



# Church Family Notices

Date: 11<sup>th</sup> January 2026  
10:30 am in Dunscore Church

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/UCd9TjFVXNCAHZGUoIJ3vIEg/live](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCd9TjFVXNCAHZGUoIJ3vIEg/live)

**Today- ALL TOGETHER NOW! A FAMILY SERVICE WHERE EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO TAKE PART.**

## A MESSAGE FROM OUR MINISTER:

As January flies by, we may feel that life is back to 'normal'. All that celebrating, carolling, nativity-ing is out of the way (for a while). If we are to get the best out of 2026 we mustn't put the Christmas message of the Light to one side, nor ignore the call to find Jesus for ourselves as the Magi did all those years ago.

We often use the phrase "the light at the end of the tunnel" to remind ourselves that light brings hope, and that is what we remember today as we 'finish' Christmas and move into the season of Epiphany.

Just as the Light of the star drew the Magi forward despite obstacles and challenges, so the Light of Christ draws us forward in Hope, whatever we face.

Epiphany officially celebrates 'The Manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles' - God's declaration that Jesus is for ALL. Full stop. ALL.

Today we recall Jesus' baptism. A step forward for Him on His Journey of Ministry. Do you recall the steps that have led you to today? Probably not all of them, but certain significant points on our journey of faith stick with us. Times when God has shone His Light onto our path through His Word, through the Holy Spirit, through His angels, through our fellow-pilgrims. Times when that Light has refreshed our Hope and spurred us forward.

Let the Light be with you in 2026, and let Hope be your energising drive as you continue your pilgrimage with Christ.

God Bless,

Mark

## PRAYER THEME:

Thank God for the Light of Christmas and Epiphany and the Hope it brings for 2026.

**PRAYER FOR THIS WEEK:**

God of justice and resilience,  
we give You thanks for calling us by name,  
to shed Your Light where there is darkness,  
to lead others to Jesus Christ, our Saviour,  
to be open to the empowering Hope of the Holy Spirit.

May we never grow weary of praising You  
but serve You with all our heart,  
with all our mind, and with all our strength,  
today and always.

**THANK YOU:** A very late thank you to all the kind and generous people who contributed to the success of the Cairn Chorus refreshments and the buffet lunch following the orchestra service before Christmas. These events are always well attended and our hospitality is very much appreciated.

**ECO SNIPPET:** There is a collection box for used stamps in the hall, these are gratefully received by RNIB Scotland.

**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

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCd9TjFVXNCAHZGUoIJ3vIEg/live>. If you have any issues with the live stream or recording, let Matthew know on auchenage@gmail.com.

**HYMN / SONG CHOICES:** Have your favourite hymn or worship song included in a future service. Send it to Mark and, although it may 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 that week's CFNs please send it to Mary Waugh at [marypwaugh@gmail.com](mailto:marypwaugh@gmail.com) by noon on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January.