

## **WORSHIP IN JUNE**

Sunday 12 June Rev Graham Astles

Sunday 19 June Rev Graham Astles

Sunday 26 June Young Kirk Service

## **WELCOME TO WORSHIP!**

The requirements to keep 1 metre apart and to wear face masks at worship have now been removed. The one way system has also been removed. Some safety measures, such as enhanced cleaning, will remain in place. It is important to remember that the virus hasn't gone away, and we should still continue to do what we can to keep each other safe, for example - good hand hygiene. Please continue to use the sanitiser which is provided. Also the Scottish government still strongly advise that we wear face masks voluntarily and it's especially important that we consider those who may still feel more at risk.

There is new signage around the church buildings, asking folks to be considerate of those who may still wish to keep a safe distance and also that folks might wear a face mask when moving around the buildings. This is a request, not a requirement. For example, as you come into church where the welcome area may get busy, you might think about wearing a mask then.

For the moment we continue to space out the chairs. There will also be some rows of seats that have been reserved solely for those who wish to continue wear a face mask at all times. You may sit anywhere and still wear a mask, but if you are someone who would prefer to sit in an area where everyone is wearing masks, then those reserved rows will be for you. Anyone who is *not* wearing a mask please avoid sitting in those rows. As always, if you have any questions, please speak to Fiona Charleson: fionacharleson@sky.com, 01968 672754

## **COFFEES AFTER WORSHIP**

It has been great to offer hospitality again on a Sunday after worship—especially after the KIP Service last Sunday when we were able to share fellowship together. It is hoped that we can continue to provide teas and coffees on a Sunday but for this to happen we need volunteers.

Linda MacDonald has offered to co-ordinate this but cannot do this without volunteers. If you would be willing to go on a rota, please speak to Linda.

## **Foodstore@PNK**

Thank you to everyone who supports the Foodstore@PNK with donations of food, money or you remember us and the families which we support in your prayers. We fed 6 families (32 people) with food, toiletries and cleaning products. The following are the things we are in need of this week, breakfast cereal, instant coffee, tea bags, peanut butter, long life milk, diluting juice, tinned macaroni/spaghetti, tinned chicken, pasta sauces, long grain rice, tinned meatballs, Fray Bentos tinned pies, instant whip/angel delight.

**Jan Naylor 07740 621814**

## **Midaid update May 2022.**

You may recall that last week that we asked for lawnmowers for the Afghan families newly arrived in Penicuik.

Well our prayers were answered in full with 2 lawnmowers and one strimmer having been delivered through the week to our new neighbours.

To say that the families were thankful is an understatement with an invitation to take tea with them.

Midaid is so very grateful for all your contributions and prayers and it is very much appreciated.

There are many more families to come so watch this space for updates.

Thanks Alan Naylor **07905977444**

## **ECO HINTS AND TIPS Calculate your carbon footprint**

If you'd like to find out more about the amount of greenhouse gases used for the life you live, why not have a look at the WWF's (World Wide Fund for Nature) online questionnaire to calculate your carbon footprint? There is also a phone App for tips on how to reduce your carbon footprint too. For more information go to **footprint.wwf.org.uk**

**FLOWERS** Cathie Ramsay is happy to receive a note of who might be in need of a small delivery to assure them of our love. Telephone 674448

## **PNK TELEPHONE LISTENING SERVICE** Are you feeling a bit down?

Would you like a listening ear or someone to chat to? If so, the members of PNK Telephone Listening Service are here for you. Please contact Jean Lord (675142)

**PASTORAL MINISTRY** For any pastoral matters, please leave a message for Graham (see below), or contact Jean Lord (675142) Cathie Ramsay (674448) or Anne Brown (672605)

**WEEKLY OFFERINGS** Please see the information on the church website or call Anne Pearson on 01968 675645

**SAFEGUARDING NOTICE** The North Kirk family has a duty to protect the young and vulnerable people within our congregation and aims to have a safe and happy environment for all who use the facilities. Safeguarding Policy and Procedures are in operation within PNK and if anyone has any issues regarding Safeguarding, or anyone's behaviour is causing concern, please speak to either David McDonald or Chris Black who will monitor the situation along with the members of the Safeguarding Panel. If the problem cannot be rectified, we will contact the Safeguarding Office at 121 George Street for assistance, support, and counselling, if required.  
Phone numbers: David McDonald 674897; Chris Black 677559

**PRAYER MEETINGS IN PENICUIK** The PNK Prayer group meets online on Thursday evenings at 7.00pm. Please contact Graham [if you wish to join us](#). Also, please see the information on the church website for details of weekly prayer meetings at the other PCT churches - all are welcome. **The next joint PCT Prayer meeting will take place at 7.00pm on Sunday 26 June at St James the Less (in person).** More details from Fiona Charleson, 672754, [fionacharleson@sky.com](mailto:fionacharleson@sky.com)

**TRY PRAYING** The Try Praying booklets available outside the church are for anyone to take away and use. Please help yourself. They provide a very short introduction to prayer – try it out! Or take one to pass on to someone who might want to find out more.

**Penicuik Alpha** has begun in Trinity Community Church Hall at the bottom of Kirkhill Road on **Wednesdays from 10am-12 o'clock.**

- **Starting on 11 May and running for 8 weeks**
- **For further information call 07955 234849**

**VIGIL FOR UKRAINE** Every Saturday at 6pm in the Pedestrian Precinct, organised by Rev Nick Bowry, lasts between 15 - 20 minutes: all welcome.

### **CHRISTIAN AID**

Thank you to all who contributed to supporting the baking stall and filling an envelope over recent weeks. With the joint efforts of the churches throughout Penicuik we raised £2912 including the sum given through JustGiving. Gift Aid will be added to this amount so over £3000 was raised.

### **OPEN DOOR CAFÉ**

The Café is open 5 days next week.

Come along to chat with friends with new conversations are being seen again. The big decision is what type of scone or maybe an Empire biscuit? See you there! **It is open from 10 am to 12 pm.**

### **CONTACTS**

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PNK website: [penicuiknorthkirk.org](http://penicuiknorthkirk.org)

Facebook: Penicuik North Kirk

**Penicuik Churches Together** (most Penicuik churches)

[www.penicuikchurchestogether.org.uk](http://www.penicuikchurchestogether.org.uk)

Facebook: Penicuik Churches Together

**Kirk in Penicuik** (Church of Scotland congregations) Facebook: Kirk in Penicuik

**INTIMATIONS** Intimations for this sheet should be sent to Jim Black. It would be appreciated if they could be with him by Wednesday.

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