



Church Family Notices

Date: 4 October 2026

Morning Worship with Holy Communion: 10:00 am

Today's Readings: Philippians 3: 4b - 11

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

A MESSAGE FROM OUR MINISTER:

Today both our congregations gather to celebrate Holy Communion, remembering Jesus' sacrifice for us and all people. As we remember we are challenged to follow Jesus' example and live for others.

As congregations we aim to do this in a variety of ways. As Eco-congregations, as Fairtrade congregations, as Christian congregations, as local congregations ... We also try to do it as individuals.

BUT ... it isn't easy!

Today we think about the Apostle Paul. A man who, as Saul the Jew, Pharisee and expert in the Law, had every reason to think that he was alright with God! He came from the right tradition, a good family, had in-depth knowledge of Scripture, and did everything that the Law required of him!

Saul, named for the great king, became Paul (the small) after his encounter with Jesus on the road to Damascus. Quite a change! Quite a challenge!

In his letters he tries to help the early Christians understand what he had learnt – that God's Way is shown in Jesus, the Way of self-giving, the Way of sacrifice.

Join us to make the change – come Jesus' Way! God Bless, Mark

PRAYER THEME: Ask the Holy Spirit to help you use the gifts you have been given for the benefit of others

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Lord God, I thank You for the many gifts you have given to me;

I thank You for what Jesus has done for me;

I thank You for the Holy Spirit helping me;

Lord God, You have given me gifts to benefit others;

Jesus has shown me how to live for others;

The Holy Spirit guides me towards others;

Lord God, I now see others as You see them,

help me live in Your Way – for others!

COMING SOON:

Next Thursday 8 October 7:30 pm **Connect Bible Study** in Dunscore Church – Old Testament Characters

Next Saturday 10 October 10:30 am – 12:00 noon **Coffee Morning** in St Ninian's in Moniaive

Next Sunday 11 October 10:30 am – **All Together Now service** in Dunscore Church

ECO SNIPPET: Mony a mickle maks a muckle or, as I discovered recently, from a Danish contact: "Mange bække små, gør en stor å" which (she assures me) means: many small streams, make a big river. This month's Eco Snippets will look at small(ish) things we can do which, collectively, can make a bigger impact.

You many have noticed that I am changing email addresses (we don't often include a name on Eco Snippets but this month it is Matthew writing them). The change of email address is part of my attempt at reducing my use of (and implied support for) "big tech" (in this case Google who supply gmail). Google scores 0 out of 100 on the Ethical Consumer "Ethiscore" scoring very poorly (negatively in some cases) on workers' rights, tax avoidance and climate issues amongst others. I decided to move to Posteo which scores 78 / 100. But a warning, do think before moving your email address as it is not the easiest process as so much of our lives is bound up with our online identity (and you may even have to pay a little for a service that big tech offers free). But I'm getting there!

CHURCH FAMILY NOTICES: If you have anything that you would like to be included in next week's CFNs please send it to Colin at c.mitchell50@btinternet.com by noon on Thursday.

If you could join the Church Family Notices team (or would like to find out what is involved), please let Colin or Mark know. If you can work Microsoft Word then you can manage the CFNs. It takes about 30 - 45 minutes a week (depending on how good you are at Word!). Please volunteer as we need a few more people.

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