



# Church Family Notices

**Date: Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2026**

**Morning Worship 10.30am 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:

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

***Mark is on holiday this week. This Sunday we having a Joint Creation Celebration with Rev David Coleman (Eco-congregation Scotland Chaplain)***

***A Message from our Minister:***

Today, as Autumn really kicks in, we welcome an (old!?) long-standing friend to our Joint Worship.

Rev David Coleman is known to most of you and we look forward to hearing what he has to bring to us.

We join together as we continue to celebrate Creation and all the good things that God has given us.

As we hear talk of 'climate crisis', climate change and 'climate justice' it has been good to be reminded that we all have a part to play in how we use and steward the earth's resources. It is a challenge on a global scale, but we can all try to do our bit where we are.

As with so many challenges, we need to admit that we need help, God's help, to live in the way God wants us to – aware of our responsibilities as well as our rights. Aware of the needs of others, our neighbours near and far, strangers across the world or across the street.

As the season changes, join us to face the changes and seek God's Way.

God Bless,

Mark

PS I'm 'off' this week so please contact Colin Mitchell (Dunscore 01387 820455), Nan Tait (Glencairn & Moniaive 01848 200403) or Rev Tim Harmer (01387 820861) if you need any help or information.

**PRAYER THEME:** Thank God for the changing seasons and the richness they bring to the world around us.

**PRAYER FOR THE WEEK:**

*Creator God, we thank You for this world and its fruitfulness.*

*We are sorry that our stewardship is not what it should be.*

*Saviour Christ, we thank You for Your Love poured out for all people.*

*We are sorry that our love is limited by culture, tradition, and self-interest.*

*Inspiring Spirit, we thank You for Your wisdom, imagination, and strength.*

*We are sorry that we do not accept Your help as we should.*

*God, forgive us, inspire us, and fill us with Your Love.*

*Love for all people.*

*Love for all creation.*

*Love for You, Creator, Saviour, Inspirer.*

**CARE CALL** -A representative from D&G council is coming to talk to the Community Council on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> September 7.30 pm on the subject of CareCall. All meetings are open to the public and are very much welcomed. All meetings are held in The Flying Pig.

**THURSDAY:**

7.30pm **Connect: Bible Study Old Testament Characters** in Dunscore Church

from **FRIDAY evening:**

**Moniaive Michaelmas Bluegrass Festival** various venues across Moniaive

**SATURDAY:**

11 am-4 pm **Craft Fair with refreshments** in St Ninian's, Moniaive

**NEXT SUNDAY:**

Sun 27<sup>th</sup> September – 10.30 am St Ninian's, Moniaive

**Joint Bluegrass Gospel Service**

**SUNDAY 4<sup>th</sup> October** – 10 am Dunscore and 11.30 am St Ninian's  
**Holy Communion**

**ECO SNIPPET:** You may have heard of “chop and drop”. At this time of year, gardeners generally cut back herbaceous plants and clear away the debris. There is now a movement to cut down the dead stems but to break them up and leave them in situ to provide a habitat for wildlife, mulch the borders and save work.

**CHURCH FAMILY NOTICES:** If you have anything that you would like to be included in next week's CFNs please send it to Colin Mitchell at [c.mitchell50@btinternet.com](mailto:c.mitchell50@btinternet.com) by noon on Thursday. (please let Colin or Mark know if you are willing to join the CFN rota).

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