JOHNSTONE KIRK

Sunday, 26th 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 - Harvest

Call to worship

Hymn 233
Come, you thankful people, come

Prayer of Approach, Confession & Lord's Prayer

A Word to the Young Folk (of all ages)

Hymn 230
Praise God for the harvest of orchard & field

Readings:
Deuteronomy 24: 19—22
Ruth 2: 1—12
John 6: 1—13

Hymn 229
We plough the fields and scatter

SERMON

Hymn 685
For everyone born, a place at the table
(Please remain seated to sing this hymn as the Offering will be uplifted).

Prayers of Dedication, Thanksgiving and Intercession

Hymn 153
Great is thy faithfulness

Benediction and Threefold Choral Amen

We worship today at 11.30 a.m.
Our worship this morning will be led by Rev William Crossan.

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

Lord God our Creator,
At this Harvest time the light is lessening.
Yet this season gives us every colour and hue of nature in the abundance of Autumn.
We give thanks that you lavish on us the fruits of the earth.
At this time of plenty we pray for those whose harvest has failed,
those who go hungry.
We pray that new ways will be found for all to share in the earth's goodness, so that all may eat and be satisfied.
Forgive us Father when we refuse to see in everything around us Your care and love.
Forgive when we refuse to share your gifts with those in need.
Forgive us our carelessness with planet earth, which you entrusted into our hands.
At this time of thanks giving, keep us faithful.
May your presence guide and comfort us.
In Jesus Name we pray.

Amen

Sunday Morning Tea and Coffee

Tea and coffee will be served after this morning's service. We hope you will come through to the church hall and enjoy a cuppa and a blether. The volunteers who make and serve the refreshments appreciate your support.

Thank you.
Aileen and The Ways and Means Committee

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 March 2026.
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

Chocolate Orange Covers

Irene and Ishbel are once again extremely busy knitting their delightful covers for chocolate oranges which will go on sale nearer Christmas.

If anyone would like to donate any chocolate oranges or give the ladies a donation to buy them this would be very gratefully received.

Thank you.

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.

Remembrance Sunday - 9th November, 2025 - 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

Jimmy Blair Accordion Orchestra

We are delighted to announce we are once again hosting this fantastic accordion orchestra. Tickets will be on sale from Sunday 26th October at a cost of £8 from Betty Usher, or speak to any of the Ways and Means Committee.
This is always an extremely popular and busy night so please get yours tickets early to avoid disappointment.

Thank you all for your continued support.

Ways & Means Committee.

Mary's Meals - Thank you

Thank you to those who have been donating their foreign currency to Mary's Meals.

If you would like to learn more about Mary's Meals, how it came about and the journey this charity has taken to reach two million children with life-changing daily meals, there is a book on the shelves in the vestibule. You are welcome to borrow this book and return it when you are finished.

Brian Taylors Fashions

What a great night we had with Brian and his usual cheeky chat. We had a marvellous attendance of 86 people, some being 1st time attenders, all enjoyed the evening and left with literally bags full of bargains!
Thank you to our star bakers once again for the delicious treats you faithfully donate to our social events.
We raised a fantastic total of £550 for our church funds.
Thanks everyone for your continued support.

Ways & Means Committee

Poppy Scotland - 3rd Johnstone Boys' Brigade

Our Boys' Brigade Company are once again selling poppies for Poppy Scotland. There is a tin in the vestry if you would like to purchase one.

Thank you.

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.