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Prayer Diary – November 2020

November begins with a time to look back and remember and ends with a time to look forward in hope. When we do these things in the place of prayer we are reminded of God's faithfulness in times past, and of God's promises that beckon us into the days ahead and we are reassured that God is with us always.

Sunday 1st November – *John 15:5-8* – Ask God to bless the preaching of the Word in the lives of all those who engage with the church today. Virtual Morning Service at 10.30am. Online Communion at 11.15am. Prayer for the Nation at 7pm. [Station Rd, Kirklands Ct, Swansacre, Lomond Mews, Queen's Cres, Douglas Cres, Primary School]

Monday 2nd – *Romans 12:1-2* – Pray for the elders, that they may give wise and visionary leadership to the congregation at this time. Silent Meditation 8am. Kirk Session meeting at 7.30pm. [High St (Bank of Scotland to Church Centre), Police Houses, St. Ronan's Dr, Chambers Ct, Talla Pk]

Tuesday 3rd – *Colossians 3:12-14* – Pray for those who are involved in the leadership of the Church, at presbytery and national level that they may know the Spirit's guiding in steering the Church into an uncertain future. [Bell Gardens, Muirhead Crescent, Simpson Wynd]

"The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control."

Wednesday 4th – *Galatians 5:22-23* – Seek God's richest blessing on the work of Mission Aviation Fellowship, especially during this Global Week of Prayer. Midweek Service in Church 10.30am. Midday Time for Prayer. [Avenue Rd, Kinross House Estate, Coventry Pl, Mill St, Burns Begg St, Kirkgate, Old Causeway, Causeway Ct, Millbridge]

Thursday 5th – *James 3:17-18* – Ask God to bring comfort to all who mourn at this time, and especially to families who are currently in the midst of funeral arrangements. [Sandport, Sandport Gait, Nan Walker Wynd, Sandport Close, Pier Rd]

Friday 6th – *Ephesians 4:29-32* – Pray that the service being recorded today for Remembrance Sunday may be helpful to all in the wider community who may access it on Sunday. [Parliament Square, Brewery Lane, School Wynd, Piper Row, Whyte Ct, Smith St, Myre Terrace, Curate Wynd]

Saturday 7th – *2 Peter 1:5-8* – Remember to pray for all our leaders, that they may be wise in the decisions they take. [High St (Church Centre to Todd & Duncan), Queich Pl, Old Cleish Rd, Bridgend]

Sunday 8th – *2 Corinthians 9:6-8* – Pray that God would touch many people in the wider community through this morning's Remembrance Service online, and that the communal observance of the Two Minutes' Silence may unite us all despite the distance that separates us. Virtual Morning Service at 10.30am. Prayer for the Nation at 7pm. [Bowton Rd, Montgomery Rd, Ross St]

Monday 9th – *Galatians 2:20* – Pray for the work of Kinross Centre, serving meals on wheels and offering support to more than 50 isolated and vulnerable individuals. [Montgomery St, Montgomery Way, Montgomery Ct]

“Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends.”
(John 15:13)

Tuesday 10th – *Philippians 3:10-12* – Pray that Guild members may be able to access the online meetings that are planned for their fellowship at the moment. Guild meeting at 7pm. [Levenbridge Pl, Devonvale Pl, Hopefield Pl, Junction Rd, Clashburn Rd, Clashburn Close, Clashburn Way]

Wednesday 11th – *1 Corinthians 1:7-9* – Give thanks today for the sacrifice made by so many in wartime, and for the peace they won and which we have benefited from. Midweek Service in Church 10.30am. Midday Time for Prayer. [Ochil View, Churchill Rd, Emslie Dr, Macdonald Avenue, Alexander Dr]

Thursday 12th – *Ephesians 1:15-17* – Pray for pupils and staff at Kinross Primary and High Schools, that those who are anxious may find strength and hope in Christ. [Green Rd, Green Pk, Green Wood.]

Friday 13th – *Colossians 1:9-12* – Ask God's blessing for the Brigade that all may be kept safe as they meet again on Fridays. [Muir's (Green Hotel to Springfield Rd), The Sycamores, Muirpark Rd, Muirfield Grove, Muir Grove]

Saturday 14th – *2 Timothy 4:7-8* – Pray for members of the Growing Young steering group as they take part today in another Summit with representatives of other churches. [Muir's (Springfield Rd to Gallowhill Rd), Whinfield Dr, Whinfield Gardens, Broom Rd, Broom Ct, Sunnypark]

Sunday 15th – *Isaiah 65:17-19* – Pray for the teenagers who are currently meeting for brunch on Sundays, and for the opportunity to explore questions of faith. Virtual Morning Service at 10.30am. Prayer for the Nation at 7pm. [Muir's (Gallowhill Rd to Leisure Centre), Bumbank Meadows, Lethangie Rd, Bishop View, High School]

“Pray without ceasing.” (1 Thess.5:17)

Monday 16th – *Isaiah 61:4* – Give thanks for the fellowship that house group members enjoy in meeting online to study the Bible and to pray together, and pray that others will join them. [Lathro Pk (South), Gallowhill Wynd, Highfield Circle]

Tuesday 17th – *Isaiah 49:8* – Pray for Craig Dobney, a ministry candidate in our Presbytery, who will be ordained to his first charge of Comrie and Dundurn tomorrow evening. [Lathro Pk (North), Courcelles Ct, Lathro Ct, Lathro Lane]

Wednesday 18th – *John 11:25-27* – Give thanks that members of the craft group continue to connect with one another week by week online. Midweek Service in Church 10.30am. Midday Time for Prayer. [Acremoar Drive, Lathrocht Grove]

Thursday 19th – *John 14:1-4* – Pray for peace in the world, beginning in the hearts of individuals as they are reconciled to God in Christ. Compline 9pm [Dalwhamie Street, Drumethur Way]

Friday 20th – *Luke 24:25-27* – Pray for the development of the Eco-Church movement, not least in our own congregation, that we may each take steps to be better stewards of God's creation. [Gallowhill Rd, Gallowhill Gardens, Mavisbank, Lomond Pl, Argyll Ct]

Saturday 21st – *Luke 24:32-34* – Give thanks for the work of All Friends Together, in offering those with learning disabilities an opportunity to engage in the life of the church. [Argyll Rd]

Sunday 22nd – *1 Thessalonians 4:13-14* – Ask God to bless all who participate in Café Church this afternoon, that it will provide an opportunity for the deepening of faith. Virtual Morning Service at 10.30am. Café Church at 4.30pm. Prayer for the Nation at 7pm. [Renton Dr, Morlich Pl, George Dr, Thompson Pl, Torridon Pl, Sandwood Pl, Rannoch Pl]

Sunday 23rd – *1 Peter 1: 3-5* – Give thanks for the service given by Martin Fair as Moderator of the General Assembly this year, and pray for Jim Wallace, who is Moderator Designate for next year. [Sutherland Dr., St Mary's Place, Tummel Place, Morar Place, Katrine Dr.]

Tuesday 24th – *1 Corinthians 15:19-20* – Ask God's blessing on the property and finance teams in the church in all their behind-the-scenes work. [Maree Pl, Seaforth Dr, Leven Pl, Cameron Avenue, Springfield Rd]

Wednesday 25th – *1 Corinthians 15:42-44* – Give thanks for Margaret Hamblin and the admin and communications team as they support the ministry and mission of the church. Midweek Service in Church 10.30am. Midday Time for Prayer. [Wilson Ct, Springfield PK, McWilliam Pl]

Thursday 26th – *1 Corinthians 15:51-53* – Pray for all involved in promoting discipleship and outreach through the work of our congregation that there may be fruit for their labours. [Beveridge Pl, McBain Pl, Gordon Pl]

Friday 27th – *2 Corinthians 5:1* – Give thanks for the formal and informal pastoral work that is done by so many elders and members of the congregation. [Rural West (A91/A977) – Balado, Burnbrae, Kellieside, Tillyochie]

Saturday 28th – *Philippians 3:20-21* – Pray for a deepening of faith amongst us all as a congregation in these extraordinary times, that Christ may be greatly honoured among us. [Rural South (B996) - Cleish Road, Classloch, Hatchbank]

"In the wilderness prepare the way for the LORD; make straight in the desert a highway for our God." (Isaiah 40:3)

Sunday 29th – *Colossians 3:1-4* – On this Advent Sunday, pray that the hope of the Gospel of Christ may be proclaimed throughout the earth. Virtual Morning Service at 10.30am. Prayer for the Nation at 7pm. [Orwell & Portmoak]

Monday 30th – *Matthew 6:19-21* – Pray for Kathy Dain as she has the final review of her placement in Kinross with representatives of the General Assembly's admission of ministers committee. [Cleish and Fossoway.]

Public Worship and Times for Prayer

There are currently no Sunday gatherings in the church until further notice, but there is a Midweek Service on Wednesdays at 10.30am (registration through Church Office required). An act of worship is being recorded each week and is available in audio format by dialling 01577 528270 and in video format on Youtube and the KPC Facebook page www.facebook.com/kinrossparishchurch/ where recordings of occasional led times of prayer are also posted. Monday to Friday - listen to daily reflection & prayer by dialling 01577 528270.

Sunday evenings at 7pm – Prayer for the Nation

Wednesday at 12 noon – Prayer for the Community

Silent Meditation on the first Monday morning of the month – 2nd Nov.

Compline at 9pm on the third Thursday of the month – 19th Nov.



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*Additional Prayers
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"May God, the source of hope fill you with all joy and peace by means of your faith in him, so that your hope will continue to grow by the power of the Holy Spirit."

Romans 15:13

Father,

*In this ever-changing world, where the way ahead is uncertain, help us to remember that the one thing that will **never** change is Your amazing grace, love and forgiveness. Help us all to be encouraged in heart and united in love. Help us to remember, and share, that Your Church is not a building, but a body of people. Although the way ahead is uncertain, help us to be faithful in what we can do, with and for each other.*

Amen

Today, Lord,

*May I be a support, not a stumbling block
to those who make sacrifices for others.*

*May I seek to serve, not to dominate,
in my relationships and tasks.*

*May I be a welcomer and not a shunner,
of vulnerable ones who seek Your company.*

Today, Lord,

May it be the Christ in me

that others see. Amen

(Pray Now writers group, from 'People of the Way')

Keep your roots deep in him, build your lives on him, and become stronger in your faith, as you were taught. And be filled with thanksgiving.

Colossians 2:7

Lord,

We have probably all heard the expression 'God moves in mysterious ways, His wonders to perform', but help us to think through what this really means. We may not understand Your ways, or perhaps even Your wonders, but what we do know is that our trust is firmly in You. Help us to find new ways of communicating with, and encouraging, each other, to trust in the Gospel and to take advantage of every opportunity You give us to share this message and your unfailing love for each one of us – whether we know You yet or not. As the COVID virus continues to spread, help us to share Your Word, and show Your love, in everything we say and everything we do.

Amen

"Be wise in the way you act towards those who are not believers, making good use of every opportunity you have. Your speech should always be pleasant and interesting, and you should know how to give the right answer to everyone."

Colossians 4:5-6

Gracious God,

In November, the natural world is closing down for winter. The days are getting shorter and a chill slides under the door. Help us not to close down our hopes and dreams, our warmth and welcome. Keep us hospitable to others and open to You. Amen

(John Pritchard)

"The peace that Christ gives is to guide you in the decisions you make; for it is to this peace that God has called you together in the one body. And be thankful."

Colossians 3:15

Lord God,

We remember again, in serious silence, the anguish and carnage of war, and reflect again on our capacity for hatred and violence. Hold back, we pray, the people of war, and encourage and strengthen the people of peace, throughout Your broken world. At this time of Remembrance, we think of all those who have made the ultimate sacrifice – their lives – to keep others safe, and of our Saviour Jesus, who gave His life that we may live.

We pray also for those for whom this month, and this year, will bring memories of loss, and for those who suffer from depression and the absence of light. Give them Your light, we pray and, in this light, may they see the stirrings of hope.

Amen