# Linkage News

#### **Services Sunday 3 November 2024**

Carlops Church Worship - 10am - Steven Whalley in church & on Zoom (see email for link)





Kirkurd & Newland Church Worship - 10am - Isobel Hunter in church

Skirling Church Worship - 11.30am - Isobel Hunter in church

Tweedsmuir Church Worship - 9.30am - Peter Worthington in church

Broughton Church Worship - 11am - Peter Worthington in church



DON'T FORGET the earlier start time of **10:45am** for St Andrew's West Linton next week for our annual remembrance service.



Sharing of News & Information Anything you would like shared should be emailed to

intimations@standrews-westlinton.org
by <u>Thursday lunchtime</u> would be really
helpful to allow time to collate and distribute it.

Minister for West Tweeddale - Rev. Dr. Tony Foley
Email <u>tfoley@churchofscotland.org.uk</u>
Telephone 07793 294 000 or 01968 660 221

#### **West Tweeddale Church Office**

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#### **Great News about West Linton Post Office!**

You may have read in the Peeblesshire News about a fundraising campaign, I'm including the latest update here for those not on social media. Some will know Susan from her regular vistis to West Linton with The Allotment pop up fruit & veg shop, some will remember her father Reid Meikle or her grandfather Jock Meikle the policeman.

#### **Exciting Update on West Linton Post Office**

I am delighted to share some great news. Post Office Ltd has unexpectedly secured funding to cover all equipment, fixtures, and fittings necessary to reopen the Post Office in West Linton (previously estimated at £18,000). This rightly reflects the Post Office Ltd mandated duty to our rural community to support local needs and foster social inclusion and so I welcome their decision.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has supported me in this endeavour, particularly the West Linton Community Council, Gillian and Callum Greenhow, the SBC Tweeddale Councillors, and David Mundell MP, all of whom have campaigned tirelessly and provided invaluable assistance.

I am especially humbled by the generosity of everyone who contributed to our GoFundMe campaign.

As a result of this funding from Post Office Ltd, the crowdfunding effort is no longer necessary, and I am pleased to inform donors that refunds will be processed as soon as logistics are arranged.

While we still have a few challenges to address, I remain hopeful that we will open the doors of the West Linton Allotment and Post Office this spring, restoring a much-valued social hub for the community. And I thank you for your continued support.

Warm regards Susan Meikle



Our first Messy Church Session is on Sunday 24 November and the theme is Zacchaeus.

The session starts at 4pm prompt in the New Church Hall at West Linton and finishes at 6pm.

All children from babies to P7 are most welcome to come and join in the fun! We will start with a Bible Story and then the children will do a range of craft activities, followed by a song and a prayer and finish off with a meal together. All children MUST be accompanied by an adult.

Please do consider joining us for an afternoon of fun activities and a family meal together. For more information contact Jean Howat <a href="mailto:howatjean@gmail.com">howatjean@gmail.com</a>

## St Andrew's West Linton Blythswood Care Shoebox Appeal 2024

Thanks to all who contributed boxes, cash and fillers. It was a magnificent effort and greatly appreciated by the collectors on Monday

A special mention to the Brownies, who not only filled boxes and donated fillers, but did a rather special project on the Shoebox Appeal





#### **Peebles Youth Trust Christmas Hampers**

St Andrew's and Newlands have been asked if we could donate jam and/ or shampoo/shower gel/soap.

They anticipate around 120 nomination from social work, schools and health visitors to help families across Peeblesshire and hope we can help in some small way. Last day for donations at St Andrew's West Linton will be **Sunday 17 November** 

Parish of Upper Tweeddale presents a programme of

## Films That Make You Think!



next showing

Broughton Village Hall

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November

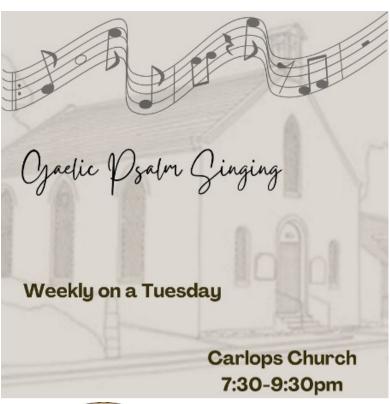
film starts 7:00 PM

A family friendly Christmas film followed by an open discussion of some of the themes and issues raised by the film



Free Admission Light Refreshments

for more information scan the QR code or go to www.uppertweeddale.org.uk/films\_that\_make\_you\_think.asp



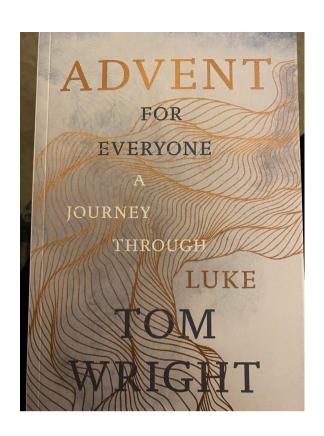


## Soup Lunch for the Community in Carlops Church

#### Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>.November 2024 12noon-1.30pm

You are warmly invited to our November soup lunch event where there will be a choice of four homemade soups followed by tea/coffee and home baking. Everyone will be made welcome and can join in the buzz of lively conversation. There is no set charge but a donation is requested and can be made by cash or card.

There will be no soup lunch in December but from January until May 2025 there will be a lunch on the second Wednesday of each month. We hope to welcome you to one or all of these events.



## Advent for Everyone—a journey through Luke—Tom Wright

In person Advent Study will be held at the Manse starting on the 26th November at 7:30pm.

Led by Yvonne Foley.

For 4 weeks.

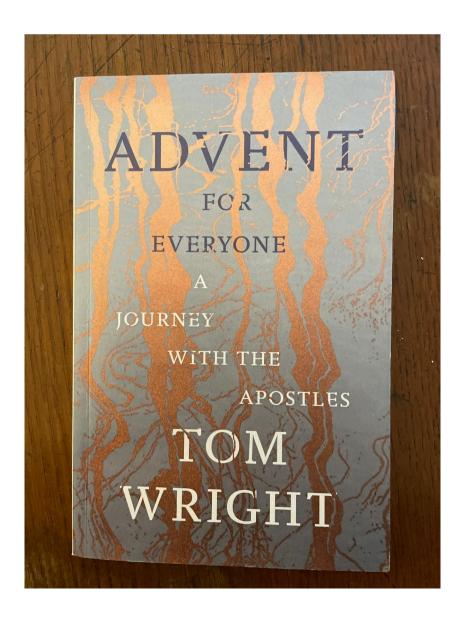
# Advent for Everyone—a journey with the Apostles—Tom Wright

Online advent study via Zoom



starting Thursday 21st Nov. Led by Rev. Dr Tony Foley

4 weeks



# ST ANDREWS UPCOMING DATES 2024

### We look forward to seeing you

Sunday 27 October - Last date for Blythswood Care Shoebox donations

Sunday 17 November - Last date for Peeblesshsire Youth Trust donations

Sunday 10th November - Remembrance Service 10:45am, 2 min silence at 11am and War Memorial afterwards

Monday 9 December - Blue Christmas Service

Sunday 15 December - Last date for New and unwrapped toys for Salvation Army

Sunday 15 December - Gift Service including Sunday Club's Nativity

Wednesday 18 December - Garvald's Shepherds Play

Tuesday 24 December - Watchnight Service

Wednesday 25 December - Christmas Day Service

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# DROP IN Quiet ST MUNGO'S

ST MUNGO'S WEST LINTON SAT 16TH NOV. 10:30AM-2:30PM

Pop in anytime and find peace & quiet

Refreshments,
Rest and Reflection

Everyone is welcome, any age. Stay for however long you want

Come and Pray with us.
Join us on the first Monday
of the month at 2.00 p.m.
in Broughton Village Hall
(the wee room that you
come to from the car park
before you get to the main
door)





For the next few months we will be praying for the future of Broughton Kirk using contemplative prayer inspired by Julian of Norwich



Next meeting Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Nov





BBs will return for Under 11s on 17th September



ANCHORS

5 - 8 Years

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8 - 11 Years

Drop us an email for more information:

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## COMMUNITY COSY CAFE AFTERNOON

Fridays 2-4pm Old Church Hall West Linton

Come along for Tea, Coffee, cakes, biscuits, chat & company



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More information: 07973 501 665



Term time Fridays

10-11.30am

Old Church Hall, West Linton









## Got a problem?

Stressed? Anxious? Depressed?
Parenting difficulties? Relationship issues?
Whatever the problem – large or small, recent or long-standing, Solution Focused Brief Therapy can help.

Ask for an appointment at

## THE OPEN GATE

In Newlands Centre, Romanno Bridge

Fridays 2pm to 5pm.

Anyone who wants help for their problem is welcome, and will be seen by arrangement. There is no 'Drop-in'.

#### PHONE OR TEXT 07535 898 244

SFBT is enjoyable and helps quickly, usually within 1-3 sessions. All sessions are free and confidential.



The minister's benevolent fund offers emergency assistance throughout our linkage areas. If you require assistance please contact us by email. All emails will be dealt with in the strictest of confidence. People may need other kinds of support and we are also ready to help with that or direct you to others who can.

