



Trinity Parish Church

Reg. Charity No. SC001020

Service times: Chapelton 9.30am & Strathaven 11.00am

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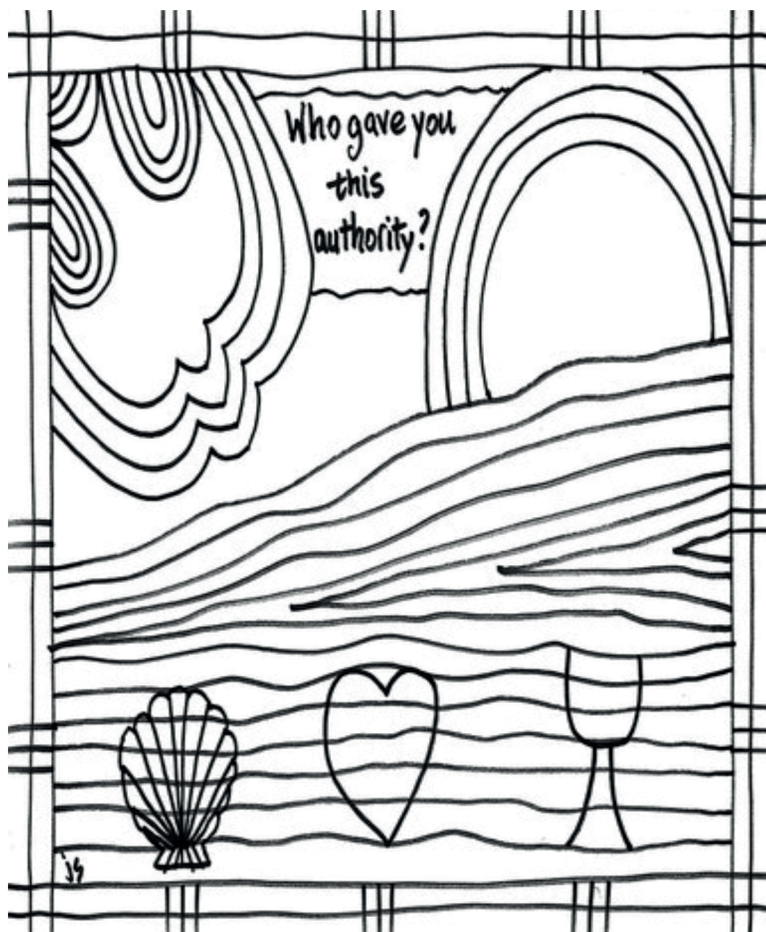
WORSHIP TEAM:

Mr. Robin Jack (Elder)

Mrs. Valerie

Maclean (Elder)

Mrs. Julie Robertson (Elder)



**27th September
2026**

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



**Lectionary
Readings:**

Exodus 17:1-7;
Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16;
Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32;
Psalm 25:1-9;
Philippians 2:1-13;
Matthew 21:23-32



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



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WEBSITE**

DATES:

3rd October:

- Heart for Art exhibition in Strathaven
- Messy Church in Chapelton

4th October:

Harvest Breakfast in Chapelton

7th October:

Memory Club

9th October:

Concert by Studio 32 – Songs from the Musicals

20th October:

Guild meeting

YOUTH WORKER:

Julie Robertson,
07544 249324
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NEWS/UPDATES:

MINUTE FOR MISSION: Girls Brigade

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sunday School 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.



HEART FOR ART: Please put in your diaries the art exhibition in **Strathaven on 3rd October** which will showcase the beautiful work that our artists have produced. More information can be found in the September edition of New Connections. If you would like to donate some baking for the Art Exhibition coffee afternoon on Sat 3rd Oct, it can be handed into Church hall on Fri 2nd Oct at 1p.m. or 6-7p.m.

MESSY CHURCH: Messy Church meets monthly in Chapelton on the 1st Saturday of the Month from 10:30-12:30. The next meeting will be on Saturday the **3rd October**.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING: All donations from the Harvest Thanksgiving service on the **4th October** (food and money) will be donated to Lodging House Mission in Glasgow. LHM are particularly looking for diluting juice, tea & coffee, sugar and fresh veggies please.

HARVEST BREAKFAST: Chapelton Church will be having a Harvest Breakfast after the service on Harvest Sunday on the **4th October**. Rolls and sausage, bacon and egg tea or coffee. £2:00 for single filling £3:00 double filling.

MEMORY CLUB / HEART FOR ART: There are no meetings on Wednesday 30th September as it is a 5 week month. Next meeting will be Memory Club on **7th October**.

CONCERT: On Friday **9th October** at 7.00 pm our annual concert will be held in the church and we look forward to an entertaining evening when Studio 32 will perform Songs from the Musicals. Tickets are on sale now from committee members, church office and Craig's in the Common Green. The cost is £10 and this includes tea/coffee/baking following the concert. Donations of baking will be very welcome and can be handed into the hall on 9th October between 2.00 – 3.00 pm. Money raised will be donated to various charities including The Peter Gough Foundation which is supported by Studio 32. Thanks for your support.

GUILD: The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 20th October at 7.30 pm in Drumclog Church. We have been invited to join Drumclog Guild to hear from the Rev George Lind who will talk on the theme for the Guild this year – Beyond the Walls.

NEW CONNECTIONS: The next issue of our magazine will be issued mid November.

NEWS/UPDATES:

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The kirk Session has put in place a new committee structure and we are looking for volunteers...If you would be interested in worship, discipleship, fellowship and pastoral care *or* the wider community, outreach, communication and partnership *or* children, young people and families *or* finance *or* property, please contact the minister in the first instance.



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.



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

LOAVES AND FISHES: In this current time of difficulty for so many families, please continue to support Loaves and Fishes by donating food items on a Sunday morning. The charity supports families in East Kilbride and Strathaven and is so appreciative of our donations. They are specifically looking for the following items: Pasta, pasta sauce, pot noodles, microwave rice and coffee and bags.

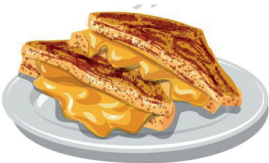
MEN'S COFFEE GROUP: The men's group meets in the small upstairs hall on **Wednesday mornings between 10.30am until 12 noon** for coffee/tea biscuits and a chat. Come and go for part or all of the time as suits you.

LADIES CRAFTING: Takes place on Wednesdays 1:30pm – 3:30pm in Chapeltown

LADIES BADMINTON: Takes place every Wednesday morning in Strathaven 10am to 12 noon.

KEEP FIT: Class meets regularly on **Mondays** in the small downstairs hall of our Strathaven buildings, from **7-8pm**. Exercises are designed to maintain fitness, so not dynamic. We do a lot of laughing so the hour goes quickly. All to the beat of some great 60s music classics.

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: Meets weekly in Glassford Church Hall on Thursday afternoons and in Chapeltown hall on Monday afternoons. Both sessions will be from 3-4pm. All primary school aged children welcome.

TRINITY TODDLERS: Meets 10m -11.30am Mondays in Strathaven and Wednesdays in Chapeltown.



BECOME A MEMBER OF TRINITY: Anyone wishing for more information about joining Trinity (which includes Chapelton and Strathaven) should speak to the minister for more information.



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 4th October:

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20; Psalm 19; Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 80:7-15; Philippians 3:4b-14; Matthew 21:33-46

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: