Hi all,

A quick catch up of news, -

We have now re-established <u>Sunday morning</u> worship <u>at 10.00am</u> in Tayvallich each week. Shortish services as we still have to keep masks on at all times, even when singing. Please come along if you can, book in with Libby before hand on <u>01546</u> 870635.

The Mission Plan to look at how to manage the five congregations in Mid Argyll and to consider ways to reach out and share our faith within our communities has been drafted and is going to the Kirk Sessions in each parish for consideration. Thereafter it will be taken for Presbytery approval and then discussed with each congregation.

The basis of the plan is for one united congregation covering Mid Argyll. This will give challenges as to how we will manage local worship but also benefits in shared resources for mission and pastoral care. We will probably have only two full time ordained posts – and will therefor depend on volunteers to assist with worship and other activities. The Church of Scotland is everywhere having to adapt to meet our current culture and also to reduce costs so we are not alone in facing these kinds of challenges.

In our parish we also have our **House Group** which is starting again this Friday evening at 7.30pm (the 17th September). This first meeting will very much be a catch up after our summer break and to talk about what we could be doing in the weeks ahead. Please join us on Zoom, or in person now! We are meeting at the Logue's home, 3 Braeface. (if you would like to join in please let me know on 01546 870647 so we can send you the zoom link or directions to our home)

I am sure that many people pray regularly for our area and the people in it, and we can never say that we don't need to pray more. On **Monday mornings a group meet on Zoom** at 9.00am to pray for people and situations locally. Prayer is such an integral part of our Christian faith. The bible is full of stories of

encouragement to pray and God's interventions to change situations in our world.

Do you have a favourite story of answered prayer, either in your own life or from the bible?

If you would like to join in with others to pray on Mondays that would be great, for details of how to join in please phone Catherine Paterson 01546 603672.

Finally, there is a group based in North Knapdale called **Time for Change** which is working to spread more information on Climate Change and to influence MPs, MSPs and local councillors to support initiatives to combat this. As a run up to the International Conference on Climate Change in Glasgow in November (COP 26) Time for Change have organised a ZOOM conference on Monday evening (20th September) with speakers from a variety of businesses and initiatives across Argyll, and the local MP and MSP. While this is not a "church" activity it does reflect an important responsibility to protect and support God's creation, and combat the suffering already happening across our world due to changes in sea level and weather patterns.

It should be an interesting evening – for more information and to register please click on :

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/argyll-bute-climate-summit-tickets-165643992641

.....and, I almost forgot – **The Kilt Walk!** Sunday the 26th September is Kiltwalk Sunday and lots of people are gathering in Glasgow to walk to raise funds for a variety of charities. However, the North Knapdale Strollers, aka Chris Tabraham and I have decided that going to Glasgow is not a good idea, so we, with several others are going to walk from **Bellanoch Church to Kilmartin Church on the 26th Sept** and any donations received will go to our local Carer's charity – The Dochas fund.

We will be starting the walk at Bellanoch after the Church service in Tayvallich, so about <u>11.30am</u>.

So, if you would like to join us, please give me a call or an e-mail, and if you would like to donate to the Dochas Fund, then send this to the North Knapdale Church account below, and mark your donation – "Kiltwalk".

Many thanks, and I hope we have a crowd walking with us!

Cheers David

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That's all for now. David