

Welcome! Please relax, enjoy being among friends, and join us for refreshments & a chat in the church hall afterwards! This morning we start a new series on following the real Jesus and invite all who love Jesus to share in the Lord's Supper, while this evening Rhona's leading us in our 'Sanctuary First' service where we will be reflecting on the Parable of the Sower and how we can 'Guard the Good' (Join us if you can!!).

"Spice 'n' Ice" Service -

Following the success of our summer BBQ's we hope to experiment with a monthly food, fun & fellowship service on the 4th Sunday of each month (i.e. 26th September). Due to darker nights & weather these will be in the church hall & involve a meal, so don't have your tea beforehand! We hope to retain the BBQ all-age atmosphere and continue encouraging new folk to join us. So, why not start inviting your friends now! We aim to have an indoor equivalent of Rounders afterwards!

Next Sunday's Summer

Services will be at the usual times of 11.00 a.m. & 6.30 p.m. & led by Neil & John (Rhona will preach in the morning).

Our sympathy & prayers go out to the family & friends of Bill Stewart, 14 Gray Crescent, who passed on last Tuesday. Bill's funeral will be in Fullarton Church on Monday 13th September, 1.15 p.m. followed by a committal service at Holmsford Bridge Crematorium at 2.00 p.m.

Comfy Communion Service – this afternoon, 3 p.m. in the Fullarton

Hall. For all who appreciate a shorter Communion service, particularly for those who are unable to get out and about as much as they used to.

Retiring Offering: The retiring offering after this morning's service will be in aid of our local Scripture Union's work at Loudoun Montgomery School.

Opportunities. "Pray at all times" says St Paul in Ephesians 6.

All are invited to join us for **Sunday Morning Prayer:** Each Sunday in the Church Prayer Room (Counting room, next to gents toilet), 10.15 – 10.45 a.m. **Wednesday Prayer breakfasts** each Wednesday in the Prayer Room, next to church hall.

Singers? For anyone interested in singing within a group setting, there will be a choir practice starting in the church, leading to regular involvement in services. If this sounds like something you would like to be part of, then we'll meet in the sanctuary after the morning service on the 5th of September to discuss times of practices. Looking forward to seeing you there, Graeme.

Delhi Budget Reached! Many thanks to all who have contributed towards the £1,000 budget for Neil's trip to Delhi! The target has now been reached thanks to your generosity. Please pray on for Neil & the chaplaincy team as they prepare to minister pastoral & spiritual support to the athletes of many nations at The Commonwealth Games. Neil leaves on 28th September & returns on 20th October and hopes to spend a few days, at the end of his trip, with our

mission partners in Ludhiana (a 5 hour train journey north).

Irvine Churches Alpha Course!

What is the meaning of life? Why am I here? What is after death? Perhaps some of the questions you've asked? Most of us ignore such questions because they are too big, or have found unsatisfying quick answers. Together, Irvine's Churches are running an Alpha course in search of Life's Meaning, open to all.

Alpha is the first letter of the Greek alphabet and means beginning. The Alpha course creates safe space for people to openly think about these questions and more, and make new friends. It will run on Wednesday nights in the comfort of Puffer's Café, Harbour St .

On 8th September there is a launch party night, with a buffet, games, stories, & short introduction to what Alpha's all about. Following the launch night, **each Wednesday thereafter**, there will be a Puffer's meal and new topic to consider. The course is free but donations towards food costs will be welcome.

Do you have friends, family or colleagues you could invite to come along with you to the Alpha? Invitation letters are available at the front of the church (on vestibule table); feel free to take as many as you need!!

Find out more about the course at alpha.org ; register an interest please telephone Betty at 01294 541383 or email alhairvine@hotmail.com

Nursing Home Services:

Greenbank: Sunday 12 September, led by John Pickles. All welcome.

Fairtrade Stall Today, Sunday 5th September, in the church hall after the morning service.

5th Irvine Boys' Brigade – All sections of the company will resume week commencing 6 September. The Anchor Boys will enrol at 6pm and the junior section will enrol at 7:15pm. Both on Monday 6 September. The Company section will enrol at 7:30pm on Tuesday 7 September.

OMF. The next OMF prayer meeting will be held on Friday 1st October at 10.30 am at 4 Bankhead Avenue, Springside. Further information from Ian or Grace Cameron (Tel.01294 213028).

Crèche Rota: On duty today: Maureen Neil, Kirsty Hanlen, Marion Bannerman and Amy Campbell. On duty next Sunday: Christine Blair, Susan Small, Helen McKenzie and Rachel Dewar

Church Secretary: Hours this week are Wednesday and Thursday 10-1 and Friday 9-1. The e-mail address is secretary@fullartonchurch.co.uk and the telephone number is 273741 (answer machine available).

At Fullarton, we want you to feel comfortable and relaxed.

Should you require toilet facilities during the service please do not hesitate to nip out. Toilets can be found in the Church Hall, and Fullarton Hall. Ask any of the doorkeepers for directions.

Grub & Gospel Team Meeting:

Fullarton Lounge Sun 19th Sept 12.45-1.15 approx. All welcome.

Teen Challenge Strathclyde/The Haven Charity Dinner & Ceilidh Friday 19th November 2010 - Macdonald Crutherland House Hotel, East Kilbride. In the last year a number of us attended the previous ceilidh. The hotel, food and band were great and it was really a night to remember. We wanted to encourage some of the folk from Fullarton or friends to consider coming this year. It is a great witness and introduction to the work of the organisation and a good fundraiser. Previously there were testimonies, entertainment from the boys from The Haven and an auction with some brilliant prizes after the meal before the dancing started. The suggested minimum donation is £30 per head. Previously we organised a minibus which may be an option for some depending on the interest, another suggestion may be car sharing. We need you to confirm if you wish to attend as the seating plan is organised in advance and each table of 10-12 would be hosted by a team member. Last year we had one table. It would be great if we could manage 2 or more this year. So if you fancy getting your gladrags / kilt on and enjoying a great night for a worthwhile cause please join us. Contact Lorna Hankinson 07931443189 or klac.hankinson@tiscali.co.uk or Geri McLelland on 07783778364 geriberibob@gmail.com

Just a wee reminder that the **Thursday Home Group** starts up again on 9/09 @ 1.30 pm @ 36, Rannoch Place, Castlepark. Why not come along? Hoping to see you, God Bless, Hunter

Irvine Teen Challenge Sponsored Walk/Cycle Cumbrae:

Thanks to all who supported and participated. There a few folk still to hand in sponsor money. If they could do so when possible I can let everyone know how much money was made. Thanks again. Lorna Hankinson

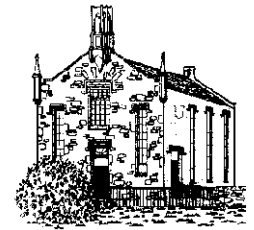
Teen Challenge: Do you or anyone you know need help with addiction problems? There is a Teen Challenge Bus located outside Victoria House, Boyle Street, Irvine, (near to the Vics football ground) every Tues evening 8–10 p.m. Please come along for a chat, a cuppa and toast! (All ages welcome)

Notices for this sheet for September to Mark Leckie (01294 217404) or e-mail orderofservice@fullartonchurch.co.uk
BY WEDNESDAY EVENING AT THE LATEST PLEASE

Please park between the church and the Fullarton hall only if necessary. This complies with the Discrimination Act and ensures the safety of our children. Many Thanks

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FULLARTON PARISH CHURCH Order of Service Sunday 5 September 2010



11.00 am

Welcome & Announcements
SOGP 51 In a byre near Bethlehem
FSB 46 Beautiful Lord
Some holiday snaps
Family Prayer & Lord's Prayer
KZ2 Oh it's great, great, brill, brill (cd)
Young folk head for Light Factory
Alpha Countdown
Interview with Paul Cameron (Leader in the Church of Christ, Oz)
Text Message – Mark chp 1 v. 9-20 (Message)
Offering (SOGP 113 We lay our broken world)
Prayer (Using SOGP 109 Ubi Caritas)
Focus – 'Re-Jesus!'
FSB 31 The bread of life, the carpenter's own Son (verses 1 & 2)
Celebration of The Lord's Supper (FSB 98 Lord, You have my heart x2)
FSB 31 The bread of life, the carpenter's own Son (verses 3 & 4)
Blessing – African Sung 'Amens'
Join us in the church hall for refreshments.

6:30pm in the Fullarton Hall

Welcome
FSB 59 Oh the earth is the Lord's
Text message – Luke 8: 4-15
Video – You see but you can't see
Prayer
Discussion – How rooted are you?
FSB 54 – Find the silence through the noise
Video – The silent scream
FSB 6: Great is the darkness
Prayer
Discussion/activity: Scarecrows and seeds
FSB 44 – Longing for light
Blessing
Join us in the lounge for refreshments.