

# Edenshead Parish Church Newsletter – September 2020



*If you intend to join us for worship, it would be good if you could give Rod a call just to help us plan ahead.*

*We look forward to seeing you soon.*

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## Good News!!

**We'll be back in Church very soon!**

Following our Kirk Session meeting held on 18 August by Zoom, it was agreed to re-open for Worship on Sunday 13 September 2020 at 10.30am.

We will meet initially using Auchtermuchty Church and this will continue fortnightly until a further review.

Elspeth Smith will lead worship on 13 September and on 27 September Rev Susan Thorburn will be with us.

More good news too!

On Sunday 27 we will be welcoming two new members into our midst.....



Debbie & Gary Tarver have completed a course of instruction in church membership with our Interim Moderator Rev. Margaret Rose and they will be officially admitted as members by Rev Susan Thorburn during the service.

Things will be different though - see overleaf.....

## So - What should you expect when you come to Church?

Let's walk through from arrival at the building.....

When you arrive at church, you may find a queue just like the co-op!

We will be using the **old side door** rather than the usual main door. This gives us more room inside where you will be welcomed by a small team of people.

The "usual" door at the back of the church is for emergency exit only.

There are various notices as you come in through the vestibule, so please take a little time to read them.

Masks must be worn in the building and we do have some available on the vestibule noticeboard if you forget yours.

Sanitiser is available at the entrance for use on entering and leaving.

We are also required to note down your name and contact number for Track and Trace. Kay will be doing this.

You will see that the seating layout is not as it used to be.

We must allow 2m social distancing in every direction between all the seats so the seating capacity is now 30 which is a lot less than we are used to.

A member of the welcoming group will help show you where to sit. The pews can accommodate two people – one at either end – there are markers at each place.  
A couple or a family may sit together in one pew.

It makes sense to begin filling up seats from the back and working forward as this avoids passing people already seated.

## Some questions and answers –

Q. Can we sing?

A. Unfortunately we are not allowed to sing at the moment.

Q. Can we use the balcony?

A. It is not possible to use the balcony at the moment.

Q. Is the toilet going to be available?

A. Yes it will be. Please use sanitiser before entering.

Q. How will I make my offering?

A. There will be a collection plate near the entrance.

Q. What if I don't feel able to come to church – can I make my offering some other way?

A. Yes, there are several ways to do this.

*Joy Roberts has retired as treasurer and we appreciate her many years of service. We do now have a new treasurer. His name is Glenn Sharpe and he lives in Dunshalt. He works as Finance Manager with Keep Scotland Beautiful and previously served for 22 years in the Royal Navy. He is also a volunteer on the management team of Dunshalt Community Shop.*

You may hand money into any of the three members of the Finance Team – Brian Slattery, Carole Fraser or Joan Arnott.

Or you can post a cheque made out to *Edenshead Parish Church of Scotland*, to Glenn Sharpe, 17 Main Street, Dunshalt, KY14 7EU.

Or you can transfer money directly with online banking.

The Sort Code is 80 06 26, the Account no. is 00136638 and the reference should be your own name.

See photos overleaf for new seating plan.....