



the Skein

AUGUST 2020 PLUS

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

From the Minister...I have news which is the occasion for this extra edition of The Skein. What is more I have a bit of good news. Which is nice as I have to deal with much just now that is not good. The bit of good news is that Callander Kirk will reopen for public worship on Sunday August 30th.

It is only a bit of good news. Only some bits of the Church will be open. No gallery, no choir, no singing. No pew cushions, no upholstered chairs, no hand shaking. Socially distanced seating for 50, one way system, restricted numbers a maximum of 50. Socially distanced queuing to get in, rapid dispersal at close. With masks being worn by those who can, amongst the 50 whom we are permitted to have present for what will be a short service of worship. Worship very similar to what we have had for many months now, just without the convenience of staying in our own homes.

Yet I am encouraged as we make this tentative step forward. Please be patient & see this as a beginning which only some will be able to participate in at this time. It is my sincere desire that we will be able to make provision for greater accommodation at Sunday worship in the not too distant future. Personally I see Sunday August 30th. as very much a practice. Like taking the car out for a wee run after months sitting in the drive. Maybe we do not all need to be there. The patience of those who queue on the 30th. & the patience of those who wait elsewhere is anticipated & appreciated by me. Thank you.

We all need to think carefully about what is best for us to do at this time. Some of us need to consider our health before coming back to Church & decide, maybe with advice, as to when it would be wise to return. Some of us may in good Scots fashion allow others to go first; I thank you for your humility & forbearance. I know that some of our elders will be leading by example in this regard.

Please be assured that the weekly worship materials, delivered electronically & by other means will continue, as well as worship on Callander Kirk's Facebook page.

Christ's peace be with you all.

Sunday August 30th.

Callander Kirk – short service of worship 11.15 a.m.

Doors open 10.45 a.m.

LIMITED SEATING

