

SEPTEMBER – Sundays 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th

Dear Three-in-One God, Please help all new Ministry Teams to forge good working practices and partnerships. May they enjoy the more widely shared responsibility of team ministry and be encouraged by your Holy Spirit's grace & guidance. Help congregations to pray for and accept different ministers and ministries, always seeking to learn more of you from whomever is sharing your Word.

WEST GORDON PARISH (Alford, Rhynie, Strathdon)
(Union of Cushnie & Tough; Howe Trinity; Noth & Upper Donside)

Places of worship:

Howe Trinity, Alford; Noth, Rhynie; Upper Donside, Strathdon

Minister: Rev Dr John Cook; 1 FT MDS to be appointed

BENNACHIE PARISH

[Blairdaff & Chapel of Garioch; Cluny; Echt & Midmar; Kemnay; Kintore & Monymusk]

Places of worship: Chapel of Garioch; Monymusk; Echt; Kemnay; Kintore

Ministry Team: Rev Euan Glenn (Cluny & Monymusk); Rev Sheila Mitchell (Echt & Midmar); Rev Joshua Mikelson (Kemnay);

Rev Neil Meyer (Kintore) – Moderator of Kirk Session

.5 FTE MDS – to be appointed

CANDIDATES IN TRAINING



Finishing Probationers: FTMWS David Sim – Kinloss, Moray; OLM Anne Marie Simpson – Keith, Banffshire

Diaconate – Angie Mutch – Stonehaven

OLM – Katrina Blackwood – Aberdeen; Mike Newlands – Keith, Banffshire

Teacher & Head of the Church, Thank you for continuing to call and equip women & men to serve you & your Church. Bless & encourage them, we pray. Keep them healthy in spirit, body & mind. Guide them in your Way



PRAYER POINTS
PRESBYTERY OF
NORTH EAST & NORTHERN
ISLES



JULY – SEPTEMBER 2023

POWERFUL PRAYERS RISE WHEN WE ARE WEAKEST.

Powerful prayers are not prayed by powerful people, but by weak people praying to their all-powerful God.

*We have no power to face this vast army (amount of work) ... **we do not know what to do, but our eyes are upon you** do not be afraid or discouraged because of this vast army (amount of work)... **for the battle is not yours but God's**.... you will not have to fight this battle. Take up your positions. Stand firm and see the deliverance the Lord will give to you.*



Do not be afraid or discouraged... ..

Listen to me, "Have faith in the Lord your God and you will be upheld."

[Verses from 2 Chronicles 20]



Dear Lord God,

As we continue our first steps as a new Presbytery, feeling overwhelmed with the vast workload and all the new-ness and change, we look to you, the mighty Maker of heaven and earth, for help. We know that the plans you have for us are to give us hope and a future, so we stand firm on your Word

and look forward in faith, rejoicing in our GOD who IS ABLE... Amen

JULY – Sundays – 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th



Father God, we pray for those who have led the administration and 'Shadow' Committees in beginning to fit the jigsaw together with 'pieces' from all the former presbyteries. Grant good rest and 're-creation' over the less pressurised summer months, or at least an ability to work from

your Sabbath rest. May those standing down or retiring be enabled to give good handover of information and outstanding issues to help their successors in post.

Presbytery Clerk *pro tem* - Rev Sheila Kirk until 30 June.

Rev Dr Elspeth McKay - *Pray for completely restored health & strength*

Depute Clerks – Eunice McClochlan; Ruth McKenzie, Peterhead

Moderator – Rev Stella Campbell, Kingshill, (Skene), Aberdeenshire

Administrator – James Buckingham-Hyman

Business Committee – Rev Hugh Conkey, retiring. Rev Peter Johnston

Church, Society & International – Rev David Galbraith OLM, Laurencekirk

Congregational Support – Mrs Ann Bowie, Bellie & Speymouth, Fochabers, Moray; standing down

Nominations & Connections – Mr Robert Esson, Cruden

Planning & Deployment – Rev Tony Stephen, Banchory

Property & Finance – Mr Mike Leys, Aberdeen

Training & Development for Ministry & Mission – Miss Margaret King DCS, Bellie & Speymouth; standing down

Some Steering Group Members who have continued to 'steer' and not already mentioned! Elaine Adams, Glenmuick; Rev Dr Fran Henderson, Shetland; Mike Jamieson, Rev Dr Marjorie McLean, Orkney;

AUGUST – Sundays 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th



Lord Jesus, Holy Spirit,

As your Body on earth re-learns how to walk and work together in new unions & parish groupings and as we worship in different ways, in different places, give grace and patience and joy in discovering afresh our unity in you, our eternal Saviour

and Friend. May the world notice how these Christians love each other and be attracted to you. We look to you, because without you, we can do nothing

FOUNTAINHALL - Fountainhall Church at the Stocket, Fountainhall Church at the Cross, Fountainhall Church Centre [Holburn West, Midstocket, Queen's Cross, Rubislaw]

Ministry Team: Rev Duncan Eddie (Moderator of Kirk Session), Rev Tanya Webster, Rev Robert Smith

DEVANA - Devana Church (Fonthill Rd); Devana Church (Holburn St) [Aberdeen Ferryhill, Aberdeen: South Holburn; Aberdeen St Mark's]

Ministry Team: Rev Peter Johnston (Moderator of Kirk Session); Rev David Stewart; MDS - John Amalanand

DYCE Iw NEW MACHAR

Worship led by minister, OLM or
Worship group on rotational basis.

Ministry Team: Rev Manson Merchant
OLM Rev Joan Thorne

KINGSHILL Aberdeenshire).

Union of Skene and Kingswells –

Service of Union & Induction **Sun 2 July 6.45pm, Westhill Trinity**

Ministry Team: Rev Stella Campbell; Associate: To be appointed

