

Church of Scotland

NESS BANK

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Sunday 4 October 2026 at 11.00 am

all things BRIGHT and BEAUTIFUL



Minister - Rev Stuart Smith

Organist - Mr Ian Livingstone

ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude

(Please stand when the Bible is carried into the church)

Welcome and intimations

Rev Stuart Smith

Call to Worship *(Congregation standing)*

All things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful
ALL: THE LORD GOD MADE THEM ALL
He gave us eyes to see them,
And lips that we might tell:
ALL: HOW GREAT IS GOD ALMIGHTY
WHO HAS MADE ALL THINGS WELL

Hymn 103 ***‘Fill your hearts with joy and gladness’***

Opening Prayer

Greetings from Atlanta - Rev Shannon Kershner, Central Presbyterian Church

Reading Psalm 104 (OT p600)
v1-4 Shannon Kershner
v5-9 Esther MacRae
v10-15 Kate Culver

Hymn 127 ***‘O worship the King, all glorious above’***

Reflection ***‘God who Was, who Did and who Does’***

Karamoja Harvest Story (Tearfund Video)

Hymn 153 ***‘Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father’***

God of the Weary (Music Video)

Prayers for Others

Hymn 231 ***‘For the fruits of all creation’*** (Tune: Ar Hyd Y Nos, Ch4 562)

Benediction and Choral Anthem

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.

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

Livestreaming 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 Tea and coffee will be served 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

Central Presbyterian Church, Atlanta we extend a very warm welcome to friends from Atlanta who are visiting Scotland on Pilgrimage to Iona and who will join us in worship this morning.

Retiring Collection: there will be a retiring collection this morning for the wonderful work carried out by Tearfund.

NB: there will be another opportunity to support Tearfund when we will again have the Big Quiz in Ness Bank on **Saturday 21 November at 7pm.** This is an evening of fun and fellowship for family and friends and we hope this event will be well supported.

Blythswood Shoe Boxes are **now** available in the vestibule. Please pick one up, fill it & return by 1 November. Leaflets on the boxes explain what's required to go into them. Most boxes have a Christmas card inside, please write a wee message & pop it back in. If you don't want to fill a box, please pop any donations into a bag and leave beside the collection point. There is also a donation box for financial contributions.

Minister's Leave Rev Stuart Smith will be on leave from **Monday 5 October until Wednesday 14 October** inclusive. Rev Scott McRoberts (Tel 01463 832601) will provide cover for funerals. Hospital visiting will be done by the Pastoral Care Team - contact Mrs Sheila Proudfoot, Tel. 237920.

The Guild The next meeting of the Guild will be held on **Tuesday 6 October** at 7.30pm in the hall, when Ewen Weatherspoon will present some Holiday slides.

Next Sunday (11 October) The Service will be conducted by Mr Dugald MacPherson at 11.00am. Tea and coffee will be served after the service.

INTIMATIONS (Cont'd)

Ness Bank Newsletter Items for the next Newsletter are welcome at any time, and at the latest by **Sunday 18 October**. Please send your articles to the editor at nessbmagazine@gmail.com, or if you prefer hard copy, hand them to Elspeth Smith, thank you.

Crossreach News The Autumn edition of the magazine is available in the front vestibule along with their 2026 Christmas Card and Calendar collection.

Highland Foodbank – Harvest Appeal Donating an item or two from the appeal list below will ensure food can be provided for people facing hardship in the community in the weeks leading up to Harvest.

Tins of Ham
Juice (cartons & diluting)
Crackers/Oatcakes

Tins of fruit
Milk (UHT)
Toiletries

Tinned meat- mince, stew etc
Washing up liquid
Carrier bags

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