

January 2025

Sunday 5th 10.00 a.m. **Morning Worship in The Baxter Hall, Eastriggs. Service conducted by Andrew Morton**

 11.15 a.m. **Morning Worship in Annan Old. Service conducted by Andrew Morton**

In Annan Old
 On door duty next Sunday 5th January – Sarah Dames and Eileen Martin
 Counting & Banking - Campbell Jackson and Eileen Martin
 On teas next week, Sunday 5th January – Amanda Branney and Betsy Henderson

➔ The Flower List for 2025 is now in the Session Room. If you would like to donate flowers on a particular day, please write your name beside your chosen date.

LOOKING AHEAD.....

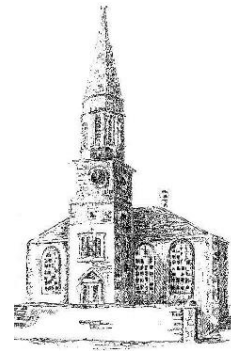
6 January - Friendship Club in Annan Old Hall at 12.30 p.m.
 6 January - Singing Group Practices resume.
 7 January - Craft and Chat in Annan Old Hall at 10.00 a.m.
 8 January - The Guild in the Annan Old Hall.
 Speaker – Rev. Nick Mark from the United Reformed Church.

➔ Please remember to keep the stamps from your Christmas Cards etc. and give them to Jennifer to send off for this year's Stamp Appeal (see overleaf).

The Food Bank appeal is ongoing

Tea and coffee will be served in the Hall, after the Service. Everyone welcome

We wish you and your family a Very Happy, Healthy and Peaceful New Year.



Annan Old and Dornock Parish Church of Scotland

Scottish Charity No. SC010555

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29th December 2024 Service conducted by Sue Jackson

A very warm welcome to everyone Worshipping with us this morning. If you are a visitor or new to our town, you are especially welcome here.

We hope to be a welcoming, open congregation. Please feel free to be yourself and join in where you are comfortable. If you'd like to know more about us and our faith, please speak to someone who welcomed you at the door when you came in.

Welcome and Intimations

Candle lighting

Call to Worship

Carol 3 *See! In yonder manger low*

Prayers of approach and The Lord's Prayer

Short Talk: Losing Jesus

Carol 16 *Child in the manger, infant of Mary*

Readings: 1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26 Colossians 3: 12-17

Carol 10 *Unto us is born a Son*

Luke 2: 41-52

Sermon: Endings and Beginnings

Carol 22 *In the bleak mid-winter*

Prayers for ourselves and others

Carol 4 *Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the new-born King"*

Benediction

*Amen, Amen, Alleluia, Amen.
Amen, Amen, Alleluia, Amen.*

ANNAN OLD – Ongoing Appeals

Used stamps for FIF Project...Please keep the used stamps from your mail and give them to Jennifer to benefit current projects.

2023/24 Stamp Appeal - Firmly Planted: Agroforestry for Sustainability
Firmly Planted is a community-based agroforestry initiative with the ambition of making a sustainable impact across Malawi, Zambia and Zimbabwe. It is spearheaded by our partners in the Church of Central Africa Presbyterian (CCAP), and built around the church's community structures. The initiative will resource individual groups to respond to the various challenges affecting Malawi today.

Agroforestry presents an opportunity to address challenges of food insecurity, deforestation, climate change and youth unemployment. Tree nurseries create employment opportunities, fruit trees improve nutrition and wider tree planting helps mitigate the impact of the climate crisis, in turn improving agricultural productivity.

Firmly Planted will provide community-based training tailored to the community's needs, ensuring woodlots are well maintained to have the greatest chance to thrive. The programme, through effective distribution, looks to attain large-scale tree planting of locally relevant woodlots – these could be linked to schools, churches, clinics and community groups. Having already established a pilot tree nursery, CCAP is looking to replicate this across the Synods by implementing Central Tree Nursery Hubs allowing each nursery to grow tree seedlings based on the needs of their communities. This year stamp appeal proceeds will go towards establishing the tree nurseries.

If you would you like to provide Flowers for the Sanctuary, please write your name beside your chosen date. After the Service the flowers are distributed to the ill, housebound and bereaved, or alternatively you might like to donate to the Flower Fund – there is a box at each door – to finance Sundays when flowers are not being provided by members. See Alison Jackson for more details.

→ The 2025 list is now in the Session Room.

Help for Ukraine Newstart Recycle (23 Queensberry Street). continue collecting goods for the Ukrainian refugees. The type of goods required are blankets, towels, good clean women and children's clothes, small toys for orphanages, school-wear, medication, dry food, toiletries, tinned food and pet food. Financial help would be welcome too. (Duvets and pillows are not being sent but will be used locally).

PRAYERS

Please pray for our Interim Moderator Mr. Alan Dodds, Session Clerk Esther Bicket and the Kirk Session as they lead us through this time of change. Pray that during this time we may be guided by the Holy Spirit to strengthen the fellowship within the Church and pray that the Spirit may guide the right person to come to be our Minister.

Pray for Andy Morton as he serves as Moderator of Presbytery, and our Presbytery Elders John Bicket and Eddie Clarke.

Remember too Dave and Doreen at this difficult time, also remember those members of our congregation who are sick at this time.

Pray for our friends Petr and Jana Penaz and their Church in the Czech Republic

Remember in your prayers the people suffering from the Middle East conflict. Pray that a peaceful solution can be found to prevent the needless pain, suffering and deaths of innocent people. Pray too for an end to the conflict in Ukraine

PLEASE PRAY.....

Jesus said, "Let your light shine" - Read Matthew 5 v 16

This week, please pray for God's Blessing on the people living in the following streets in Annan.

Watchhill Whitesprings Whinnyrigg
Woodside Park

Pray too for the people living in the following Streets in Eastriggs/Dornock

Doris Meadow Dunedin Place Dunedin Road
Durban Road Edmonton Drive

Farms in and around Dornock/Eastriggs

We may not know any of the people living there, but God knows and loves them all.

From Pray for Scotland

Please Pray for

Gaberston House, Alloa

A residential service and community outreach support service for adults with mental health issues.

- For each individual supported by the service: may they experience God's peace through their challenges and His joy in happy times.
- Thanks for Gaberston House as it provides a home, a place of refuge and a place where people are cared for.
- Thanks for the staff: may the team be built through successful recruitment and may each member of staff be blessed in their work and personal lives.
- Thanks for the service: may God's will direct future changes and new chapters at Gaberston.
- Thanks for positive community links with health and social care partners: may these be strengthened and fruitful.
- Thanks to God for His daily provision of good relationships: may all those we work with be blessed

From CrossReach Prayer Diary

Bible Readings for the week to come

Sunday	29th	Revelation 21	verses	1-27
Monday	30th	Revelation 22	verses	1-21
Tuesday	31st	Isaiah 65	verses	17-25
Wednesday	1st	Colossians 1	verses	1-14
Thursday	2nd	Colossians 1	verses	15-23
Friday	3rd	Colossians 1	verses	24-2:5
Saturday	4th	Colossians 2	verses	6-19