

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.

October 2026

Monday 5th	12.30 p.m.	Friendship Club in Annan Old Hall All welcome
	7.00 p.m.	Singing Group in Annan Old Church Hall
Tuesday 6th	10.00 a.m.	Craft and Chat in Annan Old Church Hall.
	2.00 p.m.	Service at Lydiafield. Everyone welcome.
Friday 9th	9.30 a.m.	Newington Primary School Harvest Celebration, here in Annan Old. Everyone welcome.
Sunday 11th		No Sunday Gang until 25th October, due to the School Holidays.
	11.15 a.m.	Morning Worship in Annan Old

In Annan Old
On door duty next Sunday 11 October - Irene Halkyard and Bobby Main
Counting & Banking - Cath Foley and Bobby Main
On teas next week, Sunday 11 October- Maggie Freeman and Ann Bell

Looking ahead

14 October -The first meeting of the Guild, in the Hall at 2.00 p.m.
The speaker will be Dr. David Byers – Subject – The Children's
Panel. Both men and women welcome.
22/23 Oct - The Guild AS NU Sale, in the Hall.
This is a good time to start looking out your unwanted clothing,
Bric-a-brac, shoes and accessories, books, furniture, etc.
We will give you further information nearer the time, as to when
you can bring your donations to the Hall.

Looking further ahead....

First Kirk Session meeting with Rev. Sean Swindells will be on Thursday, 5th
November, 6.30 for 7.00 p.m. in Annan Old Church Hall.

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



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Sunday 4th October 2026
Service conducted by Rev. Sean Swindells

Welcome and Intimations

Responsive Call to Worship

We gather in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Shout for joy to God, all the earth!

Sing the glory of his name;

Make his praise glorious

***All the earth bows down to you:
they sing your praise.***

Hymn 63 *All people that on earth do dwell*

Prayers of approach and the Lord's Prayer

Hymn 804 *You shall go out with joy*

Readings **Nehemiah 8: 1-3. 5-7, 8-10 and John 15:10-11**
Read by Rachel Stott-Knight

Hymn MP30 *Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord*
(Words on the insert)

Sermon **The joy of the Lord**

Hymn 96 *You are before me God, you are behind (Psalm 139)*

Offertory Prayer

Prayers for ourselves and for others

Sunday Gang

Sunday Gang Hymn

Hymn 692 *Jesus puts this song into our hearts*

Benediction

Amen, Amen, Alleluia, Amen

Amen, Amen, Alleluia, Amen

ANNAN OLD – Ongoing Appeals

WE ARE COLLECTING USED STAMPS FOR ALZHEIMER SCOTLAND

Once again, Jennifer has kindly agreed to carry on collecting our used stamps, this time for Alzheimer Scotland

About Alzheimer Scotland

Alzheimer Scotland is Scotland's national dementia charity and has been for over 45 years.

What Alzheimer Scotland do

Prevent

It's never too early and never too late to look after your brain health. Estimates show that 45% of dementia cases globally are preventable and our aim is to educate people on the risk factors that could lead to dementia.

Care

We support people with dementia, families and carers by providing a range of innovative services and therapeutic activities throughout Scotland.

Cure

We help find a cure by funding research and campaigning for people to have access to any treatments available.

For more information go to their website <https://www.alzscot.org>

Church Flowers

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.

Tea Rota

We are always looking for extra help with making and serving the teas on a Sunday, after Church. If you would like to Volunteer, please see Shirley Waugh, who would be delighted to have you in the team.

FOOD BANK

Kate's Kitchen Food Bank are always grateful for our donations. At the moment they are struggling to meet supply needs, as their shelves are almost empty. If you would like to donate anything at all, there is a box in the Hall Vestibule, or goods can be taken to Kate's Kitchen, 52 High Street, Annan. Thank you

Help for Ukraine Newstart Recycle (23 Queensberry Street). continue collecting goods for the Ukrainian refugees

PRAYERS

Please pray for our new Minister, Rev. Sean Swindells and his wife Alison, as they settle into their new home and Parish.

Our Session Clerk Sue Jackson and the Kirk Session.

Pray for Rev. Valerie Ott as she serves as Moderator of Presbytery, and our Presbytery Elder 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 an end to the conflict 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.

Lady's Well
Lockhart Gardens

Latimer Road
Longmeadow Avenue

Lindsay Court
Longmeadow Place

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

Edmonton Drive
Gillwood Road
Halifax Road

Farms in and around Dornock/Eastriggs
Gowan Brae
Gullielands Place

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

From Pray for Scotland

Please Pray for

Eskmills, Edinburgh

Supported accommodation for adults with learning disabilities in Edinburgh and East Lothian.

- Pray for support for the management team at Eskmills as they strive to recruit new staff.
- Help the team as they continue to work with complex and difficult care arrangements with service users, families and funding authorities.
- Guide the staff team as they develop a new housing service for young people with learning disabilities in the Milton Road East area of Edinburgh.
- May each person supported know that they are loved, respected and valued as an individual.
- Pray for all the staff who are off sick or who are struggling with personal difficulties

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	4th	Daniel 2	Verses	24-49
Monday	5th	Daniel 3	Verses	1-18
Tuesday	6th	Daniel 3	Verses	19-30
Wednesday	7th	Daniel 4	Verses	1-18
Thursday	8th	Daniel 4	Verses	19-33
Friday	9th	Daniel 4	Verses	34-37
Saturday	10th	Daniel 5	Verses	1-12

MP30

*Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord!
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.*

Jesus is Lord of all the earth,
He is the King of creation.
Alleluia, alleluia

Spread the good news through all the earth,
Jesus has died and has risen:
Alleluia, alleluia

We have been crucified with Christ
Now we shall live for ever:
Alleluia, alleluia

God has proclaimed the just reward
Life for the world, alleluia!
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Come, let us praise the living God,
Joyfully sing to our Saviour!
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