

PAUSE FOR THOUGHT

"If God has truly blessed us, the best way we can show this is by sharing what He has given.

The real harvest is the compassion, the charity, the looking out from ourselves."

Alan Sorensen

PRAYER FOCUS FOR THE WEEK: HEALING AND HOPE



Lord of life, thank You for the healing and hope that flow from the cross. You weep with us in our sorrows but one day You will wipe every tear from our eyes forever. Amen.

Remember those who are experiencing serious relationship difficulties, feeling disappointed, betrayed, rejected and abandoned. Ask God to shine His light into their hearts, helping them to forgive and to make the best choices for the future.

Remember those who have experienced pregnancy loss or the death of their newborn baby. Pray that they will receive compassionate care and find a glimmer of hope amid their sadness.

Lord, please grant comfort and strength to all who live with mental health problems and enable them to find professional help where possible. Amen.

Intercede for medical and nursing professionals in hospitals who are fighting to save the lives of seriously ill and injured patients. Pray for courage and skill and ask that they will experience reassurance and comfort from God, especially when a patient dies.

Pray that more governments will recognise how important and effective palliative care can be for people with life-limiting conditions, and agree to invest more in this vital area of medicine.



Bible Reading Challenge

This Challenge is based on carefully selected short Bible passages — 50 from the Old Testament and 50 from the New Testament — that helps you get the big picture of the Bible.

Set aside a special time and place to read the Bible each day. **PRAY** before you read, asking God to help you understand. **READ** the Bible passage, and then **REFLECT** on the passage. The number shown in the brackets relates to the reflection in the helpful study guide.

WEEK 40



OT

The Fall of Jerusalem (40)

2 Kings 25:1–25:30

NT

The Coming of the Lord (90)

1 Thessalonians 4:13–5:11

USEFUL CONTACT DETAILS

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DUNBARNEY AND FORGANDENNY PARISH CHURCH

SUNDAY WORSHIP - HARVEST

7TH OCTOBER 2018

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

You enter this church, not as a stranger, but as a guest of God. Come, then, with joy in your heart and thanks on your lips into God's presence, offering God your love and service. As you worship amongst us today, may you experience God's comforting presence and peace.

Welcome Church News & Call to Worship



Hymn 233 - Come ye thankful people come

Bible Reading

Psalm 104

Prayer (inc. The Lord's Prayer)

Hymn 231 - For the fruits of all creation

[Tune: 'Ar Hyd Y Nos' - No 562]

Bible Reading

Luke 8: 1-3

Christian Aid: 'Standing Together with Aster'

Hymn 230 - Praise God for the harvest of orchard and field

Bible Reading

Mark 4: 26-29

Address

Hymn 180 - Give thanks with a grateful heart

Prayer for Others

Offering & Prayer of Dedication

[inc. **MP 225** - He's got the whole world in his hands]

Hymn 229 - We plough the fields and scatter!

Benediction



Prayer of Preparation

Creator and loving God, you placed us on this earth with flowers and fruits, minerals and waters, living creatures of grace and beauty. Give us a clearer picture of your greatness and power, your love and mercy, your purpose for us and for all. Broaden our vision and help us to catch a glimpse of you in all your glory filling us with joy, faith, hope and love, now and always. Amen

CHURCH NEWS

Monday	8th	Ladies' Exercise Class Carpet Bowls	9.45am (Church Hall) 2.00pm (Church Hall)
Tuesday	9th	Banner Group Men's Fitness Class	2.00pm (Forgandenny) 5.00pm (Church Hall)
Wednesday	10th		
Thursday	11th	Earn Singers	7.30pm (Church Hall)
Friday	12th		
Saturday	13th		
Sunday	14th	Morning Worship	9.30am (Dunbarney) 11.00am (Forgandenny)



VISITORS: Welcome to Dunbarney and Forgandenny Parish Church. We're delighted you are here today. Following the service, please stay and join us for tea or coffee. We would also be grateful if you could sign our Visitor's Book, which is on a table as you enter the Church and feel free to take a copy of our Church magazine, *Parish Voice*. Both Church buildings are fitted with a loop system.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING A huge thank you to all who baked, donated and gave raffle prizes, also our helpers and all who came along to Caledonia Housing Lounge, Muirmont, to help our coffee morning be such a great success. The final total raised £1542. Thanks again, Janet & Muriel.

CROSSREACH: Please help yourself to your FREE copy of the Crossreach magazine from the vestibule in both churches. This contains interesting news about the work of Crossreach and there is also an order form for Christmas cards and a wall calendar. A sample calendar is in the outer office at Dunbarney.

LIFE AND WORK It's that time of the year again for promoting the Church of Scotland's excellent monthly magazine "Life and Work" . If you would like to become a subscriber please let Wilma McCullough know by Sunday 28th October. By subscribing through the Church you will receive a discount of 9% which means your payment for your 12 copies for 2019 will be £30.60. Payment can be made in cash or by cheque making the cheque payable to Dunbarney and Forgandenny Parish Church.

HEALTH PROVISION LOWER EARN QUESTIONNAIRE Questionnaires are available at various points around the area including The Institute, GP Surgery, Church & Shops and should be returned by October 29th to various collection

boxes as the questionnaire details. Alternatively, it is available on line at - <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/MJ98KFG>

KIRK SESSION will meet on Sunday 7th October at 1.00pm to discuss Local Church Review and thereafter at 2.30pm with Abernethy and Dron and Arngask Church Kirk Session to discuss Positive Presbytery Planning.

PASTORAL COVER Allan is on annual leave from **tomorrow 8th October until Tuesday 16th October 2018**. During this period, any pastoral concerns should be directed to the Rev James Aitchison - telephone 01738 446771. James is the minister of Aberdalgie and Forteviot linked with Aberuthven and Dunning. Next Sunday's service will be conducted by the Rev Gillian Munro.

CARPET BOWLS start on Monday 8th October at 2.00pm in the Church Hall.

THE LOWER EARN BETTER PLACE TO LIVE FAIR This will take place on Saturday 20th October, 10.00am-1.00pm in The Institute, Bridge of Earn. All welcome.

CHRISTIANITY/DISCIPLESHP EXPLORED A series of five meetings that aims to provide people with a better understanding of the Christian faith is now scheduled to begin on week beginning 22nd October. If this sparks an interest in you, please speak to Allan.

CHATTERBOX starts back on 25th October.

MOVIE NIGHT The young people have been enjoying film nights together for some time now but now it's the turn of the big folk! A movie night is being held on Friday 26th October in Dunbarney Church Hall at 7.30pm so get the date in your diary now. More information will follow later.

BRIDGE OF EARN BOWLING CLUB are having a Quiz on Friday 26th October at 7.30pm for 8.00pm and everyone is welcome to come along. Entry is £1 per person

BIG SING - New Wellwynd Church Airdrie 2pm Friday 23rd November: A bus could leave Broxden at 11.15am with a pick up at Auchterarder. The cost would be between £12 and £18 depending on numbers. Once booked, payment would be non refundable. Discussions are taking place with a hotel very close to the Church to provide tea, coffee, soup and/or sandwiches around 12.30pm. Arrival home between 4.30pm and 5.00pm. Please let Gillian know by the **31st October** if you wish to attend. If

we have sufficient interest for a bus, payment would be required 6th November.

WHAT A WONDER-FULL WORLD Perth Presbytery, in association with Grasping the Nettle, has organised an entertaining and thought provoking evening of music, film, drama and conversation in Perth Theatre on Saturday 3rd November at 7.30pm. Entertainment and music is from Alan Craig a Scottish composer and his orchestral and vocal ensemble, Tenors Unlimited and the Tayside Players. There will also be excerpts from the international TV series, 'The God Question'. Our allocation of tickets has now been sold but we would encourage you to go along as tickets are still available through Horsecross. The contact for Horsecross is 01738 621031 or www.horsecross.co.uk or of course you can get them at the desk in the Concert Hall.

SHOE BOX APPEAL The Blythswood Care 2018 leaflets with helpful instructions and check list for the shoe box appeal are now available. Filled boxes and filler items should be handed in by Wednesday 7th November at the latest.

VOLUNTEER "THANK YOU" COFFEE MORNING with entertainment. You are all invited to the volunteer "thank you" coffee morning on Saturday 24th November from 10.00am – 12.00noon in the Church Hall. This year we are making it a little different with a short entertainment from local artistes. Please come along and enjoy the fellowship. Spread the word. Looking forward to seeing you there.

KINROSS CHURCHES TOGETHER is delighted to host John L Bell (Iona Community) who will lead 'Tales and Tunes - A Treat for Advent' on Saturday 24th November. Morning session: 10.30am – 12.30pm Afternoon session: 1.30pm – 3.30pm Tickets now on sale. Contact KPC office during office hours for information Tel: 01577 862570. Avoid disappointment! Get your tickets soon!

ACTIVITY PACKS We have created 4 activity bags for children who may wish to stay in Church during the service to use. These are hanging on the coat pegs in the vestibule of Dunbarney.

**TODAY'S SERVICE
CALL TO WORSHIP**

For your love that never changes,

we praise you, O God.

For the miracle of growth,

we praise you, O God.

For stories that tell of your love,

we praise you, O God.

Dunbarney Church	Forgandenny Church
Organist: Alison Hunter Reader: Sheena Halcrow	Organist: Alison Hunter Reader: Janice Scott

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Please keep this order of service for reference, or give it to someone who cannot attend Church this morning.

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