JOHNSTONE KIRK

Sunday, 12th October, 2025.

Morning Worship
At 11.30 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 510
Jesus calls us here to meet him

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

QUEST

Hymn 530
One more step along the world I go

Readings:
Jeremiah 29:1,4-7
Luke 17:11-19

Hymn 718
We cannot measure

SERMON

MP 1217
Oh to see the dawn
(Please remain seated during the singing of this hymn. The offering will be uplifted).

Prayers of Dedication, Thanksgiving and Intercession

Hymn 182
Now thank we all

Benediction and Threefold Choral Amen

We worship today at 11.30 a.m.
Our worship this morning will be led by the Very Rev Dr Lorna Hood.

This week -

Quest Group
Every Sunday 11.30am (Young people of Secondary school age)

Ladies Friendship Group (Commences 8th September)
Second and fourth Monday of each month at 2pm. All ladies welcome.

1st/3rd Johnstone Girls' Brigade - Tuesday
Explorers (P1-3) - 7-8pm
Juniors (P4-7) - 7-8.30pm
Brigaders (S1+) - 7-8.30pm

Johnstone Kirk Junior Drama
Wednesday 7-9pm

Game and chat group (Commences 11th September)
Thursday 2-4pm
All are welcome. Come and enjoy a cup of tea and fellowship.

3rd Johnstone Boys' Brigade - Friday
Anchor Section (P1–P3) 6:30pm - 7:30pm
Junior Section (P4–P6) 7:00pm - 8:30pm
Company/Snr Section (P7–S6) 7:45pm - 10pm

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

Jesus said to the disciples privately "Blessed are the eyes that see what you see". Luke 10 : 23.

God of all people help us to see with the Spirit of Christ.
To see the goodness, the love.
To listen to your words, that is sound advice to live by.
We give thanks that you sent your Son into this world and when His work was finished here on earth, the disciples began the great commission to spread the word, which has stood the test of time.
Thank you for the people who told us about You and the bible stories that were read to us.
Those who have influenced us to follow Jesus and showed us by example how to live.
Today we give our thanks.
Father God, we look back to a time when the three Churches here in Johnstone worked hard to advance Your Kingdom here on earth.
It was a privilege for us to be part of Your work, doing it all in your Son's name.
So many of us can no longer serve You as we did, through ill health, or age itself.
As we rethink things, Holy Spirit come and work among us.
There has been so much that has happened where we have done You a terrible disservice.
Yet, we only have to look at the great people of the bible to see they let you down big time and through it all you never took your hand off the helm.
Today we see movement, we can now call a Minister.
We bring our vacancy committee before you, and all committees that are working towards moving forward.
Holy Spirit, be the unseen guest at every meeting.
Open our eyes Lord, that what you want will come about, not what we want.
Still the minds of those who are hung up on how others should serve.
Open our eyes anew to the will of the Father, that what You want will come about, that we will see Your way leads to new life, to real joy.
Help us to rely on You.
This we ask in your Sons name.

Amen

Taylor's Fashions Clothes Sale

We have now sold 80 tickets for this event which means we have reached full capacity for seating people for an event like this, as you know the centre of the hall is completely taken up with tables for clothes plus rails around the hall. Apologies to anyone who did not manage to get a ticket. We are happy to take your name and contact you if anyone drops out.

Please give your name and contact number to either Betty Usher or Aileen McColl.

Thank you from
Ways & Means Committee.

Croissant Sunday - Today, Sunday 12th October

The famous GB Croissant Sunday returns for another year. This year GB are fundraising for the Blythswood Shoebox Appeal that they are supporting as part of their badge work.

This event will be held following this morning's service. Entry is a donation at the door.

Thank you in advance for your support and kindness.

Many thanks

Laura-Jane Easter (Captain)

Kirk News

Can you believe that it's time to think about our winter newsletter. I mentioned that the autumn newsletter can be quite sparse due to the summer holidays, but not this time. Wonderful articles and pictures adorned our bumper magazine. Thank you.

We are such a busy congregation and Church with varied events and we are delighted to share every one with you.

In our winter newsletter we shall continue to hear from our resident feature writer John Muir, this time focusing on the Clydebank blitz and please continue to send in your articles, pictures and personal celebrations from your organisations and interesting life events, we so love sharing your wonderful news.
Remember to include your events on our 'what's on' page up to the beginning of December.

Closing date for all articles and pictures is Sunday 2nd November sent to valeriechambers29@gmail.com or can be handed to Janice, Gail or Valerie personally.

We look forward to hearing from you.

The Editors

Afternoon Tea

Afternoon Tea is on Tuesday 21st of October at 1.30 pm.

We look forward to welcoming you all after summer break. Come along and enjoy lovely home baking with lots of chat and a little entertainment. All are welcome.

Mission Group

Rev. Mae Bell - 'Moderator in Waiting and Still Waiting'

Former minister of St Andrew's Trinity, Rev. Mae Bell has written a book 'Moderator in Waiting and Still Waiting'. Mae is joining us today and bringing copies of her book along. These books will be available for sale (£6), at the end of the service. All proceeds will go to MND.

Harvest

This year's Harvest Service will take place on Sunday 26th October. If you wish you can bring donations of food or money for Renfrewshire Foodbank.

Thank you

Elizabeth Alexander and Graham Martin (Session Clerks)

Jigsaw Challenge

The presbytery mission is encouraging all the churches to take up the jigsaw challenge to provide a Lorry for Mwandi a town in Zambia, this is through our mission partners Keith and Ida Waddell.

Johnstone Kirk is taking up the challenge.

I will set it up in the big hall from 12th October till it is completed.

It is £1 for each piece working from left to right. Please come and place a piece of jigsaw and help to raise some funds for the lorry

Thank you

Christine McCormack,Presbytery elder for Johnstone Kirk.

Anti poverty March - 25th October - Free Bus

The General Assembly and The Right Rev. Rosie Frew (Moderator) are encouraging churches to participate in the Poverty Action March being held in Edinburgh on the 25th October.

Inchinnan Parish Church has secured a free bus to take people to Edinburgh for this march, should anyone wish to participate. The bus will leave around 8:30am from the Inchinnan Car Park and leave Edinburgh at 2pm. The march is from the Scottish Parliament Building to The Meadows.

If you would like to attend, please email Ann Knox our Mission Committee Convenor directly to reserve a space. (AKnox@churchofscotland.org.uk).

Seats must be reserved before Monday 13th October. So if you wish to go to the march on the bus please reserve your place soon.

Remembrance Sunday - 9th November - Advanced Notice

Our Remembrance Sunday service will begin at 10.45am and not 11.30am.

All of our other Sunday services will continue at 11.30am meantime.

Thank you

Elizabeth Alexander and Graham Clerk, 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.

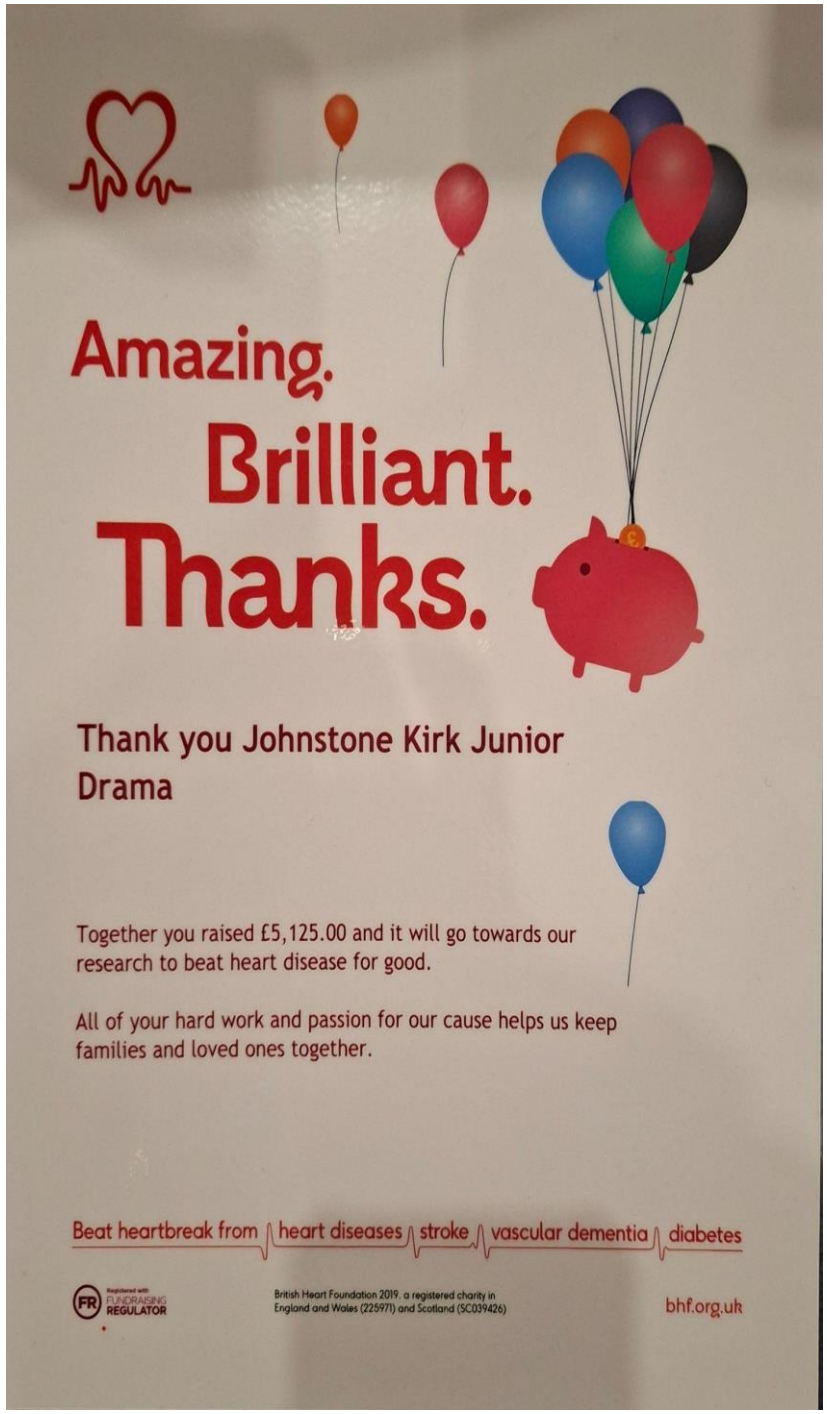
CHURCH WEBSITE - www.johnstonekirk.org
WiFi setting - select Church. A password is required, which is stpauls50.

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.


Amazing.
Brilliant.
Thanks.
Thank you Johnstone Kirk Junior Drama
Together you raised £5,125.00 and it will go towards our research to beat heart disease for good.
All of your hard work and passion for our cause helps us keep families and loved ones together.
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