

March 2025

Monday 17th	12.30 p.m.	Friendship Club in the Hall. All welcome
	7.00 p.m.	Singing Group Practice in Annan Old Hall.
Tuesday 18th	10.00 a.m.	Craft and Chat in Annan Old Hall.
Friday 21st	7.00 p.m.	Silent Auction with Savoury Supper and Musical Entertainment, in Annan Old Hall – £4. Donation – pay at the door.
Sunday 23rd	11.00 a.m.	The Sunday Gang in Annan Old Hall. A fun time of crafts, games, Bible Stories for young children from an early age up to P7.
	11.15 a.m.	Morning Worship in Annan Old. Conducted by Sue Jackson

In Annan Old
On door duty next Sunday 23rd March – Hazel Sutherland and Eileen Martin
Counting & Banking – Elaine Bryson and Eileen Martin
On teas next week, Sunday 23rd March – Irene Halkyard

Note to Elders: The Offering Envelopes for each district are now in the Session Room. Please pick yours up after the Service if you haven't already done so

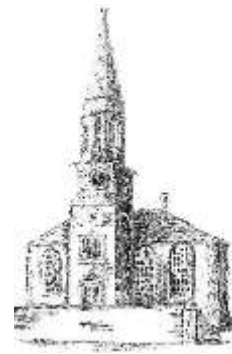
ANNAN CHURCHES TOGETHER CEILIDH on Friday 25 April at 7.00 p.m. in Annan Old Church Hall.
Tickets are now on sale £10. each - see Heather Paul.
Music by Spectrum. Finger Buffet.

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

Please remember to bring to Church, your saved stamps, and give them to Jennifer to send off for this year's Stamp Appeal (see overleaf). The stamp appeal is ongoing, so please keep your stamps throughout the year. 2025-2026 Appeal is to support the Al Ahi Arab Hospital in Gaza.

The Food Bank appeal is ongoing

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



Annan Old and Dornock Parish Church of Scotland

Scottish Charity No. SC010555

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16th March 2025 Second Sunday in Lent Service conducted by Andrew Morton

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 would 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

Call to worship **Gather on the Mountain**

Hymn 448 *Shine, Jesus, Shine*

Approach **Refashioned**

Address **I cannot grow**

Hymn 484 *Great God your love has called us here*

Readings **Psalms 27:1-8 Philippians 3:17-21**
Luke 9:28-36

Hymn 721 *We lay our broken world*

Intercession Light of the World
Light of the Word
Shine in our lives

Hymn 519 *Love divine, all loves excelling*

Sermon **Walking into the light**

Offering **Set apart**

Sunday Gang *Give me oil in my lamp* (Words on the insert)

Benediction **Incandescent**
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 project.

Stamp Appeal. Project 2025 -2026 Support of the Al Ahli Arab Hospital in Gaza.

The Al Ahli Arab Hospital in Northern Gaza has been in operation since 1882. It is owned and run today by the Anglican Diocese of Jerusalem, a partner Church of the Church of Scotland. The hospital is the only Christian hospital in the Gaza Strip and Gaza's only cancer hospital. It normally handles around 300 surgeries and 600 radiological and a total of 3,000 outpatient visits per month. It is supported by international charities such as Embrace the Middle East. In times of calm during the occupation of Gaza, Al Ahli Hospital runs as any normal hospital with varying departments and an Accident and Emergency dealing with the usual day to day ailments of a population.

Since the beginning of the conflict in Gaza in October 2023, the Al Ahli Anglican Hospital has conducted emergency operations 24 hours per day, operating on 30-35 people per day.

Despite all, and through all the bombing, the hospital continued to serve the population in whatever way they could with the small resources they had, with staff working hours under difficult conditions. The team at the Al Ahli hospital continue to schedule its staff to ensure that the hospital is accessible 24 hours a day. To enable the Ahli to respond to the increasing need at this time, there continues to be an urgent need of medications and other resources for emergency response.

The hospital has been significantly damaged by the war and will require substantial funding to ensure buildings are once again brought up to standard and there will also be the need for new medical infrastructure which has been damaged.

To read the full report see today's insert or go to Church of Scotland website 'Stamp Appeal'.

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.

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 Rev. Wes Brandon, Minister of the Border Kirk, Carlisle, our Session Clerk Sue Jackson 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 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

Pray for lasting peace in the Middle East.

Pray too for a permanent solution to 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.

Hallmeadow Drive	Heatley Court	Hecklegirth Road
High Street	Highfields Road	Hillend Gardens

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

Tasmin Place	The Crescent	The Green
The Rand	The Rand Square	The Ridge

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

From Pray for Scotland

Please Pray for

Whiteinch Move On Service, Glasgow

Housing support and support for people in recovery from substance use, to maintain their chosen recovery paths, develop life skills and access their own homes.

- May every person supported in the service feel safe and loved as they focus on continuing their recovery journey.
- May the care and compassion of the staff make a positive and lasting impact on the lives of the people they support in the service.
- For strength physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually as the team members serve both the people using the service and each other..
- May people walking the journey of recovery from substance use know strength and determination to journey on when days feel challenging and difficult..
- May God grant the leadership and management team wisdom in their daily decision making and guidance in the planning and development of the service.
- May the presence of Christ be felt, and His love be seen in all aspects of the team members' work with people using the service, and with partners from other organisations.
- May the team members know God's protection whilst they are out and about.

From CrossReach Prayer Diary

***Your Word is a lamp to my feet,
and a light for my path.***

from Psalm 119 verse 105 NIV

Bible Readings for the week to come

Sunday	16th	Psalm 88		
Monday	17th	Psalm 89	verses	1-18
Tuesday	18th	Psalm 90		
Wednesday	19th	Psalm 91		
Thursday	20th	Psalm 102		
Friday	21st	Psalm 115		
Saturday	22nd	Psalm 116		

The Church of Scotland
STAMP APPEAL
2025-2026

Collect your stamps to support the work of the Al Ahli Hospital in Northern Gaza.

The hospital is the only Christian hospital in the Gaza Strip and Gaza's only cancer hospital. It serves in time of calm during the occupation and despite all, and through all the bombing since Oct 2023, the hospital has continued to serve the population in whatever way they can with the small resources they have and with staff working hours under difficult conditions.

The hospital is run by our partner church, the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East.

HOW TO CONTRIBUTE:
Post your stamps to Stamp Appeal 2025, Keith Scott, Dene Hard, Gariochhead, Heliensburgh, CB4 0EL.
For other options and more information visit: www.churchofscotland.org.uk/stamps

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Since the beginning of the conflict in Gaza in October 2023, the Al Ahli Anglican Hospital has conducted emergency operations 24 hours per day, operating on 30-35 people per day.

This was in addition to hundreds of medical consultations carried out each day at Al Ahli Hospital and its field clinic in Khan Younis. As well as serving as a hospital, it also provided a shelter for thousands of residents who fled their homes in northern Gaza seeking safety from Israeli airstrikes. Unfortunately, the hospital was hit by a fatal air strike killing and wounding several hundred people including children.

Despite all, and through all the bombing, the hospital continued to serve the population in whatever way they could with the small resources they had, with staff working hours under difficult conditions.

Another feature of the war is psychological trauma. The Ahli field clinic in Khan Younis now offers a Psychosocial Support Programme for children who have experienced trauma. Most have lost family members. Some are orphans. The Co-ordinator of the Programme said, "The psychological support programme aims to foster self-development and [help people] acquire skills to overcome difficulties and psychological pressures resulting from the war on the Gaza Strip. It also focusses on expressing emotions, and the ability to solve problems and life challenges."

One mother added, "I'm from Gaza. I was displaced first to Rafah, and then to Khan Younis. My daughter contracted hepatitis. So, I took her to this medical point associated with Ah Ahli Arab Hospital. Thankfully, they treated her and provided her with the necessary fluids. I also learned about the psychosocial support programme and wanted her to participate. She lost her father and her brother, and her uncles and cousins. She endured significant psychological pressure. The programme has helped my daughter immensely and I'm grateful for the improvements she has experienced."

The team at the Al Ahli hospital continue to schedule its staff to ensure that the hospital is accessible 24 hours a day. To enable the Ahli to respond to the increasing need at this time, there continues to be an urgent need of medications and other resources for an emergency response which will enable more people to access basic health care during this crisis.

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Archbishop Hosam of the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East has requested all of us to join him in the following prayer:

"Please pray with us that this wave of violence will be stopped, as there are no winners in wars. All are losers", he said.

Please save all the stamp from your mail, and give them to Jennifer Dodds, who will send them to the appropriate place on our behalf.



and

Savoury Supper

with

Musical Entertainment

IN THE CHURCH HALL

Friday, 21st March 2025

at 7.00 p.m.

£4. Donation

Pay at the door.

Everyone Welcome



Give me oil in my lamp

Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning.
Give me oil in my lamp, I pray.
Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning.
Keep me burning till the break of day.

*Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,
Sing hosanna to the King of Kings!
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,
Sing hosanna, to the King!.*

Give me joy in my heart, keep me singing,
Give me joy in my heart, I pray.
Give me joy in my heart, keep me singing,
Keep me singing till the break of day.
Sing hosanna.....

Give me love in my heart, keep me serving.
Give me love in my heart, I pray.
Give me love in my heart, keep me serving,
Keep me serving till the break of day.
Sing hosanna.....

Give me peace in my heart, keep me resting.
Give me peace in my heart, I pray.
Give me peace in my heart, keep me resting,
Keep me resting till the break of day.
Sing hosanna.....

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