Worshipping God Following Christ Serving the Community

Minister: Revd. Alan D. Reid M.A. B.D Intimations: Communion Sunday, 2nd March 2025

A very warm welcome to Kinross Church

Here is the weekly calendar and notices. For any queries, please email the Church Office or leave a voicemessage. Gatherings on Zoom – please contact the Church Office for information and link details.

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Today: Sunday, 2nd March: Communion Sunday:

Special Offering for Mercy Ships – see News

9.15am: Choir Practice in the Church

10.30am: Morning Worship. Luke 9:28-43: The Transfiguration of Jesus

Children's activities during the service. No tea, coffee or Fairtrade stall this week

11.15am: Monthly Worship at Cleish Church

6.00pm: Time for Prayer gathering on Zoom

6.00pm: Crossfire youth group in the Church Centre

Catch-Up: Audio recordings of Sunday worship on 01577 528270 line 1 or watch on YouTube or Facebook

Monday, 3rd March:

8.00am: Time for Prayer. Silent Meditation in the Church

10.00am-12noon: Church Office open to visitors

1.45pm: Bridge and Board Games in the Church

7.30pm: Monday House-group

Tuesday, 4th March: Shrove Tuesday

10.00am: Stepping Stones for the under 5s in the Church

10.00am-12noon: Restore course at Orwell Church

2.00pm: Tuesday House-group

7.00pm: Guild in the Church Centre. Speaker: Revd. Alan Reid

Wednesday, 5th March: Ash Wednesday

11.15am: Midweek Service in the Church Centre led by Revd. Alan Reid

12 Noon: Deadline for the Intimations kpcnotices@gmail.com

1.30pm: Craft Group in the Church

7.45pm: Men's House-group in the Church Meeting Room. The Reframe Course. New members, welcome 8.00pm: Women's House-group

Thursday, 6th March:

10.30am: Thursday House-group

11.00am: Table Talk on Zoom

2.00pm: Refresh Café offering fellowship, a cuppa & home-baking in Fossoway Church Hall 8.00pm: Young Mums' House-group on Zoom

Friday, 7th March: World Day of Prayer: Minister's Day Off

9.30-11.30am: Parents & Toddlers Group in Fossoway Church Hall

10.00am-12noon: Church Office open to visitors

2.00pm: World Day of Prayer Service in the Church Centre

5.30pm: Youth Dungeons & Dragons in the Church

7.00pm: World Day of Prayer Service at Fossoway Church

1st Kinross Boys' Brigade and Girls' Association: 6.00-7.15pm: Anchor Section P1,2 and 3. 7.00-9.00pm: Junior Section P4,5 and 6. 7.00-9.30pm: Company Section P7-S3. 7.00-9.30pm: Senior Section S4,5 and 6

Saturday, 8th March:

10.00am-12noon: Fairtrade Coffee Morning in the Church Centre. See Dates for your Diary for details

Next Sunday, 9th March: First Sunday in Lent

9.15am: Choir Practice in the Church

10.30am: Morning Worship. Luke 4:1-13: The Temptation of Jesus

Children's activities during the service. Tea, coffee and Fairtrade stall following the service

6.00pm: Time for Prayer gathering on Zoom

6.00pm: Crossfire youth group in the Church Centre

7.00pm: Sunday @ 7. Informal Worship in the Church

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

NEW: World Day of Prayer Friday, 7th March. It has been designed by women of the Cook Islands and is based on Psalm 139. The services are being hosted by the Fossoway congregation, to which all are welcome. The afternoon service is at 2pm at the Church Centre in Kinross, and is a shorter version of the evening one, which is at 7pm at Fossoway Church.

Fairtrade Coffee Morning: Kinross Church Centre, **Saturday, 8th March: 10am-12noon.** Come along and enjoy Fairtrade Tea, Coffee and baking, and buy from the Fairtrade Stall, Craft Stall, Plant Stall and Baking for Debrecen Stall! Admission £2.50 at the door.

Choir and Kingdom Singers Concert: UPDATE:

The choir will be taking part in the "Perform in Perth" competition on **Monday**, **10**th **March** in Perth Concert Hall at 7pm (the evening events start at 6pm).

We have our Joint Concert with The Kingdom Singers on **Friday**, **14**th **March** at 7pm in the Church. Details on posters, church website and from choir members.

Your support at both these events would be much appreciated and hopefully you'll enjoy a lovely evening of music! *Thanks, Isobel*

Year of Listening Project: practically unpacking what it means to listen to God. Come and join the Listening Project at 7.45pm on **Thursday 20th March** in Kinross Church (KY13 8TG) for a reflective reading of the Bible (using the *lectio divina* model see <u>https://www.24-7prayer.com/podcast/introducing-lectio-divina/</u>). For more information about the Listening Project, contact Alex on <u>ajohnson@churchofscotland.org.uk</u>.

2025 Dates for Messy Church at **Orwell Church**: From 4 to 6pm: 29th March, 26th April, 31st May and 21st June.

Guild Syllabus from March 2025:

March: 4th Revd. Alan D. Reid. 18th AGM & "At Home"

April: 1st CrossReach: Playful beginnings, supporting children with additional support needs and parents struggling with the early years of parenthood to have the support they need for a positive start. Special Offering for this Guild Project. **15**th Perth Museum - Anna Zwagerman

All meetings start at 7pm in the Lower Hall of the Kinross Church Centre, guests are always welcome.

VOLUNTEER VACANCIES:

Volunteers sought for new Kinross-shire Parish Church magazine: Would you like to be part of a team launching a new quarterly print and digital magazine? Come and be part of the development of this important membership and outreach tool! Please speak with Alice or contact via the Church Office.

Volunteers sought for Family Week 2025: We are looking for volunteers for this year's Family Week. If you have a few hours to spare and can help with any support roles including group work, drama, craft, serving refreshments or if you can drive a minibus, we would love to hear from you. PVG checks will be required for those working with children and young people. Please contact Ruth or the Church Office.

-----NEWS:

March Communion Special Offering: Mercy Ships is a faith-based international development organisation that deploys hospital ships to some of the poorest countries in the world, delivering vital, free healthcare to people in desperate need. Revd. Robert Calvert's son and daughter-in-law serve on one of the ships. This charity has been chosen by the Kinross-shire Kirk Session for our special collection and is commended to you. If you would like to support, please hand in a donation at a Sunday service, marking your envelope "Mercy Ships." Gift aid envelopes available. Or donate online via our Stewardship link, marking your donation "Mercy Ships".



KYTHE has been short-listed for a Pride of Britain funding award. They are one of five shortlisted groups in Scotland but they're up against stiff competition, so your help is needed.

Please click on the <u>link</u>, select Scotland, then scroll down to the fifth option (KYTHE is under its official name of Kinross-shire Youth Enterprise SCIO) and click the box, thereafter follow the directions. The good news is that you don't have to subscribe to their newsletter/updates to submit your vote. **Closes 2 March 11.45pm** <u>Vote for your favourite cause to get a share of £100K!</u>

PRESBYTERY OF PERTH:

NEW: Union of Blackford and Ardoch: Our minister Alan Reid, Moderator of the Presbytery, led last week's Presbytery Service to mark the union of Blackford and Ardoch churches and to introduce Rev Mairi Perkins as minister of the united charge. Revd. Prof. Ian Morrison, who had a placement with us during his training, preached the sermon.

NEW: Presbytery Clerk: Meet Revd. Dr. John Ferguson, Presbytery Clerk, and hear about some of the exciting things happening with the Presbytery <u>in this Facebook video</u>.

NEW: Presbytery Chaplain: The Revd. Ian McDonald has been appointed as a new part-time Presbytery Chaplain. Ian is a retired parish minister, a former Healthcare Chaplain, a former Presbytery Chaplain and covered as Pastoral Support Manager at the Church of Scotland for a period. Presbytery Clerk, Rev Dr John Ferguson says: "I am delighted to welcome Ian to the team as we continue to give priority to caring for those in Ministry within our Presbytery."

Presbytery: The office is Suite F3, Riverview House, Friarton Road, Perth, PH2 8DF. Tel: 07596 868064. perth@churchofscotland.org.uk; www.perthpresbytery.org.uk. Facebook: Presbytery of Perth. Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/presbytery of perth

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Visit the Church of Scotland website: <u>The Church of Scotland</u>.

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PS: PLEASE DON'T SEND EMAILS AT THE WEEKEND, GIVE YOURSELF A BREAK!!!

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Pastoral Emergencies: If the Minister is not immediately available, please contact Probationer Alex Johnson <u>ajohnson@churchofscotland.org.uk.</u> Alternative points of contact will be given on the Manse answering machine Tel. 01577 862952.

Read any Kinross Church policy documents, e.g. Safeguarding and Whistleblowing, on our <u>Church website</u>

KINROSS-SHIRE PARISH CHURCH

On 1st January 2025, Arngask, Cleish, Fossoway, Kinross, Orwell & Portmoak became the new parish of Kinross-shire. There are three worship centres, including Kinross Church:

Fossoway Church, Crook of Devon KY13 0UY | Sunday service 9.45am | Website: <u>Cleish and Fossoway</u> <u>churches</u>

Orwell Church, Milnathort KY13 9YQ | Sunday service 10.30am | Associate Minister: Revd. Robert Calvert Website: <u>ORWELL & PORTMOAK PARISH CHURCH</u>

The Ministers in each of the churches would be pleased to continue answering any questions the congregation may have about the transition through the union. Updates can be found on the <u>church website</u>.

Contacts: PLEASE GET IN TOUCH BY TELEPHONE, THROUGH THE CHURCH OFFICE OR VIA THE CONTACTS PAGE ON OUR CHURCH WEBSITE

We believe in a God that hears and answers prayer. Why not print this page and use it this week?

Prayer Points for week beginning 2nd March 2025

Sunday, 2nd March: As we gather this morning at the Lord's Table, pray that the Holy Spirit will take the things of God and make them real to each one of us, that we may enter into new life in Christ.

Monday, 3rd March: Pray for peace in the world, beginning in the hearts of individuals and in the relationships of families and friends, in the healing of communities and nations and in the reconciliation of all people with God and with one another.

Shrove Tuesday: As we prepare to enter into the season of Lent, fix your eyes on Jesus and commit yourself afresh to take up your cross and follow Him. Consider what specific daily action or practice might help you to focus on the way of Christ in the coming weeks.

Ash Wednesday: O God, you delight not in pomp and show but in a humble and contrite heart. Overturn our love of world possessions and fix our hearts more firmly on you, that, having nothing, we may yet possess everything, a treasure stored up for us in heaven.

Thursday, 6th: Pray that those in our world who are hungry today may have the nourishment that they need and pray that those who hunger and thirst for righteousness may be satisfied.

Friday, 7th: Ask God to inspire people of faith to live out that faith in ways that will bring blessing to those they serve and may point many to Jesus in these days.

Saturday, 8th: God of deliverance and freedom, you taught the people of Israel to acknowledge that all things come from your bountiful hand. Deepen our faith so that we may resist temptation and, in the midst of trial, proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord, now and for ever.

Amen