



# Church Family Notices

24<sup>th</sup> November 2024

## Family Worship with Kiks & Baptism


**Time:** 10:00am


**Reading:** Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14


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

## Minister

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## Find Us On

 [dunscorechurch.org.uk](http://dunscorechurch.org.uk)

 Dunscore Church

 Cairn Valley Churches



## There is a place...

There is a place that calls us apart  
summons us beyond, asks us for more.

**A place where God is sovereign.**

There is a place that fractures the norms  
splits the standards, shatters the culture.

**A place where God rules.**

There is a place that fosters real questions  
engenders honest conversation, summons our souls' connection.

**A place where God holds sway.**

A place that reminds us  
of heaven, when we let it.

**A place where we come together as one.**

Join us this Sunday at YOUR local 'place'...

## Dunscore Parish Church.

Worship within our Church is for everyone, regardless of age,  
nationality, status, or ability. We'd be delighted to welcome you.

Ps. Mark is 'off' this week so please contact Colin Mitchell  
(Dunscore 820455), Nan Tait (Moniaive 200403), or Rev Tim  
Harmer (Dunscore 820861) if you need any help or information.

## Church and Parish News

### Can you help?

Contributions of mince pies and shortbread are required for the Cairn Chorus concert on Saturday afternoon 21st December.

We also need contributions of food for after the Orchestra service on Sunday 22nd December . Volunteers also needed.

Please get in touch with Mary at [marypwaugh@gmail.com](mailto:marypwaugh@gmail.com) if you can help. Thank you.

### 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.

### Cairn Chorus concert

Tickets are now on sale for the Cairn Chorus concert “and to the earth be peace” taking place in Dunscore Church on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December at 4pm. Tickets are priced at £10 full / £5 under 26 / free for under 13s and can be purchased online at:

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/cairn-chorus>

For more information visit [www.cairnchorus.co.uk](http://www.cairnchorus.co.uk)

### 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!

## This Week’s Prayer

Almighty God,  
Through the many storms of life,  
be our shelter,  
a strong fortress against which nothing  
can prevail.  
And in the quietness that follows,  
as strong winds fade to breeze,  
be the peace that calms our soul,  
the warmth we seek, that always draws  
us closer to you.

### Prayer Theme:

Ask God to watch over you and protect you during times of challenge.

## Eco Snippet

### Use greener methods to clear drains

While powerful liquid drain unblockers are handy in an emergency, many are harmful to aquatic life. With a little regular maintenance, however, you should be able avoid having to use them too often. Clear a stubborn drain by pouring 125g of bicarbonate of soda down it followed by 125ml vinegar. Cover with a wet cloth, wait 5 minutes, and then flush with hot water. To keep sinks and basins draining freely, pour a mug of soda crystals down the plughole regularly, then flush with boiling water.

## Forthcoming Events

Sunday 01/12/24	10:00am	<b>Advent 2024 - Morning Worship of Hope</b> at Dunscore Church
	11:30am	<b>Morning Worship</b> in St Ninian's Church, Moniaive
Saturday 07/12/24	3pm-5pm	<b>Dunscore Fairtrade Christmas Market</b> in Dunscore Church
Sunday 08/12/24	10:00am	<b>ALL Together NOW! Family Worship</b> In Dunscore Church
	11:30am	<b>Morning Worship</b> in St Ninian's Church, Moniaive
	7:00pm	<b>Advent 2024 - Prayers &amp; Reflection of Love</b> in Dunscore Church

## And Finally...

### Matthew Aitken's Dunscore Church 200<sup>th</sup> 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 Sheila Anderson, by Noon on Friday, at [sheila69@btinternet.com](mailto:sheila69@btinternet.com)**