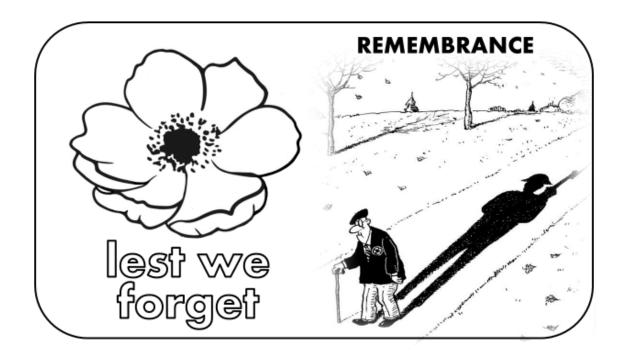
Church of Scotland NESS BANK

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Sunday 9 November 2025 at 10.55am

Service of Remembrance



Minister - Rev Stuart Smith

Organist - Mr Ian Livingstone

ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude

(Please stand when the Bible is carried in to the church)

Welcome and intimations

Stuart Smith

Call to Worship (Congregation standing)

O God, our help in ages past

ALL: OUR HOPE FOR YEARS TO COME

Be our guard while troubles last

ALL: BE OUR ETERNAL HOME

Hymn 424 'Blest be the everlasting God'

Act of Remembrance:

Call to Remembrance and Silence

Lament with Laying of Wreaths, followed by Prayer

Hymn 264 'Judge Eternal, throned in splendour'

Reading Psalm 10: vs 10-18 (OT p541) Cadet Sgt Sophie Shaw

So Few: The Soldiers' and Aviators' Scripture Readers

Association (SASRA)

Anthem 'For the Fallen' Peter Irving

Sermon

Hymn 'The Lord's my shepherd' Stuart Townend

 The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want; he makes me lie in pastures green He leads me by the still, still waters, his goodness restores my soul.

> And I will trust in you alone, and I will trust in you alone: for your endless mercy follows me, your goodness will lead me home.

- He guides my way in righteousness, and he anoints my head with oil, And my cup, it overflows with joy, I feast on his pure delights.
- And though I walk the darkest path, I will not fear the evil One, For you are with me, and your rod and staff are the comfort I need to know.

Prayers for Ourselves and Others

Hymn 706 'For the healing of the nations'

The Cadet Prayer Cadet Sgt Sophie Shaw

Postlude

WELCOME TO NESS BANK CHURCH...

... especially if you are visiting. Please speak to the welcome team or fill in a pew card to ask questions, seek help, join the congregation or speak to the Minister.

<u>Mobile Devices</u> Please switch these off, or to airplane mode, during the service to avoid interfering with the sound system and livestreaming.

<u>Livestreaming</u> The front five pews and the front of the church may be included in the camera shot. Please avoid these areas if you wish to avoid being recorded.

Tea and Coffee Everyone is invited to tea and coffee in the hall after the service.

Supporting Ness Bank

An offering is taken at the door and dedicated during the service. You can give by cash, cheque, card or phone – or use the QR code here to find our Just Giving page. For regular giving by Standing Order and/or Gift Aid please contact the church administrator.



INTIMATIONS

<u>Communion Invitations</u> Communion invitations, Newsletters and Free Will Offering envelopes are available for Elders and District Visitors to collect from the vestibule **today**.

Ness Bank Cosy Café at the Bught Stop every Monday, 1.00-2.30pm, All Welcome.

<u>Guild Work Party</u> The Work Party will meet on **Wednesday 12 November** at 10.30am in Room 1 and will welcome anyone wishing to join them.

<u>Tearfund – Big Quiz Night</u> - Saturday 15 November, Ness Bank Church, 6.00pm. Come on your own or bring family and friends to form a team for a fun social evening to support Tearfund in bringing an end to extreme poverty and injustice through the work of local churches. All ages and abilities welcome!

Next Sunday (16 November) The service will be conducted by Rev Stuart Smith.

<u>Guild Soup and Sandwich Lunch</u> The annual Soup and Sandwich Lunch will be held **next Sunday 16 November** following morning worship. Tickets at £5 are on sale from Guild Members. All proceeds will go to the CrossReach 'Playful Beginnings' project.

<u>Ach an Eas</u> The monthly service at Ach an Eas will be held next **Sunday, 16 November** at 3.00pm.

<u>Kirk Session</u> The next meeting of the Kirk Session will be held on **Wednesday 19 November** at 7.30pm in Room 1.

<u>Christmas Fayre</u> – is on <u>Saturday 22 November</u> (10am-12noon). Donations may now be handed in to the vestibule on a Sunday. Alternatively they can be dropped off the day prior to the Fayre, when the hall will be open to stall holders to set up from 2.00-4.00pm & 6.00-8.00pm. Donations for raffle/hampers, bottle stall, filled jars, cake & candy, toys, unwanted gifts, books, craft are welcome. Please bring any empty jars with lids this week so they can be prepared for the fayre.

We still need volunteers to help before / during / after the fayre. If you can help in any way, please get in touch with the church office.

INTIMATIONS (cont'd)

Service of Remembering The annual Service of Remembering will be held on **Sunday 23 November** at 3.00pm in the Church. This Service will offer a time for quiet reflection through music, readings and prayers for anyone who wishes to remember someone who has died, whether in recent times or long ago. If you wish, you will be able to add a name to the Book of Remembrance and their names will be read out during the Service. Everyone is warmly welcome. Tea and Coffee will be served in the hall afterwards.

Blythswood Shoebox Appeal Many thanks to everyone who contributed to this year's appeal. We delivered 105 boxes, many filled bags & £150 to the Blythswood depot. They will now be checked and on the road for delivery in time for Christmas. If anyone would like to help check the boxes, this will be done at Culduthel Christian Centre on Monday 17 November 12:00-21:00, Tuesday 18 November 09:00-21:00 & Wednesday 19 November 09:00-late afternoon. Please contact Danny Muschate at danny@churchatccc.org to let him know when you will manage along.

<u>'Copper Bottle'</u> The Copper Bottle has been emptied and raised £150.38 for Marie Curie Cancer Care. The next two 'fills' will be for Mikeysline, a local charity offering support for people struggling with their mental health and/or suicidal thoughts.

<u>The Open Door Project</u> Christmas Book Stalls, including Christian books, bibles, children's books, Christmas cards, Calendars & Gifts, will be held at CYC (12 Bank Street) on Fridays and Saturdays at 10.00am-3.00pm from **21 November until 20 December**. Tea/coffee will be served.

<u>Bible for Bairns</u> The Scottish Bible Society will give a free Toddler Bible to all children on their first birthday, and other gifts up to a Children's Bible when they are five. To register a baby born in 2025, Google "Bibles for Bairns".

<u>CrossReach – Cameron House Care Vacancies</u> A critical shortage of Carers and Senior Carers is being experienced at Cameron House, which provides compassionate, person-centred care for older people, including those living with dementia. Anyone interested in these vacancy opportunities should contact www.jobtrain/crossreach.

<u>Highland Hospice 'Christmas Songs & Carols'</u> concert will take place in the church on **Saturday, 6 December** at 7.00pm.

<u>Inverness Street Pastors</u> are seeking a Senior Coordinator, a paid, permanent, part-time post, working 3 days per week, including some weekend and evening work. Contact Mark Hadfield – <u>mark@loveinverness.org</u>, tel 07761 293108. Closing date **27 November.**

<u>Highland Foodbank</u> Instead of issuing a specific list for November/December, the Foodbank has launched its Reverse Advent Calendar which lists an item for each day in November. Any donations for November/December should be selected from the Calendar list. Copies of the Reverse Advent Calendar are available in the vestibule or on the notice-board.

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