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In at the Deep End

A message from our 'new' Session Clerk.

I took over as Session Clerk on Sunday 22 March. The "lockdown" was announced on Monday 23 March.....good timing perhaps for my predecessor Jim Ballantyne, not the most fortunate of coincidences for myself !

Since then we have, by necessity, made loads of changes in the way in which we function as a congregation, in the ways we communicate, in the ways we support one another and through these, the different ways in which we act out our faith. Let's have just a brief look at some of the things we're doing now that we hadn't even begun to think about pre-Covid 19.

- a weekly half-hour video service going out every Sunday on our website, our Facebook page, YouTube, DVDs and little memory sticks;
- a "virtual" coffee morning on Thursdays and at our usual after-service time on Sundays;
- a team of Helping Hands volunteers supporting members with companionship by phone, picking up shopping and delivering prescriptions;
- a Dial-A-Service for members without internet;
- a Zoom Sunday School;
- using video-conferencing as a matter of routine now for team meetings, ad hoc discussions and even for a Kirk Session meeting !

The striking feature for me among all this sea of change is the willingness, helpfulness and enthusiasm of members of the congregation, to work firstly, at developing and implementing the new arrangements, and secondly, to accept readily the new arrangements and give very positive feedback. We

have loads of talented and committed members in our congregation and the successes of our innovative styles of communicating and supporting the work of our church owe much to how people have come together to work as a team with the common purpose of supporting church life throughout challenging times.

Right now, we're facing the welcome, but demanding, task of developing safe arrangements for the gradual re-opening of our church and an incremental return to the full range of services and activities which previously we took for granted. We have a duty of care for the health and welfare of our congregation and for the elders and others in our duty teams who will be responsible for ensuring that people can, with safety, come into and leave the church, are seated appropriately, and that all the required standards of hygiene and social distancing are observed. As with all of the efforts we have brought to bear in developing new systems of communication, this fresh challenge will require teamwork, creativity and loads of practical common sense so that when we re-open we can have confidence that we will do so in a safe and sensible way.

On behalf of the different teams and individuals who have worked, and continue to work so hard, at our various new ventures I would like to express our appreciation of the support and encouragement from across our congregation.

Alistair Walker



Pastoral Letter



How are you feeling emotionally today on a scale of 1-10, 1 being pretty low and 10 being pretty well? That is a question asked of me this morning at a Zoominar (seminar held over the internet). It was hosted by the pastoral support manager of the Church of Scotland and was attended by around 100 ministers. Maybe my answer was influenced by the fact that the sun is shining and the recent lifting of restrictions has meant that I saw both my sons and grandson at the weekend. My answer was a '9' (just a bit of anxiety about the issues around the opening of the buildings, it seems scary) but I was very much in the minority, most ministers were at the other end of the spectrum.



Since then I have been reflecting on why my answer was different from others, and I've come to the conclusion that it's because of the support around us in our church family. I don't feel like a one woman band, and there are lots of things happening that I don't have to push, so I have the space to do what I do, and have confidence that others will make things happen. I also, in this new way of working, have made sure I take some time out for myself, for it would be easy, being confined to the manse, to see every day as a working day. Instead I finish on a Friday early afternoon, and take all of Saturday off.

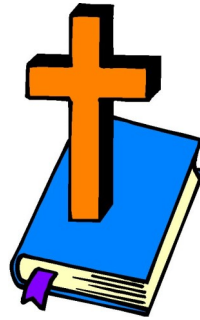
I've never taken the support of this congregation for granted, but on reflection I'm overwhelmed by the way everyone has worked together and I know that when I look back over this period of my life, that's what I will remember. (And the fact that my first grandson was born the same day the pubs closed!)

My hope is, that you all will feel that same support from our church family.

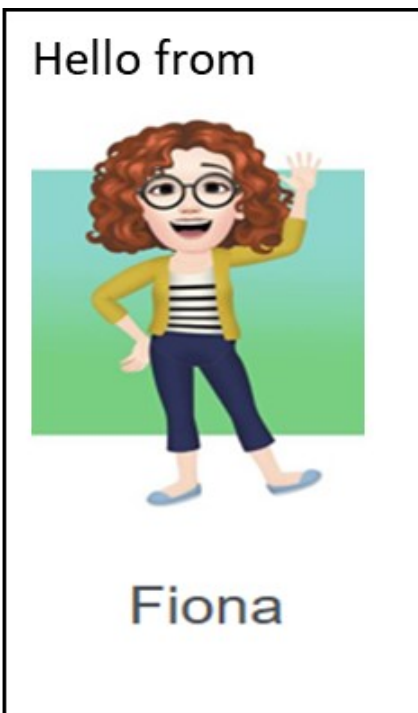
So let me ask you the same question, "How are you feeling emotionally today on a scale from 1 to 10?" If your score is at the lower end, contact me (details at the back of the magazine) and if your score is at the higher end, give thanks to God, especially for our church family.



Yours in love,



Anne Paton



Hello everyone... I hope you are all well and like me can hardly believe that it's almost the middle of our Scottish period known as 'summer' already, with the schools 'officially' now on holiday. As I write this article the rain is bouncing down outside so it must be summer... although we can't really complain, as we have been truly blessed with all the good weather we've had during lock-down. Doesn't it seem like a life-time ago now when it was announced that we were going into lock-down for a period (at that time)

of 12 weeks? We were all gobsmacked and horror-stricken at how we would get through that period, but we have...and **'To God be the glory'** for that! As the situation improves and the so-called 'R' Number reduces, it's great that we can at least now see our families, albeit from a distance, but I'm sure over the next couple of weeks it will be 'all change' again and I pray that the 'R' Number continues to go in the right direction (downwards), so that more restrictions can be lifted, allowing us to get a wee bit further towards deter-

-mining what the 'new normal' will be. That said, the new normal for Church is still being reviewed, and sadly it may be a wee while away yet before we even get to know what that will look like.

As you know, I was fortunate to be allowed to join you, as a congregation, last September for my 12-month probation period – the final part of my training for OLM Ministry. Therefore, sadly, this probationary period will end in August after my final review.... which is now only 9 weeks away. It is unfortunate due to the timing of the coronavirus, striking when it did, meaning my last six months of probation will look very different from the first six. However, I am extremely grateful to Anne for allowing me to get so involved in the Zoom services, alternating each week the way we have between prayers and the sermon, as it's given me the opportunity to preach probably more than I would have done had church been 'normal'. I know that some of my probationary colleagues are not being afforded the same luxury I have, so I am really grateful to Anne for sharing her 'virtual pulpit' for that opportunity.

I know that some of you have asked: what is an OLM (Ordained Local Minister) and what is the difference between being an OLM and a Full-time Minister of Word and Sacrament (FTWS)? So, I'll try to explain.

At the moment there are around 70 OLMs in the Church of Scotland, spread across the country and involved in various ministries. The new OLM form of ministry replaced the former Auxiliary role, if perhaps you are familiar with that. As it says in the title, OLMs are ordained, and ordained to a Ministry of Word and Sacrament. However, one of the main differences between FTWS and OLM is the fact that the role of the OLM is non-stipendiary, in other words they don't get paid. Their role is a self-supporting form of ministry, required to enhance the ministry of the church as a whole, i.e., to provide a service helping to fill the gaps where there are gaps. As such, OLMs 'kind of

belong' to Presbytery, and are deployed to a particular role or locality within Presbytery where there is a specific need, or role required to help a full-time minister, or even to be part of a ministry hub-team. As such, most OLMs usually have to work in paid jobs alongside their ministry, given they neither receive a stipend (salary) nor a manse in which to live. The commitment is 10 hours a week plus a Sunday. As OLMs are ordained, they are able to conduct both sacraments, namely communion and baptism, and indeed perform all other aspects of ministry which a Parish Minister is expected to do, including weddings, funerals, chaplaincy and pastoral care. Like FTWS ministers, OLMs have all undertaken significant theological academic study, have had the same number of placements with supervisors as FTWS students have had, and have actually all gone through the same selection process. However, one of the other main differences is age. Depending on the age someone is when that someone answers God's call, may mean that the only 'option' to be a minister of Word and Sacrament is as an OLM, as the FTWS route is age-bound, whereas the OLM route is not. Similarly, Readership is not age-bound either, but Readers are 'ministers' of Word but not Sacrament, so they are neither able to perform any Sacraments nor are they licensed to conduct a wedding, but they are able to conduct a funeral.

Hopefully that helps you understand a wee bit more about the OLM role. Assuming all goes well with my review at the end of August, I already know where I am going after EKOP. Presbytery have appointed me to Strathaven Trinity to work alongside Rev Shaw Paterson, who has one charge across three places of worship, namely, Glassford, Chapelton and Strathaven, with each church building (in normal circumstances) requiring a Sunday morning service, as well as chaplaincy in five schools – four primary schools across the three villages, as well as Strathaven Academy. Strathaven Trinity resulted from a four-way union two years ago, and Rev Paterson was told he would

be allocated an OLM when one became available. Up until now Hamilton Presbytery only had one OLM, and he was already appointed to a post. Whereas this year, Hamilton Presbytery will have three newly trained OLMs to deploy, me being one of them. I have been ear-marked for Strathaven. I had my first training placement at Strathaven Trinity, just as it was going through the union, so I guess... I know what I'm going to, and they know what they're getting .

However, I've not gone yet, as I'll still be around July and August...so if anyone feels called and wants further information on how to train as an OLM, please feel free to ask me. With every blessing that you keep safe and well

Fiona x



Sunday School Holiday Season

For the most part, summer suns have certainly been glowing on our fair land as we now journey on into the summer months.

In the time of the 'old normal' Sunday School summer day trips were a popular pastime. From East Kilbride we travelled far and wide enjoying excursions to Stirling, Falkirk, Largs, Lanark, Edinburgh and Ayrshire. Nowadays such away days for us all are a distant memory. The 'new normal' means that many popular venues remain closed for the time being and we are encouraged to stay local. With the re-opening of Garden Centres in early June, many folk have been enjoying their stay-at-home outdoor spaces to relax in. Whether you have a large or small garden, a balcony, window box or just a plant pot or two at the front door or on a sunny windowsill, it has been our mission to

make our surroundings as bright and attractive as possible this summer. The demand for colourful flowers to plant at home has been phenomenal. Now that all the work and effort of getting your surroundings in order is over, it's time to put on the kettle and settle down with our 'name the flower quiz'. The following clues represent some of the flowers you may have enjoyed watching bloom in your outdoor space over the past few months. Here goes!

1. You will find this in the eye:
2. Got up in the morning:
3. Winter comfort for a wild animal:
4. She rode on a tandem:
5. This Bill would be welcome:
6. All shops need plenty of this:
7. Always the best policy:
8. Fiery eater's photograph:
9. Spruce feline:
10. A cold fall:
11. She rode on a tandem:
12. A bird using bad language:
13. Foggy rendez-vous:
14. What the sailor said to his sweetheart before he went to sea:
15. A very proper young lady:

Hope you enjoy this summer challenge. Answers will appear in next month's issue – or you can always phone a friend!

Sheena Wilson

Have a Break -Kit Kat or not!

As if we haven't had enough bad news recently, here is some more.

Nestle, the makers of KitKat, has informed the Fairtrade Foundation that from October, they will stop using Fairtrade cocoa and sugar in their KitKat bars.

For the past 10 years, cocoa farmers in the Cote D'Ivoire, Malawi in Africa, and Fiji in the Pacific, have benefitted from the safety net of the Fairtrade Minimum Price and Premium.

Especially in this time of Coronavirus, that safety net has been vitally important in helping local co-operatives to cope. Because they have been able to decide how to use the Fairtrade Premium, local communities have used it to provide dispensaries, protective equipment and much-needed medical supplies.

Nestle should be encouraged to reverse this devastating decision. You can find the details on the Fairtrade Foundation Website, along with a powerful letter from the Chairman of the Ivorian Fairtrade Network.

Just last year, there was a 23% increase in the sale of Fairtrade cocoa in the UK, including new commitments from Lidl and Waitrose and Partners.

Support for Fairtrade is increasing steadily across the UK. It would be very good if we could add our voices in support of these thousands of farmers and their families, whose livelihoods will be deeply and badly affected if Nestle's plans are not changed.

Stewart Smith

What Would You Find.....

WHAT WOULD YOU FIND.....

.... At Latitude 1.1364 and Longitude 119.8803?

The answer is Balongga, a district of South Dolo, in the country of Indonesia. More specifically, you would find there a latrine.

If you come to our house at 33 Brent Road, I can show you a picture of this latrine. It is made of corrugated iron, painted a rust colour. It has two doors, one of which doesn't seem to fit very well. The picture doesn't show what's inside. But at least it's a toilet of sorts. Two billion people worldwide don't have access to somewhere safe, private or hygienic to go to the toilet.

I know all this because for Father's Day, our daughter Fiona sent a message. It read "Happy Father's Day! I've twinned your loo for you!!". With the message came the picture of Balongga's latrine, nicely framed. "Hang your Certificate with pride", said the accompanying card, so I did. In the loo, of course.

The donation made on my behalf will help provide improved sanitation, clean water and hygiene education in poor communities around the world. I believe our Brownies are working on this and in due course our Church toilets will be twinned with somewhere across the world. And you can find out more by going to www.toilettwinning.org or phone 0300 321 3217.

Stewart Smith

Guess Who ??

Guess Who 1 - if you took part in the June competition the answer was **Muriel Glover**.

First in with the correct answer was Sheena Wilson, congratulations prize to follow. Are you all ready for next offering?

Guess Who 2

Q1. Favourite place visited - the Isle Of Mull where I go on a regular basis to visit with family. As soon as I step off the ferry the local tom-tom drums are out, that I am on the island so all family members, without exception, demand a visit. I usually stay in Tobermory and love its serenity, calm waters and watching all the yachts. While on Mull, I often take the opportunity to visit Iona and experience the spiritual connection with this wonderful place. I've also enjoyed my numerous trips to Ballerup in Denmark who twin with East Kilbride and the people are so warm and welcoming.

Q2. Most exciting/adventurous thing I have done - I was going to a family wedding in Mull when the CalMac ferry went on strike. Not wanting to disappoint the bride and groom, twelve of us boarded this small motor boat to make the shortest crossing from Oban to Grasspoint.

All was going to plan until, from nowhere, this fierce gale got up, the rain came on and the boat was rocking. I thought our number was up and certainly not the weather you expect in June. Thankfully we all reached dry land safely and the wedding was a belter!

Q3. If you could turn back the clock what would you change if anything - a better world where everyone is equal and safe. A world that is a cleaner place to live in.

Q4. Favourite film - many years ago my brother and I were treated by an Aunt to go to the Odeon in Glasgow (first time at the cinema) and we saw Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs, happy days.

Favourite book - picking up the newspaper every day.

Favourite song - don't have one but enjoy listening to Jimmy Shand and his dance band, number 1 on my play list

Q5. Message to the Church Family - just waiting for the day when we reopen the church doors walk inside to welcome everyone back and we once again enjoy being together to sing and pray together as a church family.

Q6. Your wish for our world - peace and happiness plus a vaccine for the

Coronavirus. *Christine Tweedie*

Submitted by: *Anne Stewart*

And the people stayed home and read books and listened and rested and exercised and made art and played games and learned new ways of being and were still and listened more deeply.

Some meditated, some prayed, some danced, some met their shadows.

And the people began to think differently.

And the people healed.

And, in the absence of people living in ignorant, dangerous, mindless and heartless ways, the earth began to heal.

And when the danger passed and the people joined together again, they grieved their losses and made new choices and dreamed new images and created new ways to live and heal the earth fully as they had been healed.

Kitty O'Meara 2020



Illustrated by Anne Stewart.

17th EK Rainbows & Brownies

From the middle of May we have 'Zooming' with our girls. It has been absolutely fabulous getting the chance to see them and hear what they been up to during lockdown. Although Zoom hasn't been for everyone our numbers have been good so we have kept things going but we will stop this term on Tuesday 23rd with a Zoom Beach Party. The girls have been encouraged to work on badges at home and I have two girls who have completed 6 each! Amazing! We try with the limited time available to work on our programme, so the break-out rooms have been great letting the Rainbows & Brownies work independently. The Brownies should have been at camp from 5-7th June but no Gowanpark (picture to follow) for us this year. On the Friday when we were due to leave, I contacted all the parents. I asked the kids to sleep somewhere different over the weekend, some excellent pictures taken and camp tradition to have French toast for breakfast with their family on the Sunday. Small gestures but we still marked this annual event and the good news, already booked 6-8th June 2021, but don't tell the Brownies as they don't know.

As the lockdown starts to ease we hope all our Church Family continues to be safe and well in these exceptional times

From all the

Girls & Leaders

17th EK Rainbows & Brownies



17th EK Guides

What do you do when you can't camp? You go virtual of course! On the last weekend in May the Unit enjoyed all the fun of a camp, but from the safety of their own homes. Our 'Stay at Home' virtual camp involved thirteen Guides and their families setting up camp in their gardens, creating a den in their house, or hanging a hammock to sleep in.

The girls were set a series of tasks throughout the weekend: designing a 'Stay at Home Virtual Camp' badge, making a bird feeder from an orange, a Google Street view scavenger hunt, lots of traditional camp activities, learning our Promise in BSL (British Sign Language), relaxing with meditation, yoga and mandala drawing & colouring, making dampers, Smorrebrods, (*a kind of open sandwich ed.*) & S'mores (*a kind of marshmallow and cracker sandwich. ed.*) as well as various crafts.

They also built a campfire (either real or virtual), sang campfire songs, and helped with cooking dinner.

Charlotte, one of the Guides said "So, last weekend I took part in an online guide camp, I love Guide camps and was worried this just wouldn't work but I'm so happy to say it was fab! It gave me lots of fun activities to take part in which was great after 10 weeks of lockdown and being stuck in the house. I loved doing some baking and made MASSIVE Scones. I also enjoyed getting to make pom-poms, - one of my 'fave' things. The best thing about camp was the Saturday campfire, we had friends over at a social distance and took turns in getting to toast marshmallows although a few ended up on fire, the rest got eaten up very, very quickly! Plus, we got the Scottish sunshine which was an extra bonus."

Although physical unit meetings are on pause just now, our online activities certainly are not. The Guides are having a fabulous time at our weekly Zoom meetings! Leaders are setting them weekly challenges to complete and they have shared ideas about what activities they'd like to take part in: we've had an Escape Room, a games evening, enjoyed a Rainbow & 'T' in a Cup challenges. Amy, (our Young Leader), ran a joint meeting with ourselves and Burnside Guides in Rutherglen making armpit fudge and a bum sandwich! It was a fun night!

Girlguiding Scotland, has launched the 'Guiding at Home' challenge – a weekly online challenge with activities for children and adults to complete. New activities are released every Friday, and the whole challenge reflects the six themes of Girlguiding's programme: Know Myself, Express Myself, Be Well, Have Adventures, Take Action and Skills for My Future.

In true guiding style, anyone who takes part in the challenge can earn the 'Guiding at Home' badge.



The challenge is open to everyone – you don't need to be a member – just download the activities from Girlguiding Scotland's website to take part: <https://www.girlguidingscotland.org.uk/guiding-at-home-hub/guiding-at-home-challenge/>

Why not give it a go?

Lynne, Louise, Nicola, Rachel & Amy



Update from your Youth & Families Worker

As I write this short article, we are now in week 12 of the lockdown to fight against the Coronavirus pandemic. Here in Scotland we are beginning to see the easing of these restrictions and I hope that by following the safety rules in place things we will gradually return to a new normality with everyone managing to stay safe and well.

Many of us have had time to reflect recently and I wonder what you have reflected about and what your hopes and dreams are for when we eventually get out of lockdown fully and back to normal – whenever that might be and however that may look. For me I think that the new normal will be a bit different from what it was. I hope that we will have learned what is important and what is not, I hope our reliance on the material things in life will diminish and faith in God will increase. I dream of greater equality, fairness and justice and stronger communities supporting those in need. I believe the Church can be at the forefront of change and I pray there is a desire for changes which improve society as a whole. Change can be difficult as we are generally creatures of habit and like to remain in our own comfort zone. However, change can be positive and over the last 3 months as a Church we have had to change the way we engage with each other, the way we meet as a church and for our youngsters the way we do Sunday School. Technology has played its part and our morning worship services led by Anne have been online, on Facebook, on our website – this has been wonderful and many

more people are accessing these online services. Another big change over these past few months has seen a move to an **on line version of Sunday School and Sunday activities** for the younger members of our congregation. This virtual on line Sunday School session takes place on a Sunday afternoon at 2.30pm using Zoom and has been well received by the children and their families. This will continue throughout the Summer months of July and August and if required thereafter as well, until we can safely and confidently meet up again in person for such gatherings. Please do let any families with children aged 3 – 12 years know that this is available and encourage them to join. While this has been a new activity many people have commented on this venture being a success and it got me thinking about how we determine success. The following poem reflects success very nicely:

To laugh often and much;

To win the respect of intelligent people and the affection of children;

To earn the appreciation of honest critics and to endure the betrayal

of false friends;

To appreciate beauty;

To find the best in others;

To do something nice for a neighbour or friend every day;

To leave the world a better place than how you found it and to know that

even one life has been enhanced because you have lived;

This is to have succeeded.

I hope that much of what the members of EKOPC have been doing within our congregation and in the wider community has been a success. There

is much to reflect on positively including the online Sunday services, the Helping Hands group supporting those needing shopping, prescriptions and friendly chats, the delivery service of church magazines and life and work, the virtual Sunday School sessions, the online resources on the website and the many contacts made by elders, members and the overall care and love that has been shown.

There is an **on line holiday club section** on the Church Website which can be accessed from www.ekopc.org.uk and using the Youth tab at the top of the home page. Many people have contributed to this wonderful resource which is for children, teenagers & families and the material is constantly reviewed and updated with new resources and things to do being added all the time to keep it fresh. There are even tips for families which I think can be useful for all of us. Here are some of them:

- *Start or share a hobby or leisure activity with your child / children,*
- *Tell your child(ren) every day that you love them,*
- *Listen to your children when they are 5,6 or 7, then they may listen to you when they are 15, 16 or 17,*
- *Respect their privacy,*
- *Create boundaries,*
- *Develop family traditions: e.g. a TV free evening or baking together with no phone call interruptions,*
- *Give your children regular praise and encouragement,*
- *Remember none of us can survive if the past is thrown at us every time we make a new mistake,*
- *Share values and traditions that are important to your family.*

In closing I pray that you will all stay safe and healthy and continue to look after one another.

OUR CHURCH BUILDINGS MAY BE CLOSED FOR WORSHIP BUT OUR CHURCH IS STILL WORSHIPPING AND ALTHOUGH WE MAY BE PHYSICALLY APART, WE ARE STILL VERY MUCH TOGETHER!!

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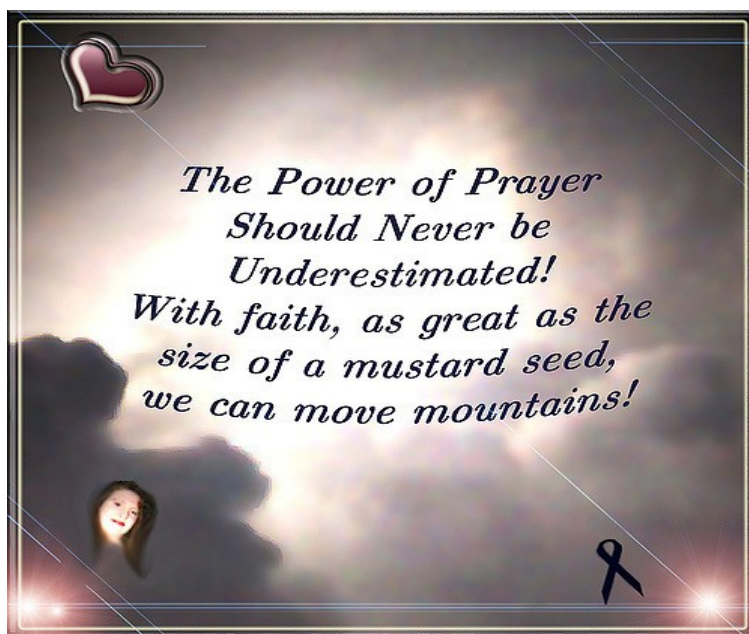


Prayer group is not meeting at this time .We are still taking prayer requests to our Heavenly Father on your behalf.

Please send texts and emails to Marion Leddie.

Take your worries to the Lord in prayer.

Marion Leddie



Prayer Diary



1st. We pray for peace in America and world wide.

2nd. Father ,we pray that churches of all faiths will be opened soon so we can benefit from worshipping together

3rd. Thank you Lord for the knowledge and reassurance that every prayer is heard.

4th. We pray Father, that today's generation of young folk will remain optimistic and secure in their future.

5th. Thank you Lord, for the technology that enables us to keep in touch.

6th. We pray for the Kirk Session ,our Minister and Elders as they continue to make plans for the life, work and witness of the congregation in this lockdown period.

7th. Lord we pray that we never forget your love for us "we have an anchor".

8th. Father, we pray for the Black Lives Matter campaign, that would help to rid our world of racism and that people of all colours would stand up for this.

9th. We pray Father, that when this situation comes to an end, we would appreciate our world more and the God who gave it to us.

10th. We thank you Lord, that even though these times have been hard, each day has been a blessing.

11th. We pray for God's guidance on the new moderator the Rt. Rev. Dr. Martin Fair as he begins his moderatorial year in very unusual circumstances.

12th.Lord God, make me clay in your hands.

13th.Father, we pray for scientists the world over who are trying to find a vaccine to combat the coronavirus that their researches may soon find good results.

14th.We thank the leaders and workers in our congregation for the good things taking place.

15th.Praise God, The Maker, for the world of nature, the busyness of the bees, the colour of the butterflies wings and the chirping of the sparrows.

16th.Heavenly Father, please put love in our hearts and peace in the world.

17th.We pray that people would keep to the rules of the lockdown and avoid a spike of the virus.

18th.We pray Lord, for hope, faith and trust in each other.

19th.Lord, guide our politicians and give them courage to stand up to evil.

20th.We thank you Lord, for all the volunteers all over the world who are giving their time and talents in serving.

21st.Lord, help me to live in the present and look forward to living your plan for my future.

22nd.Fear not for I am with you, says the Lord our God.

23rd.We give thanks for relatives, neighbours and friends who all the time are keeping in touch with one another so that, although there is "physical distancing", there is also "social closeness"

24th.Lord, give us patience at this time and help us to be more tolerant of each other.

25th.Help us Lord, to see the light in the darkness and to recognise what it means to be a Christian.

26th.Thank you for unexpected kindness given to us recently and help us to count our blessings one by one.

27th.Lord, fill our lives with thoughts of kindness and fill our hearts with love.

28th.Thank you Lord, for the church teams who ring and chat, shop, deliver mail and make possible the opportunity to worship. Building is closed Church is not.

29th.We commit to God's care all who have lost their jobs as a result of lock-down and it's effect on their places of work. We pray that God's grace will be with them and their families.

30th.Lord, we pray for the children stuck at home that you would help parents to cope.

31st.We give thanks for organisations like Christian Solidarity Worldwide which campaigns for religious freedom for all faiths ,pray that Christians in Pakistan for example, may be protected from a wrong use of the blasphemy laws.

AUGUST

1st. Lord we pray for all in the NHS and ask that they would cope with the situation that they are in.

2nd.Lord, please comfort the people who are housebound and give them patience.

3rd.We pray for work of the Leprosy Mission which is trying to continue to treat people with leprosy despite the difficulties caused by the Coronavirus.

4th.Lord, bless all the key workers who are keeping our country going in these unusual times.

5th.Father, thank you for loving us in spite of our faults and weaknesses.

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ORGANISATIONS IN EKOPC

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