

### THE GATE FOODBANK, ALLOA

This year The Gate have already provided 46100 meals for 2230 people including 840 children and young people. This is a 15% increase on the same time last year. Service needs are increasing and the response of the local community has always been an inspiration to us.

Thanks to all who contributed so generously this month - 'urgently needed' list; *Rice pudding, Tinned Fruit, Meat paste, Tinned Meat / Fish, Tinned veg carrots, peas & sweetcorn, Individual packets of custard powder, pasta & sauce, savoury rice, Pkts cheese sauce mix, Noodles, Instant Potatoes, Weetabix / Variety packs, Jam, Coffee/ Tea, Squash*

If you would like to check up regarding what The Gate could use, please phone them on 01259 218766.

**Please place any further donations in the blue box just inside the front door of Muckhart Church or hand into Glendevon Church.**

### January Linkage Sheet

Details of events taking place in January are given in the monthly Linkage Sheet, printed on a separate coloured sheet. If you have not received a copy, please ask one of the Duty Elders or visit the website.

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The Church Secretary is off all day on Wednesdays.

The weekly intimations, the current Linkage news sheet and the latest edition of the parish magazine "Grapevine" are all available on the church website: [www.muckhartparishchurch.co.uk](http://www.muckhartparishchurch.co.uk)

Muckhart Parish Church  
Scottish Reg.Charity No SC009418,  
CCL No: 1214148



## MUCKHART PARISH CHURCH

**Sunday 14th January 2018  
Communion Service 9.30am**

*Good morning and welcome*

*The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all*

A warm welcome is extended to everyone at worship with us today, especially if you are a visitor.

***The service today will be led by Rev Iain Goring***

Call to Worship

**Hymn 181** For the beauty of the earth

Prayer

Things to share

Children's time

**Hymn 527** Lord, make us servants

Reading: Genesis 37:1-11 (p 41)

Sermon

Offering & Dedication

**Hymn 684** The Lord created families  
(Tune CH 16)

Communion

**Hymn 622** We sing a love

Benediction

**Doxology** Hymn 825

*Amen, Amen, Amen, amen, amen*



**What has God said to you or shown you today?**

## NEXT SUNDAY

### Sunday 21st January

Muckhart Parish Church, 9.30am

Morning Service

Glendevon Parish Church, 11.00am

Morning Service

*These services will be led by Rev Iain Goring.*

## THIS WEEK

**Thursday 18th January** at 10am.

### **Special Meeting of the Planning Panel Hearing to be held in Bannockburn Community Centre**

There is a proposal to build a new crematorium on the site of the old Bannockburn Hospital. The Business committee of the Presbytery of Stirling discussed this matter at a recent meeting. It would appear that the local Press has carried some negative comments about this proposal.

The Presbytery have asked that as many Congregations / individuals take the opportunity to support this venture which, they feel, is in the best interests of the City of Stirling. If you are so inclined, you are urged to make representation, either by letter or by attending the above public meeting. Below is the report given by the Business Convener, Mrs Val Rose which gives further details:

#### **Crematorium costs in the Stirling Area.**

A huge rise in prices, up 112% in 13 years, means an average funeral now costs £4078. One in six people who organised a funeral in the past year admitted it caused them serious financial concern (taken from Quaker Social Action on funeral poverty 2017).

For non-residents in the Stirling and surrounding area the crematorium costs at Falkirk for non-residents are some of the highest in the country and typically 50% greater than Falkirk residents. The building of a new crematorium within the bounds of Stirling Presbytery will have a significant impact on bereavement care in the area; not only in the reduction in cremation fees but also improved access for grieving friends and relatives.

The Business Committee brings to the attention of congregations the significant benefit that this new planned plication will have and encourages written support or attendance at a Special Meeting of the Planning Panel Hearing

## COMING SOON

### Monday 22nd January

Monday Housegroup meet at the home of Helen Silk, Megdale Cottage, Lovers Loan, Dollar at 9.30am. New members always welcome.

### Wednesday 24th January

Wednesday House Group meets in St James' Rooms from 10 for 10.30. Further information from Christine Campbell on 742463

## OTHER NEWS

### Monday 29th January 2-5pm

It takes all sorts to run **Lendrick Muir. *Can you vacuum? cook? weed? bake? repair? paint?***

If you have a skill that you'd love to share and a heart for volunteering, drop in for a chat. We'd love to partner with you. Meet for coffee, cake and conversation 2-5pm Lendrick Muir, Rumbling Bridge

### Tuesday 30th January 10.15-12pm and 2-4pm

Maureen Pearson invites you to a **Tea/Coffee Party in aid of Alzheimer Scotland** at 16 Strachan Crescent. Come and support a worthy cause - bring a friend. Gentlemen welcome.

Enjoy a cup of tea or coffee with home baking.

Bring and buy (food only) sale

Home baking, jams, pickles, etc. No obligation to contribute

If transport is required phone Maureen on 742318

