

Message for congregations to be read out on Sunday 9th June 2024

As you probably know we have been working towards a Presbytery Mission Plan, bringing together congregations in the Western part of Dundee.

A joint meeting of Kirk Sessions in this Grouping took place on Wednesday 5th June 2024, when a vote was taken on a name for the proposed united congregation.

The result was that the name will be Dundee: Westgait (Church of Scotland). We are moving towards having three physical centres for worship, mission and ministry, which will each have a name to reflection their location, eg Lochee.

The Governance group are now finalising the documents which will form the basis for a united charge.

The proposed timeline for voting on those documents is as follows:

Sunday 25th August – all Kirk Sessions will hold independent votes

If the documents are accepted by the Kirk Sessions, these will then be sent out to everyone who is on the member or adherents list, and informing them of the congregational vote and where it will take place (if their church is now closed).

Sunday 15th September – a vote will be held for members and adherents, this has to be voting in person, not by post or proxy.

If the documents are accepted by members and adherents, the Governance group and Presbytery will then work towards the union starting on or around 1st January 2025, the actual date is dependent on the Charity Regulator, OSCR.

As stated these dates are provisional and we will keep you informed if anything changes.

The Western Grouping Governance group