

From the Church of Scotland, Dunlop

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Dear friends and neighbours,

From about the middle of September, I noticed a certain phrase cropping up regularly in conversation - "It really feels like Autumn now!". Another thing I've noticed is that this Autumn feeling varies from person to person. For one it might be the changing colours of the leaves, for another, the long shadows cast by a sun sitting low in the sky, for someone else again, Autumn is signalled by a certain coolness in the air, or that very distinctive, but impossible to describe, smell of the season. I must admit that Autumn is my favourite season of the year because I love the changing colours in garden, roadside and landscape. The other Sunday, when the door was opened at the end of the service, I was struck by the sudden change in that view as the distant hedges were tinged with the red of their bright berries.

One thing that we all seem to have in common though is that Autumn, perhaps more than any other time of year, engages our senses as we gain a heightened awareness not only of the turning of the seasons, but of this planet on which "we live and move and have our being". These words of St Paul are a reminder to us that God made the earth and everything in it, that He gives life and breath to everyone and that God is never, at any season, far away from any of us.

Thoughts also, at this time of year, turn to Harvest and to Thanksgiving, to time spent in community and celebration of our sharing of God's gifts to us. You are invited to the church at 11.30am for our Harvest Thanksgiving Service and afterwards for a soup and sandwich lunch in the Village Hall. I am delighted that we will be joined in our Service by the Choir of Dunlop Primary School, and I look forward to hearing them sing.

Please come and join us for our Harvest Celebrations. All are welcome!

Wishing you peace, joy and hope this Autumn,

Alison

HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICE AND FAMILY LUNCH

On Sunday 1ST October we are holding a family Harvest Thanksgiving Service in the Church at 11.30am. On Saturday, 30th September the Church will be open from 2pm to 3pm to receive donations of fruit, flowers, plants etc. The Conveners are Christine Reid, Sadie Reid and Margaret Robb.

The Dunlop Primary school choir are our guests again.
After the service we will all have soup and sandwiches in the Village Hall.

Everyone in the community is welcome. There will be no charge for lunch. Please come and join us.

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Welcome Teams

Date	Flowers	Readers	October	
Oct 1st	Harvest	Beverly Kirk	Sandy Hutchison	Annette Brown
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8th	Jeanette Picken	Simon Gill	Jess Duncan	Jennifer Hunter
15th	Netta Howie	Sheila Wyllie	Irene Kerr	Alastair Martin
22nd	Fiona Walker	Mike Blyth	Margaret Robb	Brian McGaw
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29th	Susan Shorrock	Elizabeth Garrity	Sheila Wyllie	Anne Sinclair
Nov 5th	Janice McGregor	Bob Brown		
12th	Joan Howie	Anne Sinclair		
19th	Morag McNaught	Marilyn Bell	Baptisms	
26th	Margaret & Emily	Lynn Davidson	Lauren Grace Leith	27 th August 2017.

Church Services:

Morning Worship every Sunday morning at 11:30am. All welcome.

Crèche and Sunday School meet in the church at 11:30am.

1st October 2017	Harvest Thanksgiving Service	11:30am

4th October 2017 Monthly Informal Service 6:30pm in the rear church hall

29th October 2017 The Lord's Supper 11:30am & 6:30pm

12th November 2017 Remembrance Sunday 11:30am and 12:30 at the War Memorial.

Guild

OCTOBER

10th Dedication and Communion

Rev Alison McBrier

24th Yorkhill Children's Charity

Bring & Buy Stall for projects

Wednesday Coffee

Every Wednesday in the church hall from 10 till 11.30am. Time to chill out have a coffee and a chat. No formal charge but donations always welcome. Meet old friends, make new friends.

DUNLOP W.R.I.

WEDNESDAY 25th OCTOBER

Halloween Cake Decorating By Mrs Moira Gemmell

Competitions: 3 Rock Buns

A Hallowe'en Cup Cake

AYRSHIRE HOSPICE CHRISTMAS CARDS

This year the Hospice Christmas Card "SHOP"at 8, Stewarton Road Dunlop will be open from 1st October till 8th October and again from 26th October till the Craft Fair on Friday 3rd November, when all remainIng cards will be on sale. If you are interested ,please telephone Jennifer on 01560484828

"Let the little children come to me"

The next meeting of the **Dunlop Alzheimer's Circle of Friends Musical Minds** will be on Thursday, 12th October 2017, in the church hall from 2pm-4pm. The group is meant for anyone affected by Alzheimer's or dementia, but all who are interested will be made very welcome.

Eddie and Bill will provide the music. Contact Susan Shorrock 482109 or Jean Spence 428593

Flu Clinic in Dunlop Church Hall

Stewarton Health Centre will be holding their annual Flu Clinic in Dunlop Church Hall on Wednesday, 11th October, from 9:30am to 12 noon. Teas and coffees will be available.



Dunlop Community Cinema is back this Autumn with a fantastic range of films for you to enjoy. This year we will also be screening a series of shows linked to specific events...keep your eyes open for the next one!

2017 also sees the return of the DCC Film Club. Showcasing the best in independent and international film making, there will be 7 films shown over the course of the year. The first film will be 'Moonlight' on Wednesday 4th October followed by 'Tangerines' on the 1st of November.

Our next Friday movie will be 'Their Finest' on Friday 20th October at 7.30 with the first family film 'The Red Turtle' being shown on Sunday 29th October.

We will also be screening two free films aimed at school pupils as part of the Into Film Festival. 'The Eagle Huntress' will be shown at 10am on Thursday 9th November, and 'Landfill Harmonics' the following Thursday at 10am.

Between now and the end of December DCC will be showing 12 movies with more to come in the New Year. If you are interested in seeing as many films as possible then why not buy yourself a Dunlimited Card... for £65 you can have access to all the screenings over the 2017/2018 season including Film Club films... that's at least 19 films for £65 what a bargain!

So why not come along and relax in front of a film in our new chairs with some delicious ice cream or maybe even a wee glass of wine. We look forward to seeing you.

Dunlop Friends of the Ayrshire Hospice:

Our Craft Fair in aid of the Hospice will take place on Friday 3th November in the village hall.

Please come and enjoy 20 different crafters, home baking, a raffle and the last chance to buy your Ayrshire Hospice Christmas Cards.

Open from 7.30 till 9:30 pm

Entrance £2.50 which includes tea with home baking.

CHURCH OPEN AFTERNOONS

The Church will be open on Sunday afternoons throughout October between 2-4pm.

You will be very welcome to drop in to spend time in a peaceful building, look at the beautiful stained glass windows or just have a cup of tea and a chat.

Greeting cards (suitable for Christmas and everyday) and the booklet on the stained glass are on sale.

On 22nd October, Sadie (our organist) and Carol (a choir member) will provide an informal musical background so please come along and feel free just to listen or to participate and to singalong!

Dunlop and Lugton Senior Citizens Association are holding a Coffee Morning on Saturday 28 October 2017 in the Church Hall between 10am and 12 noon. Raffle, Special Raffle, Baking Stall, Tombola.

Tickets are £2 adults and £1 children. All welcome.

Dunlop Gallery

So far this year, we have seen two of our three talented Dunlop art classes display their work. Thursday's group is run by Marsha Burke, and Wednesday's group by Gillian Park. The third art group, run by Liz Osborne on a Tuesday, will be showing from Friday the 29th of September until Thursday the 19th of October. You will be able to see their exhibition during the Conservatory Cafe opening hours which are 11.30 till 2.30 on Thursdays and Fridays, and 12 till 3pm on the first Saturday of the month. The Gallery will also be available for viewing during other events at the Village Hall.

The next exhibition will be by local artist Sue Rothwell. She will be showing her work from October the 19th, when she will be having an opening night to which everyone is invited. This will be in the Village Hall, from 7 till 9. Come along, see Sue's latest work, and have a glass of wine and a chat. Her exhibition will then run till Thursday the 16th of November.

For more information on these shows, please contact Ellenor Ferguson at 07811 045600.

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Dunlop & District Community Company

There have been a number of child and adult coats and jackets and other miscellaneous items left in the village hall over the past few months. Please do come and check that you have not left anything behind as we will donate all clothing, still unclaimed by the October school week, to the Ayrshire Hospice

Life and Work

Life and work is the monthly magazine of the Church of Scotland. Anyone wishing to subscribe should speak to Liz Dinning in church or phone 484704