



LOGIE & ST. JOHN'S (CROSS) PARISH CHURCH **WEEKLY NEWSLETTER: 28th February 2021**

I got a new magazine this week and two things immediately came to mind when I read the front cover. Sometimes, it is 'the simple things' that make a difference – a cup of tea, it being light still at 5pm, spring bulbs appearing.....

And then I thought about 'balm'. How great it is to think of the Lord as our source of balm to ease our worries, to know that He is there for us when we are in need of some comfort.



WORSHIP

The First Minister has published a 'way out of lockdown' and we hope and pray that the day when we can get back in our building won't be too far away. In the meantime, however, our online worship continues with services appearing on www.logies.org at 10am each Sunday morning. Each week there is a section especially directed to our children and young people.

There will still be a Zoom Coffee meet each week at 11.45am. If you'd like to join us for coffee then contact administrator@logies.org or call the Church Office, T: 01382 668514 to get the Zoom access information.

NEWS FROM THE KIRK SESSION

Last week the Kirk Session were asked to put in a formal request to be allowed to call a new minister, to the Vacancy Procedure Committee of Presbytery. This followed an elders' meeting, chaired by our Interim Moderator, Rev Catriona Morrison. At the meeting the strengths of our church and congregation, what we need help with, what we need from a minister, and what role could be played by someone who wasn't a minister were all discussed. This meeting also helped the elders prepare for a discussion with representatives of other local churches, about working more closely together (the first of several on this topic). The formal request has now been submitted and the Kirk Session will report back to the congregation when there is an update.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: FRIDAY 5th MARCH 2pm

This year's service has been written by women in Vanuatu with the theme of 'Build on a Strong Foundation'. We won't be able to have our usual West End service but you can join a service from Edinburgh

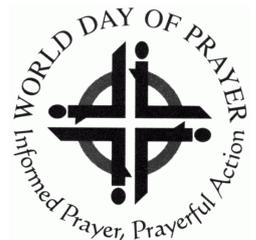
The zoom link to listen live at 2pm is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89593983883?pwd=WjF4QmE1dnBjVU5nT0JyRG9lanozdz09>

or use the following: Webinar ID 895 9398 3883 Passcode 901656

To listen later to a recording go to <https://youtu.be/edQMgNFdRdo>

More information is on the website www.wdpscotland.org.uk



The 2021 World Day of Prayer booklet is being delivered to all our Guild members

PASTORAL CARE

If you, or anyone you know, is in need of pastoral care then please contact our Session Clerk, Mike Duffy, by emailing sessionclerk@logies.org or by leaving a message on the church answerphone T: 01382 668514

KEEPING SAFE: DOORSTEP SECURITY

Police Scotland in Dundee have reported that, unfortunately, in some parts of the city householders have been approached by bogus callers attempting to gain entry to properties. We hope and pray that this doesn't happen to any of us but the following advice from the police is worth remembering

- **LOCK - keep your front and back doors locked.**
- **STOP - if possible, don't open your door until you've seen who is there, whether this be through a view hole, out of a window, or something similar.**
- **CHAIN - use a security chain on your door.**
- **CHECK - only let callers in if they have an appointment to see you, or if they are genuine and have appropriate ID.**

It is not rude or impolite to refuse to open your door or refuse entry to your home – any genuine caller, including police officers, will be more than happy to show you ID and will not be offended if asked to do so.

FOR OUR YOUNG MEMBERS (AND YOUNG AT HEART)

Do you know the meaning of 'gratitude'? It means being able to show that you are thankful for something. There is a great story in the Bible about being grateful. You can read it here: Luke 17: 11-19. It is the story of the 10 lepers.

One day, Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem. As he was going into a village, ten men met him. They all had leprosy, a skin disease. They called out in a loud voice, "Jesus! Master! Have pity on us!" Jesus saw them and said, "Go. Show yourselves to the priests." While they were on the way, they were healed. When the lepers saw Jesus, they knew that being healed could save their lives. Jesus was not like other people and when he saw the lepers he had pity on them and healed them. Jesus didn't have to heal them, but he did because he loved them. When one of them saw that he was healed, he came back to thank Jesus. Jesus wasn't happy that the others hadn't come back to say thank you.

We need to be like that one man who came back. God has done many wonderful things for us and we need to remember to say 'thank you'.

It's tough having to stay at home because of coronavirus but there is still lots to be grateful for.

Here's a scavenger hunt to have fun with.

How many items can you find to say 'thank you' for?

Gratitude Scavenger Hunt

How many of items can you find that show these?
I am really grateful for:

- Something to eat
- My favourite sound
- Something that smells
- A Happy Memory
- Someone Special
- Something In Nature
- My Favourite Animal
- My Favourite Colour
- Something I Love To Play
- Somewhere To Live
- Being Safe
- Learning
- Being Me
- My favourite song
- Something I Like Doing
- Something I am Proud Of
- My Neighbourhood
- My Country
- Something To Help You Sleep
- Something Useful

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