

INTIMATIONS

WELCOME to our Worship today. If you are visiting we hope you enjoy being with us, and we invite you to sign the Visitors' Book. Tea and coffee will be served in the hall after the morning service. The Church and hall have loop systems and those with hearing aids should switch to position 'T'. If you are able, please stand as the Bible is brought in and taken out.

SUNDAY CLUB AND FYF Sunday Club and FYF are on holiday and will return on Sunday 10th January. As always there is a Crèche for pre-school children each Sunday morning.

PRAYER GROUP The Prayer Group has now stopped for a few weeks and will restart again on 13th January.

PASTORAL CARE TEAM As always a dedicated group of helpers are willing and anxious to be of assistance. Please let us know if you need our help. Contact either your elder or the coordinator, Janette Steele (01349 861591), and we will do our very best to help. Please do allow time for arrangements to be made.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY On Epiphany, 6th January, the Ladies will meet in the Church hall at 1.30pm for approximately an hour. On this Wednesday we will examine "Wise Men and the Christmas Star of Bethlehem" and looking at Matthew 2: 1-12. We would love to have many come along. Perhaps the start of 2016 is the time when you might consider becoming part of this group even on an occasional basis. Give it prayerful consideration. You'd be most welcome.

GUILD The Guild meets tomorrow afternoon at 2pm. Due to the many changes to the syllabus, this will be another DVD day with the National Meeting in Dundee as the subject. Do come along to the Church hall for the viewing and most importantly the fellowship. See you there.

PASTORAL DUTIES Rev'd Graham can be contacted on 861275 if required for any Pastoral duties.

ORDER OF SERVICE All intimations should be sent to John Smith by 5pm on Thursdays at strathdrynie@gmail.com or by telephone to 01349 865915.

Services next Sunday

Morning Service at 11.00am with Rev'd Andrew F. Graham

Evening Service at 6.30pm with Rev'd Andrew F. Graham

Registered Charity no. SCO12675

Ferintosh Parish Church



Order of Service

for

Sunday 3rd January 2016

11.00am
Communion service

Rev'd Andrew F. Graham

Welcome and Intimations

Hymn: 325 'Bethlehem, a noble city'

Prayer

Hymn: 327 'Brightest and best'

Reading Jeremiah 31: 7 - 14 (*page 791 in Bible*)

Hymn: 103 'Fill your hearts with joy and gladness'

Sermon

Hymn: 655 'For your generous providing'

Celebration of Communion

Hymn: 530 'One more step along the world I go'

Benediction

No Evening Service tonight

RIVER CAFÉ The first River Cafe of 2016 is to be held on Wednesday 13th January from 2pm-3.30pm in the Church hall. Whether you have joined us before, or not, we look forward to seeing you there for some tea/coffee, home baking and the all important chat.

PVG TRAINING The Presbytery Protection of Vulnerable Groups Training Coordinator has arranged a training session for all volunteers who work with children and adults within our congregation. Training is now required for all PVG certificate holders. The training session will be held here in the Church hall at 7.00 p.m. on 12th January. It is expected that the session will last for approximately 2 hours and it is likely that we will be joined by members of other congregations. In order to assist with the planning of the session it would be appreciated if you could let Hugh Fraser know if you will be able to attend at hughfr1@aol.com or by phoning 01997433384.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING There will be a congregational meeting after morning worship on Sunday the 24th January to discuss the Church Constitution - more information will follow on this in the next two weeks.

Please take this home with you to help you with your prayers this week.

My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever. Psalm 73:26 (English Standard Version)

- † Lord of all time and space, we commit this New Year to You and offer our lives afresh to serve You. Lead us into a deeper relationship with You and help us to worship and pray in ways that please and honour You.
- † Heavenly Father, we ask you to be close to all who are suffering because of the extreme adverse weather. We give thanks for the spirit of community which has prevailed throughout the country with neighbours helping neighbours. We pray that the assistance from all agencies will help the people to return to normal as soon as possible and that they will know Your love and protection. We think of those in Britain but also those throughout the world. Pray for Zimbabwe where there is such a drought that electricity is only available from 5pm until 7am each day. (Kariba Dam only 16 per cent of capacity)
- † Dear Lord, thank You that You never change. You are my rock and my salvation. Father, we pray that our brothers and sisters worldwide who are being persecuted for Your name's sake will know that You are faithful. May they have a fresh revelation today of how loving, how constant and how powerful You are. In January we think especially of those in Syria, Pakistan, Sudan, Iran and India. (Prayershield Release)
- † Remember to pray for your own needs: for your family, friends and neighbours. God loves to know of your joys and sorrows. Let Him be your comfort and strength.

I don't know what tomorrow holds, but I know Who holds tomorrow.
(Anon)

Even if I knew that tomorrow the world would go to pieces, I would still plant my apple tree. (Martin Luther, 1483-1546)