

## **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 5 May 2024**

**10.30 am – Led by Rev Tom Cant**

- Song: Rescuer
- Song: My Lighthouse
- Welcome and Opening Prayer
- Kid's Chat & Family Prayer,
- Young folk exit for Light Factory & FBI
- Prayer Share:
- Song: Isn't The Name of Jesus (Offering)
- Text Message: Romans Ch5 v 1-11; Matthew Ch7 v21-29
- Song: Just As I Am
- Focus: Making the Choice of a Lifetime
- Song: Way Maker
- Song: My Fear Doesn't Stand a Chance
- Blessing:

**6.30pm – Prayer Service**

**Next Sunday – Rev Neil will lead the morning service and there will be a Praise Service in the evening.**

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) 07980885757

## 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 in the second Tuesday of every month through to 11th June -

7pm in the School Room @ Fullarton ConneXions. Bring a friend too...

**Mary and Martha's** next meeting is 7th May. All ladies welcome...

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### United Irvine Parish Church - Comfy Communion

Rev Jamie Milliken is conducting a Comfy Communion service on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May in Harbourside Hall, Fullarton at 3:00pm  
All are welcome! Tea and coffee will be served after the service.

### 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. [alanmclaren@capuk.org](mailto:alanmclaren@capuk.org) or [M 07717 645804](tel:07717645804) for information.

### Fundraiser for UICS CAP Debt Centre

On 26th May Kilwinning man Fraser McLaren will run a half marathon in Edinburgh to raise funds for the UICS CAP Debt Centre. Funds raised will go to help us to continue to offer free face to face personal debt advice and financial education to people in our community. If you can donate, search for Fraser McLaren on Just Giving and you will find his page.

Sharing his Just Giving page will support Fraser in raising more funds and awareness of CAP locally.

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/fraser-mclaren-1712992853373>

**TEA ROTA:** There have been some changes in personnel for the Sunday tea rota. Could those involved and any others wishing to volunteer, please speak to Aileen Roy after the service.

**CONTACT MAGAZINE:** The next issue of Fullarton Contact will be June. Please have articles etc submitted by May 19<sup>th</sup>. They can be submitted in person to John MacDonald or email 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.

Even if you're a little bit shy and scared, why not get your diary out now? Mark the dates, make the booking, pay the

deposit, and relax looking forward to a mini adventure not too far from home!

### **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.

### **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.