

**WEEKLY SUNDAY SERVICE at 11am**  
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We've all heard the saying 'A change is as good as a holiday' and for some it really is but for others change can be daunting. The church, both nationally and locally is undergoing change. As an encouragement to our congregation, on **SUNDAY 30<sup>th</sup> APRIL** John Dent and a group of Elders will share their thoughts on **coping with change** at this time of uncertainty in our Western church grouping.

### **SUNDAY 7<sup>th</sup> MAY 2023**

Following next week's service, which will be led by Grant, we



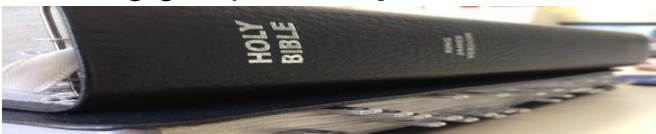
will have a 'bring your own' Coronation Lunch in the Hall. Everyone is invited to stay and celebrate the coronation of King Charles and Queen.

### **SUNDAY 14<sup>th</sup> MAY 2023**

In 2 weeks time, immediately after worship Grant will hold an short congregational meeting to inform us of the next steps in the Western Grouping.

### **CONNECT WITH THE BIBLE**

Both groups start on **Tuesday May 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
The afternoon group at **2pm** and the evening group at **7.15pm**.



### **THE GUILD – Coronation Afternoon Tea**

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May  
2pm – 4pm  
All Guild and church Members welcome.



### **CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 2023: 14-20<sup>th</sup> May.**

On Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May, Bill McLean will have envelopes available for donations. Your gifts this Christian Aid Week could help farmers in Malawi plant better seeds, secure a fairer price for the crops, and build happier futures for their children. You can also [donate online](#).



### **PASTORAL CARE**

If you or someone you know would benefit from pastoral care please contact Grant either by mobile: 07507710871 or by email [GMaclaughlan@churchofscotland.org](mailto:GMaclaughlan@churchofscotland.org)

## THE BIG QUIZ

Thanks to everyone who came along to the quiz night last week. It seemed to be enjoyed by all and congratulations go to the winners: 'The Infamous 5'. Not forgetting the 'Curly Curlers' who went away with the prized wooden spoon.



## FLOWER MINISTRY

Many thanks to Jenni Hanslip who in recent years has organised our flowers and their distribution.

Going forward Lesley Mays and Jan Ireland have agreed to lead this aspect of pastoral care. It's lovely to have flowers adorn our sanctuary regularly, have a special place in our worship and give opportunity to celebrate occasions or remember a loved one. Anyone is welcome to be involved by donating, delivering, or arranging. If you would like to learn more, we are planning a flower arranging demonstration, so look out for the date! See Jan at the front door or after the service on Sunday or contact us for more information – [lesleyamays@googlemail.com](mailto:lesleyamays@googlemail.com) or [janireland55@gmail.com](mailto:janireland55@gmail.com)



## THE GUIDES

Our Guides have been planting summer bulbs and flower seeds in the church garden to augment the wild flowers from the past two years.

Each patrol got a small patch and will be keeping an eye on it over the summer.



## FOR THE YOUNG & YOUNG AT HEART

A taste of one of the quiz challenges from 'The Big Quiz'. Can you find 10 books of the Bible hidden in this paragraph?

**A gal at Ianstown in Scotland did. So did Timothy from Wales. No defect in genes is required nor is a chronic lessening of thoughts although I will admit it usually takes a minister to find one of them and there will be loud lamentations when it is found. What will keep you from answering this challenge? A little lady says she brews a cup of tea so she can concentrate better. How long you keep working on it only you can judge so long as you try to compete. Remember we have had fun seeking out twenty-five books of the bible, but it's more important to seek first his kingdom and his righteousness.**