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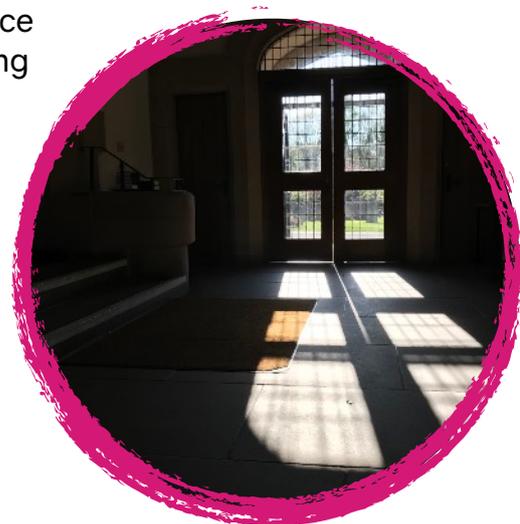
Church Opening

It's been a few months, and the spiders had moved in, but we are opening for worship from Sunday 6th September. You will have already heard, or will be hearing from your elder very soon, with details, and we've printed them again here.

It will be a new experience for all who feel they wish to attend, as the space will feel different and the content, while mainly familiar, will be missing singing. However, we will evolve worship to suit, and celebrate our community and find ways to explore faith in this context.

The online and telephone services will continue, so please do not feel pressurised out of a sense of loyalty or duty to attend. There are a few things to think about when considering whether you should come to worship, and there is a [risk assessment tool here](#) to help make an informed choice.

- Please remember there will be no singing and masks are mandatory.
- We are limited in numbers that can attend, so we are using a booking system. If you would like to attend, please phone the church office (0141 942 8827) by Thursday evening each week, leaving your name and your phone number (which we will use for Track and Trace, and we will hold that information for three weeks). The secretary will phone you back on Friday confirming a space. If there are too many, you will be placed at the top of the list for the following week.
- Please arrive from 10.15 to help reduce queuing, and keep to social distancing rules. The only entrance will be the East Door. There will be signage and a Duty Steward to help.
- Automatic sanitisers will be at the door for use and, once inside, please follow the one way system. There will be a Duty Steward to help direct you.
- You will be given a seat, not of your choosing!



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Friday 28th August



New Kilpatrick Parish Church
Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Faith

- Toilets can be used only if essential as they require regular and frequent cleaning.
- Please stay at home if you have symptoms of COVID or if you are self-isolating or if you feel you, or someone you live with, is particularly vulnerable to COVID.

Following the service, you will be invited to exit using the one-way system through the West porch, where there will be a box for an offering, if you wish to give in that way. You will also be invited to sanitise your hands once more. We invite you then to go straight home, without lingering, and enjoy the rest of the day.

Stewarding & Welcome

When the kirk doors open in September, it is currently envisaged that 3 people will be needed to welcome folk and direct them to the pews that we can use. We shall know in advance the names and contact details of everyone, how many are in family groups, couples or attending singly, to make best use of the seats available.

Since many members of Session may be shielding or might not feel ready to gather in number indoors, it would be wonderful to have other volunteers to help with these Sunday morning tasks. Clear instructions have been formulated and will be trialled in advance of our first face to face (mask to mask!) service.

If you feel that you might be able to help, and are confident that you are well and not putting yourself at risk, please contact Catherine in the office: mail@nkchurch.org.uk. It would be useful if you were able to indicate in advance any dates where you will not be available to help. Catherine will pass your details to the people making up the rota, who will in turn contact you to tell you on which Sundays you will be needed.

Thank you so much for making this happen.
Keep safe
Maybe see you soon really, in person...
Take care till then .

Ruth Gettinby and Douglas Nisbet



Painting Party

A number in the congregation have been supporting a few refugee families over the last few years. We have become good friends with many of them and experienced just a touch of the emotional rollercoaster of what it is like to be displaced in a foreign country and trying to cope with legislation, education, employment, housing, support. It is one of the most difficult things to watch and hear about, let alone experience yourself.



Good news comes out of the bad, and one of the families has been able to move back to this side of the city after been placed in Parkhead, despite schooling and jobs in the west side of the town. They have been given a council house close by, so we will be able to keep in more regular contact, but it needs some painting and repair and cleaning, so we are looking for any volunteers who might have spare paint, and some who would be willing to spend a little time painting (bring your own paintbrush if you can).

It has to be done in the next week or so and, if you can help in any way, even just a couple of hours, then please phone Irene Gillespie (942 4486) as soon as you can, and she will gratefully and appreciatively receive any help you can offer.

Thank you.

Instrumentalists

Given we are unable to sing in church at the moment we wondered if there might be anyone who would play an instrument during the service, as long as it wasn't a wind instrument? It would be a great opportunity to offer some space during the service to reflect and appreciate a wide range of music. If you are interested, please contact Chris Nickol on 07808 258374.

Daily Prayer

Would anyone like to write a few prayers for the daily prayer page on the website? It is only a few lines. If you are interested, contact Roddy (0141 942 0035), and we can share out this resource that many people around the world link into each day.



Weekly Diary

Podcast & Video services: from the [church website home page](#) worship banner, from midnight Saturday.

Phone Service: dial 0141 465 5774 (after a bit of a pause).

Zoomday School: 10am, 10.30am & 11.15: [log in here](#).

SingSong! at 2pm on Tuesday 1st, joining in with all who enjoy a good sing. Especially designed for those who have some degree of memory loss or dementia. From our [Zoom page](#).

Quiz Night at 7pm on Tuesday 1st from our [Zoom page](#).

Sofa Surfers at 7pm on Thursday 3rd. This week, Wish we were there: an evening of postcards from holidays we never managed to take this year. On our [Zoom page](#).

Bulletin delivered before your first coffee Friday 4th

Coffee Pot at 10.30am on Friday 4th, a blether and a hello.

THE social place, from our virtual lounge on our [Zoom page](#).

Church open for Worship: Sunday 6th September 10.30

Songs of Praise Sunday 6th September 7.30pm Log in from our [Zoom page](#).

Plus, the website for daily prayers, new psalms, appeals, photos and poems, news, and everything else.

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