at the manse – donations for baking etc. gratefully received
Sunday 8 September	10:00 am	Morning Worship – All Together Now – Service in the church
Thursday 12 September	7:30 pm	Roaming through Romans bible study
Sunday 15 September		Session and Board meeting to discuss the changes proposed in the Presbytery Plan

Presbytery Plan update Presbytery representatives will meet with the Kirk Sessions and Boards to go through the proposals and begin refine the agreements needed for us to move forward on Sunday 15th September.

Please Pray for Elders and Board Members, for Colin (Session Clerk) and Kath (Board Chair) at Dunscore, Nan (Session Clerk) at Moniaive, our treasurers (Robert and Max), and whoever comes from Presbytery – they need wisdom and courage in the discussions!

Please check if you are on the Congregational Roll (you'll need to be on these to vote on any proposals later in the process) – contact Archie Anderson (Dunscore) and Nan Tait (Glencairn & Moniaive).

Coming Soon ...

Starting Thursday 5th September at 7.30pm, with a **Bring & Share Supper**

Connect: Roaming Through Romans Bible Studies

Saturday 7th September, 11am-3pm **Manse Open Garden**

in aid of Manse Roof Repair Funds.

Parking is limited – please car-share or cycle!

New Sunday Worship format... Sunday 8th September, 10:00 am

ALL Together... NOW! for ALL ages, ALL stages...

Activities, Songs (with Claudia), Drama, Refreshments...

Pass the word on ... bring a friend, bring your whole family!

**Please send any CFN items for September to Sheila Anderson by Noon on Friday at
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