APC NOTICES SUNDAY 24 AUGUST 2025



MINISTER: Rev. Dr. Lynn McChlery; PROBATIONER MINISTER: Alan McKay YOUTH LEADER: Michelle Livingstone SESSION CLERK: Ruth Buchan

AUCHTERARDER PARISH CHURCH FIRE EVACUATION INSTRUCTIONS

1 On hearing the fire alarm, or if instructed to do so by a **FIRE MARSHALL**, please leave the building in an orderly fashion. This should be by the **CLOSEST USABLE EXIT**. These are clearly marked. 2 Follow directions given by the **FIRE MARSHALLS**, who can be identified as those wearing **HIGH VIZ TABARDS**.

- 3 Depending on your exit point, muster either ACROSS THE ROAD at the POLICE STATION or in the CAR PARK at the REAR OF THE CHURCH CENTRE.
- **4** Once safely in a muster point, await further instructions from either a **FIRE MARSHALL** or from a **FIRE BRIGADE OFFICER**.
- 5 Please take a moment to look around where you are to familiarise yourself with the nearest EXIT POINTS.

NOTICES

- **SUNDAY WORSHIP:** Welcome to Sunday Worship at Auchterarder Parish Church. Rev Dr Lynn McChlery will lead worship and Alan McKay, our Probationer Minister, will preach.
- **2 GOOD NEWS:** The congregation will be pleased to hear of Alan's success in being asked to be **Minister of Baljaffray Parish Church, Bearsden, Glasgow**. His **Ordination and Induction** will take place there on **Friday 10 October**. We are sure many from the congregation will be keen to support Alan and the family on this special occasion, so there is a list at the back of the church for names of anyone wishing to travel to Bearsden on the church minibus. Please make sure you sign up with names and number of people attending. Further details will follow.
- **KIDSTEAM AND CRÈCHE:** Kidsteam for Primary Age children and Kidsteam Creche for pre-schoolers are both available after the 2nd hymn each Sunday. Parents of young children are very welcome to accompany them, although if you go into church we can always come and get you if we need to!
- 4 WEDNESDAY WORSHIP: We have a service of praise, prayer, Bible readings and a short meditation on Wednesdays in the lounge from 2:00-2:30 pm. There is also an opportunity for fellowship afterwards. All welcome
- 5 OPPORTUNITIES FOR PRAYER: There are three opportunities for prayer each week. We have a **Zoom** meeting on **Saturday mornings from 9:00-9:30** am and an in-person meeting on **Sunday in the Lounge** at **9:30 before worship**. There are always opportunities for more private prayer after Sunday worship in the side aisle. If you would like the Zoom link for Saturday, contact Lynn, our Minister, by email on: LMcChlery@churchofscotland.org.uk
- **'Kirk Cafe':** The Cafe is open on **Tuesdays 10-3 pm** and **Wednesdays 11am 3pm.** Please pop in for coffee and home baking, or better still, a great plate of home-made soup for lunch! Carry-outs are also available. We are short of helpers, so if you would like to **volunteer as a member of the café staff**, please speak to **Michelle or Alan or** speak to **Gillian**, our Café Manager, when you are in! Training will be given. PS Check out our new Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61571459891333

- 7 Friday Night Youth Club is back on Fridays from 7-8:30 For ages S1 –S6. And HOLY SPACE is still on holiday!
- 4 HOLDING THE SPACE': Rev Muriel Pearson speaks on her life in Israel and Palestine 2021-2025 and answers questions. Muriel is a minister, chaplain to the Scots Hotel in Tiberias and Tabeetha School in Jaffa, Tel Aviv and works for peace and justice with Christian, Jewish and Muslim partners. She'll speak on the current situation, the work our partners on the ground are doing and how we can help. Sunday 31 August, APC 7:00 8:30 pm
- 9 MESSY CHURCH: Our next MESSY CHURCH is on Sunday, 07 September from 4:00 5:30 as usual. We'll meet some of our friends from Seaside Rock. Hope you can come!!!
- **10 GUILD ANNUAL GATHERING:** Reminder to all Guild members. This year's Gathering will be held at **North Church Perth on Saturday 13th September** from **11am till 4pm** The church bus has been booked to take 15 of the members who would have difficulty in getting there otherwise. Renee will speak to members at tea after church to compile a list. Lifts can be arranged for others if required.
- 11 TEARFUND AMBASSADOR: We are looking for someone to be a TEARFUND REP to serve as an Ambassador for Tearfund in our church family. The role may include helping lead prayer for people's release from material and spiritual poverty; putting faith into action by using Tearfund campaign resources; collecting donations from fundraising. TEARFUND will support the rep by keeping them appraised of global issues and giving them up-to-date resources and information. If you would like to consider this role, please get in touch with Lynn.
- **12 SAVE YOUR USED STAMPS:** Please save your used stamps and encourage your friends and neighbours to do the same. There is a basket in the church vestibule to collect them. This is to help the Al Ahli Hospital which has stood and remained a constant presence throughout the Gaza conflict despite being bombed numerous times.
- **13 APPEALS FOR HELP: THE FINANCE COMMITTEE** is looking to recruit new members and would love to talk to anyone with Book-keeping or Finance experience. Anyone interested should contact Kenny MacKay on: kennyauchterarder@gmail.com
- **14 SOUND AND VISION (SAV):** The **Sound & Vision (SAV) Team is** also looking for new volunteers. This includes operating the sound system or driving the visuals during worship services, weddings, etc. This is a very important part of our outreach. Training is given and help is always on hand on a Sunday. Contact Peter at the SAV desks after a service or via email: pmstokoe@gmail.com to discuss.
- 15 CHURCH VOLUNTEERS: Our church relies on volunteers who willingly give their time and talents to its work. Right now, for example, we need extra help from volunteers to staff the Church Centre. If you feel you have a gift or talent, or even a willingness to 'give something a go', then please come forward and let us know. Speak to Lynn, Ruth Buchan, our Session Clerk, or your Elder when they next visit or call to find out more.
- 16 APC CHURCH MINIBUS SERVICE: Our minibus is available on Sunday mornings for transport to and from church. If you would like to use this service, please contact us on 01764 660152, leaving your name and contact details. We would also benefit from a few extra drivers for the bus rota. If you have a driving license with a D1 on it, we will welcome you to the team. If you are interested, please speak to Mandy or Daryl.
- 17 SOCIAL MEDIA INFORMATION: If any groups or organisations want to update information on the website or the APC Facebook page e.g. photos, programmes, events, then please contact Sandra Miller on sandra.miller@live.co.uk

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18 CONTACTLESS PAYMENTS: We now accept contactless payments for church events, coffee, donations etc. This allows us to use a card or smartphone to pay and reduce hands-on cash. We also have a link **Donate** and QR Code both here and on the website that allows online payments and donations to be made directly on the 'Giving to APC' link.



19 SAFEGUARDING TRAINING: There are 2 in person courses available: both in Tillicoutry Parish Church Introduction to Safeguarding 23 August from 9:45 Booking Form and Trustee Safeguarding 30 August from 9:45 Booking Form There are also online training courses that are available on the Church of Scotland website. Please go on and register for any courses approp to you. There are also online training courses that are available on the Church of Scotland website. Please go on and register for any courses approp to you. Trustee Safeguarding Booking Form There are o online training courses that are available on the Church of Scotland website. Please go on and register for any courses approp to you. Safeguarding Service

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SOCIAL MEDIA

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NB: Please send any notices to sandra.miller@live.co.uk by Thursday evening. Any late Notices will be added to the Sunday Service Presentation on our YouTube channel:

Auchterarder Parish Church - YouTube

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