

# Scrabo Presbyterian Church

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Dear Scrabo Member,

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The Kirk Session has decided that now is an appropriate time for us to re-open our Church on a limited basis, and we are putting in place all the safety provisions required to ensure your safety. Due to the continued need for vigilance in the face of Covid-19, you need to study the following **carefully**:

- Our Organisations remain suspended - only our Sunday morning Worship Service is resuming, for the present. The first Service will be on **Sunday 13 September at 10.30am** in the Church, with a Video link for anyone in the Eagleson Hall. Both areas will have chairs spaced according to the number of those who have indicated that they intend to come.
- Space is limited, so you need to tell us the name(s) of your family members planning to attend **no later than Wednesday 9 September**. Email John Doherty at [dohertyjb37@gmail.com](mailto:dohertyjb37@gmail.com) or text/ring him on 07765 900 988. **Don't come without telling us in advance, as we won't have a chair allocated for you to sit on!** If your plans should later change and you can't come, do let John know.
- Remember to do this each week for the next while, so that we can evaluate how well things work.
- While family members will be able to sit beside each other, those who come alone will be allocated a single seat, at 2 metres distance from other worshippers.
- The Church won't be open **until 10.00am** but please come in good time for 10.30 so we can seat you.
- There will be no separate children's activities during the Service but the worship will be designed with that in mind. Children should bring a pencil case with them to use the Work sheet that we will provide. The Tower Room can be used by parents if a child is restless, **but please bring your own toys.**
- We will continue to provide Online access and Audio/DVD discs for those unable to attend.

## On arrival, you must:

- Wear a face covering, if your health permits you to do this.
- Sanitise your hands with the gel that will be provided at the Entrance door.
- Wait at the Entrance door, 2 metres from other families, until one of the Welcome Team can show you to your seat(s) as per the seating plan.
- You can leave Offering envelopes, that you have stored, on the plate as you enter.

## While in Church, you must:

- Stay in your allocated seat until the Service has ended, and not move around.
- Maintain 2 metres of distance from other members, especially in conversations.
- Avoid creating a blockage, preventing other people from leaving.
- Follow the indicated route to leave the Church, maintaining 2 metres distance.

**Note: If you use one of the toilets, sanitise your hands; the toilet will then be cleaned for re-use.**

The Kirk Session regrets that these restrictions are necessary, but they may be in place for some time to come, even assuming that there is no resurgence in infection levels or a further lockdown. Our Sunday worship will look and feel different from usual, but we trust that we will all be blessed as a result of coming together to worship God. If you are unsure about any of this, please contact John Doherty on 07765 900 988.

With every blessing,

Rev. Aaron Ditty

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