



Trinity Parish Church

Reg. Charity No. SC001020

Service times: Chapelton 9.30am,
Glassford 10.00am & Strathaven 11.00am

Minister: The Very Reverend Dr Shaw J Paterson

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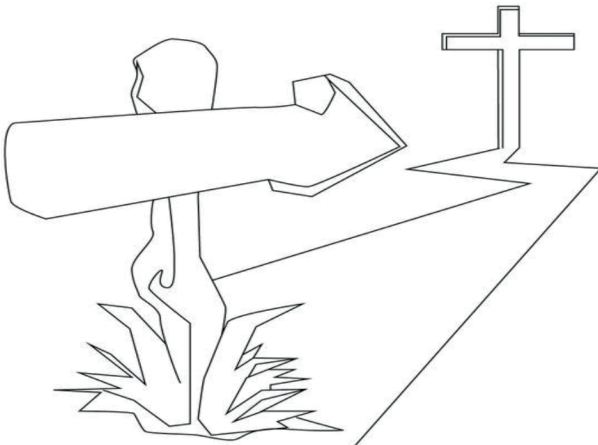
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The Rev Norman McKee

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WORSHIP TEAM:

Mr Robin Jack (Elder)
Mrs Valerie
Maclean (Elder)
Mrs Julie Robertson

I am the way
the truth
and the life



PREACHING: Shaw will be at all three churches

MINUTE FOR MISSION THIS WEEK: Fairtrade

NEW HYMN: The Lords my Shepherd (Stuart Townend)

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sunday School in all three churches takes place following the children's address.

AN ACTIVITY FOR OUR YOUNGER ONES: There are crayons in a basket at the front door of the Church if you would like to colour in the picture on the front.

3 May 2026

We are delighted to welcome everyone worshipping with us this morning - especially if you are new or visiting our Congregation.

WELCOME!

Lectionary Readings:

Acts 7:55-60; Psalm
31:1-5, 15-16;
1 Peter 2:2-10;
John 14:1-14

Please come round to the hall after the service for tea, coffee and fellowship

DATES:

3rd May - Today:

- Chapelton Breakfast (Christian Aid)
- Pizza and Praise

6th May:

Heart for Art

8th May:

Messy Church

10th May:

Preaching Rota -

Valerie will be at Chapelton. Norman will be at Strathaven and Shaw will be Glassford

10th May:

- Glassford Communion
- Glassford Fairtrade
- Kirk session at Glassford
- New Hymn - May I serve a risen saviour MP 295 - <https://youtu.be/qF6aBDS3drA?si=EgyS3u-27mBPN3K9>

10th - 16th May:

Christian Aid week

12 May:

Guild outing

13th May:

Memory Club

17th May:

Glassford soup brunch (Christian Aid)

YOUTH WORKER:

Julie Robertson,
07544 249324
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NEWS/UPDATES:

NEW CONNECTIONS: All elders, the magazine is available for collection today from your pigeon holes.



WEBSITE: Please hover your camera over the QR code.

This will take you directly to our website.

You can now find the Sunday intimations sheet on the church website. It will change every Thursday. It contains a lot of information about what is happening in the church. This also applies to the New Connections. The website is www.strathaventrinity.co.uk

SAFEGUARDING: Some individuals remain registered with PVG but are no longer volunteering in the Church. Please note it is illegal to stay registered with Disclosure Scotland if you are not undertaking a regulated role. If you no longer work with children or protected adults, you must inform Disclosure Scotland and complete an SG22 form for Church of Scotland Safeguarding.

Please contact Ruby Davidson for the form or further information.

PIZZA AND PRAISE: Join us for a joyful evening of fellowship, food, and worship at our Pizza & Praise Night. Enjoy delicious pizza, meaningful conversation, and uplifting hymns as we gather together in faith. Sunday **3rd May, 18:30–20:00** at Strathaven Church Hall. All are welcome—we'd love to see you there!

HEART FOR ART: The May meetings are on:

Wednesday 6th and **20th**, both at 1pm to 3pm in the large hall.

MESSY CHURCH: Messy Church takes place on the **8th May** in Chapelton from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. Everyone is welcome to join us for crafts, songs, fun and fellowship and a bit to eat is included.

COMMUNION: Will be celebrated at Glassford on the **10th May**.

FAIRTRADE: Glassford stall will be open on the following dates: **10th May** and **14th June**.

KIRK SESSION: The Kirk Session (at Glassford) will meet next Sunday (**10th May**) before the Communion Service for the admission of a new communicant.

CHRISTIAN AID: Christian Aid Week is being held from 10 -16th May this year. To take forward plans for fund raising, some volunteers (from all 3 buildings) are needed to help with planning and arrangements. If you would like to be involved or have any suggestions or ideas, please contact the church office at strathaventrinity@gmail.com or Caroline Leggate (tel 07968256319 or email leggates1996@gmail.com).

Christian Aid envelopes will be distributed with the **May edition of New Connections**. During May, please return your envelopes to the church as soon as possible by either putting them in the CA buckets which will be placed at the front of each church, or giving them to the office or put them through the letterbox at the manse (behind the storm door).

NEWS/UPDATES:

Christian Aid fund raising activities:

- **CRYPTIC QUIZ:** The Christian Aid cryptic quiz is still available from Ishbel in Strathaven, Caroline in Chapelton and Margaret in Glassford – return date 14 May if you want to be included in the prize draw on Sunday 17 May after the service in Strathaven.
- Boys Brigade quiz sheets. £1 donation to enter
- Chapelton will be hosting a breakfast **TODAY** after the service
- Glassford will be having a soup brunch on **17th May** after the service
- Strathaven Sunday School games and activities **10th May**. £1 per game

If you would like to make a direct donation, please use the church account: Strathaven: Trinity Parish Church, Bank of Scotland, 800975, 00766031 and put Christian Aid as reference



MEMORY CLUB: Wednesday **13th May** 1.30pm to 3.15pm when Christine and Alex Knox return to entertain with well-known songs.
Wednesday **27th May** when we have another opportunity to enjoy Musical Bingo. Again 1.30pm to 3.15pm.
As usual if anyone is interested in either group, please contact Lynda Horn on 07778579504 for more information.

PLEASE VOLUNTEER: We are looking for a volunteer to tend the grass and small garden at the front of our Strathaven building. Please speak to the Minister for more information.

We are also looking for an additional Church Officer at Strathaven to join the team. The more volunteers the better. Please speak to any of the Church Officers or Shaw for more details about what's involved.

OFFERING: In addition to bank transfer, electronic offerings can be made using the link <https://cos.churchofscotland.org.uk/donate/?cong=171167> or via the QR code



MEMORY TREE: Families and individuals will be able to commemorate a loved one by adding a **copper leaf**, engraved with a short inscription. Each leaf costs **£50.00**, which includes the engraving, and will then be added permanently to the tree. To order plaques, please contact the office. The tree will be secured in the sanctuary at Strathaven over the next week or so.

CITIZENS ADVICE: is available on **Tuesdays from 9:45am - 1pm** in the vestry at Trinity. We can offer help and advice on a wide range of issues. If you would like an appointment, please call 07592-995152 and leave a message.

BIGGER PICTURE for Academy pupils is on **Mondays and Fridays at lunchtime**. come along to the church hall for a hot chocolate and a toastie while eating their lunch. Please let as many as possible know about the hall being open – it's a dry and warm place to have lunch. If anyone would like to volunteer to help on a Monday and/or Friday, please come along or speak to Cillia or the minister.

TRINITY AFTER SCHOOL CLUB: in Glassford Church Hall meets on Thursdays 3-4pm. All primary aged children welcome.

TRINITY TODDLERS: meets 10m -11.30am Mondays in Strathaven and Wednesdays in Chapelton.



BECOME A MEMBER OF TRINITY: Anyone wishing for more information about joining Trinity (which includes Chapelton, Glassford and Strathaven) should speak to the minister for more information. Membership classes will be starting soon.



CHURCH WEBSITE: Please check out our website at www.strathaventrinity.co.uk

Our website provides a great opportunity to spread the word about activities and events happening with the wider community. So, if you would like to add information or pictures to the website, please contact:

**Donald Cunningham at Don.westcoast@mac.com or
Ishbel Anderson at ishbelanderson2012@gmail.com**

SMARTIES: Please remember to fill your empty Smarties tubes with 20 pences to help us fund the training of a nurse at the Women's Christian Hospital in Multan, Pakistan. Alternatively please contact the office if you wish to make a direct donation.



CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Thursday 9.15 - 11.45am, during term time.

Email address: strathaventrinity@gmail.com

INTIMATIONS: All intimations for the next week should be forwarded to Ruth in the office by Tuesday evening each week please.

Email: strathaventrinity@gmail.com

LIVE STREAMING: Our Strathaven services are live-streamed (and available as a recording later). It is only the chancel area and first two pews that are in sight of the camera. Parents, in particular, should be aware that if they do not wish their child to be visible 'on-line' then they should ensure they sit a couple of pews from the front.

Lectionary Readings 10th May:

Acts 17:22-31; Psalm 66:8-20; 1 Peter 3:13-22; John 14:15-21

Please complete below if you are new or are interested in 'joining' this congregation; and to inform the Minister of any illnesses (at home or in hospital):

Name:

Address: