

As a result of the **two-metre** social distancing rule which still applies in places of worship, there will only be space for **28 single seats**. It is appreciated that couples might wish to sit together but in the first instance, whilst we are still working with the 2- metre distance, we would ask people to sit in single seats. If you are aiding someone else then an exception can be arranged, e.g. someone in wheelchair.

Reserving a Place at Worship

You will need to telephone or email Vanessa our Church Administrator to reserve a seat. Contact Vanessa by telephone on 01563 523113 on a Wednesday morning between 9.30 – 11.30am or Thursday afternoon 1.30pm – 3.30pm. Alternatively you can email her at the following address to reserve a seat, chrchdmnstr@outlook.com. You will be asked your name and contact telephone number which will be stored for 21 days to comply with the NHS Track and Protect Public Health measure.

If there is a high demand for places, you may be asked to attend worship less frequently. The Kirk Session will keep matters under review in terms of providing additional opportunities for worship.

Private Prayer and Reflection

Kirk Session agreed that the Church Sanctuary will be open on **Wednesday 2 September, from 10.30-12noon and every Wednesday thereafter from 7pm – 8pm**. As with a Sunday you will need to book a seat with Vanessa. The hour will be split into two sessions, with the chairs being sanitised between sessions.

When you come to church

PLEASE...

- Wear a mask or face covering unless you have a medical exemption
- Sanitise your hands at one of the stations in the welcome area.
- Remember to keep a 2- metre social distance between yourselves and others.
- Wait for a steward to show you to your seat.
- Be aware there will be no creche or Young Church for the time being.
- Note a toilet will be available for emergency purposes only

Opening of the Building for Groups/Clubs

There are various church and community groups that use the church building. There is a small group looking at supporting leaders as they consider how these gatherings might be able to in the new circumstances.

Please do not hesitate to contact Fiona, the Minister, (01563 521762) or your elder if you would like a chat, some advice or reassurance about anything you have read in this letter or any more general concerns. It is true that a burden shared is a burden halved.

I treasure the words of Psalm 139 where we read, 'O Lord, you have searched me, and you know me'. We are not alone, although sometimes we do feel lonely. After Jesus' death the disciples were behind locked doors, devastated and fearful. The risen Christ came amongst them and said, "Peace be with you!" The same risen Christ speaks these words to you and me today.

God Bless and Keep You

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