

Praying for our Future

Our Nominating committee has been selected, their work is confidential, so we will all have to be patient. However, it is important that we continue to pray for them as they go about the task of selecting, with God's help, our new minister.

Gracious God, we thank you again that you have faith in our two churches, our united congregation, to be a light for you in this area. We are proud of our history, stretching back over so many centuries, but help us not to dwell in the past, rather to be open to your promptings to move forward. We know that Jesus is alive, and his church is also, meaning that you will prompt us to grow and develop and nurture us, as we would our own children. As Paul wrote to the Philippians: I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. Help us to do the same. Amen.

Faithful God, we read in Psalm 91: He will cover you with his feathers. He will shelter you with his wings. His faithful promises are your armour and protection. We name before you the members of our committee: Caroline, Ella, Ewen, Gloria, Keith, Laura, Moira, Morag, Muriel, Rory, Sheila. We pray that you will protect them from the wiles of the devil, in their deliberations and in their daily lives. Help us to be steadfast in our prayers for them, and for each other as we wait with anticipation for what you have in store for us. We thank you, even when we struggle to find the words, that the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God. We pray through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

God of Blessings, we thank you for our Worship Group and the way they have selflessly taken our services over the past months, we ask that you would guide them through this final season of our vacancy and bless them as they prepare our services. We pray this in Jesus' Name, Amen.

INVERKIP, SKELMORLIE & WEMYSS BAY CHURCH SUNDAY 12 MAY 2024

This morning's worship will be conducted by
Phil Theaker

WELCOME TO VISITORS

A warm welcome to this service and to the congregation and fellowship of Inverkip, Skelmorlie & Wemyss Bay Church. If you have any enquiries or would like further information relating to the Church, please speak to an elder.

INTIMATIONS

For all pastoral matters please contact our Interim Moderator, Rev Karen Harbison, Minister at Westburn Church, Greenock. Tel 01475 721048
Email: calumkaren@yahoo.co.uk

Pastoral Care Team: If you know of anyone who would benefit from a home or hospital visit from the Pastoral Care Team, please contact Willie Gibson on 521425 for Inverkip and Brian Spence on 07495 718328 for S&WB.

Dates for your Diary:

The combined Churches will be holding a Christian Aid Service in Skelmorlie and Wemyss Bay Church at **11am** on Sunday 19th May. This will be followed by a Soup Brunch. All proceeds will go to Christian Aid. There will be no 10 am service at Inverkip Church on 19th May. If anyone requires a lift from Inverkip to the 11 am service at SWB Church, please let Jean Benson know. Tel: 520975.

There will be a combined Service of Holy Communion on **Sunday 2nd June at 11am** at Skelmorlie and Wemyss Bay Church. All Communion services will now be combined in alternate Churches. The Rev. Liz Geddes will conduct the Service on 2nd June.

