

NK Wee Bulletin

6th August 2021

Diary

This week, we are still on our summer timetable.

Things will begin to happen again over the next few weeks and especially from September. In the meantime, some dates for your diary:

We'll be sharing an all-age communion on Sunday 22nd August online and in the sanctuary at 10.30.

That afternoon the Zoomday School will be having another picnic in the Manse Garden at 2pm.

Then Zoomday/Sunday School will return on Sunday 29th August. We've still to work out the format between Zoom and actually being in a physical hall, but we will grow into something comfortable for us all.

Singing has returned to the sanctuary but we remain behind masks.

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Social Distancing in the Sanctuary

You will have heard from the First Minister that social distancing requirements will be dropped as from Monday 16th August; however, we do not propose to drop social distancing within the church for some time yet. We do not get the feeling most people are yet comfortable with that.

We have had a limit of 75 people able to attend worship, but that maximum has never been reached, though we expect the numbers to begin to rise. In order to accommodate that, from this Sunday, the front two sections of the pews will be 1m distancing while all other areas will remain at 2m. You will be asked, when you arrive, if you are comfortable with 1m or 2m, and will be seated accordingly. Everyone is still required to book a place for Trace and Protect, and you can state then your social distancing preference. Masks are still necessary and we will constantly keep an eye on numbers and how people feel within the worship space.

The video and podcast and phone-line will continue as normal as we are very aware there are many of us not yet comfortable with crowds, and we have found this to be a very positive innovation for those who are limited to their homes.

Live Streamed Service

We are going to be live-streaming the service from the sanctuary every week soon.

This will be a bit of an experiment, initially, as we find our feet in doing a live service broadcast on Zoom.

More details about this later, but, if anyone would like to help with this, please phone the church office (0141 942 8827), and we will create wee teams that can take turns to broadcast and post the service online.

Video Service

After a break during the summer, the YouTube channel is back, along with new podcasts.

It would be a great innovation to be able to broaden the production of this so more people are involved. You may be interested in recording a reading, praying, or helping behind the scenes in producing the video. It takes quite a lot of time to put it all together and anyone, of any generation, who may be interested in learning to paste all the individual videos together, and work out timings etc, would be fast-tracked to sainthood.

If you are interested in learning a new skill, then phone Roddy (0141 942 0035) and together we'll create something worthy of an Oscar.