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Holy Trinity, Melrose

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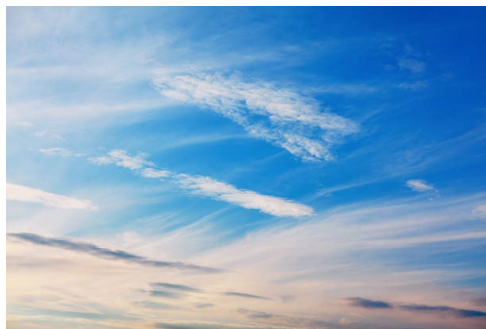
Diocesan Communications

Have you got news or stories from your church you'd like to share? If so, our Communications Officer Miranda would love to hear from you! Please drop her a line at communications@dioceseofedinburgh.org to share your goings on.

We also have active Facebook, Twitter and Instagram accounts for all the activities in the Diocese. Please do not hesitate to send Miranda your best pictures of anything you would like to be shared on our social media accounts, whether it be a coffee morning, charity fundraiser, or a special service e.g. blessing of pets.



We're now into September, when the church celebrates Creationtide, giving thanks for the beauty and wonder of God's natural world, and taking urgent action for climate justice. Is your church doing anything special to mark the season? And, does your church have a garden? If you've any news, stories or photos you'd like to share, please drop Miranda a line at communications@dioceseofedinburgh.org



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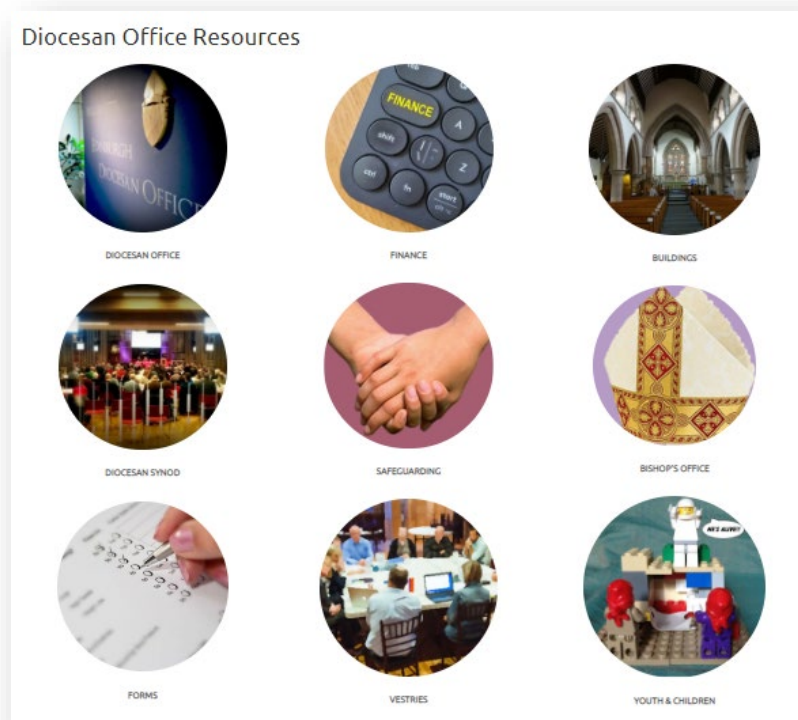
Instagram: @dioceseofedinburgh

In case you are new to the diocese, you may like to know that we have a website page with resources and answers to many of your questions at:

<https://edinburgh.anglican.org/diocesan-office-resources/>

Subjects are:

- Diocesan Office
- Finance
- Buildings
- Synod
- Safeguarding
- Bishop's Office
- Forms
- Vestries
- Youth & Children



Have a browse!

DIOCESAN ENVIRONMENT GROUP – WEBPAGE PUBLISHED



The website of the Diocesan Environment Group is packed with ideas and resources to help the SEC become carbon neutral by 2030. The website can be found at <https://edinburgh.anglican.org/environment/>

A snapshot of the website can be seen below. The group is being led by Bethany Nelson, and you can contact her at bethany@psandgs.org.uk

SHARING STORIES	RESOURCES	FUNDING
<p>The journey towards net zero is a daunting prospect for all individuals and organisations globally. Sharing our concerns and asking questions can empower us, and encourage others, to take steps forward. Please do use the Diocesan Support Forum to share ideas and ask questions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support Forum Diocese of Edinburgh (anglican.org) <p>Let's hold on to the hope that God has called us to partner in bringing about the Kingdom of God on earth today.</p>	<p>The Provincial Environment Group of The Scottish Episcopal Church has produced a toolkit to guide churches towards reaching net zero. We would encourage all charges to engage with this.</p> <p>SEC Toolkit Download</p> <hr/> <p>We also strongly urge everyone to embrace the Energy Footprint Analyser to calculate your carbon emissions associated with heating and energy usage and submit your results by May 25th 2022.</p> <p>Energy-Footprint-Analyser Download</p> <hr/> <p>Eco-congregation Scotland have many resources available including their Greening Church Buildings guide. If your charge is not already a member of Eco-congregation Scotland this can be a great way to start</p>	<p>Funding is available to install low carbon or renewable energy systems at places of worship and community buildings. Please click the following link for further information:</p> <p>CARES Let's do net zero community buildings Download</p> <p>Stakeholder-pack Download</p>
<p>CCF 2017 v5</p>		

ONLINE SUPPORT FORUM

There are now **47 users** signed up to the various forums.
Recent posts (in the last few weeks) include:

- *Free energy efficiency engineers' visits*
- *Rector's Expenses*
- *Sources of Guidance for Churches on Heating of Buildings*
- *Insurance*
- *Data Protection Policy*
- *Church website: making it secure*



Why not join up and subscribe?

If you wish to subscribe to the forum, you can do so here:

<https://edinburgh.anglican.org/forum-registration/>

COMMITTEES

15th Sept Mission & Ministry Committee

You can now fill in the C35 application directly in a PDF form!

<https://edinburgh.anglican.org/diocesan-vestry-resources/resources-diocesan-office-buildings/>

DIARY

THE BISHOP'S DIARY

8th Sept Installation of Revd Isaac Knight as Associate Rector of St Mungo's, St Mary's Cathedral

11th Sept Provincial Service, [online](#) from Holy Trinity Melrose

21st Sept Ordination of Revd Lesley Penny to the Priesthood, St Cuthbert's, Colinton

25th Sept Ordinations of Val Cameron, Ross Jesmont & Janet Spence to the Diaconate, St Mary's Cathedral

1st Oct Ordination of Revd Claire Nicholson to the Priesthood, Holy Trinity, Melrose

ADVANCE NOTICE

19th Sept The Diocesan Office will be **closed** for the Public Bank Holiday

27th Oct Diocesan Synod (5:30pm)

NOTICES

Daily Prayer: Can you help please?

The Liturgy Committee has been asked to revise the SEC Daily Prayer, and to help it with that process it would like to learn how Daily Prayer is part of our life today.

An online questionnaire is now available, and the committee asks that anyone interested can spare just five minutes to complete it, please. Submissions can be anonymous, unless the respondent wishes to be contacted.

In the introduction to the questionnaire, the committee says: "This is not intended to 'catch you out', or to find out who's not doing what! It is an attempt to be honest as we think about changes to Daily Prayer over the next few years, so that any change echoes the needs of the church."

The questionnaire can be accessed [here](#).

Complete Anglican Hymns Old & New

St Matthew's Rosslyn Chapel have been gifted some new copies of Complete Anglican Hymns Old & New from Roslin Kirk and have a number (approx. 100) of old copies (slightly frayed at the edges) and I wondered if you might know of anyone who could use them?

Many thanks in advance for any help you can give to find them a new home.

Shonagh Toulouse
shonaghtoulouse@icloud.com

Loneliness Awareness Week: A new befriending service comes to Edinburgh

Edinburgh City Mission is launching an exciting new befriending service, to help people aged 65 and older who are facing loneliness, called Two's Company Befriending. It will be a 1 to 1 befriending scheme that is run in partnership with Linking Lives UK. Through Two's Company these organisations want to mobilise the faith community to step up and combat loneliness.

Many churches around Edinburgh host cafes or weekly gatherings to help their community create connection, and the value of these initiatives cannot be overstated. However, the challenge comes in reaching the most isolated in the community who are not already connected to the church. This is where Two's Company Befriending can play a part. Through Two's Company, Edinburgh City Mission plans to partner with churches all across the city and connect them with the lonely, isolated older people directly in their communities. Volunteers will be able to do telephone befriending or in person home visiting once a week with one of these individuals and create hope and connection.

The volunteers and churches will be supported by Edinburgh City Mission who will provide the volunteer safeguarding and training, referral screening, and befriending match monitoring. Linking Lives UK will support this initiative by providing the framework and resources that they have developed from 20 years of setting up befriending schemes all across the UK. The hope is that through these partnerships and connections neighbourhood networks form in communities all across Edinburgh where individuals, health professionals, social welfare organisations, and churches work together to combat loneliness. In fact, Two's Company is launching in the Portobello community and is already seeing this first network start to form. Edinburgh City Mission hopes that this is just the start of what can happen all over the city.

Through Two's Company Befriending, Edinburgh City Mission and Linking Lives UK hope that the faith community in Edinburgh can be a leader in this effort and make a tremendous impact in the fight to end loneliness. To learn more about Two's Company Befriending or to get involved, please email **Julie Young**, Two's Company Project Coordinator, at julie@edinburghcitymission.org.uk

More about Edinburgh City Mission: <https://edinburghcitymission.org.uk>

More about Linking Lives UK: <https://linkinglives.uk>

The Treasurer at St David's Church, Pilton, Edinburgh, is retiring this year, and they currently have no one with the skills to undertake this role. Anyone who might be interested in helping should get in touch with the Priest-in-Charge, Andrew Bain (andrewbain99@hotmail.com) or phone 07929 047896 to find out more about the work involved. The Vestry and congregation would be enormously grateful to anyone able to support them in this way.

Revd Canon Andrew Bain

Priest-in-Charge: St Salvador's, Stenhouse and St David's, Pilton, Edinburgh

Provincial Safeguarding Committee: There will be three vacancies on the Provincial Safeguarding Committee after the conclusion of the General Synod this week. If you know of anyone within your respective dioceses with a suitable background, qualifications or experience in a safeguarding-related profession, and wish to submit a nomination or note of interest, please do get in touch.

Donald Urquhart, Provincial Safeguarding Officer Tel: 0131 225 6357
protection@scotland.anglican.org

The National Churches Trust has published some information about funding it provides to church buildings in need of repair and restoration. The website also has details about previous funding it has awarded to churches:

www.nationalchurchestrust.org/get-support/resources

There is also funding available from the Heritage Fund:

www.heritagefund.org.uk/news/ps55million-awarded-serve-cathedrals-and-churches-across-uk

BISHOP'S LENT APPEAL

Many thanks to everyone who kindly donated to the Bishop's Lent Appeal this year. The Welcoming sent the following message:

"We are delighted to hear about your successful appeal! Please extend our thanks to all the members of your congregation and other churches who arranged collections. It's a particularly busy time for us at the Welcoming with many new service users joining from Ukraine and other parts of the world, so the donation is gratefully received."

There is still time to donate to the Bishop's Lent Appeal! We wish to remit the Lent Appeal monies to the two beneficiary charities, so please send the funds to us, via your church treasurer, particularly for Gift Aid. Account details are below, and please include 'BLA' in the reference.

Edinburgh Diocesan Synod
Reliance Bank Ltd
Sort Code: 60-01-73
Account No: 00215170

CANON 35

The Diocesan Buildings Committee has granted consent for the following projects:

- **Dalkeith St Mary the Virgin** – Installation of CCTV cameras
- **Linlithgow St Peter's** – Church sound system
- **Penicuik St James the Less** – Installation of live-streaming camera
- **Edinburgh St Michael and All Saints** – Removal of chancel platform
- **Edinburgh Christ Church Morningside** – Temporary/trial – lectern steps/rail
- **Edinburgh St Cuthbert's Colinton** – New electronic organ
- **Edinburgh St Salvador's** – Creation of Peace Garden
- **West Linton, St Mungo** – New heating system
- **Jedburgh, St John the Evangelist** – Additional board for incumbents' names
- **Kelso, St Andrew** – Removal of 3 pews and replacement with chairs
- **Edinburgh St Mark's Portobello** – Installation of bike racks and bin store
- **Edinburgh St James the Less, Leith** – Installation of live-streaming cameras
- **Edinburgh St David of Scotland, Pilton** – Replacement of external signage
- **Dalmahoy, St Mary** – Installation of new heating

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the
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Autumn Lecture Series 2022

In partnership with **CHURCH TIMES**



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ADVANCE NOTICE:

The General Meeting of the Mission to Seafarers Scotland will take place on **10th September in St Catharine's Bo'ness**. More details will follow but, as we will have some catering we need to get an idea of numbers so could we ask you to reply to info@mtss.scot if you will be attending.

This is a general invitation, and not restricted to our volunteers and known supporters. If you would like to come along and meet the Trustees or simply find out more about our work, you would be made very welcome.

Below is the brief agenda:

- 10.00am Welcome
- 10.05am Prayer
- 10.07am Finance report
- 10.20am Chaplain's report
- 10.30am Chairman's report
- 10.45am Questions and answers
- 11.15am Eucharist
- 12.15 Buffet lunch approx
- Depart by 2pm

David Graham-Service

Chair & Treasurer

Mission to Seafarers Scotland



Faith communities across Leith welcome you to join together on the anniversary of September 11th.

FESTIVAL OF FAITHS IN THE PARK,

MULTI-FAITH GATHERING. COME AND LEARN ABOUT SOME OF THE DIFFERENT FAITH COMMUNITIES OF LEITH! LEITH LINKS

SEPTEMBER 11 1PM-3PM

Through song, story and other activities our different faith communities share from their teachings a message of, 'Love, Peace, Faith, Unity and Hope.' And offer a road map to peace in a troubled world.

Join us, bring along some food to share and create friendships!

If the weather is bad we will look to meet in St James Church 11A John's Pl, Leith, Edinburgh EH6 7EL





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Priest-in-Charge

A full time position, initially for five years
St Fillan's, Buckstone, Edinburgh

www.stfillans.org.uk

Remuneration: Scottish Episcopal Church Clergy Standard Stipend

Based in a district of southern Edinburgh, St Fillan's is at the heart of a large and growing residential area.

We are an inclusive, friendly, welcoming and faithful eucharistic congregation and our church building is widely used by the whole community.

We are seeking a priest with good leadership and communication skills who will lead, inspire and build the congregation, and embrace and develop opportunities for community engagement.

For more information or an informal discussion please contact The Very Revd Frances Burberry (Dean of the Diocese of Edinburgh) on: 0131 315 0404 or e-mail: dean@dioceseofedinburgh.org We look forward to hearing from you.

Congregational profile, person specification and application form are on the St Fillan's website www.stfillans.org.uk

The appointment is subject to a satisfactory PVG Scheme Record Disclosure (Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Act 2007).

Closing date: Monday 12th September 2022
Interview date: Saturday 24th September 2022

Registered Charity Number SC012371

FAITH HOPE & CLIMATE CRISIS



WHAT CAN WE DO?

ST ANNE'S CHURCH DUNBAR
SUNDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER
2.00 – 5.00PM

SPEAKERS

* MARK HUXHAM PROFESSOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL
BIOLOGY NAPIER UNIVERSITY

* THE REVEREND DAVID MUMFORD

* DISCUSSION * QUIET REFLECTION *

* TEA, COFFEE & CAKE *

ALL WELCOME

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT :
ecogroup@stannesdunbar.org.uk



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Rector A full time position Christ Church, Morningside Edinburgh

www.christchurchmorningside.org

Remuneration: Scottish Episcopal Church Clergy Standard Stipend

Christ Church Morningside lies in the south of the beautiful city of Edinburgh, with a congregation largely drawn from the surrounding area. We are a prayerful community, with a strong and faithful congregation from diverse Christian backgrounds. We combine a respect for liturgy with a welcoming, open outlook in our worship and other activities. We are keen to reflect on the lessons learned during the pandemic and the opportunities now before us, including improving our mission and community engagement. We are fortunate to be well resourced in finances, property, and time and talents.

We seek a Rector who:

- is a capable and creative leader of worship who strongly believes in the inclusion of all God's people in the Church;
- is an experienced incumbent/Rector with a collaborative and consultative style;
- has experience of working with a wide range of people from all age groups.

For more information or an informal discussion please contact The Very Revd Frances Burberry (Dean of the Diocese of Edinburgh) on: 0131 315 0404 or e-mail: dean@dioceseofedinburgh.org We look forward to hearing from you.

Congregational profile, person specification and application form are on the Christ Church website.

The appointment is subject to a satisfactory PVG Scheme Record Disclosure (Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Act 2007).

Closing date: Monday 19th September 2022 Interview date: Saturday 8th October 2022

Registered Charity Number SC003009

EDINBURGH INTERFAITH KEY NOTE LECTURE & AGM

Topic: Freedom of Religion and Belief and its place in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

KEY NOTE SPEAKER: THE REV BONNIE-EVANS HILLS

Our key note lecturer will be the Rev Bonnie-Evans Hills who recently was awarded the Hubert Walter Award for Reconciliation and interfaith Cooperation from the Archbishops of Canterbury for "her decades-long passionate dedication to building interfaith relationships at local, national and international level for the sake of a better world."



EDINBURGH CITY CHAMBERS
SEPTEMBER 29TH 5-7PM





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Youth & Children Officer

25 hrs per week (3 days)

3-year contract

We are seeking to appoint a Youth & Children Officer to support clergy, youth and children workers, and their congregations in meeting the needs of children and young people, and to support young people directly in their engagement with the church. The postholder will also be responsible for leading the development of youth work within the diocese as part of the larger Mission & Ministry Team.

The Diocesan Office has a small and friendly team of staff in a pleasant office very close to Haymarket, working within a supportive and collaborative environment. We are therefore very keen to get the right personality in the role to work within our team, as well as finding someone with the right skills. If you would like to discuss any aspects of the job before applying you are very welcome to contact The Revd Dr Sophia Marriage, Convenor of the Diocesan Mission & Ministry Committee (sophia.marriage@stmarksportobello.org)

We are looking for someone with:

- Previous training in, and experience of, work with children and young people.
- A strong spirituality which places young people as integral to the life of our church and a vision of the inclusion of young people in our church communities and in social action
- A Christian faith which welcomes diverse congregational and theological traditions

Closing Date: **Friday 30th September 2022**

For full details go to <https://edinburgh.anglican.org/vacancies-2/>

Pray with us

Sat 1st October

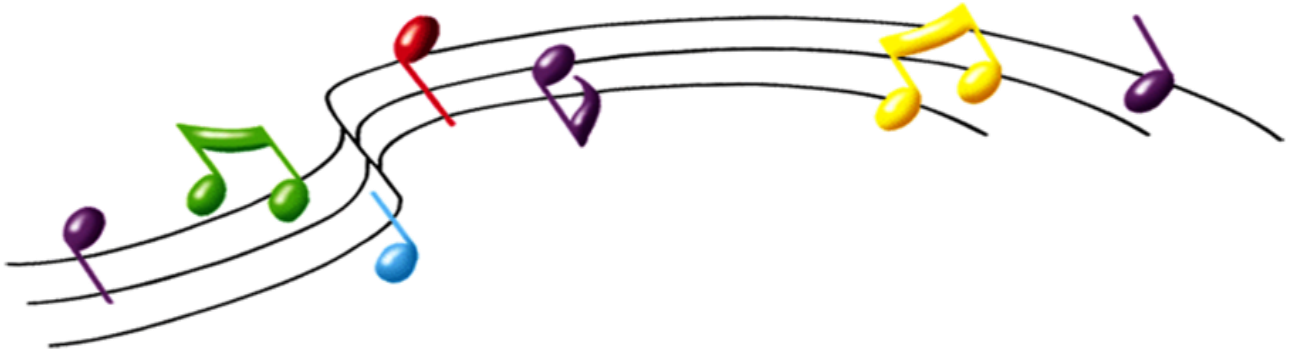


Dear Friends across the Diocese

We are holding a Prayer Vigil for Peace in Christ Church, Falkirk (55 Kerse Lane FK1 1RX) on **Saturday 1st October from 8 am until 6pm, concluding with Compline (Night Prayer) at 5:30pm.** Please join us; you can come and go throughout the day and stay for as long as the Church is open, and pray as long as you are comfortable. We are hopeful that many places of worship in Falkirk will join us together in prayer.

The day will be structured with readings and meditation on every hour and half hour in the Church. There will be silences and also music throughout the day to facilitate prayer. There are toilets in the Church and refreshments will be available throughout the day.

If you are unable to be with us on the day, please take some time during the day to Pray for Peace and for those in the Church praying for Peace in our World. We look forward to welcoming you and Praying for Peace with you all.



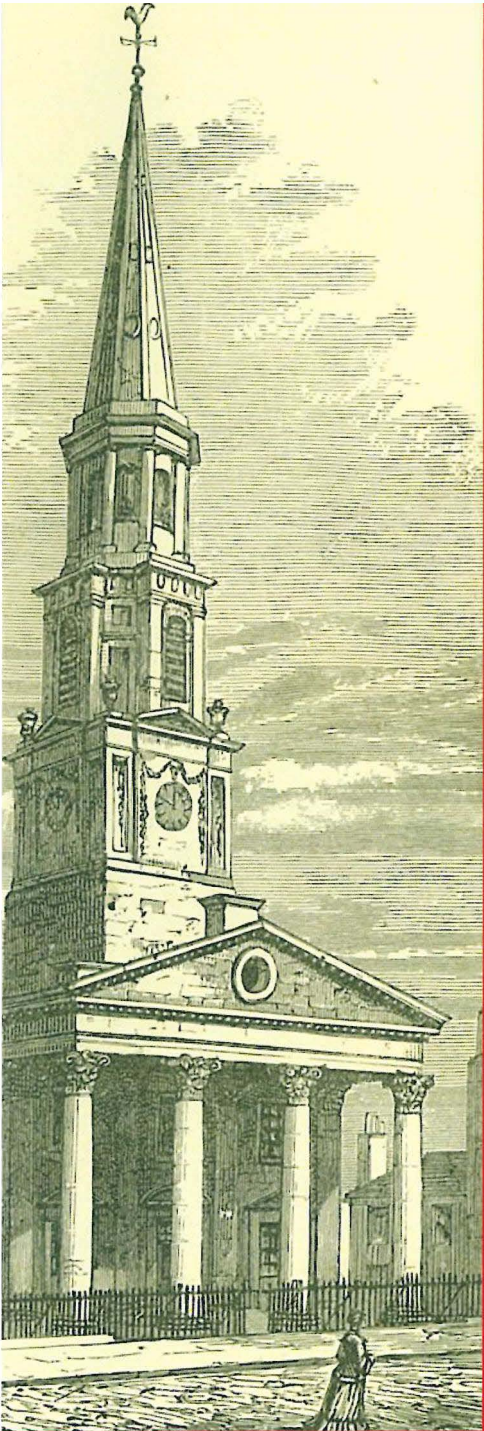
West Forth Area Council

Join us for
The Big Sing!

Sunday 2nd October at 3pm
at Christ Church, 55 Kerse Lane,
Falkirk FK1 1 RX

followed by refreshments

Retiring collection for FoSS (Friends of Scottish Settlers), supporting local refugees and asylum seekers (SCO 50254)



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18 – 22 OCTOBER 2022

TUESDAY TO FRIDAY 10am – 5pm

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SATURDAY 10am – 3pm

COFFEE MORNING

with JEWELLERY and GIFTS

SATURDAY 22 OCTOBER

10am – noon

Enquiries to 07714 186 754

St Andrew's and St George's West Church of Scotland, Edinburgh is a Registered Scottish Charity No SC 008990



Youth Director

We are looking for an experienced youth leader to develop and lead our youth ministry, inspiring and working with volunteers and staff to help young people aged 11-18 within, and beyond the church, to encounter God and engage with Jesus.

We are at an exciting time in the life of Ps & Gs. As society rebuilds after the global pandemic, we have been continuing to deliver and expand our ministries to respond to the ever-changing needs of our congregation and city. As well as Sunday services, we offer a wide range of courses, activities and ministries.

Edinburgh is an exciting city to live in, with world renowned entertainment and hospitality venues as well as hundreds of brilliant independent shops, retailers and venues – we know you'll love being here!

Below are some of the key information about the role but more can be found in the full job description and terms available on our website. (www.psandgs.org.uk/jobs)

Main Responsibilities

- Working with Ps & Gs Young People: Developing opportunities for all 11-18 year olds connect to Ps & Gs to grow in their faith
- Strategy and Administration of the Youth Ministry: Ensuring efficient administration and communication underpins the youth ministry
- Overseeing and Leading the Ps & Gs Youth Team: Facilitating regular planning meetings for the youth teams, and training as required
- Working as part of the Ps & Gs staff team: Playing your part as a key leader in the church community
- Working beyond Ps & Gs: Identifying new areas of ministry, such as outreach in schools or other community groups

Key T's & C's

- The role is Full Time and permanent
- Salary is in the range of £24,000 –£27,000.
- Five weeks' holiday per year, plus five designated public holidays, plus five public holidays to be taken at a time of your choosing.
- Contributions to a pension scheme

Application Notes

To apply for this post please complete an application form and return it, along with your CV, to david@psandgs.org.uk. Final closing date is Friday 21 October at 12.00 pm however we will review applications on their receipt and may close the advert early if we receive a suitable application.

This post carries an Occupational Requirement, in line with the Equality Act 2010, that the successful candidate is a Christian.

Army Cadet Force (ACF) Chaplaincy – are you called?

ACF Chaplaincy is a wonderful opportunity to work with youngsters aged between 12 and 17 and the Cadet Force Adult Volunteers (CFAV's) of all ages. The ACF is not a recruitment agency for the Army but is one of the biggest youth organisations in the UK.

You will receive basic training, be expected to wear a uniform and be allocated to a battalion (like a diocese). Your commitment is as big or small as you wish, but you are expected to attend annual camp each year.



I have been involved for nearly seven years and it is a huge privilege to journey with these youngsters. Each year I attend a two-week annual camp, in various parts of the country, to support folk of all faiths and none. In that time, I listen, I talk, I support, I have fun, I cry, I get exhausted! There are opportunities for you to participate in

whatever the cadets do, (water sports, rock climbing, orienteering etc. etc.) or you can just wander and sit, sharing Haribo (moralibo) – other sweets are available - to give a boost where needed. Numbers vary, but this year approximately 300 cadets and CFAV's attended at Altcar.

We were told at General Synod to “build relationships with youngsters”. This is a perfect opportunity to do so. Please get in touch if you would like to know more:

Revd Nicki McNelly, stcuthbertsrector@gmail.com or 07825 440580.

There are other opportunities available within the Royal Army Chaplains' Department (RACHD) and you can find more information at:

<https://www.army.mod.uk/who-we-are/corps-regiments-and-units/royal-army-chaplains-department/>