

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.



FUN FOR THE FAMILY - ESPECIALLY THE KIDS
Coronation Hall, Muckhart November 26 4pm - 7pm
(Santa may pop round too at around 5pm)

Back by popular demand... Santa's helpers have been working really hard to get ready for Light up Muckhart 2017. Santa's sleigh has been cleaned up, Christmas bunting has been stitched, the piano has been tuned and Dawn Hodgson is once again brewing some lovely syrups and potions in her kitchen.

The fun starts at 4pm, we hope santa will arrive around 5pm and we will be all wrapped up by 7pm

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The weekly intimations,
the current Linkage news
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"Grapevine" are all available
on the church website: www.
muckhartparishchurch.co.uk

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MUCKHART PARISH CHURCH

**Sunday 19 November 2017
Morning 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

Welcome, Introduction, Call to
Worship

Song 1 – All Creatures of our God
and King

Song 2 – Come, now is the time to
worship

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Things to share

Children's time

Song 3 – Our God is a great big
God (Praise band)

Reading:

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 (p1188)

Hymn 578 Christ whose glory fills
the skies

Sermon

Song 4 – 10,000 reasons

Offering brought forward

Prayer for others

Hymn 543 Longing for light

Benediction

Doxology CH 786 May the God of
peace

*May the God of peace go with us
as we travel from this place;
may the love of Jesus keep us
firm in hope and full of grace.*

What has God said to you or shown you today?

NEXT WEEK

Sunday 26th November

Muckhart Parish Church, 9.30am Morning Service
This service will be led by Rev Iain Goring.

Dollar Parish Church, 11am Morning Service
This service will be led by Rev Ray Gaston in a pulpit swap for our 175th anniversary celebrations.

TODAY

There will be a short meeting of the worship group at the close of the service today, mainly to discuss the Christmas Day Service. Anyone interested in helping is very welcome to attend.

Sunday 19th November, 3pm, St James The Great Scottish Episcopal Church, Dollar **BRUCE DAVIES** sings Songs for the Season - Christian and secular Christmas and seasonal songs in an entertaining mix that keeps Christ very firmly in CHRISTMAS! Tickets: Adults £6, Children £3 (includes tea/coffee and home baking) For more details call 07989-310394 or simply turn up and pay at the door.

COMING SOON

Monday 20th November: Monday housegroup will be meeting at 9.30am at the home of Fran MacNicoll, 1 Birkfield Park, Rumbling Bridge

Dollar Christmas Coffee Morning

We hope everyone has the **25th November** in their diaries as that is the **Dollar Parish Church Christmas Coffee Morning** in the Burnside Hall from 10.00 until noon. £3.00 per adult and £1.50 for children. We will have delicious things to eat with your tea and coffee and at least 8 stalls to tempt you and for early present buying. We look forward to see you all.

Muckhart Christmas Fayre

The Annual Christmas Fayre will be on **Saturday 2nd December** in the Coronation Hall Muckhart from 10 – 12 noon. Donations for the various stalls – Cake and Candy, craft, books Bric a Brac lucky dip and bottle stall would be appreciated and also help on the day. Please contact Alison Mann or Iain Whyte if you are able to help, and encourage people to come along and enjoy the festive refreshments.



Wednesday 29th November

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

Muckhart Church has been asked to Donate the Lucky Dip Box for the “Light up Muckhart” Family Event on 26th November @ Coronation Hall.

We are looking for donations of small gifts for children of Primary School Age...

These can be any of the following, but should be wrapped in Christmas Gift Paper..

Books - new or in new condition, “Party Bag” style toys, Christmas Cracker, Small snack sized sweetie bags, Balloons

Asda, Tesco and Home Bargains are all great to pick suitable things up at. **We need 150!** Quite a challenge - but sure we can do it!

The Lucky Dip Box is located in the Social Area of the Church and you can just add your things..... please make sure they are wrapped.

Many, many thanks Fran McNicoll

PS if you need anything collected let me know

“Reverse Advent Calendar” for The Gate Charity

The old festive season tradition of finding a treat from an Advent Calendar as the countdown to Christmas ticks away can have a reverse spin!

The Presbytery minutes for October encourage folk to put aside an item of food or other appropriate gift in a carrier bag each day - another way of noting the shopping days to Christmas! Perhaps children or grandchildren in families might like to share in choosing these things with you. The need, alas, remains great.

A Christmas box for the donations, plus a list of suggested donations, is available as you leave the church. Thanks are due to all supporters of The Gate!

Yours as ever, with appreciation Ernest

November Linkage Sheet

Details of events taking place in November 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.