

## NOTICES

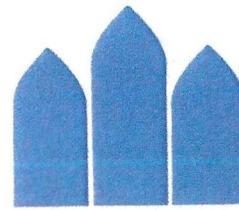
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Please note Tony's day off is Saturday.

- ✓ **Morning Prayer is on Tuesday at 9.30am.** We will be using the liturgy on the Scottish Episcopal Church website. You can find this by clicking the 'News, Views & Issues' tab at <https://www.scotland.anglican.org/> To join the meeting click on this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88281859641?pwd=NmFTRFR2dUFHR1B2aCtEcUI3SFNhZz09> The Meeting ID is 882 8185 9641 and the Passcode is 922036.
- ✓ The **Movement to Music** class is on Thursday at 10am. It involves standing and sitting exercises suitable for all abilities. All are welcome
- ✓ **Midweek Service** takes place on **Wednesday at 12.45pm.** Please feel free to come along from 12.30pm onwards for short lunch time service which is open to all.
- ✓ If you enjoy crafts, cake and good company, you may wish to accept an invitation to join in all of these at the Howard Centre's sessions on Tuesday mornings. Please share this good news with church members and friends. Elaine Wardrop will be pleased to give you more information.

If you have any items for the pew leaflet, please let Doreen know by Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2026. [REDACTED] E-mail doreen.tannock@talktalk.net



Welcome  
to Our Church

Faith Hope Love  
Holy Trinity Church Kilmarnock

All Age Worship  
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany  
Presentation of Christ in the Temple

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2026

### Collect

Almighty and Everlasting God: as your Only-begotten Son was presented and received in the temple, so may we welcome and proclaim him as the light of the nations and the glory of your people; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen**

### Hymns

Processional	375	King of glory (Tune 1)
Gradual	28	A man there lived in Galilee
Offertory	582	Restore, O Lord
Communion	780	Break the bread
Communion	787	Come into his presence singing
Recessional	438	Make way, make way

### Communion

Everyone is welcome to receive Communion. We offer both bread and wine sipped from the common cup. We no longer offer intinction. Receiving in one kind is also a complete Communion. If you prefer this option, simply come forward to receive the bread then return to your seat. If you wish to receive a blessing from the priest, please indicate this by placing your hands on your chest. If you wish to receive Communion in your pew or require gluten-free bread please inform one of the welcome team. During the offertory hymn the collection will be taken at the pew. If you wish to donate to the church by another means, or to gift aid your donation please contact Ian, the Treasurer or Doreen. Thank you for your generosity.

#### **EPISTLE - Hebrews:2 12 - 14**

Since the children are made of flesh and blood, it's logical that the Saviour took on flesh and blood in order to rescue them by his death. By embracing death, taking it into himself, he destroyed the Devil's hold on death and freed all who cower through life, scared to death of death. It's obvious, of course, that he didn't go to all this trouble for angels. It was for people like us, children of Abraham. That's why he had to enter into every detail of human life. Then, when he came before God as high priest to get rid of the people's sins, he would have already experienced it all himself - all the pain, all the testing - and would be able to help where help was needed.

#### **GOSPEL - Luke 2: 22 - 40**

So they took Jesus to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord; as it is written in the law of the Lord: "Every first-born male is to be dedicated to the Lord." They also went to offer a sacrifice of a pair of doves or two young pigeons, as also required by the law of the Lord. Now at that time there was a man named Simeon living in Jerusalem. He was a good, God-fearing man and was waiting for Israel to be saved. The Holy Spirit was with him and had assured him that he would not die before he had seen the Lord's promised Messiah. Led by the Spirit, Simeon went into the Temple. When the parents brought the Jesus into the Temple to do for him what the Law required, Simeon took the child in his arms and gave thanks to God: "Now, Lord, you have kept your promise, and you may let your servant go in peace. With my own eyes I have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples: A light to reveal your will to the Gentiles and bring glory to your people Israel. "Mary and Joseph were amazed at the things Simeon said about him. Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother, "This child is chosen by God for the destruction and the salvation of many in Israel. He will be a sign from God which many people will speak against and so reveal their secret thoughts. And sorrow like a sharp sword, will break your own heart. "There was also a very old prophet, a widow named Anna, daughter of Phanuel of the tribe of Asher. She had been married for only seven years and was now eighty-four years old. She never left the Temple; day and night she

worshiped God, fasting and praying. That very same hour she arrived and gave thanks to God and spoke about the child Jesus to all who were waiting for God to set Jerusalem free. When Joseph and Mary had finished doing all that was required by the Law of the Lord, they returned to their hometown of Nazareth in Galilee. The child grew and became strong; he was full of wisdom, and God's blessings were upon him.



**The Presentation of the Christ Child in the Temple**