JOHNSTONE KIRK

Sunday, 10th August, 2025.

Morning Worship
At 10.15 am

Welcome to Johnstone Kirk

A special welcome to you if you are a visitor. We are very pleased to have you with us. We have a visitors' book that you are welcome to sign and the Minister would be pleased to meet you before you leave church today.

Worshipers are kindly requested to switch off mobile phones before the service commences.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Call to worship

Hymn 36
God is our refuge

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Reading:
Luke 15:11-31

Hymn 559
There is a Redeemer

SETTING THE SCENE

Hymn 553
Just as I am

THE PRODIGAL SON

Hymn MP 1072
In Christ alone
(Seated. Offering uplifted)

Prayers of Dedication, Thanksgiving and Intercession

Hymn 555
Amazing grace

Benediction and Threefold Choral Amen

We worship today at 10.15 a.m.

Our worship this morning will be led by the Very Rev. Dr. Lorna Hood O.B.E.

This week -

Get up and Go with Kirsty Galt, KG Fitness
Saturday 10.00 a.m. till 11.00 a.m. Please come along and join us. All fitness levels welcome.

Prayer Promoter

Quote by A. W. Tower.

"More spiritual progress can be made in one short moment of speechless silence, in the awesome presence of God, than in years of mere study."

Actions speak louder than words. So often it is me and my big mouth. Always a work in progress. We can give thanks that God is always pleased when we make the effort to try.

Betty Usher

Zipslide the Clyde for St Vincent's Hospice

On Saturday 30th August, myself, my son Chris and niece Andrea Hodgson Holt will be taking part in a ZipSlide the Clyde event.
We will zipline from a crane next to the iconic Glasgow Riverside Museum, soaring 100ft high and gliding 1245ft along the Clyde!
We are fundraising for St Vincent's Hospice, in memory of Joanne's mum – Nan Smart.
If you would like to support us in this, you can either donate online at
https://www.justgiving.com/page/jca-young-1
Or there is a sponsor sheet available at the front door on a Sunday morning.

Thank you very much in advance for any donation you can make.

John Young

Renfrewshire Foodbank

Renfrewshire Foodbank meets in the halls of Johnstone Kirk each Wednesday from 10am – 12noon to provide food and additional items such as toiletries and pet food to those in Renfrewshire who are struggling to feed themselves and their families. This is alongside support to help put more money in people's pockets.

Things are very difficult for some in our community at the moment and in 2024/25 Renfrewshire Foodbank provided 10,587 people with food, including 3,468 children.

If you would like to donate to Renfrewshire Foodbank you can do so by putting items into the box marked Foodbank which sits in the vestibule. Alternatively donations of Money can be given to Mrs Jean Shanks and they will be forwarded to Renfrewshire Foodbank.

Items the Foodbank provide:

- Cereal
- Tinned/packet Soup
- Pasta
- Rice
- Tinned tomatoes/pasta sauce
- Lentils, beans and pulses
- Tinned meat
- Tinned vegetables
- Tea/coffee
- Tinned fruit
- Biscuits
- UHT milk
- Fruit juice
- Pet food
- Toiletries

They also need any good carrier bags you can spare for people to get their food home.

Thank you, Mission Committee

BEETLE DRIVE
Friday 15th August
Starting at 7pm

This is a fast, fun, noisy night and tickets are going well.

Today is the last day they will be available so please make sure if you want one to see Betty Usher after today's service.

As always, tea, coffee and home baking will be served, and if you wish BYOB.

Thank you again for your continued support.

Aileen and the Ways and Means Committee

Mary's Meals
Unwanted Currency = School Meals

Mary's Meals serves nutritious school meals to children living in some of the world's poorest countries. The promise of a good meal attracts these hungry children into the classroom, giving them the energy to learn and hope for a better future.

Mary's Meals can turn your foreign coins and notes into meals for hungry children. They can also take British coins and notes that are no longer legal tender.

There is a donation box in the vestibule this summer should anyone wish to donate foreign currency.

Thank you.

Kirk News

Firstly a huge thank you for the lovely comments made to us for the last edition of our Kirk News, we couldn't have done this without your fabulous articles.

We cannot wait to include our VE80 celebrations with a wonderful article written by John Muir in our autumn publication. If you remember we took a glorious picture of our church members who recall celebrating VE day and would like everyone who was in the picture and anyone else who would like to contribute with a wee sentence sharing your fond memories of that original day. Just a wee line but remember to include your name with your quote. Hand these to either Valerie, Gail or I (Janice) any Sunday until the 24th of August.

Also, the autumn newsletter can be quite sparse as we have all been having a well earned rest during the summer months but please send us your lovely pictures from your holidays, any personal celebrations or interesting poems or stories you would like to share.

We shall include a page of 'what's on' in the Kirk so if there has been any changes to times and days of meeting please let us know.

Closing date for all articles and pictures is 24th August sent to valeriechambers29@gmail.com

We look forward to hearing from you.
The Editors

Meeting of Organisations

A meeting has been arranged for next Tuesday, 12th August at 7pm. This will take place in the Sanctuary and is to discuss and arrange dates for the use of the halls for this coming session.

We would be grateful if a representative of each of the organisations and of the Property, Ways and Means and Mission committees could attend.

Thank you so much.

Elizabeth Alexander and Graham Martin
Session Clerks

FLOWER LIST FOR 2025

The Flower List for 2025 is on the wall in the vestibule. Please ask any office-bearer for details.

CHURCH WEBSITE - www.johnstonekirk.org
WiFi setting - select Church. A password is required, which is stpauls50.

MEDIA COMMITTEE

If any organisation or individual would like anything added to the church web site or the Facebook page, please email media@johnstonekirk.org
The Facebook page can be found at https://www.facebook.com/johnstonekirk/

PROPERTY REPAIR BOOK

A book is available in the vestibule for reporting repairs. If you see anything which requires attention, please enter the details in the book.