

THANK YOU AND A HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON.

My heartfelt thanks to you all. You are a super congregation and I much appreciate your support during these challenging times. It is such a privilege to share together in Christian service.

Thank you to Mike Moir, Robin Walker, Kate Carswell, Moira Daly, Roxy, our church secretary and to our Kirk Session, Conveners of Committees and Members, Contacts for the Parish Areas, all who Beadle, those who ring the Church Bells and those who clean the Churches. Thank you to all on the Welcoming Teams and to the Readers. Thank you to our Organists and to Barbara Murray who treats us to beautiful music on the organ and piano at Balformo Road and to Rubina Urquhart who treats us at St Martins, and to Mike Moir and Ian Scott who work the technology for the hymn singing. Thank you to Ian and Alison for the times they lead worship Thank you to all who have gifted flowers and to those who deliver them. Thank you to all who record Trace and Protect and to those responsible for the sanitising requirements. Thank you to those who pray and read and study the Bible. Thank you to those who engage with new people to the Church and who make them feel welcome. Thank you for those planning invitations to them and hospitality. Thank you to all getting back to sharing the fellowship of Christ's Church. Thank you to the Guild and its Committee and thank you to the supporters of Christian Aid and our Convener. Thank you for the Officers and Boys of our Boys' Brigade, and for the associations we are building with the Guide and Scout Movements. Congratulations to our BB Queen's Men and President's Men, though we look forward to saying this in person. Thank you to those who have shared in their homes, their gardens, at the manse, in the Kirk, and on the telephone. Thank you to those whose eyes sparkle over their masks, sometimes announcing, "Yes, I'm here". Thank you for those daring to sing. Thank you for Georgia, our black Labrador's visits among us and licks at the Church door. Thank you to George Stewart, 101 years and 6 months who walks to the Kirk on a Sunday morning and who sets us all a fine example. Thank you to the younger members signalling that all ages are returning. Thank you to those who maintain the gardens and who plant the flowers. Thank you to all in the congregation who are supporting your Church in many different ways. Thank you to all who can be relied on in Fair or Foul weather.

Of, course, you all understand that there is loads of potential yet to be developed. I look forward to us embracing the fresh initiatives. The more on board the merrier. Don't hold back in offering your talent or talents, and be sure to keep the Faith!

And thanks to the Great Trinity of Love, ever with us, inspiring us, and leading us on.

Maudeen - Your Parish Minister..