

ALL Souls Newsletter

Aberlemno – Letham - Lowson – established 2024

Happy New Year!

Yes I know it is February but I haven't seen you since December so it only seems polite to wish you the best for 2025.

I don't know about you but I am already looking forward to the lighter evenings and warmer/drier days of spring. I am desperately seeking out signs of the coming season in green shoots, buds on trees and the tiny flowers of snowdrops and aconites pushing through the frosty earth.

In the darkness of winter it can feel very cold and harsh and so we all need to keep an eye on our neighbours and offer not only practical help but friendship and company where needed, to ensure everyone feels included and supported. I look forward to seeing some of you for a cuppie and a chat on Sunday mornings or on visits to your homes – please just ask if you would like me to pop in some time.

Rev Maggie



We hope every one had a lovely Christmas and New Year.

Pictures of the celebrations in each of our Worship centres are throughout our Newsletter.



Monday

TOTS

TODDLER GROUP

in the Lawson Hall
9.30 am to 11.30am
(During term time)

Adults £1.00
Children 50p

All Welcome

WARM SPACE

We are now open Monday to Friday from 9.30am -12.30pm for our "Warm Spaces" time. This means you, and anyone else, can drop in and enjoy a cuppie, some company and a warm space to sit, to work, to chat or to read.

Cosy Cuppies

1.30 - 4.00pm.

An afternoon to chat, play dominoes, bring along your knitting and enjoy good fellowship.

All Souls@the Anchorage

Bible Study Group

Learning Together, Our Bible study group continues to meet on Monday afternoons in the Letham Church hall and everyone is welcome from all churches and denominations from 1:30 p.m.

The Arts & Crafts Group

meets on Monday afternoons in the Sunday School Room at Aberlemno. Plans for future new crafts to the group include painting on stone/slate. Why not come along for a fun and relaxing afternoon, have a chat and cuppie. Contact Jane on 07842 282962.

AFTERNOON TEA GROUP

Our group is continuing to meet at Rescobie Parish Room. It is a very friendly and informal gathering with lovely home baking and lots of chat. We also raise money for charities each year. Please feel free to come along and join us.

For more information and upcoming dates please contact Margaret Wilson; 07803499191 or Brian Ramsay 01241-828243

SPECTRUM CHOIR

Our community ladies choir meets each Monday evening from 7.30 – 9pm to enjoy singing together, good company and prepare small concerts for church and social events.

All Souls Men's Fellowship Group

Meetings normally third Monday monthly gathering 10.15 for tea/coffee for speaker commencing 10.30am, normally finishes with a Q&A 11:30am in the Anchorage . Contact : David Adam Mobile 07889 573885

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| 17 February. | Angus Spence—HMRY Britannia |
| 17 March. | Donald Inne—Flodden Fields |
| 21 March. | Ian Grimmer—NE Scotland Herring Industry after WW1 |

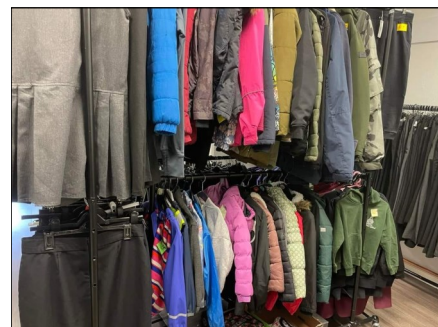


School Uniform Shop

The school uniform shop at the Anchorage opening times are:- Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 10.00am till 12 noon.

Used school uniforms which have been washed and ironed are available at no cost.

Donations always welcome and can be handed into the shop.



Tuesday

TOTS TODDLER GROUP

in the Anchorage
9.30 am to 11.30am

(During term time)

Our tots group for under 4s
with a focus on quiet play, crafts
and socialising.

Adults £1

Children 50p

Prayer Time

Quiet prayer
time in Lawson
Church

10am on Tues-
days

Men's Guild

Tuesday Evenings in the
Lowson Hall

7.00 pm to 9.00 pm

U3A singing group

At The Anchorage

every second Tuesday
afternoon between 2pm-
4pm in the Back Room.

CONCERT GROUP

A group for those who would
enjoy being part of a small
informal concert party are
starting to meet on Tuesday
evenings from 7pm – 9pm.

Self Care Crafting at the Anchorage 1pm -3.00pm

Each Tuesday afternoon we offer
'craft, colouring, company and
cuppies' in the front room as a
dedicated time for folks to come and
have some 'self care space' each
week to promote mental
wellbeing. Bring your own crafts or
colouring or do some we have here.

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Christmas at the Lowson

Above is a small snapshot of Christmas at the
Lowson.

Wednesday

Wednesday Worship

**TOTS
TODDLER GROUP**
in the Lowson
Hall
9.30 am to
11:30am
(During term time)
Adults £1.00
Children 50p

We offer a short seated church service at 10.30am at the Anchorage followed by refreshments. Worship is led by a small team who take turns to lead each week. Everyone is welcome to come along and join us.

Body and Soul

Lowson Church 7pm,
last Wednesday of
the month.

Mindful meditation,
being still in the
presence of God. Low
impact cardio
workout for women.
Free of charge.

Guild

2 pm in the Lowson
Church Hall every 2
weeks. New
members most
welcome and First
Year's membership
is FREE if never been
a Church of Scotland
Guild Member.

(See below for
programme/dates.)

Café Church at the Lowson

3rd Wednesday of
every month
A lively informal service
led by the Praise band
from 7:30pm
3rd Wednesday of the
month.

BUS SHOPPING TRIPS to Morrison's

Last Wednesday of Each month.

Pick-Ups will be as arranged
If you wish to join us or require further
information, Please contact
Valerie Darling 07359-766289

CRAFTS AND COMPANY GROUPS

On a Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon
from 1pm – 3pm we have "Crafts,
colouring, cuppies and company" – a safe
space for those who want to come
along to craft together or just enjoy a bit of
company.

Stoma Group

First Wednesday afternoon
of the month we are hosting
a stoma support group at
the Anchorage
2pm
Contact Valerie
07359766289

Karaoke @ The Kirk. This is a very informal get-together of people who love singing together. We sing a variety of songs including traditional, pop, country, easy listening and musicals. Requests are encouraged.

Wednesdays at 7PM but no need to register or pre-book, just come along to the Aberlemno Church, Sunday School room and have a good time. It's £2 per week. Oh... and we'll have a cuppa half way through.



All Souls Church Guild

Happy New Year—The Guild members are having their usual extended Christmas break until 26 February in the hope that the worst of the wintry weather will be avoided.



The dates for 2025 on the Theme – Sure Foundations

- 26 February **Friends of Toowa, Uganda – Anne-Marie Pitt**
- 7 March **(Friday) World Day of Prayer – Venue and time to be confirmed**
- 12 March **Faberge Eggs – Mary Ballantine**
- 15 March **(Saturday) Coffee Morning 10 am – 11.30 am – Usual Stalls and Raffle Tickets £3.50 payable at the door in aid of Guild Funds.**
- 26 March **110th A G M – Rev Dr Karen Fenwick**
- 9 April **Author Chris Longmuir**
- 23 April **Closing Social – Spectrum Choir**

We welcome you to come along to any of our meetings to hear more about any of our programme items.
Please bring your own cup or mug, a wrapped biscuit is provided.

All meetings are on **Wednesday afternoons at 2 pm** in the Lowson Church Hall and will finish between 3.30 and 4 pm unless stated otherwise. If you require any more information please contact me on 01307 469255 or email – lindas28@btinternet.com.

Linda Stewart, Minute Secretary

Thursday

TOTS

TODDLER GROUP

in the Anchorage

9.30 am to

11.30am

Adults £1.00

Children 50p

ELEVENSES

Thursday at 11 am

Come and worship with us in our Short and informal reflective service held in the Lawson Church.

Transport available.

LUNCH CLUB

Every Thursday

In the Lawson Church Hall

Come along and enjoy a bowl of tasty soup, filled rolls, cakes tea & coffee.

Lunch served from 11.45am

Would be lovely to see you

Craft Group

The Craft, Chat &

Cuppie Group

2pm—4pm in the Lawson Church Hall.

Bring along your knitting, crochet or sewing and join this friendly, chatty group.

Men's Prayer Group

Meet every Thursday

7.30pm in the Lawson Church

All welcome

SOUL COMFORT

A positive mental health space for everyone on Thursday evenings from 7pm-9pm. A space and place to just be and know that you are supported through whatever challenges life is giving you.

Please contact Rev Maggie on 07557381932 if you would like to come along.



Aberlemno during the festive period.

Top picture shows the advent candles and the bottom picture show the winter foliage exterior.



Would you like to meet you friends?

Do you have some free time?

Do you want to learn new skills?

If you answered yes to any of the above please speak to Office/ Minister/any Elder for volunteering opportunities within ALL Souls. We currently have a number of opportunities we would love help with.

Easyfundraising



- Donate to our funds every time you spend
- Easyfundraising turns your daily shopping into everyday magic
- Site is free to use and if you ask for a refer-a-friend link we get £5.00 for every referral.

If you want to know more drop an email to Lowsonchurch@gmail.com

Lowson Eco shop is now open again, either pop in during office hours, email or phone to arrange collection. Alternatively, top ups are available at the Farmers Market.

The products are all made in Britain, Eco friendly and cruelty free—so save some money and be kind to our precious planet !

Friday

TOTS

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in the Lawson Hall

9.30 am to

11.30am

Adults £1.00

Children 50p

Warm Spaces

Enjoy friendship, soup, coffee and cakes from 12 noon in Letham Church Hall every week during winter.

No charge.

Youth Group

Friday evenings in the Lawson Hall, term time

P1 - P3

6.30pm to 7.45pm

P4 - P7

7.45pm to 9.00pm

DROP ZONE

Friday Evenings in the Lawson Church, term time 7.30 pm to 9.00pm

For anyone of Secondary School Age.

Celebrate Recovery

There is a new group starting in Letham Church hall on Friday evenings from the end of January for anyone with addiction issues who would like some support. Please contact

Graeme McIntosh on 07752735288 for more information.

House Group

We are starting a new house group on a Friday morning for those who would like to deepen their faith and find new ways to reach out in faith.

For more details contact Rev Klaus Buwert.



Christmas at Letham

"During Advent we held a number of special events.

We helped Rev Maggie mix a Christmas pudding on Sunday 8th December and later that day, we held a Blue Christmas service.

The sanctuary was beautifully decorated with a real tree, and our advent candle wreath, and each of our 10 windows was decorated differently by individual volunteers giving unique and special significance to each display.



Our Singing Group performed the following Sunday with performances also from Peter Scarlett who sang one of his own compositions accompanying himself on his guitar, and Joanne Whyte who beautifully played her violin - all highlighting the various gifts and talents of the congregation.



On Thursday 19th, we held a Carols and Cakes event in Letham Church, which was very well attended and much enjoyed. On Sunday 22nd we had a DIY Nativity, which was a new experience for some, but great fun for all..... The season culminated in a Watchnight Service, where we almost ran out of mulled wine, as so many people turned up."



Saturday

Prayer Breakfast

Feed your Spirit and
your stomach !

Lowson Church Hall.
First Saturday of the
month.

Messy Church

Lowson Church

9:30am for a 10am start.
3rd Saturday of each month,

15th February

15th March

19th April

Gardyne Castle Gardens

Open on Sat 21st June

2-5pm

£6-In aid of Guthrie Heritage SCIO

No Dogs



All Souls 'Daffodil Tea'

Guthrie Hall

Saturday 5th April

2 - 4 pm

ANGUS Farmers Market
Angus Farmers' Market
PRESENTS
FORFAR
Farmers' Market
FREE ENTRY
2ND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH
excluding January!
Lowson Memorial Parish Church
1 Jamieson St, Forfar DD8 2HY 9am - 1pm

All Souls Church Guild Coffee Morning

Usual stalls (Cake & Candy, Gifts & Raffle)
Coffee/Tea, Fruit Loaf and wrapped biscuits

Lowson Church Hall, Jameson, Street,
Forfar

Saturday 15th March 2025

10 am - 11.30 am

Adults £3.50 at door



Christian Aid Week

11th - 17th May



QUIZ NIGHT

All Souls of Aberlemno Church

Thursday 8th February

7 for 7.30 pm

Canmore Bowling Club

Manor Street, Forfar



All Souls Charity

Shop

146 East High Street, Forfar

Monday

to

Saturday

10am to 4pm

Any Donations of
Clothes Welcome

Event held by
Aberlemno Primary School

QUIZ NIGHT

Aberlemno Village Hall

Friday 25th April

7pm for 7.30pm start

Quizmaster Brian Ramsay

Teams of up to 4 people

£5 per person

Bring your own bottle

Tea & coffee plus a raffle

Pre-book tables in advance

Email heatherandbillyw@sky.com

Phone 07774 338921

Aberlemno

Every Sunday at 10AM
All welcome.

There is a cup of tea/coffee and biscuits after the first Service of every month.



Aberlemno Church

Letham Church

Worship 10.30am every Sunday.

We are looking at Jesus through new eyes/
with a different perspective each week in
February.

Wondering and Questioning together as
we explore the bible stories of Jesus
teachings.

Teas and coffees are served after every ser-
vice allowing a time of fellowship;

*Short Informal Communion service at 11:30
a.m. on the first Sunday of every month.*

Sunday

Lowson Church

Morning Wordship
11 am every Sunday

Sunday School, Teen Scene and Creche
every term time Sunday at 11.00 am.

Cuppies after service.

*Informal Communion last Sunday of every
month.*



All services available on
You Tube

ALL Souls Office

Lowson Church

1 Jamieson Street, Forfar, DD8 2HY.

**Office open 9.30am to 12.30pm,
Wednesday and Thursday.**

lowsonchurch@gmail.com

www.forfarallsouls.org

The Anchorage 26 West High Street, Forfar.



*All Souls Church have created this Anchorage in
response to the need in our town for a free place
for people to just 'be'. A space to gather
together, and rebuild a sense of community (see
daily what's on for more details)*

BOARD GAMES AFTERNOON

We hold a board games afternoon on the last Sun-
day of the month from
1.30pm – 5pm. There are lots of options of games
to play from old favourites
like snakes and ladders and dominoes to longer
games and card games .