

Dear Friends

23rd March, 2021

Our Planned Return to Public Worship

The decision has been taken to recommence worship on Sunday 4 April at 10.15am in the church and 11.30am in the McIlwrath Hall.

Obviously, COVID-19 will continue to affect the way in which we are able to meet for worship. But prior to returning, we felt it important to remind you of the arrangements that have been put in place to help keep you safe.

• **Please do not attend Worship if you have:**

- a new continuous cough
- a high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of smell or taste (anosmia)

+ On arrival

- Please ensure that you observe social distancing at all times.
- **When you arrive for worship you will be welcomed at the front door into the Welcome Area or McIlwrath Hall and required to make use of the hand sanitizer available at either door, the door from the car-park will not be in use.**
- **A face covering must be worn at all times while in the buildings. Please bring your own.**
- We will be keeping a register of attendees as a precaution in the event that someone present at worship is later diagnosed with COVID-19. The list will be held for 31 days.
- **Once you enter the Church you will be directed to a pew/seat. They will be filled in a specific order and it is essential that everyone follows the directions given. You cannot choose which seat to sit in.**
- Seating has been arranged to ensure at least 2m distance is maintained between family groups.
- Doors will remain open throughout the Service to ensure good ventilation.
- **We would be delighted to see children attending, however they must remain seated with their family. There will be no Little Lights or Sunday School during the service.** (Sunday School online will be available on Sunday afternoons at 3pm.)
- There will be no offering lifted. A plate will be available as you leave.
- Following the service, please leave the church/ hall as directed ensuring you remain 2m distance away from other people. If you stop outside to chat with others, it is advised that you please keep your distance and wear your mask.
- Toilets will be available, but we would encourage you to only use it if absolutely necessary.

We appreciate that some of our members may not yet feel ready to attend. Please do not feel pressurised to attend until you are comfortable to do so. We look forward seeing you back at Church when you are ready.

Sincerely,

Rev Norman McAuley (Minister)

David Francis (Clerk of Session)