Trinity Parish Church

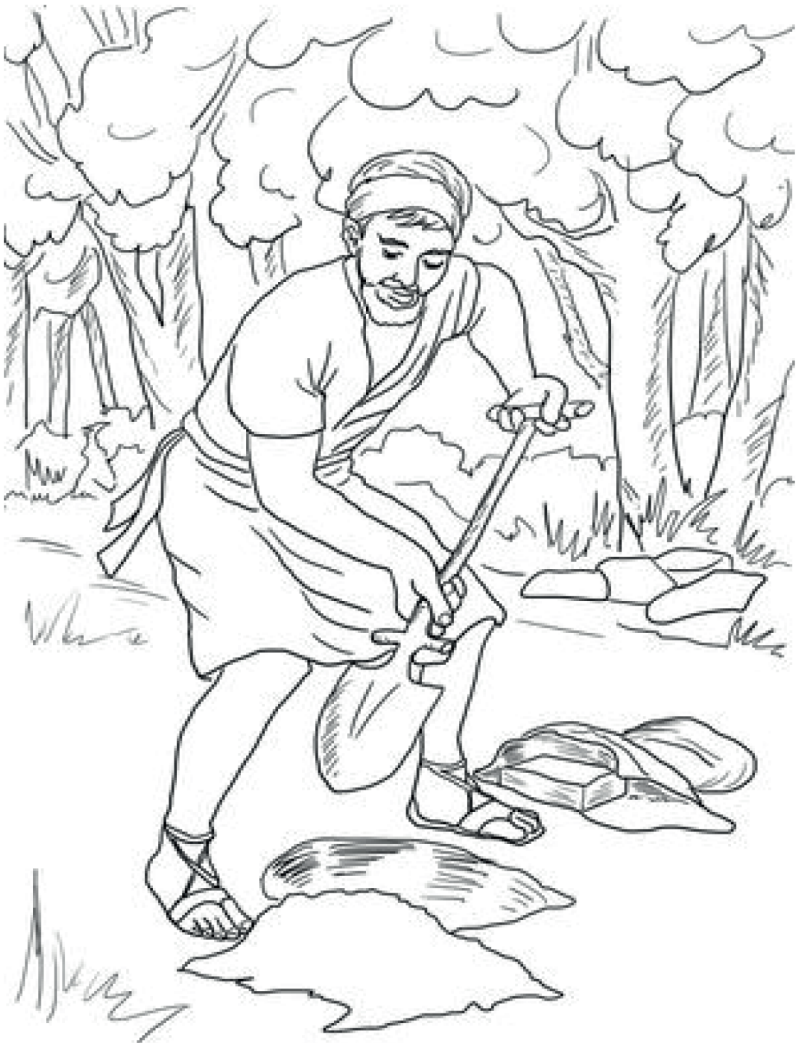
Reg. Charity No. SC001020

Service times: Chapelton 9.30am & Strathaven 11.00am

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



15th November 2026

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

Lectionary Readings:

Judges 4:1-7; Psalm 123; Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18; Psalm 90:1-8, (9-11), 12; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11; Matthew 25:14-30

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DATES:

18th November:
Heart for Art

29th November:
Gift Service

30TH Nov & 2nd Dec:
Bubblegum and Fluff

8th December:
- Soup, Roll and Chat commences
- Guild Meeting

15th December:
Guild Christmas Lunch

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

YOUTH WORKER:
Julie Robertson,
07544 249324
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NEWS/UPDATES:

MINISTERS HOLIDAYS: Shaw will be away from the 16th November and will be back on duty on the 23rd November.

MINUTE FOR MISSION: HHI

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

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sunday School takes place following the children's address.

GUILD: The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 8th December 2026 at 2.00 pm in the large hall in Strathaven when we will play musical bingo with a Christmas theme. We look forward to welcoming new and returning members – men and women. If you need transport, please contact Marjorie Lamb on 07872050305 to reserve a seat on the Avondale Community bus.

MEMORY CLUB: Memory Club meetings take place on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month. The next meeting will be on the **25th November.** All meetings are in the large hall. contact Lynda Horn for further information on 07778579504

HEART FOR ART: The next meeting will be on the **18th**. All meetings are in the large hall. contact Lynda Horn for further information, on 07778579504. The Heart for Art group is selling Christmas cards with 3 different designs painted by 3 of our members. The cards are £1 each. They will initially be available at the Memory Club and Heart for Art meetings.

CHRISTMAS GIFT SERVICE: The Annual Gift Service will take place on the **29th** November when we remember families who will struggle to buy gifts for their children. If you are able, please support our Gift Service for Christmas presents (unwrapped) which this year will be donated to Loaves and Fishes Christmas appeal. We will receive gifts at both morning services. Please see enclosed the Loaves and Fishes Christmas appeal poster.
Please support this wonderful cause.

BUBBLEGUM AND FLUFF: Volunteers required for our annual Bubblegum & Fluff activity with the local primary schools on the mornings of **Monday 30th** November and **Wednesday 2nd** December. For more information, please speak to the minister.

SOUP, ROLL AND A CHAT: Come along and enjoy a warm bowl of home made soup at Glassford church hall on on **8th, 15th and 22nd** December. No charge, any donations will go to a local charity. Look forward to seeing you there.

PROSTATE CANCER: Strathaven Probus Club have secured funding to carry out PSA tests on local men aged 40 to 80. Anyone who wishes to be tested should contact Graham Murray on 07740862095 or e-mail Graham at d.grahammurray@hotmail.co.uk

NEWS/UPDATES:

SMALL CHRISTMAS TREES: Following the success of last year, we are extending an invitation to groups and organisations who would wish to decorate a small tree (made from old pallets) to get in touch with the minister or church secretary for details. The trees will be dedicated at a carol service on Sunday 6th December at 6:30pm. Any group or organisation which has not yet requested a Christmas Tree (made from recycled pallets) for decoration should speak to the minister or Church secretary asap.

CHAPELTON DOOR AND CHANCEL DUTY: Chapelton will be redoing the rotas for next year for both Door and Chancel Duty. If anyone would like to be added to the list then please speak to Lesley Toms for more information as soon as possible. We are always looking for new volunteers to help spread the load.



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.

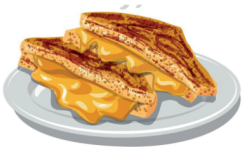
LOAVES AND FISHES: In this current time of difficulty for so many families, please continue to support Loaves and Fishes by donating food items on a Sunday morning. charity supports families in East Kilbride and Strathaven and isso appreciative of our donations. They are specifically looking for the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

CHOIR PRACTICE: Is at 10am every Sunday before the Strathaven service.

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: There will only be one session of Citizens advice during November.



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 Chapelton 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 Chapelton.

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 22nd November:
Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24; Psalm 100; Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24; Psalm 95:1-7a; Ephesians 1:15-23; Matthew 25:31-46

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: