



# the Skein

AUGUST 2020

## WORSHIP - Sundays 11.15 a.m.

Every Sunday just before 11.15 a.m. the bell is rung in Callander Kirk & then the minister leads a service of worship using words previously distributed. The service is recorded & later made available on Callander Kirk's Facebook page.

To receive an electronic copy of the words send an email to [jmccormick@churchofscotland.org.uk](mailto:jmccormick@churchofscotland.org.uk)

***From the Minister...*** **School is back!** Who could have imagined that such a simple sentence could be so full of meaning. Not much is simple just now, the battle against Corona Virus continues & will do so for the foreseeable future.

What once was the preserve of science fiction, the video conference, is now a daily reality. For as I write the First Minister has reiterated that we can only meet with a maximum of 8 people from 3 households indoors at this time. Which in 21 Glenartney Road would require someone to sit at the top of the stairs.

I really had hoped to be able to give more insight by this time, for which reason I have held back August's edition of The Skein. We have as a congregation made a submission to the Presbytery of Stirling seeking permission to hold services of worship in Callander Kirk. We await a response. When we do get the go ahead, & subject to our kirk session's agreement, we will need to get our face masks ready, no admission to worship without a face mask. Our spatial awareness will need to be sharp, 2 metres social distance to be observed, unless from one household when closer proximity will be allowed but not compulsory, & a one way system will be in operation.

Other requirements will be in place also, of which more details in due course.

Of course we will do this, & gladly, for it is in the nature of Christian love to act with awareness of others & responsibility for others. Please pray for all those working to take this forward.

### “PRAISE POINT”



*Give thanks for **The Holiday Club** which did take place this summer. Like so much these days, a new approach for a new time. Catch up with what happened on Callander Kirk's Facebook page. Thanks to all those who made this happen!*

### “An apple a day keeps the doctor away.”

I want to suggest a new “apple” to share with the folk we meet. I’ll spell it out for you!

*A is for Applaud. Applaud don't complain.*

*P is for Pray. Pray for the folks you know who are working away at things.*

*P is for Praise. Praise them when opportunity allows.*

*L is for Listen. Take time to hear what they have to say.*

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*E is for Encourage. Find reason to celebrate*