

21st August 2026

Family Fun Day - This Sunday!

Fife Presbytery's Ecumenical Task Group has worked with the Mission Director to plan a family fun day this Sunday, 23rd August, 1-4pm, in Riverside Park in Glenrothes, next to the playpark and cycle track.

It is an event for all ages supported by different denominations. There will be children's crafts and activities, including a bouncy MEGA slide, creative prayer opportunities and an organised walk to the labyrinth led by Rev Simon Hessel, Pilgrim Pastor.

There will be a short closing worship service. Please bring along a picnic lunch.

If it is raining, the event will take place in Heart of Fife: St Columba's church.



Board of Management Meeting

The Board of Management will be meeting by Zoom on Wednesday 26th August at 7pm.

Our agenda is short with Finance and Safeguarding both reporting formally.

On the property side we have two church disposals to consider at Leslie Trinity and Auchtertool (per PMP) and some boiler costs for St Kenneth's.

There are also some significant roof repair costs for Dunfermline Abbey which we will bring to Presbytery next month, but which are already under discussion with the GTs, because of the significance of that building and its history.

September Presbytery Meeting

Fife Presbytery is called to meet for ordinary business on Saturday 19th September 2026 at 10am in Heart of Fife Church (St Margaret's), 228 Woodside Road, Glenrothes, KY7 5HD.

We will constitute with worship at 10am, with tea and coffee available from 9.30am. A reminder that lunches are not provided so Presbyters should bring their own, however tea and coffee will be served over the lunch time break.

The papers for this meeting will be sent out ahead of time by email to all Presbyters. If you are unable to attend the meeting, send note of your apologies to Evelyn at: econnell@churchofscotland.org.uk



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PRESBYTERY

Presbytery News



Tribute to Mr Robin Arnott

It is with great sadness we pass on the news that Robin Arnott died on Tuesday 11th August 2026 at Victoria Hospice after a short illness.

Robin was part of the Church of Scotland all of his life, from growing up in the Kirk in Lochgelly, to Youth Council and General Assembly and settling in Dalgety Parish Church, an active member, and Elder.

Robin was ordained as an Elder in Dalgety in 1974 and set apart as a Reader in 1978. He served both Kirk Session, Parish, Presbytery and the National Church well all of these days. When a Senior Manager with the Bank of Scotland, he took early retirement to pursue a calling of a different kind. He became CEO for Edinburgh Medical Missionary Society, now known as EMMS International. In this role Robin continued to be led by a value-based leadership model using many of his skills from his time in the Bank. Leading the Computer Operational Department, he enabled his knowledge to be transferred and was instrumental in the upgrading of the organisation. This allowed him to visit many a project in India, Nepal, Palestine and Israel leaving each place with a heart for everyone he met. It would seem God directed Robin into places others could not reach, he and his team at EMMS making a positive and lasting impact. Robin was also influential in the linkage between Encongolweni and Dalgety Parish Church, visiting Malawi a couple of times with members of the congregation, and friends from Encongolweni to Dalgety. He told their story wherever he went and continued to keep in touch with them up until he became unwell.

He had a heart for justice and peace, dedicated to raising awareness of any and all injustices.

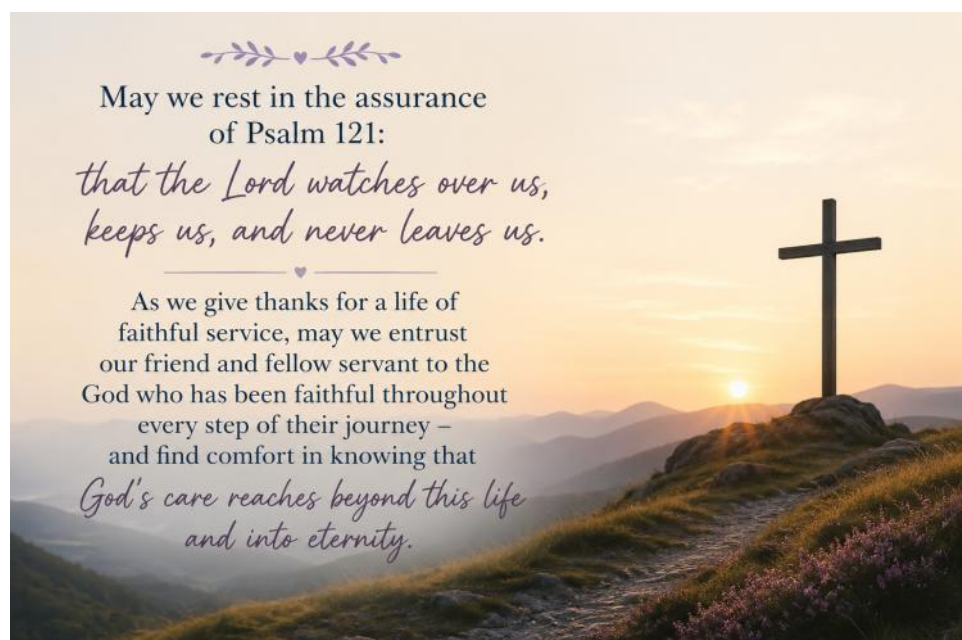
Robin served well as a Reader across Presbytery and was very well received.

There is so much to say of Robin's life and work; through it all supported and encouraged through his love for and from his family. He was a man who lived his life in the fullness of faith, treating everyone with much respect. His wisdom, gentleness, determination for peace, justice and fairness for all people will be missed in our world.

Please keep Robin's wife, Nan, and his children, Susan, Bob and Ian in your prayers, alongside David, his brother, and his family.

Robin's funeral will be at Fife: Forthview Parish Church Dalgety at 10.15 am on Wednesday 26th August and then on to Dunfermline Crematorium for 11.30 am.

All are welcome to attend.



Volunteer needed for Presbytery Newsletter

As you may be aware, the Fife Presbytery Weekly Newsletter has been produced by Stewart Lennon for the past year.

After much thought, Stewart has decided he will be stepping back from the role of producing the newsletter from mid-September, as he is returning to his studies and will no longer have the time to commit to the newsletter.

We are looking for someone who is willing to volunteer as the new editor for the Presbytery Newsletter.

If you, or someone you know, is interested, please email Evelyn at econnell@churchofscotland.org.uk

We wish Stewart the best in his studies, and hold him in our prayers!

Kingsbarns Church—Music for Summer

We are happy to announce that the Music for Summer event at Kingsbarns Church, which took place on Saturday 15th August, was able to raise £479 in donations to help look after their fine organ!

We offer our congratulations to the success of the fundraising and wish them the best in taking care of their organ!



Soup and Pudding

NERVE TUMOURS UK

In aid of Neurofibromatosis

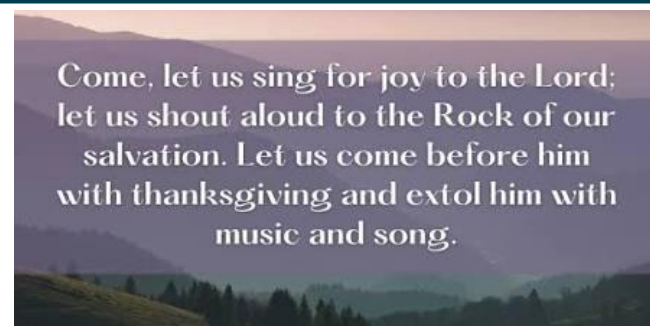
**Fife: Forthview Parish Church
DALGETY**

**Sunday 23rd August
12.15pm**

Soup

Pudding

office@dalgety-church.co.uk or 01383 824092 Charity No: SC020926



Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord;
let us shout aloud to the Rock of our
salvation. Let us come before him
with thanksgiving and extol him with
music and song.



**PEACE
SERVICE**

**Sunday 23rd August 1.45 pm
in the Peace Garden at
DALGETY**

**Forthview
Parish
Church**

For more information please email office@dalgety-church.co.uk
or telephone 01383 824092
Fife: Forthview Parish Church - DALGETY
Charity No: SC020926



Lochgelly & Benarty : St. Serf's Parish Church of Scotland
Registered Scottish Charity SC032353

Refreshments £4

AUTUMN Craft Fayre



St. Serf's Church
Lochgelly
10am-1pm
Saturday 22 August



Various stalls



All Welcome

St. Serf's Church Lochgelly and Benarty

Tables available £15 - Tel. Laura 07840602070

Kelty Coal Carrying Championship

KELTY KIRK

OPEN FOR

HOME BAKING

TEA/COFFEE ETC

HOT SAUSAGE ROLLS

Saturday 29th August • From 11 am

Join us for an afternoon of Friendship and community in the garden weather permitting otherwise in the church

Location: Kelty Cross

Everyone welcome

An Evening Of

MUSIC FROM THE MOVIES

PERFORMED BY

THE LUMBRE STRING QUARTET



ST DROSTAN'S CHURCH,
MARKINCH

FRIDAY 28TH AUGUST 2026
7.15PM

Tickets: Adults £10.00 Under 16's free

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM
www.ticketsource.co.uk/markinchchurch
OR PHONE
07740 416831



St Drostan's and Markinch Community Group SC054235



OLD SCHOOL BANGERS

SONGS OF PRAISE

Do you remember the hymns
you loved singing at school assembly?

We're planning an
OLD SCHOOL BANGERS
SONGS OF PRAISE SERVICE
AT
CAIRNEYHILL
CHURCH

ON
SUNDAY
30 AUGUST

We can't wait
to sing them
together!

BBQ
AFTER THE SERVICE!
Everyone welcome!



The Abbey Church of Dunfermline: Summer Concert Series



In August 2026, the Abbey Church of Dunfermline is hosting a series of concerts on Saturdays at 12.00-12.45 (approximate end)

~~Saturday 15th August
Laurentum
(Vocal Ensemble)~~

Saturday 22nd August
Matthew Beetschen
(Organ)

Saturday 29th August
William Campbell
(Organ)

SUNDAY 6th September at 4pm
Quas' Etoiles
(Vocal Ensemble)

Free Admission

www.dunfermlineabbey.co.uk
www.facebook.com/dunfermlineabbey
abbey twitter.com/abbey_church
Scottish Charity No SC016883
Dunfermline Abbey is the known name of the Abbey Church of Dunfermline

QUIZ NIGHT

AT KELTY KIRK

FRIDAY 18TH SEPT @ 7 PM

WHY NOT GET TOGETHER SOME FRIENDS AND
MAKE UP A TEAM (4 MEMBERS)

FOR A FUN GENERAL KNOWLEDGE QUIZ?

£10 PER TEAM TO ENTER

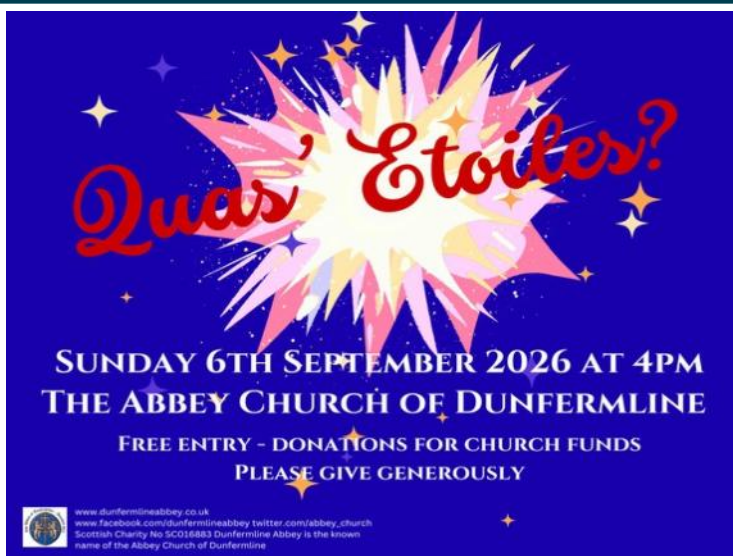
BRING YOUR OWN BOTTLE - WE SUPPLY SNACKS

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST IN THE CHARTY SHOP

OR CONTACT ELAINE WARDROPE 07711378343

OR JUST TURN UP ON THE NIGHT

EVERYONE WELCOME



Presbytery Facebook

Are you an admin wizard, with social media skills?

Do you understand, enjoy and have a mind for how Facebook works?

We are looking for a volunteer from within Presbytery to manage and keep the Presbytery Facebook Page up-to-date.

If you'd be interested please contact the Presbytery Office -

Fife@churchofscotland.org.uk

[facebook.com/ FifePresbytery](https://facebook.com/FifePresbytery)



Please send any articles and photos

or flyers to be included in the

Presbytery Weekly News or on the

Facebook Page to Evelyn at:

fife@churchofscotland.org.uk

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PRESBYTERY



Global Week
of 24-7 Prayer
6 – 13 SEPTEMBER 2026



24 HOURS
OF PRAYER

*Come join us
& pray*



<https://replug.link/pray>

Gathered in faith, united in prayer

**FRI 11TH TO SAT
12TH SEPTEMBER**
6:00 PM – 6:00 PM
ST MARGARETS EPISCOPAL CHURCH
27A QUEEN ST, TAYPORT, DD6 9JZ

All are welcome

A creative prayer space to come & pray. With topic stations around the room to focus your prayer on. The 24 hours will begin & end with an hour of sung praise.

Group and individual prayer, book a 1 hour time slot by email or online. Open all day & night.

**BOOK YOUR
SLOT ONLINE**

pkiehlmann@churchofscotland.org.uk
St Margarets Episcopal Church
Book at <https://replug.link/pray>



HOLY TRINITY

EVENTS

AUG

CHURCH SUMMER OPENING
WED-FRI: 1PM-5PM
SAT: 11AM-5PM

~~**AUG 7**~~

~~**SHORT AFTERNOON SERVICE**
3PM~~

~~**AUG 12**~~

~~**THE APEX SINGERS WORKSHOP**
5PM~~

~~**AUG 12**~~

~~**THE APEX SINGERS CONCERT**
7:30PM~~

AUG 28

LUMOS CANDLELIGHT CONCERTS
7PM & 9PM

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT
WWW.HOLYT.CO.UK



mainly music
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Mainly Music is a fun music group for parents or primary care givers to enjoy together with their young child. During the session children develop gross and fine motor skills, language, imagination, mathematical and pre-reading skills as well as socialise with others.

Each Mainly Music is associated with, and is run by, volunteers from local churches.

● Enjoy 30 minutes of **creativity, music, songs and rhymes.**

● Meet, chat and connect with others.

● Your child will delight in the play time after the music session.

● You will enjoy food and drink together.

We would love you to join us

● Starting Friday 28th August 2026 (term time)

● Session runs from 10am-11.30am

● Tayport Parish Church Hall

Find our group here





Leuchers and Tayport Church





<https://mainlymusic.org.uk/pages/join-a-group>
delight, accept, grow





Leuchers St Athanasia & Tayport Church of Scotland



wild
goose
resource
group



**Congregational Song:
Community and Context**

Join us for a day of singing, presentations and discussions led by three vibrant communities from across Britain and Ireland: Corrymeela, Iona and Northumbria with a talk by Peter Gunstone (Precentor of Carlisle Cathedral and Music Director of the most recent Lambeth Conference).

● **Date:** Saturday, 10th October 2026

● **Time:** 10 am – 4.30 pm

● **Location:** Fraternity Hall, Carlisle Cathedral (for information regarding parking and disabled access please visit [Visitor Information – Carlisle Cathedral](#))

● **Ticket Price:** from £40 to include handouts, lunch and refreshments.

Everyone is welcome and please share this invitation with anyone who might be interested.

Contact Information:
Email: gillian@prattgreentrust.org.uk
Website: www.hymnsocietygbi.org.uk

Booking: (early bird option available)

<https://Communitysong-communityandcontext.eventbrite.co.uk>



THE
Corrymeela
COMMUNITY



Northumbria
Community

CHRISTIAN PUPPET WORKSHOP

ALL ARE WELCOME

WHEN

THURSDAY
3RD
SEPTEMBER

WHERE

ST KENNETH'S
CHURCH
KENNOWAY

TIME

4PM - 5.30

COME ALONG AND
ENJOY AN
ALTERNATIVE WAY TO
WORSHIP GOD.

SINGING!! DRAMA!!
CHAT!! EASY TO READ
BIBLE!! PRAYER!! CRAFT!!
FOOD!!

Fife Eden Tay Parish Monthly Afternoon Teas

Freuchie Church Hall from 2pm till 4pm

Friday 18th September

Friday 16th October (For CHAS)

Entry is by donation



Summer Celebration Services

with Guest Preachers

St Bryce Sanctuary

7pm

30th August

Rev. Derek Lawson

27th September

The Very Rev. Rosie Frew

Music by members of Dysart Silver Colliery Band on 28
June and by Prof. Richard Michael BEM for other services.

Refreshments will be served afterwards.

A church at the heart of Kirkcaldy with the people of the town at
her heart

Scottish Charity: SC031064

DETAILS FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS

LIFT (FORMALLY YOUNG ADULT GUILD) HOLD MEETINGS ONLINE ON THE
LAST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH FROM 7-8PM. PLEASE CHECK OUR SOCIAL
MEDIA PAGES FOR LINKS TO MEETINGS OR SIGN UP TO OUR MAILING LIST
FOR LINKS VIA THE QR CODE BELOW.

28TH AUGUST- CHAT ABOUT MENTAL HEALTH WITH SHONA STIRLING
A CHAT ABOUT MENTAL HEALTH LED BY SHONA STIRLING,
COUNSELLOR AND LEADERSHIP COACH.

25TH SEPTEMBER- BEAR NECESSITIES

WE WILL HEAR FROM CATHEY AND CHRISTINA ABOUT THEIR
ESSENTIAL AND FACINATING WORK OVER IN BULGARIA.

30TH OCTOBER- CHRISTIAN AID

CHRISTIAN AID WILL TELL US ABOUT THE INCREDIBLE
SUPPORT THEY PROVIDE ALL OVER THE WORLD.

27TH NOVEMBER- CAP

CAP (CHRISTIANS AGAINST POVERTY) WILL SPEAK ABOUT THEIR
FANTASTIC WORK HELPING PEOPLE OUT OF DEBT AND POVERTY.

TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT LIFT:

Email: YAG@churchofscotland.org.uk

Facebook: Lift CofS

Instagram: @lift_cofsg

SIGN UP FOR LIFT
UPDATES AND
LINKS HERE!



MDS Opportunities - Outside Fife

There are currently no MDS posts within Fife Presbytery, but if you are interested in roles outside of Fife, there are still plenty of options!

For other MDS posts outside of Fife, visit <https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/about-us/vacancies-and-volunteering/ministries-council-posts>

And for locally funded posts, visit <https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/get-involved/vacancies-and-volunteering/locally-funded-posts>



WE'RE HIRING!

YOUTH WORKER

Help. Inspire. Make a Difference.

Heart of Fife Parish Church
St Drostan's Building, Markinch
with plans to expand to additional locations
across Glenrothes, Leslie and Thornton.

Do you have a passion for supporting children and young people?

We are looking for an enthusiastic Youth Worker to join our team and help create safe, welcoming and inspiring spaces where young people can belong, grow in confidence, build friendships and discover their potential – in our parish and community.

WHAT YOU'LL DO

- Deliver engaging youth clubs, activities and events
- Build positive relationships with children and young people from P1 to College
- Encourage confidence, wellbeing, friendships and leadership
- Support and develop our volunteer team
- Organise holiday programmes, events and occasional trips
- Promote our youth work through social media and community engagement
- Ensure all activities are safe and in line with safeguarding procedures

HOURS

TERM TIME
Thursdays 4:30pm – 9:30pm

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
Thursdays 6:30pm – 9:30pm

SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB
Monday – Friday
9:00am – 4:00pm
First week of the school summer holidays

CHRISTMAS PROGRAMME
Three days
9:00am – 4:00pm

SALARY & CONTRACT

£ Living Wage
Annual salary review

Fixed Term Contract
with a 3-year review

WE'RE LOOKING FOR SOMEONE WHO...

- Enjoys working with children and young people
- Is friendly, approachable and a great communicator
- Can work well as part of a team
- Is organised, reliable and enthusiastic
- Has a heart for community and helping young people flourish
- Understands (or is willing to learn) safeguarding and youth work practice
- Comfortable working within the values and mission of Heart of Fife Parish Church
- Youth work experience welcomed – training and support available

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

- Enhanced Disclosure / PVG Check
- First Aid (or willingness to achieve training)
- Ability to travel locally (own transport or reliable public transport)

Join a vibrant team supporting children and young people through clubs, holiday programmes, leadership opportunities and community activities.

Be part of something that changes lives.

TO APPLY
Please email your CV and a covering letter explaining why you would like to join our team to kids@heartoffife.com

Heart of Fife Parish Church
St Drostan's Building, Markinch
kids@heartoffife.com
07801 279899

Faith in Young People
Stronger Communities
Brighter Futures

LOCAL CHURCH – STRONGER YOUNG PEOPLE – BRIGHTER TOMORROWS
"Building a Better Future Together"

BIBLE STUDY

EVERY TUESDAY 6PM

IN THE CHURCH HALL

WHETHER YOU'RE A FIRM BELIEVER OR JUST CURIOUS, ALL ARE WELCOME!

RUNNING THROUGH SUMMER UNTIL 8TH SEPTEMBER

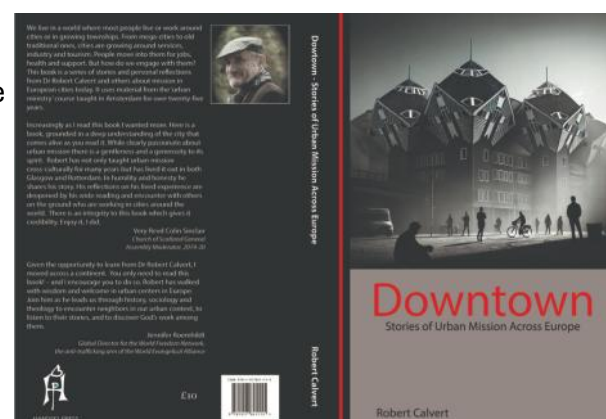
Dysart St Clair

Downtown - Stories of Urban Mission across Europe

The book "Downtown" is subtitled "Stories of Urban Mission across Europe" and has wide relevance to the mission of the Church of Scotland. Published by the Handsel Press, the editor, Revd Dr Jock Stein will attend as a special guest.

The launch is planned on Friday 18 September 11.00-13.00 at the Steeple Church (now 'Law Church') Dundee. A light lunch will be on offer. For catering purposes, it would be helpful if persons hoping to come can indicate through my email address below.

On 18 September copies of 'Downtown' will be available at discount (£8 each). Afterwards, copies are obtainable from the author at £10 each – contact robertacalvert@gmail.com



Light in the Darkness - A day of prayer for the Church of Scotland and the communities of Scotland

The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it - John 1:5

We know that darkness is real - in our experience as churches over recent years, and the experience of our communities across Scotland. But we are people who know that light is real too. Found in Jesus. Bigger than darkness. Always overcoming.

The Faith Action Programme Leadership Team is calling for the Church to come together in prayer this Autumn, to pray for more and more of the light of Jesus Christ to break out and transform our churches and our communities. To ask God that we might see Him bring hope in all these places.

On **Saturday 31 October**, we're inviting as many people in the Church of Scotland as possible to join in with praying for our Church and praying for our communities. **We'd love to see congregations, presbyteries and small groups get together for one hour that day to pray** - and for individuals who can't connect to something in their area to join in with some things we'll offer nationally online.

It could be a led service of prayer and reflection. It could be a group prayer gathering. It could be a time with interactive prayer stations. **In the coming weeks, we'll be producing resources for churches and presbyteries for all these different ways to pray.** We'll also share details of how people can connect online with a national coming together for prayer for those who want to do that instead or as well. It may be that you don't need or want any of that, and you'd rather just pray your way as a church. Great! Please though, do join in with praying together on that date.

Look out for more details on the Church of Scotland website, further emails in coming weeks, and on our Church of Scotland social media posts. But in the meantime, please mark Saturday 31 October in your diaries as a time for people in your church and/or presbytery to gather to pray. Perhaps you could begin thinking about how, when and where you might meet that day.

Why put this in the diary along with everything else?

Because we believe that the whole Church of Scotland uniting in coming to God expressing hopeful dependence on Him bringing change will be powerful. Because we're curious to see what the difference could be if we call out to Him together, in all our diversity of worship and theology. Because it's getting dark that week, and we want to head into the winter filled with hope in Jesus the Light of the world. But maybe most of all, because we see and we love a hurting world that needs the light that Jesus can bring it.

On Saturday 31 October, let's pray. Let's pray together. Let's pray for light in the darkness. For the Church of Scotland and the communities of Scotland, and across the world in the places we worship and serve.

Scott McRoberts

Vice-Convener, FAPLT

Convener, Mission Support Programme Group



Come and join us

The Sunshine Group

"Singing for the brain"

For people with dementia and their carers.
Live band, dancing & refreshments .

2.00pm - 4.00 pm
1st & 3rd Thursdays of month

Fife: Forthview Parish Church
DALGETY
Regents Way
Dalgety Bay
KY11 9UY

Registered in Scotland as a Charity, No. SC020926

For more information contact:
Isabel Stanners 07708 336 121
isabelstanners@yahoo.co.uk

Thinking Aloud

Join us on the 4th Tuesday of each month to discuss the modern world in relation to our faith.

Refreshments, a warm welcome and a good blether await!

Contact Lesley Shaw - 07450 719007

or

Church Office - 01383 824092



The Guild



Whose we are and whom we serve

Where: Fife: Forthview Parish Church @ Dalgety

When: 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, September - May

Why: Fellowship, Fun, Interesting Speakers & topics. Information about our nominated charities.

Who: All are welcome; non Church Members also most welcome.

Contact:

Sue Strachan - suestrachan53@hotmail.co.uk
Elma Doig - elmadoig@yahoo.co.uk



Fife: Forthview Parish Church, Regents Way, Dalgety Bay, Fife, KY11 9UY
Registered in Scotland as a charity no. SC020926

Story Time



Story telling for under 5s

(accompanied by an adult/carer)

Tuesdays 10.30 am - 11.00 am

at Fife: Forthview Parish Church

DALGETY

For more information please
email office@dalgety-church.co.uk or telephone 01383 824092



Dates for your diary

Sunday 23rd August 2026 : 1pm-4pm

Riverside Park, Glenrothes
Fife Ecumenical Fun Day Picnic

Saturday 19th September : 10am

September Presbytery Meeting
Morning Conference Session followed by Business Session

Saturday 21st November 2026 : 10am

November Presbytery Meeting
Communion Service followed by Business Session



Weekly Prayer

Lord Jesus, as You once asked Your disciples, “Who do you say I am?” (Matthew 16:15), we come before You today with hearts ready to answer with faith and conviction. In a world full of noise, opinions, and distractions, help us to hear Your voice clearly and to recognise Your presence in every moment.

Teach us to respond not out of habit or tradition, but out of a deep, living relationship with You.

Gracious Lord, we thank You for the revelation given to Peter, who declared, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” May that same revelation take root in us.

*Strengthen our belief when doubts arise,
and remind us that true understanding comes not from human wisdom
but from the Father’s gracious unveiling. Let our confession of faith be bold, sincere, and unwavering.*

*Holy God, You declared that upon this rock You would build Your Church,
and the gates of hell would not overcome it.*

*We pray for Your Church today—across nations, cultures, and generations.
Guard it from division, apathy, and fear. Fill Your people with courage to stand firm in truth,
compassion to love deeply, and humility to serve faithfully.
Make us living stones in the spiritual house You are building.*

*Merciful Father, You entrusted the keys of the kingdom, giving authority to bind and loose.
Teach us to use the spiritual authority You’ve given with wisdom, gentleness, and discernment.
Help us to speak words that bring freedom, healing, and restoration.*

May our prayers align with Your will, releasing Your purposes into our homes, communities, and world.

*Lord Jesus, as we reflect on this passage, shape our hearts
to know You more fully and follow You more faithfully.*

*Let our lives be a testimony that proclaims who
You truly are—the Christ, the Son of the living God.*

*Strengthen our steps, deepen our devotion,
and guide us in every decision.*

*May Your truth be our foundation and Your love
our motivation as we walk with You each day.*

Amen



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Email: **fife@churchofscotland.org.uk**