JOHNSTONE KIRK

Sunday, 16th November, 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 96
You are before me (Tune Highland Cathedral 336)

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

QUEST

Hymn MP 133
Father I place into your hands

Readings:
Jeremiah 32:1-3,6-15
Romans 8:18-28

Hymn 519
Love divine

SERMON

Hymn 550
As the deer pants
(Please remain seated. The offering will be uplifted during this hymn)

Prayers of Dedication, Thanksgiving and Intercession

Hymn 192
All my hope

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

Games 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

Gratitude arrives every evening, it visits at the end of the day.
Wrapping me in a warm appreciation, for everything that has been sent my way.
It's accompanied by a gentle reminder, that life isn't always easy and kind.
But for each problem there's a solution, and a way forward we miraculously find.
When all is done I finally exhale, and seek a moment to recover and rest.
Knowing whatever has happened, I strive proudly to do my best.
As dusk falls upon the distant horizon, and the moonlight illuminates the way.
I count each of my blessings one by one, and give thanks for another day.

Author Unknown

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

Covered Chocolate Oranges For Christmas

Irene and Ishbel have been extremely busy once again knitting their amazing coverings for chocolate oranges. If anyone wishes to donate either chocolate oranges or money to purchase them, this will be very gratefully received.

These will be on sale after the morning service on both Sunday 16th and 23rd November in the Keanie hall priced at £3.50. These are a great and novel idea for stocking fillers.

Church Bank Account - Name Change - Action Required

The name of our Church bank account has now officially changed to 'Johnstone Kirk'.

Can I ask those members who pay direct giving, by cheque, to please show the payee as Johnstone Kirk with immediate effect?

For those who pay with Standing Order, no action is required.

Many thanks
Ian Macphee, Treasurer

Games and Chat Club - Come and Join Us

We changed our name and activities this session and our members are enjoying playing table tennis and different table top games as well as chatting when we have our tea and biscuits. However, members are missing their badminton games.
The reason we had to give up the badminton games was because none of us were fit enough to set up the equipment which is very old and very heavy.
We would love to welcome more new members to come and have fun and fellowship. If numbers increase, we would like to purchase a portable badminton set.
Please come and join us in our fun Thursday afternoons. Everyone is welcome.
Lyn Thom and the gang.

Afternoon Tea

This month's Afternoon Tea will be on Tuesday the 18th of November at 1.30 pm.
We look forward to sharing with you our lovely home baking, a little entertainment and most of all the fellowship.
If you haven't been before, come along and give it a go.
A welcome awaits you.

Mission Group.

Girls' Brigade – Snowman Drive & Craft Fayre

Join us on Tuesday 18th November at 7pm for a Snowman Drive (a variation of a Beetle Drive) and Craft Fayre to help raise funds for the Girls' Brigade.

Tickets: £3 per adult | £2 per child, includes a hot drink and a slice of cake.

Tickets will be available on the door.

Many thanks, Laura-Jane, Captain

Big Christmas Card

The Mission Group are giving you the chance to take part in the BIG CHRISTMAS CARD.

This means that instead of giving individual cards to friends in Johnstone Kirk you can write a Christmas wish to all and make a donation to St Vincent's Hospice.

Your message will appear on screen before the services leading up to Christmas.

The card and donation box will be in the Keanie hall today and the next few Sundays.

Mission Group

Poppy Scotland Appeal

What a great job our young people did this year in collecting for Poppy Scotland.
Our Boys' Brigade helped with various collections (including at Johnstone Kirk) and collected an amazing total of £2,333.98.
Our Girls' Brigade helped collect at Johnstone Station, collecting a fabulous £255.
Well done everyone and thank you to everyone in Johnstone Kirk for your support once again.

Renfrewshire Foodbank

There is a letter of thanks from Renfrewshire Foodbank on the notice board in the vestibule.
With your support, last year they were able to provide food parcels (including fresh fruit and vegetables, toiletries, cleaning items and pet food) for 10,405 people including 3,310 children. In addition, they were able to help put £271,000 back into the pockets of the people of Renfrewshire, helping them out of food poverty.
The number of people they are assisting are high again this year, which is a dreadful situation. However, thanks to your vital support and the support of others in Renfrewshire, no one has to go hungry.

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.