



# Church Family Notices

25<sup>th</sup> May 2025

## Family Worship with Kiks

**Time:** 10:00am

**Reading:** TBA

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

## Minister

Rev Mark RS Smith



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## A Message from our Minister

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

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.

## Session Clerk

Colin Mitchell



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## COME ALONG TO KIKS THIS SUNDAY

Don't forget it's Family Worship with Kiks this Sunday and will be taken by Rev Tim Harmer.

## Find Us On



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



Dunscore Church



Cairn Valley Churches

Never been to one of our Kiks services?

KIK's (Kids in Kirk) is a new four weekly initiative where we ask kids to invite their parents along to Sunday Worship.

The big difference is that parents can attend the main service in church whilst kids have their own exciting "child friendly" version of the same service held in the Heritage Centre. Whilst parents can relax and worship, the kids can get creative with arts and crafts and loads of other fun activities.

All families are very welcome to come along and get involved.

We hope to see you on Sunday.



## Church and Parish News

### **SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB ...**

*Weds 30<sup>th</sup>, Thurs 31<sup>st</sup> July, Fri 1<sup>st</sup> August*

Dunscore Church will be running a Holiday Club during the week in the run-up to the Dunscore Gala. Help is needed with 'snack time' for the children and other practical matters.

Contact Jenny Dobson or Caroline Waugh for more information.

### **CONNECT BIBLE STUDY GROUP**

The next sessions of the Connect Bible Study Group commence on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> May and will focus on the Holy Spirit over the next 5 weeks.

Connect is 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](mailto:timharmer95@gmail.com) for more details.

### **HYMN / WORSHIP SONGS 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.

### **TEA AND COFFEE IN CHURCH**

We are always delighted to receive donations of tea and coffee for the church and these often just appear in the drawer. Thanks to anyone who donates in this way. You will be aware that we are a Fairtrade Church so, if you are donating tea or coffee, please look for the Fairtrade Mark (the Coop, Marks and Spencer are good for Fairtrade). If you can't find Fairtrade, Rainforest Alliance is a good standard though not as good for the producer so makes a good fall-back where Fairtrade just isn't available.

By the way, why not read the Dunscore Church Ethical Purchasing Policy on the notice board?

## This Week's Prayer

Loving God your love be the centre and the focus of our lives

Healing God heal the hurts and wounds, the scars that form within and without

Forgiving God may we know forgiveness, and being forgiven, know release

Liberating God liberate our hearts and minds, our faith and our theology

Restoring God restore the damaged, rebuild the broken, make us whole

### **Prayer Theme:**

Acknowledge God and express our Faith in prayer.

## Eco Snippet

With time and effort, any garden can be transformed into a productive vegetable patch. If growing vegetables is a new venture, Guy Barter, the RHS's chief horticulturist, advises: 'Consider adding beetroot, chard, globe artichoke and lettuce to beds and borders. People with just a patio can get excellent results from container veg grown in peat-free growing media.' He also recommends growing apples, raspberries, salads, sprouting broccoli, tomatoes and herbs.

## Forthcoming Events

Saturday 24/05/25	2pm - 4pm	<b>Dunscore Gala Fun Afternoon</b> in Glenriddell Hall
Sunday 25/05/25	2pm – 4pm	<b>Afternoon Tea, Plant Stall &amp; Raffle</b> in Tynron Hall
Sunday 01/06/25	10am	<b>Morning Worship</b> in Dunscore Church
	11:30am	<b>Morning Worship</b> in St Ninian's, Moniaive

## And Finally...

### Dunscore Church is an Eco Congregation and Dunscore is a Fairtrade Village.

The Eco and Fairtrade Groups have regular meetings and lots of activities to support the work. The groups would appreciate any support with either group attendance or help with activities. If you think you could help us continue this work or would like to find out more, please contact:-

- Debbie Smith, Chair Eco Group on [marksmith247@btinternet.com](mailto:marksmith247@btinternet.com)
- Matthew Aiken, Secretary Eco Group on [auchenage@gmail.com](mailto:auchenage@gmail.com)
- Diane Cowen, Chair Fairtrade Group on 07725980312
- Alison Borthwick, Secretary Fairtrade Group on 07751685518

### Shameless Plug from Mark...

A friend of mine, Peter Wright, is raising money for Maasai Girls Education Project (a project of Joseph Thomson Maasai Trust) by cycling (and camping) all over the place this year. He will be taking part in the Kirkpatrick Macmillan Rally 2025, based around Keir and Penpont, this weekend. Those of you pedalling along seek him out ... or see [www.josephthomsonmaasaitrust.co.uk](http://www.josephthomsonmaasaitrust.co.uk) or FaceBook (Maasai Girls Education Project).

God Bless,  
Mark

**Please send any CFN items for May to Kevin Wallace, by Noon on Friday, at  
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