



*Following Christ
Spreading the Word
Serving the Community*

Minister: Revd. Alan D. Reid M.A. B.D.

Intimations: Sunday, 29th January 2023

A very warm welcome to Kinross Parish Church.

Here is the weekly calendar and notices. For any queries, please email the Church Office or leave a voice-message. Gatherings on Zoom - please contact the Church Office for information and link details.

The Church Office operates Monday to Friday 10.00am - 12 noon (not Wednesdays)

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Today: Sunday, 29th January

9.15am PROMPT: Choir Practice in the Church

10.30am: Morning Worship – Isaiah 40 – 'Comfort'

Tea and Coffee and Traidcraft stall after the service. Arrangements for children - see below

6.00pm: Time for Prayer - on Zoom

Catch-Up: Audio recordings of Sunday services on 01577 528270 line 1 or watch on YouTube or Facebook

Monday, 30th January

10.00am–12 noon: Church Office open

Tuesday, 31st January

10.00am: Stepping Stones for Under-5s and their guardians for play, coffee, and chat. In the Church

2.30pm: Tuesday afternoon House-group

Wednesday, 1st February

11.15am: Midweek Service in the Church Centre - David Mackenzie Mills

1.30pm: Craft Group in the Church. New Members Welcome

7.45pm: Men's House-group in the Church Meeting Room. 'The Lord's Prayer'. New members welcome

Thursday, 2nd February

10.30am: Thursday House-group

11.00am: Table Talk on Zoom. All welcome

Friday, 3rd February

10.00am–12 noon: Church Office open

From 6.00pm: 1st Kinross Boys' Brigade & Girls' Association

Next Sunday, 5th February

9.15am PROMPT: Choir Practice in the Church

10.30am: Morning Worship - Isaiah 42-53 – 'The Servant Songs'

Tea and Coffee and Traidcraft stall after the service. Arrangements for children - see below

11.45: Informal Communion

6.00pm: Time for Prayer - on Zoom

Arrangements for children:

0-5 are welcome to stay in Church with their parents, or if parents wish for a quiet space where they can listen to the sermon and their children can play the crèche is available upstairs.

5-12 have an opportunity to have fun with other children their age and have a small Bible lesson in the Church Centre. They will re-join the service after the sermon during the intimations and have a brief children's message from the minister or other leaders. The Church Centre is open for drop off at 10:20am.

12-18 are encouraged to join us for service, and if they choose to, head down to the Church Centre during the service to either assist with the younger folks or have their own time for faith lessons. Teens are also invited to stay for the whole service if they would like to, as are any children.

Minister's holiday: The minister will be on holiday from **Tuesday, 31st January** for a week. During his absence, pastoral emergencies will be covered by Revd. Austin Wicks Tel. 07514 233197.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Dungeons & Dragons: We are now accepting new players for Dungeons & Dragons - places are limited though. Dates are as follows:

Youth: 5.30pm–7.30pm: February 10th and 24th, and March 10th and 24th

Adults: 7.30pm–9.30pm: February 6th and 27th, and March 6th and 27th

Ethiopia Medical Project (EMP): Would like to invite you to an update talk by Jo Middlemiss MBE at **Orwell Church, Milnathort on Friday, 10th February 2-4pm.** Donations and/or dark coloured men's and women's large socks and/or dark coloured ladies knickers size 8-12 most welcome. For further information please contact Jo Middlemiss on 07803 589959/01577 862041 or Marg Meade on 07907 192097.

Everyone is invited to our **Church Ceilidh** which is taking place on **Sunday, 26th February** from 2.30pm till 4.30pm in Milnathort Town Hall. Tickets are £2 for adults and £1 for children/students/seniors/concessions and can be bought in advance on Sunday mornings or from the Church Office. You can also buy a ticket at the door. Please invite friends and family. If you need a lift to Milnathort, there will be drivers waiting in the lane beside the church from around 2.10pm.

We are hosting the **Good Friday Experience** for children on **Friday, 7th April** at 10.30am in the Church. Would you like to be part of the planning team? If so, we'll be meeting to plan the programme on **Monday, 13th February** at 7pm in the home of Shona S. Everyone is very welcome to come along and brainstorm ideas and eat cake!

Safeguarding Training is mandatory for all people with PVGs. The dates available for training are **Saturday, 11th February, and Saturday, 11th March** in the Church from 9.30 to 12pm – please get in touch with the Church Office to put your name down on either of the dates along with your email address. Thank you, Enid Campbell. Safeguarding Coordinator

Safer Churches: The Presbytery of Perth has passed this on to us: The next iteration of the Safer Churches course, run online by the Church's Integrity Group to raise awareness of issues around Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG), will take place online on **Wednesday, 1st March.** You can find out more details and register here [March Safer Churches: First Steps in Understanding Violence Against Women - Ascend \(churchofscotland.org.uk\)](https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/march-safer-churches-first-steps-in-understanding-violence-against-women-ascend).

NEWS:

Cosy Spaces: will start up again in the Church on Mondays and Fridays in the afternoon 2-4pm beginning on **Monday, 6th February.** We are hoping to attract young families as well as everyone who would benefit from not only a warm space and fellowship, but also tea/coffee and home baking. There will be board games to attract everyone. If you have any board games you no longer use and would like to donate them for Cosy Spaces, please drop them off at the Church Office on Monday or Friday mornings 10am to 12 noon. We are still looking for people to be hosts on Monday and Friday afternoons 2-4pm, please be in touch with the Office if you feel you have 2 hours you can spend helping Cosy Spaces, Revd. Margaret Michie.

Discipleship Explored: If you are interested in joining the Discipleship Explored course soon to be starting for members of all churches in Kinross-shire, please have a word with the minister or contact Tim Power directly on pastorpower@gmail.com – it will be running on Tuesdays both at 2pm and at 7.30pm from 7th February. Venues to be confirmed – may vary from week to week.

NEWS FROM PRESBYTERY:

Review of Presbytery Mission Plan: The congregation has already been informed that the General Trustees and the Faith Nurture Forum of the Church of Scotland has decided not to approve the Mission Plan for the future of churches and ministerial posts in the 'old' Presbytery of Perth.

The details of their concerns have now been received and they do not question the proposals for Kinross-shire, which were to move to closer working, perhaps to a single parish with a team ministry of two full-time equivalent posts and three church buildings – Kinross, Orwell and Fossoway.

The review of the Plan has now been referred to the new, larger, Presbytery of Perth, which will also have to consider the plans for the four other 'old' presbyteries. The Mission Plan for one of these, Dunkeld and Meigle, has also not been approved and additional consideration is also required for certain details of the three Plans that were approved.

Our congregation is represented on the Presbytery by Revd. Alan Reid, Revd. Margaret Michie and elders George Hayton and Gordon McFarlane.

From Your Editor: Please remember that when you submit intimations for publication, they should only be for **TWO WEEKS.** Any longer is at the Editor's discretion! Intimations can be sent to the address in the weekly Sunday worship email. Please send your intimation in the body of the email, rather than as an attachment. Many Thanks, *Graeme*

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