

Church Family Notices

Date: Sunday 10 August 2025

Morning Worship 11:30 am in Dunscore Church

Today's Reading: Hebrews 11: 1 - 3 and 8 - 16

Worship in Dunscore Church is for everyone. 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: www.youtube.com/channel/UCd9TjFVXNCAHZGUolJ3vlEg/live

A MESSAGE FROM OUR MINISTER:

The weather this week has reminded us that we need to be ready for anything! We're used to that.

As Christians, God calls us to be ready for anything. As Christians, God equips us for whatever we will face in life. We tap into this resource through the Holy Spirit dwelling within us. Not floating around us, not at the other end of a phone line, not via an app! Within us.

Today we'll hear from the writer to the Hebrews (almost certainly not Paul, probably Apollos ... nobody really knows). They wanted to encourage the early Christians in their journey of faith as their hope and trust in God built up their ability to cope with what life was throwing at them.

Last Sunday we coped with the limitations of technology by singing a capella, joining our voices to praise God without accompaniment! Here in Scotland, that is how they used to do it! Sometimes it is good to look back and the early Christians were reminded of how God had been at work through the previous generations. That same God is the same as ever – Infinite, Eternal – and wants us to be part of His Kingdom, the Kingdom of Love.

Join us as we acknowledge our need of God, thank God for His help in the past, and open ourselves to His future for us, whatever that may be! God Bless, Mark

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Steadfast God, we praise You for the precious gift of faith, which gives substance to our hopes, draws us towards Your Kingdom and unites us as we journey together through all the ups and downs of life. We come with faith that is Christ-shaped.

We come in hope that is heart-shaped.

We come in trust that is Kingdom-shaped.

We come to be shaped, empowered and enabled by You and to share our faith, hope and trust with others.

In You we trust, faithful Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Amen

PRAYER THEME Thank God for His work in your life so far and look forward to what is to come

COMING SOON:

Next Sunday 17 August and on Sunday 24 August our services are at 11:30 am in Dunscore Church.

On Sunday 31 August the service will be at 10:30am as it is a Joint Morning Worship in Dunscore Church with our friends from St Ninian's in Moniaive.

ECO SNIPPET: Keeping Cool During hot weather, if it's hotter outside than in, close windows and draw curtains. It helps to keep the inside of the house cooler. When the temperature drops in the evening, open the curtains and windows to allow the cooler air in.

LIVE STREAMING AND SERVICE RECORDING: The team has been trained and we are now ready to move from Zoom to YouTube for live streaming and recording the service. There are several reasons for the change including that the new (and better) camera that was donated works with YouTube. The new camera gives a much better quality picture and while Zoom costs around £140 per year, YouTube is free. You can find both the live stream and recordings at this link https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCd9TjFVXNCAHZGUolJ3vlEg/live

If you have any issues with the live stream or recording, let Matthew know on auchenage@gmail.com.

PRIVACY POLICY: As a church we are required to have a Privacy Policy. This ensures that we keep your personal data (address, email address, phone number etc.) secure and do not give it to others without your permission. A copy of the Privacy Policy is on the notice board in the church. If you would like a copy please let Colin know

HYMN / SONG CHOICES: Have your favourite hymn or worship song included in a future service. Send it to Mark and, although it not be used immediately, he will endeavour to use it when the service theme is appropriate.

CHURCH FAMILY NOTICES: If you have anything that you would like to be included in next week's CFNs please send it to Matthew at auchenage@gmail.com by noon on Friday.

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