



Church Family Notices

Date: 8 March 2026 10:30 am in Dunscore Church
All Together - NOW! A service for all ages.

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

READING - John 4:5-42

A Message from our Minister:

Today we hear about Jesus meeting a Samaritan woman at a well. As with many of the stories of Jesus' interaction with people, it challenges our preconceptions, breaks cultural and traditional taboos and cuts through the barriers we so easily put up between ourselves and those who are different from us. The encounter changes the woman's life. The shunned outcast becomes a beacon of light, Jesus' light, for her community.

As we journey through Lent we unravel Jesus' way of seeing people. Even though He knows the worst about them, He points them to God's Grace and Love in a way which shatters their own guilt and lack of self-forgiveness. As we try to follow His Way for our lives this is a vital lesson. As we walk together, alongside each other on our personal journeys, traveling towards His Light and Love, so we are called to support each other regardless of previous baggage and differences.

That is why we need the help of the Holy Spirit, working within our hearts and souls to give us Jesus' eyes and ears. The Disciples who walked on earth alongside Jesus were a motley crew, yet their desire to learn from Jesus and willingness to follow Him overcame their differences.

That is why we meet together, why we focus on Jesus not our differences.

Join us to find what Jesus has for you!

God Bless,

Mark

PRAYER for LENT:

Creator God, I bring before You

*all that I have faced,
all that I have overcome,
all that I need to hold on to
and all that I need to release.*

Faithful God, I bring before You

*the times when I make wrong decisions,
the times when I covet what others have,
the times when I am not satisfied and want more
and the times when I try to deal with things in my own strength.*

Eternal God, I thank You

*for Your understanding of my weakness,
for the generosity of Your forgiveness
and the support of others through testing times.*

Infinite God,

*I pledge to look to Jesus for guidance and follow in His footsteps
and to support others going through testing times;
I ask You to give me the courage, grace, gifts, strength and faith I need.*

PRAYER THEME for LENT:

Bring God into your journey at every step, as you re-focus on all He gives to you.

Wednesday:

10am - **HAZEL OLIVER-CLAYDON Funeral** in Dunscore Church

Thursday

7.30pm - **connect: Lent - Desire** in Dunscore Church

Saturday:

10.30am-12noon - ... **back to the 50's Coffee Morning** at St Ninian's, Moniaive

Interactive exhibition and ... Muriell!

Next Sunday:

11.30am - **Morning Worship** in Dunscore Church

CONNECT: Lent Bible Studies

Thursdays, 7.30pm, Dunscore Church ... **ALL welcome**

12 Mar - *Desire*: "What are you looking for?"

19 Mar - *Home*: "Where are you staying?"

26 Mar - *Glory*: *Meeting God*

Remember Toilet Twinning? Our Eco-group are encouraging us to think about the **Garden Twinning** scheme as a way of helping those in need across the world. **June Harmer** has information on this.

Ecosnippet: : A quick Fairtrade reminder. Fairtrade transforms lives! Do your best to swap one item in your shopping for a Fairtrade equivalent. The best supermarkets to find lots of Fairtrade options are The Coop, Lidl and M & S but several shops in Dumfries stock Fairtrade products including the Oxfam shop.

If you have anything that you would like to be included in that week's CFNs please send it to Sheila Anderson at sheila69@btinternet.com by noon on Friday 6 March.