



Church Family Notices

10th November 2024

Remembrance Sunday

Time: 10:00am

Reading: Luke 21:5-19

Join the Service Online: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86939887756>

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A Message from our Minister

A wise person once said: “the only thing we learn from history is that we do not learn from history.”

That is sad, but true. Following the horrors of what is now known as the First World War (sometimes described as The Great War) and then the Second World War, we have simply not learnt! How easily we forget! The non-stop round of war and strife since 1945 proves it!

Remembrance is about remembering, but not just in a ‘being reminded’ way. It is meant to stop us forgetting the true cost of war, not just listing the names of those known to have died in wartime, but remembering what led to their sacrifice. It is not just a ‘one day a year’ thing. It is meant to impact our lives every day. We are meant to be changed by remembering – stirred to actively seek peace. Peace in our time. Peace for those still to come.

God acted so that we could have peace, His Peace, in our lives. He did not hold back in acting to ensure that we could have peace with Him. That’s what we celebrate every Sunday. Why should we hold back in seeking peace with all people if He was willing to go the distance for us?

Join us as we pray for peace. Join us as we seek peace. Join us as we act for peace.

God Bless,

Mark

Church and Parish News

Hymn / Worship song choices.

If you have a favourite hymn or worship song please send it to Mark and he will include it in one of our services. This might not be immediately but will be slotted in when the service theme is appropriate.

ALL Together NOW!

Please do try and make it along to our new relaxed and fun 'family friendly' services. Arts & crafts, dramatic readings, songs with Claudia, Worship and, of course, snacks & refreshments for everyone. All Ages – All Stages – Bring a friend – Bring the Family!

Christmas Ceilidh Friday 6th December Dumfries YMCA Lochside Road Dumfries.

Listen to or dance to the superb Bogle Mufty band. 7.30pm start. Bring your own food and drink. Raffle. Tickets £10 from alyrobbo@hotmail.com 01387 255722, If you can't make it donations for the raffle would be greatly appreciated. In aid of Dunscore church, Cystic Fibrosis, Dumfries YMCA and Dumfries Choral Society

Message from Mary Waugh.

Thank you to all those who have been donating stamps throughout the year. We have 900gms, nearly 1Kilo to send to Royal National Institute for the Blind. Please keep saving your stamps.

Roaming through Romans with Connect.

Our Connect Bible Study Group is currently being held on Thursday evenings at 7:30pm and looking at Romans from the New Testament. Connect is always welcoming and lively whilst improving our understanding of the bible and our relationship with God. If you are looking to perhaps enhance your own bible studies, whilst surrounded by a fantastic group of friendly and knowledgeable people, then Connect really could be the group for you.

Please email Tim Harmer at timharmer95@gmail.com for more details.

This Week's Prayer

O God,
whose will it is to hold both heaven and earth in Peace;
let the design of Your Great Love shine on the waste of our wrath and sorrow;
and give Peace to Your Church,
Peace among the nations,
Peace in our homes,
and Peace in our hearts;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord, the Prince of Peace,
who reigns with You in the Unity of the Holy Spirit,
One God, world without end.

Prayer Theme:

Pray for Peace in the world, in our community, in your home, in your heart

Eco Snippet

When you shop for gift wrap and greetings cards, avoid anything embellished with foil or glitter as it can't be recycled.

Thick, glossy wrapping paper is likely to have been laminated, which means it can't be recycled either so steer clear of this, too. When you receive a gift, use the "scrunch test" to check if the gift wrap it came in is likely to be recyclable – if it stays scrunched, it probably is.

Don't forget to remove sticky tape before adding the paper to your recycling bin.

Forthcoming Events

| Remembrance Sunday | | |
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| Sunday 10/11/24 | 11am-2pm | Tea Party in Glenriddell Hall, Dunscore, in aid of Pre-school |
| | 7:00pm | Prayer for Peace: <i>Prayer & Reflection</i> in Dunscore Church |
| Remembrance Day | | |
| Monday 11/11/24 | 10:45am | Act of Remembrance at the Cross, then at the Glencairn Memorial Institute, Moniaive |
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| Thursday 14/11/24 | 7:30pm | Connect: Roaming Through Romans in Dunscore Church |
| Sunday 17/11/24 | 10:00am | ALL Together ... NOW! <i>All-age worship</i> in Dunscore Church |
| | 11:30am | Morning Worship in St Ninian's, Moniaive |

And Finally...

Matthew Aitken's Dunscore Church 200th Centenary Book Review

It's an easy read with so many fascinating facts and wee snippets all relating to Dunscore Church and the life in and around the church.

There were many times when I laughed out loud and also numerous times when I said: "Listen to this...". For example, did you know that in the 1920s the Kirk Session was still involved and recording when a child was born in "uncleanliness" and both the child's mother and the father were dealt with according to the law of the church. In 1958 there was a lot of discussion about purchasing a car for the minister – consideration was given to a bubble car although these were felt to "not fall within the dignity of the appointment".



The book is a delight, get your copy from the church for just £10. All proceeds to Dunscore Church.

Please send any CFN items for November to Kevin Wallace, by Noon on Friday, at kevinw2912@outlook.com