

Prayer Diary: January 2019

If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land. (2 Chronicles 7:14)

Week 2: 13 – 19 January

Our minister

Give thanks to God for the faithful ministry of Word & Sacrament provided by Jack and for his leadership and support given to the congregation's witness, mission and service to the community, city and wider world. Pray God will continue to anoint by the Spirit his preaching and teaching.



The Kirk Session

Give thanks to God for the continued dedicated leadership of our shrinking band of elders as they are confronted by the challenges facing most parish churches today. Pray God will issue a call to strengthen numbers and give vision and wisdom to allow the Kirk Session to see the opportunities to bring our vision into being,

Congregation

Give thanks to God for the loyalty and constancy of our worshipping, giving and serving congregation. Pray God will add to our number those finding faith in Jesus Christ and restore to our fellowship children and teenagers.



Week 3: 20 – 26 January

The Church Groups

Give thanks to God for the groups carrying out our mission through the canal and gardens, labyrinth, Global Concerns, Guid Blethers, and the Guild.

Pray God will give clarity and unity of purpose to each so that what can be considered separate and unconnected will be understood as linked and integrated.

The Regular Church Users

Give thanks to God for the organisations and societies making use of our halls for their social and leisure activities. Pray God will show us ways in which relationships can be forged between them and the life and work of the church so that they can become active partners and participants in our faith community.



On the 24th of the month

Pray for the Rev John McCulloch (our Mission Partner), his wife and children as they start their first full year living and working in the Holy Land. Pray too for Loraine as she communicates with them on our behalf that she will be led by the Spirit to offer the right words of prayerful support.

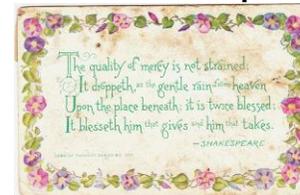
Week 4: 27 – 2 February

Outreach at Polwarth

Give thanks to God for our volunteer Outreach Worker, Pauline and those supporting her. Pray God will now bless the preparations made, and bring the isolated and lonely to our premises through the pop-up café and give us the privilege of offering hospitality in the name of Jesus Christ.



Charter for Compassion



Give thanks to God for the principles that will guide us to become an ever more compassionate community, demonstrating the character of Jesus our Lord. Take time to reflect prayerfully on the fourth of these: **Always assuming the best of a person's intentions.** Pray God to reveal in what ways we might be failing to do this and also how to do it better.