



The Church of Scotland

The Presbytery of Forth Valley and Clydesdale

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Reminders

Representative Elders 2026-2027

The deadline for submitting the details of your Presbytery Elder was 30th June 2026. If you have not already done so, please let us know who your Elder for next session will be. If you are aware of issues in appointing an Elder, please contact the Presbytery office as soon as possible.

Visiting the Presbytery Office



You are very welcome to pop into the Presbytery office at any time (the coffee pot is always on!) but there are times, especially over the summer, where the office is unmanned, so please give us a call ahead of your visit to ensure someone is here to greet you.

Important Dates for your Diary

Here are the **Presbytery Property Meeting dates for 2026/27 Session**. Please also note the cut-off dates for Application submissions for any works.

Property Meeting Dates

29 July 2026
26 August 2026
23 September 2026
21 October 2026
25 November 2026
16 December 2026
27 January 2027
24 February 2027
24 March 2027
21 April 2027
19 May 2027
16 June 2027

Application Deadline Dates

22 July 2026
19 August 2026
16 September 2026
14 October 2026
18 November 2026
9 December 2026
20 January 2027
17 February 2027
17 March 2027
14 April 2027
12 May 2027
9 June 2027

Appeals

Venezuela Earthquake Appeal

God of all comfort

We bring before you those who have been affected by the earthquake in Venezuela

And ask that you hold them close in their grief and anguish

Guide the hands and feet of those still searching for loved ones

Give Your peace that passes understanding to those who are dealing with the realisation of all they have lost

Strength and perseverance to those giving practical support

Enabling the aid to reach those who need it most.

Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer

Amen.



Christian Aid Scotland have asked to share with you that The Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) has launched an appeal, with match funding from the UK Government. Christian Aid is a member charity and is therefore involved. Val Brown, Head of Christian Aid in Scotland, is the spokesperson for the DEC appeal in Scotland. [There are also church and worship resources on the Christian Aid website.](#)

DEC VENEZUELA EARTHQUAKE APPEAL

On Wednesday, June 24, two catastrophic earthquakes hit Venezuela within seconds of each other. The UN estimates that millions of people have been affected, with more than two million in the worst impacted areas. Families have lost loved ones, homes and the sense of safety and security they once knew.

Rescuers are searching for survivors, but the scale of loss is already significant, and the people of Venezuela urgently need help. Together with the 14 other charities that make up the DEC, we're launching a [UK-wide appeal](#) to meet the escalating needs of people affected by the earthquakes.

Christian Aid colleagues are already working hard with our partners to assess the needs of our neighbours in Venezuela and ensure that our emergency response is exactly what and where it needs to be. Our local partners are best placed to reach affected communities with urgent assistance; they are providing emergency medical treatment, delivering meals and food baskets, and ensuring people have access to clean drinking water.

Please keep the people of Venezuela, and all those responding to this crisis, in your prayers.

You can donate to the DEC Venezuela appeal via Christian Aid:

<https://caid.org.uk/HelpVenezuela>

- £10 could provide essential hygiene supplies to a family to prevent illness
- £50 could help provide emergency food support to two families for a week
- £100 could provide shelter kits for six families whose homes have been destroyed

The UK Government will match donations to the Venezuela Earthquake Appeal pound-for-pound up to £2 million, through its UK Aid Match scheme.

Celebrations

South Wishaw Parish Church are celebrating their 150th Anniversary with an open day on Saturday 4th July and a service on Sunday 5th July – all welcome!

