



*Following Christ  
Spreading the Word  
Serving the Community*

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

**Intimations: Harvest Thanksgiving Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> September 2024**

**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.

**Website [www.kinrossparishchurch.org](http://www.kinrossparishchurch.org) | YouTube [Kinross Parish Worship](#)**

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**Today: Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> September: Harvest Thanksgiving**

*If you would like to make a financial donation you are invited to support our special offering for Prospects Across Scotland. If you wish to bring a donation of non-perishable food, these will be donated to Broke Not Broken.*

9.15am: Choir Practice in the Church

10.30am: Morning Worship. Joshua 7:1-26 – Taking God for Granted

Children's activities during the service. Refreshments & Fairtrade stall after the service

6.00pm: Prayer Time on Zoom

6.00pm: Crossfire in the Church Centre

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

**Monday, 30<sup>th</sup> September:**

10.00am-12noon: Church Office open to visitors

1.45pm: Bridge & Board Games in the Church

7.30pm: Monday House-group

7.30pm: Adult Dungeons & Dragons in the Church

**Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> October:**

10.00am-12 noon: Stepping Stones in the Church for the under 5s & their carers

2.30pm: Tuesday House-group

7.00pm: Guild in the Church Centre. The Bananabox Trust with Alan Laverock

7.30pm: Kirk Session Council Meeting in the Upper Room

**Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> October:**

10.00am: Rosemount Nursery Harvest Celebration in the Church

11.15am: Midweek Service in the Church Centre led by Revd. Duncan Stenhouse

**12 Noon: Deadline for the Intimations [kpcnotices@gmail.com](mailto:kpcnotices@gmail.com)**

1.30pm: Craft Group in the Church

7.45pm: Men's House-group in the Church Meeting Room

8.00pm: Women's House-group

**Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October:**

10.30am: Thursday House-group

11.00am: Table Talk on Zoom

2.00-5.00pm: Seeds for Growth Roadshow: Worship and Workshops, St. Matthew's Church Perth

7.00-9.00pm: Seeds for Growth Roadshow: An evening of Worship, Prayer and Praise, St. Matthew's Church

8.00pm: Young Mum's House-group on Zoom

**Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> October: Minister's Day Off**

10.00am-12noon: Church Office open to visitors

5.30pm: Youth Dungeons & Dragons in the Church

**1<sup>st</sup> Kinross Boys' Brigade & Girls' Association:**

6.00-7.15pm: Anchor Section P1,2 and 3. 7.00-9.00pm: Junior Section P4,5 and 6

7.00-9.30pm: Company Section P7-S3. 7.00-9.30pm: Senior Section S4,5 and 6

**Next Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> October:**

9.15am: Choir Practice in the Church

10.30am: Morning Worship. Joshua 8:1-35 – Recommitment

Children's activities during the service. **NB: NO** Refreshments or Fairtrade stall after the service

11.45am: Informal Communion

6.00pm: Prayer Time on Zoom

6.00pm: Crossfire in the Church Centre

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:



The poster features a red border and a string of colorful bunting at the top. In the center is a red splatter graphic with the words 'MESSY Church' in white and yellow. To the left, a calendar icon indicates 'Saturday 28th September' and a clock icon shows '4pm to 6pm'. To the right, a location pin icon points to 'Orwell Church, Milnathort'. Below the central graphic, it lists activities: 'Crafts', 'Activities', 'Stories', 'Meal', 'Music', and 'Celebration'. A bottom section says 'Come and join us to have fun, relax, explore faith and enjoy a meal!'. At the bottom left, it says 'Free event, donations welcome'. At the bottom center is the OSCR logo (Orwell Church Scotland Registered Charity SC015523). At the bottom right is the website 'orwellportmoakchurch.org.uk'.

**Tea and a Blether: Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> October** 2pm to 3.30pm at Orwell Church

### Dungeons & Dragons:

**Youth D&D** in the church 5.30pm Fridays: 4<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> October, 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> November and 6<sup>th</sup> December.

**Adult D&D** in the church 7.30pm Mondays: 30<sup>th</sup> September, 14<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> October, 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> November and 2<sup>nd</sup> December.



**Sunday@7** runs from 7pm to 8pm on Sundays 27<sup>th</sup> October, 10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> November. A short, informal service of contemporary worship and bite-sized Bible teaching. Everyone is welcome.

**Church Family Walks for 2024:** For all walks, please meet in the Church car park at 2.15pm. Sundays: **20<sup>th</sup> October & 17<sup>th</sup> November**. Venues TBC. We are also looking for people to lead walks. If you feel that this is something you could do, please contact the Church Office.

### NEWS:

**For our Congregational Harvest Display** please consider putting something extra in your shopping basket (tins, dried goods like tea, coffee, cereals, rice, pasta). Bring these along to church on **29<sup>th</sup> September** when they will be displayed as a Harvest offering. These will be taken to Broke Not Broken and are an opportunity for us to make a difference in our local community. Thank you.



**Sessional Administrator:** KYTHE, in partnership with Kinross Parish Church, is appointing a part-time administrator. This role will mainly involve attending meetings, writing up reports and sharing that information with group members, churches and local partners. The post will be for between 10 and 15 hours a week and pay is £11.54 an hour. To request an application form and full job description / person specification contact Paul Beautyman on [paul@kythe.org.uk](mailto:paul@kythe.org.uk) or 07745 203856. Applications close on **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October**.

**September 2024 Communion and Harvest Thanksgiving Special Offering: Prospects Across Scotland** (Scottish Charity No. SC048143). Prospects Across Scotland aims to encourage, inspire and resource churches to welcome people with learning disabilities and autism and tell them about Jesus. It supports our own All Friends Together group that started nine years ago. This charity has been chosen by the Kirk Session for our special collections and is commended to you. You are invited, if you are able, to support our chosen charity:

- please hand in a donation at a Sunday service, marking your envelope "Prospects"
- Prospects envelopes will be available
- [please click here on our Stewardship link](#) and mark your offering "Prospects"
- please [visit the Giving page of our church website](#) for more information

### Joint Vision Group of Cleish, Fossoway, Kinross and Orwell & Portmoak Church Highlights of Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> September 2024 Meeting

1. United Worship Service **Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> January 2025:** the new united congregation will come together in a joint worship service at either Fossoway Church or Kinross Church – location and time to be confirmed.
2. Worship service times in the new union will initially continue as at present: 9.45am Fossoway, 10.30am Kinross, 11.30am Orwell (Orwell may decide on a slightly earlier start time)

3. Draft Basis of Team Ministry requires some further detail requested by Church of Scotland Law Department: a Vision Group sub-committee is working on this as a priority
4. Kinross-shire Community Newsletter article about Kinross-shire Parish Church could be highlighted and celebrated in February 2025 Newsletter
5. Session Groups: Admin & Comm, Finance, Outreach, Pastoral, Property, Worship and Youth & Families are working together across the congregations ahead of the union. Safeguarding and Membership Roll also identified as priority areas
6. Union Next Steps are dictated by Perth Presbytery but aim continues to be to unite for 1 January 2025
7. Next Vision Group meeting: **Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> October 2024**
8. Feedback: please continue to respond as this helps formulate ideas: speak with your Minister or Session Clerk

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### PRESBYTERY OF PERTH:

**NEW: Christians and Climate Change Conference:** This Presbytery-wide Conference will be held on **Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> October**, 10am to 1pm in St Matthew's Church, Perth. With input from the Church of Scotland's Faith Action Team, Christian Aid Scotland and Eco Congregation Scotland, it will explore how Churches and individuals could best respond to the climate emergency. They will showcase good practice from around the Presbytery. There is no charge and those interested are encouraged to register on Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e...> Our church is an Eco-congregation, with a silver award, and one of our elders, Gordon McFarlane, is a member of the Presbytery's Church and Community committee which is organising this conference. He says "This is similar to a number of short conferences already held successfully in other Presbyteries. We wanted to bring a Christian perspective to this major issue facing us all."

**Presbytery:** The office is Suite F3, Riverview House, Friarton Road, Perth, PH2 8DF. Tel: 07596 868064. [perth@churchofscotland.org.uk](mailto:perth@churchofscotland.org.uk); [www.perthpresbytery.org.uk](http://www.perthpresbytery.org.uk). Facebook: [Presbytery of Perth](https://www.facebook.com/presbyteryofperth). Instagram: [https://www.instagram.com/presbytery\\_of\\_perth](https://www.instagram.com/presbytery_of_perth)

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### CHURCH OF SCOTLAND NEWS:

**NEW:** Under the banner "**Strength for Today, Hope for Tomorrow!**", Neil Glover, convener of the Seeds for Growth committee, and Tommy MacNeil, convener of the Faith Action Programme Leadership Team (FAPLT) will be hearing of exciting developments and plans from congregations throughout Scotland in a series of Seeds for Growth Roadshows. They will also be discussing how Seeds for Growth and FAPLT can help congregations achieve their aims, with the financial support offered by Seeds for Growth in its current year being £1.5 million. Mr MacNeil says: "We are looking forward to sharing the vision of Seeds for Growth and FAPLT for the future of the Church and building relationships with presbyteries, but also the joy of gathering together, worshipping together and being inspired together." These latest roadshows follow on from similar events held earlier in Aberdeen, Glasgow and Edinburgh which received an enthusiastic response from those taking part, one minister commenting: "I came into the session feeling quite despondent and tired but left feeling uplifted and hopeful about our future." See 'the Diary page for details of the **Roadshow for Perth Presbytery on Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October** which is open to all. Visit [www.churchofscotland.org.uk](http://www.churchofscotland.org.uk) for information and news.

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**PS: PLEASE DON'T SEND EMAILS ON A SUNDAY, GIVE YOURSELF A BREAK!!!**

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**We believe in a God that hears and answers prayer.  
Why not print this page and use it this week?**

**Prayer Points for week beginning 29<sup>th</sup> September**

**Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> September:** As we give thanks for God's goodness to us in fruitful harvest, pray that we would learn to be as generous and gracious in our ways as God is.

**Monday, 30<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for the Outreach Group as it meets this evening and for God's blessing on the various ways in which the good news of Christ is shared with our local community.

**Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> October:** As details of how the Kinross-shire churches will work more closely together and begin to take shape, pray that God may guide all we do.

**Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Pray for the peace of Christ to be known in the hearts of individuals in our own community as much as in situations of conflict around the world and that there would be transformation and reconciliation wherever disputes arise.

**Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Pray that the afternoon and evening sessions of the Church of Scotland Roadshow at St Matthew's Church in Perth today may bring encouragement to all who attend either session.

**Friday, 4<sup>th</sup>:** Seek God's blessing on those who are sick or anxious, on those who have been bereaved and on those who face persecution for their faith.

**Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for God to be at work among us as we prepare for and gather to worship on the Lord's Day and ask God's blessing on all who will play a part tomorrow before, during and after the service.

**Amen**