

In October 2023, 5 parish churches in Irvine became one: United Irvine Church of Scotland (UICS). Each Sunday there are 4 morning services and an evening service, in 4 different locations around the town.

- Fullarton Connexions 10.30am & 6.30pm
- Dreghorn and Springside 11am
- Girdle Toll and St. Andrews 11am
- Mure Relief 11.15am.

6.30pm Evening Service Rotation

(from October 2026)

- 1st Sunday of the month – Praise Night
- 2nd Sunday – Prayer Service
- 3rd Sunday – Healing
- 4th Sunday - Guest Speaker
- 5th Sunday – Café Church.

On the last Sunday of each month

our pioneer mission adventure, 'Crossing Together' service takes place, 4pm – 6pm. The 2 full time ministers, Jamie and Neil, rotate around the 4 locations, and teams of worship leaders help lead the other services.

Any time of change is challenging, but also an opportunity to do things a bit differently, which many of us are enjoying!

Please pray for God's grace and clear guidance as we bring together congregations with different flavours and styles to find a new way forward, united but unique and varied, with something for everyone!

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

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 the 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.

At Your Service: Let us know if there is anything The Fullarton Family can do or pray for you. Contact Angela Frew (Coordinator) 07961503193 or Lilian Gentleman, 07747632664 (Coordinator) Neil Urquhart (01294 279909).

Free Will Offering or Gift Aid

envelopes. Whilst all donations via the Open Plate are welcome, it is a lot easier to budget if you use Free Will Offering or Gift Aid envelopes. Better still, set up a Standing Order from your Bank or Building Society instead. Contact our UICS treasurer Sandy Dickson or UICS gift-aid helper Mike Rennie who will be happy to help organise this for you.

Treasurer@fullartonchurch.co.uk or giftaidtreasurer@fullartonchurch.co.uk

To place, remove or update a notice in this sheet please email Linda, at indigols345@gmail.com **quoting FOR OOS in subject line.**

Wednesday evening at the latest.

IN THE EVENT OF A FIRE ALARM, keep calm and proceed to your nearest exit, following instructions from the wardens wearing yellow vests.

The assembly point is on Church Street under the railway bridge. Children will be escorted there by their group leaders so please don't go to the halls, wait for them at the assembly point.

United Irvine Church of Scotland
Scottish Charity Number SC008725
01294 279909

Visit www.fullartonconneXions.co.uk

CHURCH ADMIN

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Sunday 18th October 10.30am

Led by Rev Dr Jamie Milliken

**We stand as the Bible is brought in
Welcome and intimations**

FSB 23 Come people of the risen King

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Kid's Chat led by Dorothy Urquhart

JP 300 Zacchaeus was a very little man (x2)

Prayer Share

FSB 8 Amazing Grace (my chains are gone)

Bible reading: Luke 19:1–10 (NIV)

FSB 148 Wonderful grace (offering uplifted)

FSB 6 All I know

Sermon "Living the Gospel we hold"

FSB 78 All I once held dear

Blessing

Sung blessing CH4 787 May the Lord, mighty God (tune: Edelweiss)

**The retiring offering at Fullarton communion service on 25th Oct will be for
Kanyanda project**

TONIGHT 6.30pm Healing Service

NEXT WEEK 10.30am: Rev Neil Urquhart

6.30pm: Guest Speaker

United Irvine Church of Scotland (UICS) Mission: In United Irvine Church of Scotland, we are all about sharing God's Love; helping people to step closer to Jesus and learn to follow Him; and reaching out with a vision of hope for the future.

United Irvine Church of Scotland (UICS) Vision: The church we see prayerfully depends on God's grace; includes people of all ages who depend on and care for one another; encourages everyone to take steps closer to Jesus, attracting others to Him through authentic, wholehearted, compassionate, loving service.

**United Irvine
Church of Scotland
Welcome to worship!**

Please relax, you're among friends

ROLL UPDATE: It is important that we receive your updated details, change of email or phone number etc. Details can be sent to unitedirvinecs@gmail.com.

Please notify the office of any bereavements, hospitalisation or other changes among our members.
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WE ARE always on the look out for new stories, celebrations or important topics for our magazine. If you have ideas or are interested in helping contact Steven Sandilands at unitedirvinecs@gmail.com.

FOLLOWING SUCCESSFUL INTERVIEW we are pleased to advise that Simon Mann is our new Pastoral Assistant. Simon started with us on Monday 5th October. Simon's ordination as an Ordained Local Minister at Fullarton Connexions will be on Tuesday 27th October, at 7pm.. Please come along to support Simon and celebrate this significant event. Please keep Simon and the care of our congregation in your prayers." Support with teas and coffees would be most welcome

REGULAR EVENTS

TEA AND TOAST - has opened at the new location of Irvine Old Parish Church halls on Monday 31st August, from 9.15-11.15am.

CROSSING TOGETHER'S intergenerational monthly worship has moved to our new venue at Girdle Toll from 4-6pm. This is interactive and for all ages. We worship, explore Bible stories, and share food together. We hope for as many people as possible to join us for the relaunch, please come along

BUBBLE CHURCH at Girdle Toll from 3pm on last Sunday of the month a 30-minute, Jesus-centred Sunday service designed specifically for babies, toddlers, and young

families. Adults, if you're attending, please make sure you bring a wee one!

CROSSING TOGETHER, women together continues from 12.30pm to 2.30pm in Con-neXions, includes tea, coffee, safe place to chat. There will be activities and fellowship each week on a Friday at Fullarton Connexions from 12.30pm to 2.30pm.

CONNEXIONS CAFÉ 10am - 2pm, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday for teas, coffees, scones cakes & tasty lunches. Please come on all days but Wednesday cafe is quiet just now so come and see the cafe running, get a hot drink and tasty snack or lunch.

PRAISE NIGHTS are becoming increasingly popular, and many enjoy a time of fellowship post service. We need volunteers for the rota to prepare, serve and clear up after refreshments. Volunteers would be involved in serving once every four months. Please prayerfully consider how you may help. If you are able to volunteer, contact 07432 008043 or joan.campbell@gmail.com

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

THE BIBLE COURSE: Have you ever wondered how the whole Bible fits together — and what it means for your life today? The Bible Course will help you grasp God's big story in just eight weeks. Through engaging films, Bible teaching and guided reflection, the course helps you see how the events, people and books of the Bible all connect - from Genesis to Revelation. The course started on **THURSDAY 1st October 7-9pm**. To secure your place, please contact joan.campbell@gmail.com or 07432008043

FULLARTON CONNEXIONS MORNING PRAYERS is re-starting on 19th October, 9.15 - 9.30 each morning. Monday - Friday in The Prayer Room. A great way to start the day! Join us if you can! Quiet Prayers, Loud Prayers, Silent Prayers, Written on The Board Prayers, Learning Prayers, Lots of Prayers. 'Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition,

with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.' (Philippians 4:6-7)

THE SCOTTISH LOCAL HISTORY Forum will be dedicating its January 2027 journal to stories relating to Scottish churches. If you have an interesting story about one of our worship centres that you'd like to submit, details available at <https://www.slhf.org/contribute>

ONLY 4 MONTHS UNTIL OUR WEEKEND AWAY

in Millport, 5th - 7th February 2027. This promises to be another great time of fellowship with something for everyone! The cost is likely to be £100 each including all meals and 2 nights' very comfortable accommodation (en-suite rooms, mainly twin with a few triple). It may sound a lot of money but if you set aside £4 a week from now on you will cover it. If you want, you can put this in the collection plate in a sealed envelope marked with your name and "Millport." In the past we have been able to subsidise the cost for larger families and those with low incomes. Subsidies this year will be available **only** to those saving regularly through the plate. Whether or not you choose to save in this way, Please sign up for the weekend by paying a deposit of at least £10 per family, in a sealed envelope marked "Millport deposit" with the names of everyone coming in your group.

TALKING JESUS' COURSE - Mondays 7 - 9pm at [48 Waterside, Irvine](https://www.48watersideirvine.co.uk), 7 weeks running from 28th September. Sign up with Rev Neil nurquhart@churchofscotland.org.uk & Tuesdays 3pm at Girdle Toll Worship Centre, starting 29th September. Sign up with Rev Jamie JMilliken@churchofscotland.org.uk

FULLARTON GUILD meets on Monday 19th October, 2.30pm in Fullarton ConneXions, where Eleanor McLaren will lead "**With a song in my heart**". We would love to welcome new members! For further information please contact Sheila McQuaker on

01294279410. Come and join us. Open to all.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN GOD'S CREATION, AND BEING PART OF THE ECO CHURCH AT UNITED IRVINE?

If so, we are seeking to set up a group of people who are interested in moving forward discussions, and the actions we can take individually and collectively, to become an eco congregation. If you are interested in joining our group please email me at yvon-nemacdermid@yahoo.co.uk. I look forward to hearing from you! Yvonne

THE 9th BIG CHURCH QUIZ for Tearfund is coming up on Saturday 14th of November and United Irvine have signed up to participate. It will be held at Fullerton Connexions on Saturday 14th November at 630pm and will include tea/coffee and cake on the night. Donations welcome on [justgiving.com/page/collette-ferry-2](https://www.justgiving.com/page/collette-ferry-2) or on the night. Any more information required and to confirm attendance can contact Collette on 07557873413.

HELP NEEDED FOR MESSY CHURCH (Girdle Toll) 6pm the first Friday of Nov and Dec, while one of the regular volunteers goes through surgery. Contact Elma Norwood on 07725 303104.

THRIVING CHURCH LAB is a new filmed podcast series from the Church of Scotland, sharing stories of growth, renewal and mission from congregations across Scotland. Discover how churches are listening to their communities, trying new ideas and recognising God at work. Be inspired at www.churchofscotland.org.uk/thrivingchurchlab.

THERE WILL BE A CELEBRATION OF LIFE funeral service for Isobel Wallace at Connexions on Friday 23rd Oct at 12.30pm.