

# Welcome to Stonehaven Fetteresso



*Life of Worship • Life of Love • Life of Service*

## *11th July*

"The Lord bless you and keep you;  
the Lord make his face shine on you  
and be gracious to you;  
the Lord turn his face toward you  
and give you peace."

**Numbers 6:24-26**

DailyVerses.net

Peter & the family were greatly moved by the many people who stood out on the street last Monday to show their last respects as the hearse passed.



We were overwhelmed by the number of cards and messages about mum and what she meant to folks. To also have such a comprehensive recording of the occasion was very kind. Thank you for all your love and care. We are deeply grateful.

May the peace of God fill you and lead you into the future.

## Prayer Focus for July

This month we are highlighting and praying especially for Johnny & Susan Neethling in South Africa. They work for Youth With A Mission in the local community with children and young people.

Ineke, Susan's Mum is visiting with the family and has been in lockdown with them from mid March.

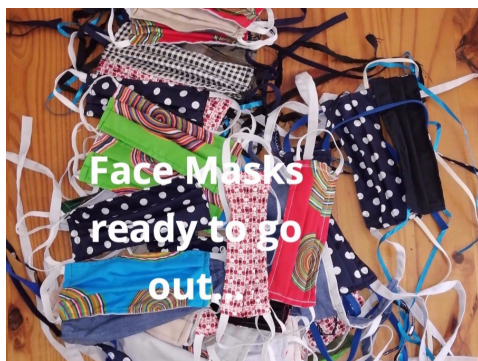
Please pray for them all as they seek to meet the pressing needs of the poor during Covid - 19

### South Africa in lockdown.....

South Africa is now reaching its peak with the Western Cape having a high increase in cases. After 3 months, lockdown continues. The country has come to a complete close and stand still. This has brought with it added challenges.. as faced by many worldwide, when unable to work and receive a salary in order to buy much needed supplies for the home such as food, electricity...

We have been blessed in these past few weeks with finances needed to buy essential food items for families in need.. to date we have been privileged to bless up to 200 + families. Below are some photos showing this being carried out.





Before lock down commenced Andy a fellow YWAM friend came to share good hand washing techniques to the children from the after school program and also how to make and use a tippy tap to save water consumption.

With Susan's mum visiting with us we have also been able to make and distribute much needed face masks.. which are compulsory to be worn from 1st May.

# Prayer Needs & Thankyou's

- ◆ For Johnny and Family as they go out to buy the food, package and deliver to those in need - that they would find the best prices for what will be bought so that more can be blessed.
- ◆ For Riverview - understanding of importance of hand hygiene, social distancing and mask wearing.
- ◆ For Iona and Matthew as they do their schooling from home.
- ◆ For government schools - mixed responses with regard to restarting as too many pupils for social distancing. Some have little sanitation or access to clean water. No protective equipment for staff, but few have the technology to school at home.
- ◆ For South Africa as a nation especially the government as they navigate and lead the nation through this time.
- ◆ For the over populated communities within this nation that they would be supernaturally protected from this virus and receive the support needed to take them through this difficult season.

**Thank you** for your continued prayers and support to us a family and ministry.

We also uphold you in prayer during this time.

If you feel led to give towards feeding those in need during this time please use this donations link

<https://www.give.net/handswithafrica//oneoff>

Our emailing address is:

YOUTH WITH A MISSION - To Know God and Make Him Known

[\*\*www.ywamworcester.com\*\*](http://www.ywamworcester.com)

This has now been made easier through the use of give.net donation page from Stewardship Services, which can be accessed from the link above. Enter Evangelism & Children's Work South Africa - Johnny & Susan Neethling in the search box. Then click on the charities box on the left. Our charity should then be easily found.

## Thank you.

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Fetteresso Church will be open for  
**Individual, Silent, Private Prayer**

on Sunday mornings from:

**Sunday  
12th July**

**10am to 12 noon only.**

The church building is still shut at other times.

**The ears of heaven are not!**

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

**Philippians 4:6-7**



The next fortnightly ZOOM prayer meeting will be held on Thursday 16th July at 8pm. If you would like to take part in this prayer meeting please contact Ailsa or Roseanne for more information.

*My dear Fetteresso friends,*

I hope this finds you all well and that you have been enjoying the At Home services over the last few weeks. The choir and I keep closely in contact with each other through the exchange of emails and listening to the service.

You will excuse my being a bit emotional today – Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July. Not just the 72<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the NHS, this is actually my 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary as your organist. As you might expect I had not wanted to celebrate this event under the restraints of a pandemic. I had lots of music planned for this last 3 or so months, to remind me of the enjoyment which, particularly, you, the congregation have given me over the years with your enthusiastic singing. I have been fortunate also to have tremendous support of a most committed and enthusiastic choir, and all the instrumentalist and vocalists of our praise bands.

I have another reason for being emotional – Liz and I are leaving Fetteresso and Stonehaven to move to Glasgow where our family live. We have been planning this for the last 18 months with this summer being the target. The pandemic has naturally delayed this and even now our moving date is a bit uncertain – but likely in the next few months. Anyone want to buy a very nice 4 bedroom house?! At this time of course, we don't know when our church will be back to even abnormal operation and it is likely that participation in the singing will not be allowed until a much later date. Whenever we are back and in whatever state, Liz and I plan to be there (even commuting) to bid a proper farewell to all our friends. Meantime I hope you all stay healthy so we can look forward to re-establishing our Fetteresso family.

*Ian Gillis*

# Ian Gillis is moving on.

As you'll have seen from Ian's letter to the Congregation, he will be leaving us at the end of August 45 years of service as our church organist and choirmaster. He and Liz are moving to the Glasgow area to be closer to their family.

We are enormously grateful for all that Ian and Liz have contributed to our church family over the years that we are really going to miss them. Although, I'm glad to see that Ian has promised to return for a few "special guest" appearances as lockdown eases!

Session fully intends to maintain the strong musical tradition of Fetteresso, and we will be beginning the process of recruiting Ian's successor as organist and choirmaster as soon as practicable.

In the meantime I am sure that you will all join me in wishing Ian and Liz the fondest of farewells and all the best for the future.

James Dickinson

Session Clerk

## Pray together this Sunday with Christians across Scotland

Whilst lockdown measures continue to ease in Scotland, this Sunday (12 July), Christians across Scotland will continue to join together in prayer at 7pm in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

As with previous weeks during lockdown and the phased easing of restrictions, 14 Christian churches and organisations across the country, including the Church of Scotland, have co-signed the letter calling for prayer.

Scottish Christians have been continuing to answer the call to pray at the same time each week, and Rt Rev Dr Martin Fair, Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, has been taking part alongside them.

"I'm delighted to have read that in the last couple of months online searches for 'prayer' have increased dramatically," Dr Fair said.

"But reading about what prayer is and how to do it is only the start of it. After that it's time to actually pray.

"And what better than to join with brothers and sisters from across the nation at 7pm on Sunday to pray our way through this ongoing crisis. I commend it to you and look forward to being with you, in Spirit, on Sunday evening."

This week's letter accompanying the prayer, which is also available in Gaelic, states:

"Our human experience is shaped, in part, by our past and by our present situation. Our identity is shaped, in part, by all that we have inherited and by how we affirm and are affirmed in our present situation.

"Over time, our experience and our identity are shaped by a multiplicity of influences.

"As the people of God, our experience and our identity are shaped by the community created by Jesus Christ and sustained and renewed by the Holy Spirit.

"Within that community, where the Spirit of God dwells, we find that our experience and our identity are shaped, not only by past and present, but by the future.

"As we face the future, we hear the words of Scripture within the community of the people of God: 'There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.' (Romans 8: 1 (NRSV).

"Whatever the past has been and whatever the challenges of the present are, we are liberated to face the future with the assurance that nothing can separate us from the love of God.



## **We pray:**

Living God, you are our Creator and our Maker.  
You have made us in your image  
And sustained us in past days.  
Guard us and keep us as we remember those days.  
Lord, in your mercy,  
Hear our prayer.

Living God, you are our Redeemer and our Deliverer.  
You reconcile all things through Christ Jesus,  
The image of the invisible God.  
Hold our lives in your safe keeping at this present time.  
Lord, in your mercy,  
Hear our prayer.

Living God, you are the giver of the gift of the Spirit.  
You breathe into us the very breath of life  
And renew us by your Holy Spirit.  
Lead us into the future, through Christ and by your Spirit.  
Lord, in your mercy,  
Hear our prayer.

Living God, as you have been with us in past days,  
Be with us today and in all the days to come.  
Grant that we may face the future  
Assured that nothing can separate us from the love of God.  
Lord, in your mercy,  
Hear our prayer.

AMEN



# Returning to Church

In line with the Scottish Government's phased return from "lockdown", we will be opening the church sanctuary for private prayer on **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July from 10am to 12noon**. This will be an opportunity for individuals or family groups to come to church and pray privately and silently, subject to social distancing precautions. There will however not be any form of a service or communal worship. That needs to wait until the next phase of the Government's plan (Phase 3). Please wear a face mask.

Once the Government announces the start of Phase 3, it is our intention to start church services again at the earliest opportunity (**currently we are hoping this will be late in July**). These services will, however, be subject to social distancing restrictions and so there are unlikely to be any children's activities or communal singing. The services will therefore be shorter, and focused mainly on prayer and preaching, although there may be some instrumental or recorded music.

As we move into this new phase we'd like to gather the views of our membership on these developments and how we best stay united as a church although the form of our worship will be different and the numbers able to make it to services may be limited. To help with this, we are conducting a **survey** of all our members and adherents to gather their views. If you are listed on our church roll, you should therefore get a call from one of the elders over the next couple of weeks, with a few questions to ask.

Please be nice to  
them . 😊

James Dickinson

Session Clerk

In the same way, the Spirit helps us  
in our weakness. We do not know what we ought  
to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes  
for us through wordless groans.

**Romans 8:26**



## **Far & Wide Covid 19 Response**

We closed the shop on Wednesday 18th March until we are able to open our doors and trade again.

I am working from my conservatory so wave if you out for your walk.

Self Isolating Volunteers Well that's really most of us, and we do miss the fellowship and customers as we worked together and served the community. We are still looking forward to our Fish & Chip Evening and sure it will be really tasty Fish & Chips with good company.

### **Far & Wide Foodbank**

The ladies who normally helped in the store reluctantly gave me their keys and are self isolating so pray for them as they miss the fellowship they had while sorting and serving over the years to the community who needed the foodbank. Hopefully things may return not normal (whatever that is).

### **Far & Wide and our Response**

This part of the shop is still running to help folk in need in our community. A Team of Volunteers are attending to the Foodbank while I am coordinating lists and supplies from Headquarters!

**Social Distancing** Some volunteers are packing and others are driving and leaving supplies on the doorsteps. So the load is spread and safe as we can. We have had a good numbers of items donated when Company canteens and Restaurant's as they made the decision to close and offer us the food.

### **Donations of food**

Since the churches are closed and that's normally where we replenish our stock—

we set up a weekly drop off on **Fridays 10.30-12 noon at Far & Wide Shop** to allow people to donate non perishable items. See page 7 for more information.

Oh and don't forget the pets.

There has been a good response over the last few weeks Fridays and we are grateful for what we received. However this may tail off as the weeks go on.

### **Donations of Money**

The Foodbank would appreciate any of these items

Most of these items can be purchased at Farmfoods.



Frav-Bentos-Pies



Frav-Bentos-Corned-Beef



Tuna



Sauce



Spam



Sausages-in-Spaghetti



Dried-Milk



Hot-Dogs



Lentils



Smoke-Sausage



Haggis-----Mashed-Potato



Pork-Luncheon-Meat



Custard



Steak

## Local Volunteers and Support

**Stonehaven and District Round Table** have joined forces with A&I Taxis to offer a **free prescription and emergency item delivery service** in Stonehaven and surrounding rural areas, for vulnerable people that would be high risk if they leave the house.

The letterbox can be used to pass information, and items can be dropped off to doorstep. Disposable gloves will be worn at all times.

Get in touch with us via Facebook or [stonehaven@roundtable.org.uk](mailto:stonehaven@roundtable.org.uk)

A&I Taxis, 01569 764333, [audrey@aitaxis.co.uk](mailto:audrey@aitaxis.co.uk)

**Covid 19** – Helping Stonehaven is a **Facebook group** set up by locals to share hints, tips, ideas and appeals. You need to join the group to post/read the contributions.

**Far & Wide shop** at 26 Evan Street will be open Fridays 10.30am – noon to drop off **non** perishable food donations to their **foodbank**.

### Help and Assistance

Fetteresso Church have a group of volunteers to help with any shopping needs etc at this time.

If you need help please contact the church office on:

[office@fetteresso.org.uk](mailto:office@fetteresso.org.uk)

Or 01569 730143

or for more wide ranging advice and help please check out:

Grampian Coronavirus  
Assistance Hub

[www.gcah.org.uk](http://www.gcah.org.uk)

### Grampian Coronavirus Assistance Hub

If **you** need  
help, support  
or advice.

Anywhere in Aberdeen,  
Aberdeenshire or Moray.

0808 196 3384  
[www.gcah.org.uk](http://www.gcah.org.uk)

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## Local Businesses offering home delivery

**Cool Gourmet** can deliver blast chilled meals ready for reheating.

Tel 01569 767679 for orders and card payment.

Also open Tuesday- Friday 10.30-2.30 – so folk can come and buy off of the counter as well – including the ever-popular small batches of scones

**Nu Spice** and **Carron to Mumbai** working together and offering collection or deliveries of their usual menu, Monday to Sunday 4.30 – 10pm.

Free meals for pensioners, NHS and under 11s, and 20% discount for police officers. Telephone 01569 760460

**The Alma** in Laurencekirk has a click and collect facility.

**Fountainhall Wines** are offering a non-contact delivery to your door.

01569 763399

**Reids Gold** Barry Reid of Reid's Gold is still delivering to Stonehaven and other AB39 postcodes, which is Drumlithie to Newtonhill for free and cheering people up in this testing time with my delicious fruity **craft beers** made in Stonehaven.

Tel: 01569 549 027 Mobile: 07707944034, [www.reidsgold.com](http://www.reidsgold.com)

**Pizza The Action** is delivering as usual and are able to do a contactless delivery service, from their Redcloak store.

**Charles McHardy Butchers** – please use our website

[charlesmchardybutchers.co.uk](http://charlesmchardybutchers.co.uk) or phone in orders for delivery! Ideal if you are self-isolating!

Free delivery within a 15 mile radius of the shop when you spend over £20

**Granite City Fish Ltd** are delivering on Fridays to Portlethen, Newtonhill, Stonehaven & surrounding areas. Please call Granite City Fish on 01224 587065 to place your order.

**George Fairweather of Arbroath** is also accepting orders for fish for home delivery in Stonehaven on a Friday. Call 07974 311326 to place orders.



**Tandoori Haven** is offering free delivery up to three miles for any order over £20. Various discount deals, including 50% off for NHS and Police. Also offering to deliver a **free curry** to elderly residents aged 65+ Tel: 07830 821222

**Meydan**, Market Square Dear friends, we will be open Monday to Thursday 3pm – 10pm and Friday to Sunday 3pm – 11pm. Please don't forget we do online orders for collection or delivery – [meydanonline.co.uk](https://meydanonline.co.uk) Or you can use the **FOODHUB APP** with shop post-code AB39 2BA

**The Red Red Robin** on Allardice Street are doing deliveries. The menu and daily soup etc are posted on Facebook page. Hours meantime are 9am until 2.30pm. 01569 765533

**Castleton Farm shop** – We are now working with our friends Westerton Farmers to ensure everyone gets the essentials they need. This is a link to our delivery service. Call us on 01561 321155 to order shopping to collect. Stay safe everyone. Please note the following:

- ◆ Due to large demand the first available slots for click and deliver are from April 1st
- ◆ Our shop is open 9am-1pm daily for shopping for those essentials.
- ◆ Click and collect items can be collected after 2pm, come to the door and we'll bring your order to you.
- ◆ For takeaway orders please phone on 01561 321155 give name, order and collection time and please make payment over phone to reduce contact. When you arrive please do not enter porch if someone else is waiting, wait for them to leave then enter.
- ◆ If you work for the **NHS** you can claim a **free tea or coffee** with your takeaway order by showing your NHS badge on collection.📄

**Graingers Delicatessen** are operating a weekly weekend delivery – check their Facebook page for details

**Phoenix Bakehouse**, Inverbervie email : [orders@pheonixbakehouse.co.uk](mailto:orders@pheonixbakehouse.co.uk) or call 01561 361221.

Delivery:

**Tues and Fri** : Inverbervie, gourdon, Kinneff, Johnshaven

**Wed and Sat**: Laurencekirk and Stonehaven

**Richard Wright** is delivering milk, juices and free range eggs on a Tuesday and Thursday – but can only accept new customers who fall into the vulnerable category. Telephone 07415 874155.

**Thomson Dairies** offer deliveries of milk, fruit juice, breakfast packs, yoghurt, cream etc from their Altens depot

**Kerrs Dairy** offering deliveries of milk, eggs and fruit juice.