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PRESBYTERY

Presbytery Gazette

28th August 2026

Board of Management Meeting

At its meeting on the 26th of August the Board of Management took the following decisions under powers.

Permission was granted for the sale of Leslie Trinity, and Auchtertool church buildings, and the manse at Limekilns.

Works approved by the Board were £23,700 to replace the boilers at St Kenneth's in Kennoway, a variety of repairs totalling £31,014.90 for St Andrews New Kirk, permission to draw down £3500 for the works on the repair of the boundary wall at Creich, and survey work at Wellesey Parish Church in Methil on the hall.

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!

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 News



Tribute to Victor Laidlaw

I was greatly saddened to hear this week of the death of Rev Victor Laidlaw. I first met Victor when he was one of the assessors at my selection school for the ministry in 1995 but got to know him when I arrived in Dunfermline Presbytery where he had retired with his wife Shiela after a 33 year long ministry in St Catherine's Argyll in Edinburgh. Victor was unfailingly supportive, helpful, generous with his time, and in all he did his deep faith showed through. He was Moderator of Dunfermline Presbytery in 2014 to 2015 and a well known preacher around the pulpits of the town.

His service of thanksgiving will be at St Andrew's East Church in Dunfermline on Friday 11th September at 11.30 following a private cremation service. The 11.30 service will be streamed and details will follow.

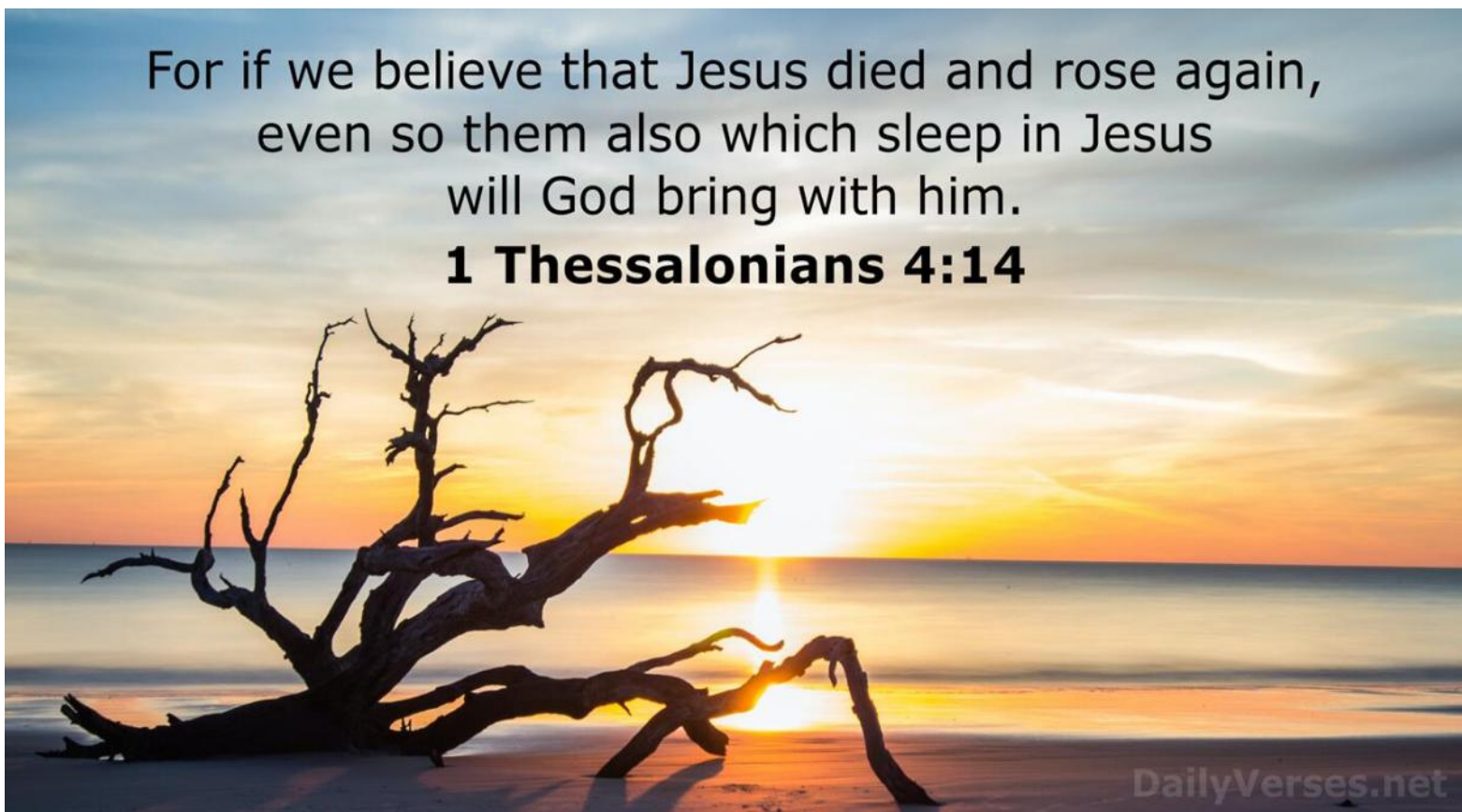
Alec Shuttleworth

Presbytery Clerk

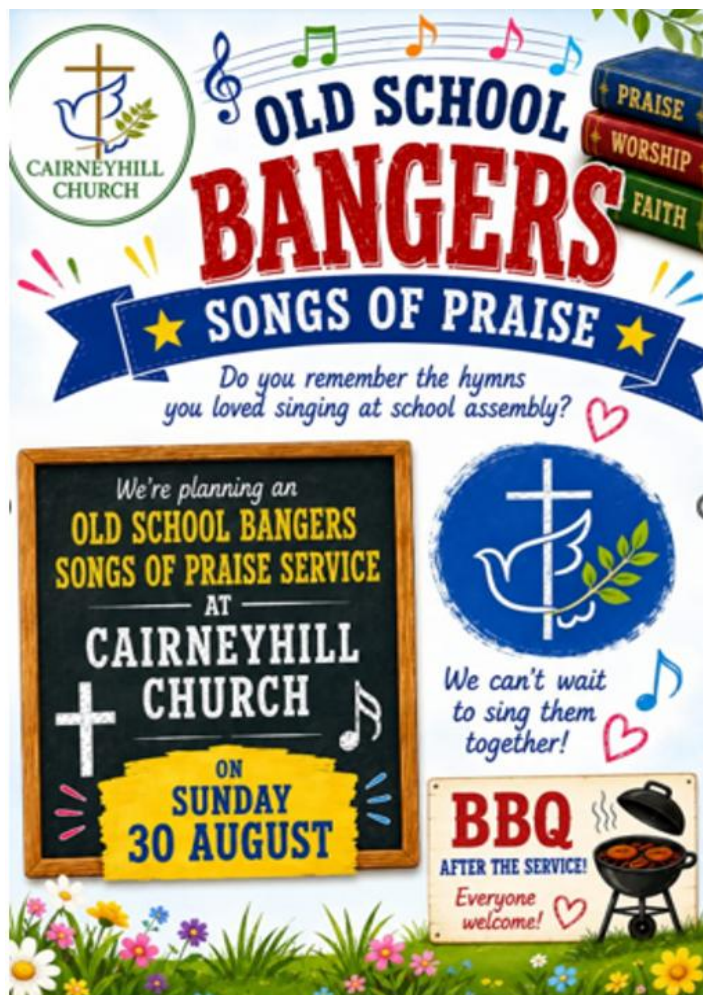


For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again,
even so them also which sleep in Jesus
will God bring with him.

1 Thessalonians 4:14



DailyVerses.net



**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

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

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
Dunfermline Abbey is the known
name of the Abbey Church of
Dunfermline



Forthview Parish Church
Dalgety
Regents way, KY11 9UY

Come and join us at Messy Church
for a story, games and food.

Sunday 13th of September
4.00pm to 6.00pm



The Parable of the Mustard Seed (Matthew 13:31-32)

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



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



24 HOURS
OF PRAYER

https://replug.link/pray

Come join us
& pray

Gathered in faith, united in prayer

All are welcome

**FRI 11TH TO SAT
12TH SEPTEMBER**

6:00 PM - 6:00 PM

ST MARGARETS EPISCOPAL CHURCH
27A QUEEN ST, TAYPORT, DD6 9JZ

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>

**DOORS
OPEN
DAYS 2026**





A free festival celebrating the places, people, and stories of Scotland.

East Fife Rural Parish



Kingsbarns Church

Sunday 6th September 2.00- 5.00

Come to enjoy organ and piano recitals
Explore the exhibition and take part in the Quiz
Refreshments for a donation to church funds



at
Fife: Forthview Parish Church
DALGETY

A place and space for new parents to meet.

Every Monday
10.00am to 11.30am
Starts Monday 31st August

All welcome.




Fife: Forthview Parish Church, Regents Way, Dalgety Bay, Fife, KY11 9UY
Tel: 01383 824092
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Your support
helps keep
doors open:



Organised by the Scottish Civic Trust, a registered Scottish Charity No. SC012569.

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

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

Quas' Etoiles?

**SUNDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER 2026 AT 4PM
THE ABBEY CHURCH OF DUNFERMLINE**

**FREE ENTRY - DONATIONS FOR CHURCH FUNDS
PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY**



www.dunfermlineabbey.co.uk
www.facebook.com/dunfermlineabbey twitter.com/abbey_church
Scottish Charity No SC015883 Dunfermline Abbey is the known
name of the Abbey Church of Dunfermline

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



**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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12 September 2026, 2pm

Ecumenical Pilgrimage

Join the ecumenical pilgrimage from Lindores Abbey Ruins to Abdie Old Kirk.

We'll celebrate ecumenism, God's good creation and reflect on climate justice. We'll end with an act of worship and refreshments at Abdie Old Kirk at 3.45pm.

Organisers: Fife Eden Tay Parish Church, Bishop Ian Paton, Lorraine Fraser - Fife Presbytery Moderator - and Christian Aid.

To register:
- tinyurl.com/LindoresAbbey

Email: Rev Valerie Walker
- revalerian@gmail.com



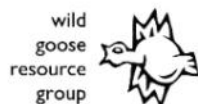
Lindores Abbey Ruins



Abdie Old Kirk

Scan with your phone





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.hymnsocietygb.org.uk

Booking: (early bird option available)



<https://Communitysong-communityandcontext.eventbrite.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



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



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

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

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THE WEST BANK TODAY: FACING THE ABYSS



Hebron International Resource Network (HIRN) undertakes small scale humanitarian and educational projects in threatened communities in Palestine. Come and hear its founder and a beneficiary speak about its work and the current situation in the West Bank. Admission free. Collection for HIRN.

Saturday 5 September 2026, 4pm

St Andrews New Kirk @ St Leonard's

Hepburn Gardens, St Andrews KY16 9DF

ALL WELCOME!



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



Leuchars St. Athernase & Tayport Church



SEEDS FOR GROWTH

HELP NEEDED

COMMUNITY RESEARCHER
TWO WEEK CONTRACT

Do you have a passion for community mission and skills in interviewing, facilitating focus groups and analysing information?

REQUIREMENT:

- We are pursuing the revitalisation of our congregation and developing our mission to under 40s.
- Through funding from Church of Scotland Seeds for Growth we aim to set up focus groups, and conduct interviews with community stakeholder involved with children, youth and families.
- Information gained will help identify how best to birth and support new worshipping communities for this demographic.

INTERESTED?

Contact: jhumphrey@churchofscotland.org.uk

CONTRACT AGREED BY 11TH SEPT



Heart of Fife Parish Church
Glenrothes, Leslie, Markinch and Thornton



WE'RE HIRING!

MAKE A
DIFFERENCE
EVERY WEEK

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

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

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

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

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

SALARY & CONTRACT

- £ Living Wage
Annual salary review
- Fixed Term Contract
with a 3-year review



Building
Stronger
Young People
Stronger
Communities
Brighter
Future



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"

Forthview Parish Church Inverkeithing

SING Along

Come along and join in the excitement and joy that music brings, build confidence and share some fellowship. Everyone is welcome – just bring yourself and your love for music.

2.00pm at Inverkeithing

26th September
9th October
31st October
13th November
28th November
11th December

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Taizé style worship

**at St Serf's Church, Ferguson Place,
Burntisland**

A peaceful 40 minutes once a month . . .



The focus for worship after candles had been lit at one of the Taizé worship services

**7 pm on
6 September
4 October.
Then winter
times, 4 pm on
1 November
6 December**

After the afternoon worship times, there will be opportunity to stay for a tea / coffee if you wish.

What is Taizé worship? It is a reflective style of worship, which we enter and leave in silence. Taizé music emphasizes simple phrases, usually lines from Psalms or other pieces of scripture, repeated and sometimes sung in canon. But Taizé worship is more than music. Scripture, prayer, and silence come together in the Taizé experience to create a simple, deep encounter with God. As part of the service, you may light a candle if you wish.

For more information about Taizé worship, you can visit the international website for the Taizé community: <https://www.taize.fr/en>.

All welcome – just come!



Airlie Cancer Care Group

Come together for an informal chat & support



A local group for all patients and their families who are registered with a GP in the Levenmouth area and who currently or in the past have had a diagnosis of Cancer.

Our group is very informative with representation Health & Social Care Partnership—Improving Cancer Journey. We also invite other speakers to come along to offer advice and opportunities. Why not pop along for a friendly get together, cup of tea/coffee and a light lunch.

Meetings are held monthly on a Thursday 1pm-3pm on the following dates in The Church Hall, Methilhill Parish Church, Chemiss Road, Methilhill, KY8 2BS.

18th June 2026
27th August 2026
24th September 2026
22nd October 2026
19th November 2026

If you have any questions please contact:
Mrs Emma Walker, Office Supervisor, Airlie Medical Practice, 01333-426083

or

Mrs Jacqueline Thomson DCS, Mobile phone number 07806776560,
Email jthomsondc@gmail.com

Cafe Connect

Tuesdays 10.00 am - 11.30 am

at

**Fife: Forthview Parish Church
Dalgety**

*Join us for a warm cup of tea or coffee and
delicious cakes as we catch up with old
friends and make new ones!*



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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!



East Fife Rural Parish Church of Scotland

Kingsbarns Church

is open on

Sunday

afternoons

in summer

2.00- 4.00 pm

Come to enjoy
this lovely church-
and some tea and cake!




Bereavement Support Group

You are not alone in grief.

Join us to share your story, listen to others and find comfort in a warm and relaxed atmosphere. Refreshments are provided.

at
Fife: Forthview Parish Church
DALGETY

2nd and last Thursday of each month
10.00am to 11.30am

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



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
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Dates for your diary

Saturday 19th September : 10am

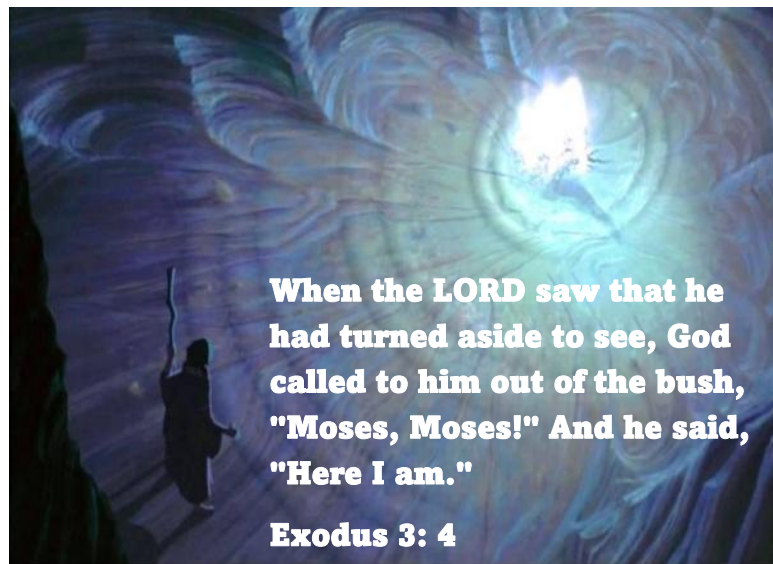
September Presbytery Meeting

Morning Conference Session followed by Business Session

Saturday 21st November 2026 : 10am

November Presbytery Meeting

Communion Service followed by Business Session



**When the LORD saw that he
had turned aside to see, God
called to him out of the bush,
"Moses, Moses!" And he said,
"Here I am."**

Exodus 3: 4

Weekly Prayer

Lord God, just as Moses stood before the burning bush on Horeb, we come before You in awe of Your holiness.

You revealed Yourself in a flame that burned but was not consumed, a sign of Your power and purity.

Help us to recognise the moments in our own lives when You call out to us, even in unexpected places.

Teach us to pause, to listen, and to acknowledge that we are standing on holy ground, just as You declared in Exodus 3:5.

Holy Father, You spoke Moses' name—"Moses, Moses"—and he answered, "Here I am."

Give us hearts ready to respond when You call. Remove the distractions that dull our hearing

and the fears that make us hesitant. Like Moses, we often feel unworthy or uncertain,

yet You draw near with patience and purpose. May our answer to Your voice be sincere, willing, and full of trust.

Compassionate God, You revealed Yourself as the One who sees the suffering of Your people,

hears their cries, and knows their pain (Exodus 3:7).

We bring before You those places in our lives and in our world where oppression, sorrow, and injustice still linger.

Let Your compassion move us to act with courage and mercy.

Strengthen us to be instruments of Your deliverance, carrying Your hope into places of despair.

Faithful Lord, when Moses questioned his ability, You assured him, "I will be with you" (Exodus 3:12).

We cling to that promise today. In our weaknesses, be our strength. In our uncertainties, be our guide.

In our fears, be our peace. Remind us that Your presence is not distant or conditional but steadfast and empowering.

Help us to walk forward in obedience, trusting that You go before us.

Eternal God, You declared Your name: "I AM WHO I AM" (Exodus 3:14).

You are the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob—the God who was, who is, and who will always be.

Let Your name anchor our faith and shape our identity.

As we follow Your calling, may our lives reflect Your holiness, Your compassion, and Your faithfulness.

We worship You, the great I AM, and we commit ourselves to Your purpose and Your glory.

Amen

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