

PAUSE FOR THOUGHT

If people are not living in deep union with God outside of the liturgy in their daily lives when they come together to celebrate the Lord's death until he returns, there will be precious little celebrating.

Ralph Martin, Hungry for God

**PRAYER FOCUS FOR THE WEEK:
RISING GENERATIONS**



Almighty God, please strengthen and equip teaching staff, support staff and students in schools, colleges and universities at the start of this academic year. Draw near to anyone particularly in need of help. Amen.

Pray for the success of apprenticeships and other education and training that can assist school leavers to find opportunities that lead to worthwhile employment and personal development that will benefit them for life.

Give thanks for the energy and passion of so many young people about important issues like the environment, justice and peace.

Lord, we pray for the future leaders among today's children and teenagers. Please help each one to find their true identity in You. May they become strong, secure, loving individuals who grow to become the men and women You created them to be. Amen.

Ask God to give wisdom to young people, and to those who are older and informed, to manage the implications of our increasing dependence on and harnessing of artificial intelligence, robots and other technologies that can transform human life.

THANKSGIVING: for every initiative associated with schools, youth groups and other organisations that clearly communicates the gospel with creativity and integrity. Pray that the seeds sown may lead to people becoming disciples of Jesus and enabling them to grow in faith.



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 35

OT

King David (35)
2 Samuel 5:1–7:29

NT

The Supremacy of Christ (85)

USEFUL CONTACT DETAILS

Parish Minister	Rev. Allan J. Wilson	812211
Session Clerk	Mrs. Anne Larg	812805
Dep Session Clerk	Mrs. Margaret Bell	815910
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DUNBARNEY AND FORGANDENNY PARISH CHURCH

SUNDAY WORSHIP

2ND SEPTEMBER 2018

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

If you are a visitor or worshipping with us for the first time we give you a special welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Today we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion. The Lord Jesus Christ invites all who love him to sit with him and share in this joyful feast. All are welcome.

Welcome Church News & Call to Worship



Hymn 120 - God, we praise you. God, we bless you.

Prayer

Offering & Dedication

Hymn - God of the Universe, Lord of the years

[Tune: 'Bonnie George Campbell', No - 165]

Bible Reading

Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23



(RSV - p. 40/822)

Sermon

Prayer

Hymn - The love of God comes close

[Tune: 'Love Unknown', No - 399]

Public Profession of Faith and Confirmation

Hymn 656 - I come with joy, a child of God

Sacrament of Holy Communion



Hymn 352 – O for a thousand tongues to sing

Benediction [inc. Hymn 825 - 'Amen']

Recessional: Hymn 516 - 'We are marching in the light of God'

Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God, help us to truly worship you - to offer not superficial show, empty piety, lifeless ritual or outward observance, but heartfelt praise, true thanksgiving, genuine penitence, sacrificial commitment, meaningful intercession and a real hunger and thirst to serve you better. Work within us now, so that what we may declare with our lips we may believe in our hearts and display in our lives, to your glory. Amen.

CHURCH NEWS

Monday	3rd	Ladies' Exercise Class Monday Club Kirk Session	9.45am (Church Hall) 2.00pm (Church Hall) 7.30pm (Forgandenny)
Tuesday	4th	Banner Group Men's Fitness Class	2.00pm (Laird's Loft) 5.00pm (Church Hall)
Wednesday	5th	Soup Lunch	12.00noon (Church Hall)
Thursday	6th	Chatterbox	9.00am (Church Hall)
Friday	7th	Flower Festival Soup Lunch	11.00am (Dunbarney) 12.00noon (Church Hall)
Saturday	8th	Flower Festival Soup Lunch	10.00am (Dunbarney) 12.00noon (Church Hall)
Sunday	9th	Morning Worship Flower Festival	9.30am (Dunbarney) 11.00am (Forgandenny) 2.00pm (Dunbarney)

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.



DUNBARNEY MONDAY CLUB will start its new season on Monday 3rd September at 2.00pm in the Church Hall when Dick Crighton will entertain us with tales about his coach trips. We look forward to seeing you all then and also to welcoming new members – bring a friend along. All welcome. Further information from Edna Wishart, tel: 812082 or Rosemary Campbell, tel|: 812957.

PERTH AND KINROSS GUILDS TOGETHER: The Autumn Meeting will take place on Monday 3rd September in St Matthew's Church Perth at 7.30pm. The speaker will be John Henderson telling us about 'Three Saints Way'. You are welcome to join us for this interesting evening whether a member of our Guild or just interested. For further information please contact Gillian on 01738 850066.

THE KIRK SESSION meet on Monday 3rd September at 7.30pm in Forgandenny Church.

COMMUNITY LUNCHESES Lunches begin again on Wednesday 5th September 12 to 1pm. We look forward to welcoming all to enjoy a bowl of soup, home-baking and a good chat in the Church Hall.

If you wish to contribute, we would welcome offers of pots of soup and home baking.

FLOWER FESTIVAL DFP Church and Perth Flower Club will be holding a joint Flower Festival on the 7th - 9th September. We will once again have a 'guess the value of the hamper' competition and would appreciate some donations of items. If you wish to help please put the donation in the box in the foyer with the cost attached. We would appreciate baking and items for the sales table.

For further details contact Helen Jackson on 01738813027 or hjackson10@aol.com

CHURCH OFFICE The office will be closed from Wednesday 12th to Friday 21st September inclusive. Please have all intimations for Sunday 16th and 23rd to hand by first thing on Friday 7th September. Many thanks.

TODAY'S SERVICE

Dunbarney Church	Forgandenny Church
Organist: Mr George Bell Reader: Mrs Avril Fulton	Organist: Mrs Joan Blue Reader: Mr Norrie Pedgrift

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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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**God of the Universe, Lord of the years,**

Love that is boundless and knows no frontiers,

through all Creation your Spirit  
extends  
tangible signs that your Love  
never ends.

2. Into a life bound by time and  
by space  
enters your Son as the gift of  
your grace,  
crossing the lines that tradition  
defends  
showing the world that your Love  
never ends.

3. Yet we have scorned and  
rejected the Lord,  
wounded the Healer and silenced  
the Word.  
Into the darkness of death he  
descends;  
brought back to life because Love  
never ends.

4. Lord, we will walk with you  
now on the road,  
listen to others, help carry their  
load;  
each extra mile that we go to  
make friends  
proving in action your Love never  
ends.

**The love of God comes close**

Where stands an open door  
To let the stranger in,  
To mingle rich and poor:

**God of the Universe, Lord of  
the years,**

The love of God is here to stay  
Embracing those who walk his  
way.

2. The peace of God comes close  
To those caught in the storm,  
Forgoing lives of ease  
To ease the lives forlorn:  
The peace of God is here to stay  
Embracing those who walk his  
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3. The joy of God comes close  
Where faith encounters fears,  
Where heights and depths of life  
Are found through smiles and  
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Embracing those who walk his  
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4. The grace of God comes close  
To those whose grace is spent,  
When hearts are tired or sore  
And hope is bruised or bent:  
The grace of God is here to stay  
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5. The Son of God comes close  
Where people praise his name,  
Where bread and wine are  
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