

December 2025

Monday 8th	12.30 p.m.	Friendship Club in Annan Old Hall. Everyone welcome
	7.00 p.m.	Singing Group Practice, in Annan Old Hall. This is the last practice this year. We are having a Christmas Break. The next practice will be on 12th January '26
Tuesday 9th	10.00 a.m.	Craft and Chat in Annan Old Church Hall. All welcome
Wednesday 10th	2.00 p.m.	The Guild Christmas Celebration. In Annan Old Church Hall.
Sunday 14th	11.15 a.m.	Nativity Service in Annan Old Third Sunday in Advent

In Annan Old

On door duty next Sunday 14th December - Liz Collwtt and Fiona Kerr
Counting & Banking - Stephen Oswald & Heather Paul
On teas next week, Sunday 14th December -Fiona Kerr & Janice Harvey

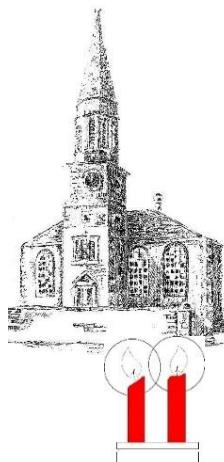
FLOWER LIST FOR 2026 IS NOW IN ANNAN OLD SESSION ROOM

If you would you like to provide Flowers for the Sanctuary, please write your name beside your chosen date on the 2026 list.
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.

STAMP APPEAL

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).

***Tea and Coffee will be served in the Hall,
after the Service - please join us if you can.***



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Church of Scotland**

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**Sunday 7th December 2025
Second Sunday in Advent
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 Come to Change

Hymn 334 *On Jordan's Bank*

Approach **Fault Denied**

Address **He Eats with Sinners**

Hymn 486 *Forgive Our Sins*

Readings **Romans 15:4-13 Matthew 3:1-12**

Hymn 274 *Comfort, comfort, now my people*

Intercession For the Forgotten
Lord in a world of glamour, power and fame
May we look for the forgotten

Hymn 314 *Child in the Manger*

Sermon **Think Again**

Offering **Fresh Starts**

Hymn 304 *O Little Town of Bethlehem*

Benediction Bear Fruit

**May the Lord Bless you, may the Lord keep you
May the Lord make his face to shine upon you (x2)**

And give you peace (x2)

*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.

This hospital was badly damaged when bombed recently.

To read the full report go our Church website 'Stamp Appeal'.

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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 new Interim Moderator, Rev. Morag Crossan, Minister of Eskdale and Liddesdale linked with Canonbie. 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 Mrs. Gillian Lynn as she 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 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.

Fruids Park Avenue
Gallaberry

Galabank Avenue
George Street

Galabank Gardens
Glebe Court

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

Valletta Gardens
Vancouver Road

Vancouver Drive
Victoria Gardens

Vancouver Place
Winnipeg Way

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

From Pray for Scotland

Please Pray for

Beechwood House, Inverness

Offers residential rehabilitation, community outreach and social care to people affected by substance use.

- Thanks and gratitude for a committed staff team who have worked tirelessly giving care and support to those who use the service.
- Remember those who use the service, may they always find love and support. May God give them strength in the darkest of days and help them through their own path of recovery.
- For families affected by substance use. May God give them inner strength to walk tall during challenging times.
- May God continue to bless the work carried out in all our CrossReach services.

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	7th	Jeremiah 33	Verses	1-11
Monday	8th	Jeremiah 33	Verses	12-26
Tuesday	9th	Isaiah 2	Verses	1-5
Wednesday	10th	Isaiah 9	Verses	1b-7
Thursday	11th	Isaiah 11	Verses	1-9
Friday	12th	Isaiah 11	Verses	10-16
Saturday	13th	Isaiah 12	Verses	1-6