

## **UNITED IRVINE CHURCH OF SCOT-**

**LAND (IPC):** On 1<sup>st</sup> October Fullarton, along with Dreghorn & Springside, Girdle Toll, Mure Relief, and St Andrews Parish officially became a branch of *United Irvine Church of Scotland (UICS)*.

**OSCR** (Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator) set 1<sup>st</sup> February as the start date of our new charitable status. The Parish will retain Fullarton's Charity number: Scottish Charity SC008725. Pray on for the new Kirk session as we find best ways forward to unite us in Worship, Witness and Work for God's Kingdom. May God help us to unite around Jesus and His 'own-to-earth' loving values.

Sheena Kinmond has been appointed Session Clerk, with the other previous session clerks helping as deputies.

Sandy Dickson has stepped in as the transition treasurer to help bring our congregation finances together. Do pray on for Sandy, Sheena, Jamie, Neil & other leaders involved.

We are in a time of flux, challenge, and opportunity requiring prayer, patience, and perseverance from us all.

Please pray for God's Grace to nurture courageous and creative vision in sharing Jesus' sacrificial Love and growing many mini-Jesuses in and around Irvine. Thank You!

**Future Worship Service times** at United Irvine Church of Scotland will remain the same. Revs Jamie & Neil will lead Fullarton services at least once every 4 Sundays, with our Worship Team leading on the other Sundays.

**6.30pm Evening Services** Rotation is usually: 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month – Prayer / 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday – Praise Night / 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday – Healing / 4<sup>th</sup> - Guest Speaker / 5<sup>th</sup> – Café Church.

Your patience & prayerful support is appreciated as Christ leads us in our worship, work, walk and witness together with our sister congregations!

**Not on Facebook?** You can still view the services by going to <http://fullartonconnexions.co.uk> & clicking on the front photo of Rev Neil inside a mobile phone. This will take you to the livestream and the library of previous services.

**To place, remove or update a notice in this sheet please email [indigols345@gmail.com](mailto:indigols345@gmail.com) by Wednesday evening at the latest.**

**Favourite worship song?** Speak to Neil or the praise band to see if your favourite hymn, chorus, or worship song could be included in future services.

**Other opportunities to receive ministry:** Via Fullarton ConneXions Facebook Page. Rev Neil's daily 60 Second Sermons, from 9am Mon'-Sat', on Instagram @fullartonconnexions and Neil's twitter feed @NU4Yoo. Previous Worship Wednesdays & Services are also available there.

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**Sunday 26 May 2024**

**10.30 am – led by John MacDonald**

- As the Bible comes in, we sing...  
**Song: Men Of faith**
- Welcome & opening prayer
- Kids Chat & Family prayer with Vicky Black
- **Song: If I were a butterfly**
- Young people exit for Light Factory & FBI
- Prayer Share
- **SONG: Beautiful One**
- **SONG: I Stand Amazed**
- **SONG: I Speak Jesus**
- **SONG: I Thank God**
- Text Message: John 13:34-35; John 17:21-26
- Focus: Having Love
- **Song: Here Is love**
- Blessing: AMEN!

**6.30pm** – Guest Speaker Douglas Crabb from South Beach Baptist Church

**Next Sunday 2 June** – Rev Neil will lead the morning service.

**Next Sunday Evening**, there will be no meeting at Fullarton. Instead, you are invited to join a meeting of Ayrshire Keswick at 7.30pm in the Park Hotel, Kilmarnock. Tommy McNeil, the Minister at Martin's Memorial Church in Stornoway will be ministering.

United Irvine Church of Scotland

## FULLARTON CONNEXIONS

### Welcome to our worship services!

Please relax, you're among friends. Join us for a cuppa in the café after the service. This morning: **The Sparklers** (3–5year olds), **Trailblazers** (5–10year olds), & **FBI** (Fullarton Bible Investigators / 11-16year olds) exit as usual. **Creche** (for babies & weans up to 2/3 years old) is available in the studio from 10.30am.

**2024/25 Free Will Offering or Gift Aid envelopes** are ready for collection. Better still, set up a Standing Order from your Bank or Building Society instead of just putting money in the Open Plate, Contact Sandy Dickson or Mike Rennie and they will be happy to help organise this for you".

[Treasurer@fullartonchurch.co.uk](mailto:Treasurer@fullartonchurch.co.uk)

### At Your Service:

Let us know if there is anything The Fullarton Family can do or pray for you: Neil Urquhart (01294 279909), Kate Gibson (Pastoral Care Team) 01294 276148 or John MacDonald (Pastoral Assistant) 07943120714

## REGULAR EVENTS

**Connexions Cafe** is on each week, 10am - 2pm, Tuesday - Thursday, for teas, coffees, scones, cakes, and tasty lunches.

**Breakfast Cafe** 10am-1pm every Saturday

**Blokes' Blog** is on the second Tuesday of every month through to

11th June - 7pm in the School Room @ Fullarton ConneXions. Bring a friend too...

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**UNITED IRVINE JOINT SERVICE** - Do join all branches of United Irvine at 11.00am on 23rd June in Irvine Royal Academy's Assembly Hall, Kilwinning Road . This will be all age and cater for creche and young children and allow us to celebrate and explore the values & vision which the Kirk Session and West Kilbride Away-Day attendees have been identifying and developing since uniting in October 2023. A glorious chance to worship God together on a Sunday morning! If you need help with transport do let John Macdonald, our administrator, know - [unitedirvinecs@gmail.com](mailto:unitedirvinecs@gmail.com)

### **CAP Scottish Conference - Thursday 20th June**

Christians Against Poverty will be holding their Scottish Gathering in Edinburgh on Thursday 20th June. If you are interested in finding out more about CAP , meeting more of the team and engaging with the theme of "Alive in Christ". Please contact Alan McLaren for more details contact [alanmclaren@capuk.org](mailto:alanmclaren@capuk.org) or M 07717 645804 for information.

**CONTACT MAGAZINE:** The next issue of Fullarton Contact will be available in June. Any articles, poems, devotionals etc can be submitted in person to John MacDonald or you can email them to [unitedirvinecs@gmail.com](mailto:unitedirvinecs@gmail.com)

## "CHURCH" IS THE PEOPLE

Church is not buildings! But we don't all know each other yet so here are great opportunities to build relationships that will help us become a strong, loving, gracious, outward looking extended family of God.

## **TWO EXCITING WEEKENDS COMING UP IN 2024 & 2025**

**Book to come away for two nights** with others from United Irvine Church of Scotland. You can enjoy good food, in lovely surroundings, join in activities for all ages, explore the Bible in different ways, go for walks, relax and "hang out" together, living like one big family for a couple of days.

### **Weekend Away 1 Gowanbank SU Centre, Darvel, 6<sup>th</sup>–8<sup>th</sup> September 2024.**

Rooms are mostly single sex dormitories and some family rooms. Cost is £85 per person (includes all meals). Subsidies available for unwaged and larger families; just pay a £10 deposit in March 2024 and save at least £5 each month. To Book put a £10 deposit into an envelope marked, "FAO Sandy Dickson, September Weekend Away" add your name and contact details then put it into Sunday morning collection plate, or email Sheena.

**If you hope to attend the Gowanbank weekend (6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> September)** but have not yet paid a deposit, please do so as soon as possible. Remember that subsidies will only be available to those who have been paying in at least £5 per month - but if you have not yet

made a payment for April, it's not too late!

### **Weekend Away 2 - Field Studies Centre, Millport, 7<sup>th</sup>–9<sup>th</sup> Feb. 2025.**

Rooms are mostly en-suite twin beds. Cost is approximately £85 per person \*\* (includes all meals). Subsidies and saving scheme available as above. Booking: As with Gowanbank but mark envelope with "February Weekend Away"

*\*\*Cost depends on final number attending to be confirmed by November 2024.*

You can also book as a Day Visitors on each Saturday. Just £5 per meal for lunch and/or dinner.

## **UNITED IRVINE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND ANNUAL STATED MEETING**

Fullarton ConneXions on Sunday 23rd June at 6.30pm in the Sanctuary. This will replace of our Guest Speaker service. Do commit to coming along to hear reports on where we are and going as UICS. Also a chance to share your own thoughts and ideas. Annual accounts and reports will be available in advance.

**Malawi Crisis** crop failure is resulting in food shortages in areas of sub-Saharan Africa including Zambia, Zimbabwe and much of Malawi, including around Kanyanda. If able, please consider contributing to EMMS's crisis appeal.

<https://www.emms.org/malawicrisis>). There will be retirement offerings for this over the next few weeks.