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As gifted by the Father, and following the leading of His Spirit, we seek the building up of Christ's church in love, reaching out with the Good News of Jesus Christ to the community of Hilton and beyond, all for God's glory.

Welcome!

If you are visiting with us today, please stay after the service (**10.30am**) for tea/coffee which is served in the large hall.

Pastoral Care Team - The Care team's role is to provide help and support in various ways. If you or someone you know needs assistance please contact:

Margaret Lamond (tel:225494) or email: maggielamond162@gmail.com

Caroline MacDonald (tel:230278) or email: edenhouse@btinternet.com

Church Office (tel:233310) or email: office@hiltonchurch.org.uk

Lectionary Readings:

	Passages:	Preaching:
13 Jan	John 3:22-36; Hebrews 1:1-4	Duncan MacPherson
20 Jan	Matthew 21:33-46; Psalm 118:15-29	Donald MacQuarrie

Our minister will be on study/annual leave from 17th January to 9th May inclusive. During this period Rev Donald MacQuarrie will be acting as Interim Moderator.

For any other information please contact the Hilton Church Office Tel: 01463 233310 Email: office@hiltonchurch.org.uk

Monthly Elders' Prayer Meeting: A monthly prayer meeting for elders will take place downstairs in the Light House on the first Sunday of each month at 9am. The next meeting will be 3rd Feb.

Christmas Offerings: The offerings at the Watch Night Service and Christmas Day Service totalled £595. We are delighted to be able to split this amount between Matthias & Sabine Holmer in the DR Congo and 'Reach4Reality' a charity which works with young people with Autism which has its office in the Light House. Many thanks to all who contributed.

New Board Members Required: The Board are looking for new Board members to take on the following roles:

- Clerk to the Board – New Clerk required from March 2019. Interesting role supporting the Board and a handover will be provided.
- Data Protection Officer

To find out more, please contact Iain Ross via email iain.ross999@gmail.com or 07766781287



Afternoon Tea: The next monthly afternoon tea for over 60's will be on Wednesday, 30th January at 2pm.



Hilton Church Toddlers: Our baby & toddler group meets in the large hall every Friday morning during school term from 9.30 – 11.15. All parents and carers are very welcome.

Time Out: The next Time Out is on Wed 16th January. Start time 10:00. Everyone welcome! Cards with the dates are available in the foyer. Try your hand at a new skill, felting, mosaics, card making or bring along your own project.

Counting Team Rota: A new counting team rota is available in the foyer. If you are a member of a counting team please help yourself to a copy.

House Groups: There are currently 2 evening house groups meeting to study bible passages and share fellowship together. If you would like to know more or would be interested in joining one of these groups contact details are below:

- Fortnightly on a Thursday - Peter Naulls (tel: 234208)
- Weekly on a Monday - Carolyn Cload (tel: 713799)

Kingdom Tots (crèche): We are looking for some new names to join the Kingdom Tots rota. Some of the people on the rota are currently helping/leading at both crèche and Sunday Club and some have been on the rota for a good number of years now and would like to take a break. If you feel that you could help out please speak to Jane or Iwona or email the office (office@hiltonchurch.org.uk). You should only be required to help once every 5 or 6 weeks.



Foodbank: We have received a letter of thanks from Lorna Dempster for the response to the Harvest Appeal. 190kgs of food was donated by Hilton Church.

If you are able to donate, the following items will be greatly appreciated during December and January: Cartons of Long Life Fruit Juice, Packets of Cream Crackers, Tins of Ham, Jars of Coffee
Donations of supermarket 'Bags for Life' are also extremely useful. Donations can be placed in the container in the Church vestibule or dropped off at the new warehouse on Glebe Street. Foodbank Contact: email - lorna.dempster@blythswood.org or call 07875 332696

18th-25th JANUARY 2019, WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY: We are organising an ecumenical service of worship and prayer at 6pm on Sunday 20th January at Culduthel Christian Centre. Please can you let people in your churches know about this event, and join us in worshipping together and in praying together for the many issues which face our city and our society. During the service there will be opportunity to pray for

- Revival
- Kingdom influence within society
- Justice and ministries of compassion
- Leaders and those in authority

We look forward to worshipping and praying with our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Yours in Christ, Pastor Alasdair Macleod, Rev Bart Buell, Jonathan Appleby

RHYMES RECOLLECTED: A new fortnightly social event for older people begins in the Lighthouse Coffee Shop on MONDAY 11th FEBRUARY 1.45pm to 3pm. A chance to meet other people, hear and read poems you may remember learning and perhaps share poems you've written! Free to attend - just come along buy a coffee, tea and home baking and immerse yourself in Rhymes Recollected. Each meeting will focus on a different theme and on the 11th February it will be LOVE. These afternoons are open to all and will be Dementia friendly for those accompanied by a family member or friend. Further information from Audrey Whyte or John Dempster.

GIVE BLOOD: A local opportunity to give blood at Hilton Primary School on Tuesday 15th January, 5.15pm to 7.45pm. This session is run by appointment only. To book an appointment phone 0345 90 90 999.

Church of Scotland Vocations Information Day: The next Vocations Information day will be on Saturday 9th February at St John's Episcopal Church, Princes Street, Edinburgh. More information can be found on the poster in the link corridor.



Request for Knitting Needles and Wool: "Hi there. I have a good friend who travelled to Zambia a couple of months ago to visit a village where she has been supporting women and children to feed them and teach them skills for them to earn their own living. One of the key skills she has been teaching the ladies is knitting (and sewing!) so that they can make things to sell. My friend is going back to Zambia in May next year and is collecting knitting needles size 3.25 - 4.5mm and any dark double knit or 4 ply wool even part balls to take with her. Every pair of needles will give another lady in Zambia the chance to learn to knit and ultimately be able to earn a living. If you have spare knitting needles or wool that you are willing to give to a good cause, then please feel free to pass them to me and I would be happy to pass them on. Many thanks" Elaine Watt.



Flower Fund: Thank you to all those who have generously donated to the flower fund. If you would like to continue next year and prefer a date in memory of someone please check the list in the foyer. New folks very welcome as there will be weeks available. Many of you have mentioned the flower girls arrangements which brighten the church and also appreciation receiving flowers following bereavement, illness or celebration. Please make us aware of possible recipients throughout the year. Money can be handed to Audrey, Shona, Ann, Eleanor, Christine, Andrea or Jane in the office.

Christians in Sport – Clubhouse: Thursday, February 28th, 7.00pm - 9.00pm at Culduthel Christian Centre. Join Christians involved in sport from across the area for an evening of training, envisioning and being equipped to live and speak for Jesus in your sports world. We gather together to encourage one another as we seek to witness to teammates in our sports team, and take the chance to look at the resources and materials we provide to help you to live out your faith in your club, sport or team.

This event is for those 18+ or for those involved in senior school/club sport 14+ if accompanied by a parent/guardian.

To book a place go to <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk> and search 'Clubhouse Inverness'

Refuel 2019: Tickets are now on sale for Refuel 2019 which will take place from 21st to 27th July 2019 at Gordon Castle Estate, Morayshire. For more information go to www.refuelscotland.org.uk

Blythswood Vacancy: Foodbank Warehouse Working Supervisor

We are looking for someone to lead the efficient running of our foodbank warehouse, ensuring effective stock control and arranging timely transportation of collections and deliveries whilst meeting legislative standards in Health & Safety and Environmental Health.

A knowledge of warehousing and working with volunteers is an advantage but not essential as training will be given.

The successful applicant must be capable of carrying out heavy manual lifting.

This position is for 30 hours per week.

For an application form and job description email personnel@blythswood.org or contact Barbara Grace on 01349 830777. The closing date for completed applications is 21 January 2019.



Christian Union at the University of the Highland and Islands (UHICU): UHI Christian Union, Inverness College Campus UHI, Tuesday @ 5.30-7pm in room 106.

The Highlands Support Refugees: Thanks to all who donated clothing, blankets, and toiletries throughout the year. Please remember the desperate needs of the refugees in your prayers. Any surplus/unwanted gifts over the festive period will be welcome.

Anyone interested in helping at the depot in Conon Bridge to get the next container out in February and needing a lift on a Friday morning please contact Audrey Whyte.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/thehighlandssupportrefugees/>

If you'd like to bring things to Church to be taken on to the sorting centre in Conon Bridge I'll make sure they get them. It would be very helpful if bags could be labelled, 'men's, women's or children's'. Any queries anne.katherine.thomas@gmail.com or Tel 01463731303.

Noticeboards: If you have any posters or notices which you wish displayed please place them in the tray on the lower shelf of the table in the foyer. Thank you.

Bulletin by email: If you would like to be added to the email distribution list for the weekly bulletin please let Jane know by sending an email to office@hiltonchurch.org.uk

If you have any notices for the bulletin please make sure they are in the office by 4pm on Wednesday. Thank you. Call 233310 or email: office@hiltonchurch.org.uk

Sunday Morning Groups for Children and Young Teenagers

There are various groups meet on a Sunday morning for children and young teenagers. You will see below where each group meets. If you are new or visiting please ask for directions. The minister or person leading the service will announce when the children should leave. Parents/carers are responsible for taking their children to and from these activities. Visiting children are very welcome to join in.

- Kingdom Tots (Under 3s) & Kingdom Kids (3-5 year olds) – Small Hall
- Sunday Club Juniors (P1 – P3) – Upstairs in Lighthouse (meet in Large Hall)
- Sunday Club Seniors (P4 – P6) – Large Hall
- P7 - S2 Group – Downstairs Lighthouse

A group for S3-S6 pupils meets on Sunday evenings at Jonathan’s house, from 7.30pm. Please speak to Jonathan or one of the teenagers for more information.

Speaker Facility: A speaker is located in the small hall (kitchen entrance) to allow people to hear what is being said in the sanctuary. If you need to leave the sanctuary but still wish to hear the sermon, you may use this facility [especially useful for those with babies].



Messy Church Dates:

27th January	28th April
24th February	26th May
31st March	30th June

Church Flowers

During January the flowers have been donated by Mr R MacKenzie, Mr & Mrs Shepherd and Mrs J Gray

