



Weekly Bulletin

21st May 2026

VACANCY LIST

[Vacancies | The Church of Scotland](#)

Reminders

PROPERTY ATTESTATION

Approximately 50% of congregations have still to submit their documents for attestation. Can you please ensure these documents are submitted as soon as possible, and if you are having difficulties, please contact the presbytery office, who will be happy to provide support.

Mission Action Plan Webinars

By now you should all have received an email from the Mission Action Committee with the Mission Action Plan template and helpful guidance documents. There will be two Mission Action Plan webinars taking place in June:

Tuesday 2 June, 7.00pm to 8.00pm: Webinar Session (Evening)

Thursday 4 June, 10.00am to 11.00am: Webinar Session (Morning)

Here is the: [Sign-up link](#)

Both Webinars will be covering the same ground and therefore either session can be attended. It is not anticipated that the Webinar will be recorded, however, the Mission Action Committee would like to invite anyone in the Kirk Session who would like to attend the Webinar to sign up for it, ensuring that at least some members of the Kirk Session can attend and feedback to the wider team.

OSCR Presbytery Trustees

All Presbytery Members, and former Presbytery Members from 2025 will have received an email from the Presbytery Clerk regarding the completion of a form with contact information for OSCR. If you can complete the form **as soon as possible** that would be much appreciated.

We are also looking to confirm your Representative Elder for 2026-2027 so again, please complete the wee form emailed earlier this week.



Make a Difference in Education

There is an opportunity for Forth Valley & Clydesdale Presbytery to send a representative to sit on the Local Authority's Education Committee.

Each Local Authority (LA) is entitled, by law, to three faith representatives on its Education Committees, one of which is a Church of Scotland appointment. Such an appointee does not need to be a minister, although nine of the current representatives are ordained ministers.

Legal allowances notwithstanding, the benefits of being allowed a representative on the Education Committee include a first-hand account of what is happening in the world of education, information that can be used as a stimulus and navigation point for each Presbytery's outreach to schools, children and young people.

If you or someone in your church would like to serve in this capacity, please let us know by contacting: jennywilson@churchofscotland.org.uk

Training Dates - Safeguarding

There are still places available on the following courses. **Please note a change of date for the Advanced Online course, from Wed 10th to Tuesday 9th.** If none of these dates suit, you may find training dates offered by other presbyteries here [Training | The Church of Scotland](#)

- **Trustee EK Moncreiff Wed 3rd Jun 7.30pm -**
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/trustee-safeguarding-training-moncreiff-tickets-1987909075558?aff=oddtcreator>
- **Adv Online Tues 9th Jun 7pm -** <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/advanced-safeguarding-training-online-tickets-1987910764610?aff=oddtcreator>
- **Trustee Upper Braes Wed 17th Jun 7pm -**
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/trustee-safeguarding-training-upper-braes-tickets-1987911320272?aff=oddtcreator>

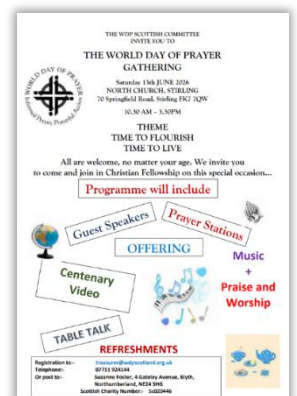
Events

World Day of Prayer Gathering

This year's WDP Gathering will take place at North Church, 70 Springfield Road, Stirling FK7 7QW on Saturday 13th June, 11am – 3.30pm. Coffee/tea will be available from 10.30am. There will be no charge for the day although there will be an opportunity to make a donation towards the cost of lunch on the day for those who feel they can afford to.

For catering purposes, please let them know if you plan to attend, along with any dietary requirements.

The poster is attached as a separate pdf.



Funding Opportunities



The National Churches Trust have refreshed their page, adding new categories and making it easier to find exactly what you're looking for.

[Click here to see which grants might be suitable for your church.](#)

Job Opportunities

Parish Assistant

The Newhouse Cluster (Holytown linked with New Stevenston Wrangholm, Kirk O'Shotts and Newarthill & Carfin Parish Churches) Presbytery of Forth Valley and Clydesdale

Part time (18.75 hours per week)

Fixed Term (18 months)

Salary: £30,274 - £34,224 per annum pro rata

Ref: M20/26

Could you be part of something different? We have an exciting opportunity for a motivated and enthusiastic individual to use their gifts, skills, and experience to make a difference to the lives of the people in our parishes and communities.

We are seeking a committed Parish Assistant to support the Interim Minister in pastoral care, worship, and community engagement.

The successful candidate will have strong pastoral and interpersonal skills, experience of worship, an understanding of wellbeing and chaplaincy, and the ability to work both collaboratively and on their own initiative.

Family and Community Worker,

North Ayr Parish Church
Presbytery of the South West
Full time 37.5 hours per week
Salary £30,274 - £34,224 per annum
Ref: M21/26

Could you be part of something different? We have a rewarding opportunity for a motivated and enthusiastic individual to use their gifts, skills, and experience to make a difference to the lives of those in the parish of North Ayr.

As four churches coming together the postholder will help us with community outreach in ways that are both practical and ministerial. It will enable us to build on the 10 years community work which is much-valued asset with the parish of North Ayr.

Our current outreach is wide-ranging and includes a music project for people with mental and physical disabilities; a pre-school parent and carer and toddler group; a weekly lunch group which is run in conjunction with local football team; discos and film nights and we enjoy a very good relationship with primary schools in our parish.

We have diligent and supportive elders in the church and the energy and cooperation of our volunteers, but as we seek a Family and Community Worker to coordinate this area of work and look at new opportunities where the church can work within the community.

For a full job descriptions and details on how to apply, please click [here](#).

Closing date for both applications: Monday, 8 June 2026 at 12 noon.