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Church Family Notices

14th September 2025

ALL Together Now!! with Holy Communion

Time: 10:30am

Reading: Luke 15:1-10

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 now stream us 'live' via YouTube Live at this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/@cairnvalleychurches3432/streams>

A Message from our Minister

I'm sure we've all spent many an hour searching for something that we've lost! It's frustrating and tiring. We've all known the joy of finding what was lost! It's exhilarating and rewarding. Those of a 'certain age' will remember the old Lost and Found desks at railway stations and bus depots – shelves and racks full of umbrellas, cases, coats, musical instruments, etc - waiting to be reclaimed by worried owners. That assumes that the owner misses the object or cares enough to make the effort required to ask for it back!

Today we'll hear about God's approach to what is lost. Like a shepherd down a sheep, a widow losing part of her dowry, a father missing an errant son.

We, all too often, see images of Search and Rescue teams digging through rubble, trekking to remote places, scanning the landscape for signs of those who are buried, lost or injured. They are seeking people they do not know personally but still put all their skills to use in the effort. It's heart-rending to see the lost recovered, the injured air-lifted, the trapped freed.

Communion reminds us of another dramatic rescue operation. God's ultimate plan to reach out to those who had turned away from Him. Not strangers, but the people He created to receive and respond to His Love. A plan aimed at everyone, regardless. Jesus' Death and Resurrection is the ultimate rescue mission – a spiritual mission of Mercy and Love for those who are lost.

Join with us as we meet the God who seeks and saves!

God Bless,
Mark

Church and Parish News

HARVEST CELEBRATIONS 2025

Just to let you know that following the Harvest Festival Service on 28th September there will be a Bring and Share lunch in the Glenriddell Hall. Everyone is very welcome.

CONNECT BIBLE STUDY GROUP

(Thursdays, 7.30pm in Dunscore Church)

New sessions of the Connect Bible Study Group have commenced and will be looking at how we can find a Christian point of view on some of the big issues of the day. All are very welcome to join us.

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 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.

LIVE STREAMING AND SERVICE RECORDING

We have now moved from Zoom to YouTube for live streaming and recording the service. You can find both the live stream and recordings at this link:

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or just look for our YouTube Channel at CairnValley Churches.

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

This Week's Prayer

Almighty God,
Your Mercy and Love know no bounds,
reaching from heaven to find me.
Lord Jesus,
Your Compassion and Grace know no bounds,
opening Your arms to welcome me.
Holy Spirit,
Your Comfort and Counsel know no bounds,
enfolding me in the fullness of fellowship.
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
Creator, Saviour and Life-giver,
I worship and adore You.

Prayer Theme:

Thank God for searching for you and finding you when you felt lost.

Eco Snippet

Have a look at the notice board in the church and you will see our Ethical Purchasing Policy (approved by the Board in 2017).

The policy is headed by two readings from the bible. Firstly, from Genesis 1: 26 "Then God said, let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground". And from Luke 10: 27 "Love your neighbour as yourself".

So that's what the policy is based on.

Forthcoming Events

Sunday 14/09/25	2-4pm	Afternoon Tea in Speddoch Hall
	7:00pm	Evening Worship in Dunscore Church
Sunday 21/09/25	10:00am	Morning Worship in St Ninian's Church, Moniaive
	11:30am	Morning Worship in Dunscore Church

And Finally...

One for the diary

Caroline has asked us to give you advance notice of another fantastic Soup and Pudding lunch event that is coming up. The lunch will take place on Sunday 9th November (after the Remembrance Service) in the Glenriddell Hall. Everyone is very welcome, and all proceeds raised will go to Dunscore Pre-school.

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
- Matthew Aiken, Secretary Eco Group on auchenage@gmail.com
- Alison Borthwick, Chair Fairtrade Group on 07725980312
- Matthew Aiken, Secretary Fairtrade Group on auchenage@gmail.com

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