



Church Family Notices

Date: Sunday 2nd February 2025

Morning Worship 10am

Reading: Luke 4:21-30

Worship in Dunscore Church is for everyone regardless of age, nationality, status, or ability. You will be made most welcome at our services. If you can't make it to our Sunday services, you can join online at this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86939887756>

A Message from our Minister: We were all saddened to hear of the death of Margaret Mackenzie, long-standing member and Elder for Glencairn & Moniaive. Our thoughts and prayers are with Max and the family at this time. At the time of writing, arrangements in hand for a funeral celebration and will be confirmed a.s.a.p. As February brings longer days (at least it feels that way) and signs of the spring ahead. It's good to sense the hope of what is to come. Candlemas is about more than meteorological hope (Groundhog Day in the USA) or increased daylight hours in which to work. It is about deep hope – hope for our own destiny. Hope that God will act. Last week we thought about Jesus reading from a scroll and fulfilling the prophets words as He read them! However, many chose not to believe that a boy from Nazareth could be the Saviour of the World, the Messiah promised by the prophets as they declared God's intent – Good News for Everybody! Perhaps it was the Everybody bit they didn't like. After all, they were God's chosen people so how could He dare to offer salvation to Gentiles! Perhaps it was the Carpenter's son bit they didn't like. A man trained to use His hands, not His mind, taught the way of the lathe, not the theology of the Law. Perhaps they felt that Jesus, who they'd known since childhood, wasn't worth listening to –

just one of their own, nothing special. After all, familiarity builds contempt! Whatever their reason, whatever their excuse, they shut themselves off from the Hope Jesus came to bring. It's all too easy for us to do the same. Join us to be reminded where true hope lies – in God, the Eternal, Infinite, yet personal One who simply wants to share His Good News with Everybody!

God Bless,

Mark

PRAYER for this week:

Living God, in Christ You make all things new.

Transform the poverty of our nature

by the riches of Your Grace,

and in the renewal of our lives

make known Your Glory;

through Christ our Lord.

PRAYER THEME – As the daylight changes, seek God's transforming power in your life.

Thursday 6th:

7.30pm – Connect Bible Study at Dunscore Church

Saturday 8th :

10.30am - Victorian Coffee Morning in St Ninian's, Moniaive

Next Sunday 9th February :

10am – ALL Together ... NOW! in Dunscore Church

11.30am – Family Worship at St Ninian's, Moniaive

7pm – Prayer & Reflection in Dunscore Church

Eco Snippet: This month the Eco Snippets will be about “**Reduce, Reuse, Recycle**”. You will, no doubt, have heard these words quoted many times but there is (at least) one important missing word – **Refuse**. The biggest difference that we can make with our growing amounts of stuff is to not buy it in the first place. Is it really necessary? Can you make do? Is it worth having that item that has been shipped in from across the world? So, maybe try to refuse more often.

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