Welcome to the Fife Presbytery Mission Bulletin!

3rd December 2021



We are delighted to bring you our latest newsletter filled with News, Events, Training and Funding information.

All sections have updates in this edition!

We're here to encourage and support you in our shared Christian mission across Fife.

Please email your stories, news and suggestions for our next Mission Bulletin to Lorraine via fife@churchofscotland.org.uk

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News



Fife Presbytery 2:10 Mission Fund - Your Choice!

"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." - Ephesians 2:10

Introduction

The Fife Presbytery 2:10 Mission Fund was launched 4 weeks ago with an aim to support and develop new and emerging mission initiatives.

Fife Presbytery's 2:10 Mission Fund will provide a small number of grants of up to £2,000 and two grants of up to £10,000 to support the development of local mission initiatives and projects.

- The Fund will support churches to test, grow and/or develop local mission initiatives or projects through a small number of one-off grants up to £2k.
- The Fund will also invest in well-developed and innovative mission ideas, initiatives or projects through one-off grants up to £10k.

Criteria for funded projects

Mission initiatives will focus on at least one of the following priorities:

- Developing mission through new ways of being church, including: new worshipping communities, online worship, fresh expressions or pioneering initiatives.
- Engaging and attracting those aged 40 and under including children, young people and families.

Your choice: Participatory Budgeting

Our two priorities were: Developing mission through new ways of being church OR Engaging with under 40s including children and young people.

We received a very high number of excellent applications, with requests totalling £90k from an advertised pot of £30k! Following difficult shortlisting, we are now ready to move to a participatory budget vote!

Due to the number of applications received, practicalities and technological restraints, on this occasion, the vote will be for mission projects seeking larger grants of up to £10k only. Board of Mission Assessors will make decisions on applications for £2k grants with outcomes announced next week. And in order to get funds to churches in a timely manner, we are required to submit decisions to 121 by 7th December, therefore voting has been brought forward.

Please find below our 5 shortlisted project choices. Voting is conducted using a preference system, so you may indicate support for all projects, from your most preferred to least preferred.

Once you have read about the projects you can vote here: https://forms.office.com/r/cmxFe8F3fh

Voting is open to anyone across Presbytery, with a Fife postcode, who is either a member of a congregation, affiliated project or ecumenical partner. Voting closes at 12pm on Monday 6th December. Results will be announced on Friday 10th December.

Happy voting and thanks for participating!

Shortlisted Project Choices:

Project Name: Kingdom Think Tank

Congregation(s)/Supporting Congregation(s): Kirkcaldy: Dysart St Clair, Pathhead Description: Our project has been initiated by the urgent need to deliver Mission and Ministry in the North East of Kirkcaldy. The Kingdom Park Development sits in an area that has been sadly neglected for a very long time. Gallatown borders on the new housing scheme and is recognised as one of the priority areas in Scotland. Until the proposed Community Centre has been built we will continue to research how best we can ensure a presence in the new housing development and the surrounding area. Ideas that are being considered, as to their viability, cost suitability and sustainabilty are the:- Viewforth Community Campus, Purchasing a used Portacabin, Pop-up Church in a gazebo (when weather improves). We hope and pray that our project will encourage Mission and Ministry to develop in its own way, (as God leads it) to listen rather than talk, allowing us to find new ways of being Church whilst serving the community. Our newly formed committee with elders from Dysart St Clair and Pathhead Church will work together to do our best to nurture faith and develop new ecclesial and Christian communities and to deliver Mission in all its forms to everyone in this part of our community.

Project Name: Fife Pilgrim Way – Pilgrim Pastorate

Congregation(s)/Supporting Congregation(s): Dunfermline Abbey, Kinglassie and Auchterderran, Glenrothes: St Columba's, Ceres, Kemback and Springfield and Scottish Episcopal Church - Diocese of St Andrew's, Dunkeld and Dunblane.

Description: The Fife Pilgrim Way (FPW) Pilgrim Pastorate project seeks to develop church engagement with the FPW to develop Christian spirituality by employing a suitably qualified and experienced individual to work with local congregations, key volunteers in local communities, and visiting walkers and cyclists to test the viability of a Pilgrim Pastorate. By replicating practices adopted successfully in the Lutheran Churches in Europe, we will develop the FPW as a valuable spiritual resource and not just a long distance walking route. This 12-month pilot project will be ecumenical, focusing on a limited number of congregations and communities along with walkers and cyclists. The outcomes will include:

developing meaningful pilgrimage experiences by speaking to congregations; leading outdoor pilgrimage walks which include prayer, reflection, and conversation; training church members in making connection between their place of worship and visiting pilgrims; and using digital and other media to publicise Scotland's first ever Pilgrim Pastorate. This will also reinforce links with the Fife Coast & Countryside Trust, community groups and public bodies interested in developing faith tourism across Fife more widely. The project will be managed as an ecumenical partnership between the Church of Scotland, Scottish Episcopal Church and other church denominations, with the support of the Scottish Pilgrim Routes Forum SCIO (SPRF). In addition to the Abbey Church of Dunfermline, three other church congregations within the Presbytery will participate and contribute project funding in addition to the SEC Diocese of St Andrews.

Project Name: Children & Family Outreach Project

Congregation(s)/Supporting Congregation(s): Dunfermline East

Description: Our project aims to bring support, witness and community to the young families in our area. In 2018, >1000 of those in our parish of 13000 were aged 0-4 years. The pandemic, along with the end of our former family worker's role, gave us time to reflect on the successful work we have undertaken with this age-group and their families pre-Covid. We began to believe that we should not simply re-boot this work but do so with a new, inclusive focus. We will employ a worker to dedicate 15hrs per week to this project, so that together we can: 1. Develop and enlarge our newly-formed Parent and Toddler groups (Pop-Up Play) to their full capacity. 2. Specifically ensure the groups are fully inclusive to the growing number of children with Additional Support Needs (such as autism) who can struggle in mainstream groups leaving parents anxious, isolated and sometimes rejected. 3. Provide opportunities for friendship-building and pastoral support to those parents/carers who may feel isolated, especially those with children with ASN. 4. Offer groups where those who find they want to, can begin to explore values and faith in a way that feels comfortable to them e.g. Parenting Courses, Alpha groups.

Project Name: Me & You @ Abbeyview

Congregation(s)/Supporting Congregation(s): Dunfermline: St Ninian's

Description: Dunfermline St.Ninian's is in one of the 10% most deprived areas in Scotland. During lockdown, we pursued an initiative attracting over 250 young people to the church where we provided a good foundation o fsupport both spiritually and emotionally for the younger generation. Our professional community research identified the need for supporting young people and families. We held three successful youth events over the summer months of 2021 as a pilot project funded by the Carnegie Trust. Following on from this success we subsequently funded a further three events ourselves. We seek to grow this thriving ministry programme building up on these foundations with every one involved; young and old aiming to provide an environment that is safe, nurturing and loving by responding to human need in loving service. We will then offer young people the opportunity to explore the Christian faith, through Scripture Union and Youth Alpha. Both of these courses are young people friendly and give great opportunities for teaching and discussion, over a 'family meal'. With Christ at the heart of all that we do, this enables us as a church to share the good news of Jesus, make disciples and live as God's people throughout the community

Project Name: Kirkcaldy Area Reachout Team (KART)

Congregation(s)/Supporting Congregation(s): Kinghorn Parish Church

Description: Kirkcaldy Area Reachout Trust (KART) is an existing and well-established Christian Youth Charity. We started when a group of local Christians in our community including a COS Minister saw there was a need to bridge the gulf between churches and our young people. Since our beginnings Kirkcaldy Presbytery has been a pillar to us by significantly supporting us financially each year since 2009. It was a massive blow to learn that this was no longer possible. KART's activities include working alongside churches, primary and high schools, school chaplains, lunchtime and after school clubs, youth events and holiday clubs, residential camps and football coaching. We are encouraged by and thank you for the opportunity to be considered for an award and we are applying under the revenue focus of 'Staffing'.

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Events



Poverty: The Perfect Storm

Fife Presbytery Poverty Conversation

Tuesday 25th January, 7.00-8.30pm via Zoom

Registration via: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/fife-presbytery-poverty-forum-tickets-

221862575937

Registration is requested to assist meeting preparation.

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly. - $St\ John\ 10\ v10$

Pre 2019 Pandemic, the numbers of people experiencing one or more of the seven categories of poverty detailed in the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation were increasing. The impact of the pandemic has enlarged the numbers across the board.

Many parish churches have been working with families, schools, community groups, charities, council, ecumenically and with Council and Third Sector agencies to defeat the evil of poverty. As a new presbytery, how can we respectfully discern usefulness and potential impact, to complement and build on this work?

The 5 Marks of Mission include these commitments:

- 3. To respond to human need by loving service
- 4. To transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and pursue peace and reconciliation
- 5. To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth

Fife Presbytery Moderator's Fund

Jane would like to use the Fund to get this work off the ground, so that it starts here and now and grows in the way we have yet to discover and for whom.

Joined by partners from Faith in Community Dundee, Fife Voluntary Action and Fife Council who can help us with a pilot into Spring 2022, and possibly beyond.

You are warmly invited to join this conversation

Talking Mission: New Ways of being Church With Rev Alan McWilliam

Date: 30th November 2021



Time: 7.30-8.30pm

We're concluding our first series of Talking Mission events with Rev Alan McWilliam, Cairn Movement, Forge Scotland and Church of Scotland Minister, on the subject New Ways of being Church.

As we develop a Mission Plan for Fife we have the opportunity to explore New Ways of being Church, through Pioneering Mission Initiatives, Fresh Expressions and Church Planting.

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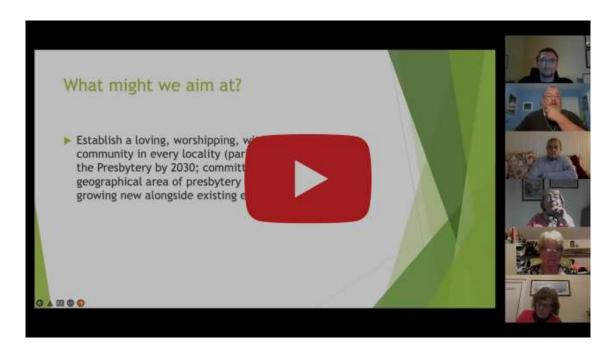
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You can watch Alan "Talking Mission" here: https://avanan.url-protection.com/v1/url?o=https%3A//youtu.be/uZSGsK8TCJE&g=ZTc4MDZiNTVhOTVkYTEwNg==&h=Zm JmMzc1OGZhOTI2YzIyY2Y5NGQ2NmQxNmQzNGFlZGRmZTEyODQ3NTBmZjJhMzNiMzhjYzJIYWYxNGNhN2 MwMA==&p=YXAzOmNvczphdmFuYW46bzoxZWU4NzkzMjFkNzNiZTQwYzc0ZTI2YmMwOWY5ZjllMDp2MT p0



Now Available: Talking Mission with Work Place Chaplaincy

Work Place Chaplaincy Scotland aims to meet people where they are - in the setting of their daily working lives. A chaplain's main purpose is Christian service, simply because people matter irrespective of their status or position. A chaplain is available to ALL staff.

Previous Talking Mission:

Andy Gregg and Paul Wilson about Workplace Chaplaincy, available via: https://youtu.be/YyMd m1A5nc

Rev. Martin Johnstone, Glasgow Churches Together Ambassador to COP26, about COP26, available via: https://youtu.be/b1VTcGp2Iqo

Paul Haringman, Inverness Presbytery: Mission Development Worker, about ACORN movement, available via: https://youtu.be/08lcbMFVBv4

Rev. Peter Neilson reflecting on the 20th Anniversary of the Church Without Walls report, available via: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KOJI2Q1od1U

Very Rev Dr John Chalmers, Chair of the Assembly Trustees, on the Faith Action Plan: In Action, Post Covid and Next steps available via: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CzvRDN5AD-g

Rev Dr Donald MacEwan, Convenor of the Church of Scotland Theological Forum, discussing the Five Marks of Mission that have been adopted as a working definition of mission by the General Assembly, available via: https://youtu.be/Sj0xIqy4r4



Coming 2022 - Let's Explore Discipleship

We hear the word disciple and we might instantly imagine 12 bearded guys but what does discipleship mean for us today? Fife Presbytery in partnership Hannah Sanderson (Congregational Learning Team), are going to be running some interactive small groups in 2022 exploring what it means to follow Jesus. We'll be looking at how our relationship with God is life-long and ever changing.

These small groups are open to anyone, you don't have to be in leadership – it is about how we are disciples together: Faith is easier with friends!

For more details about the course, see:

https://churchofscotland.org.uk/resources/exploring-discipleship

Information Sessions:

Tuesday 22nd February - Dunfermline Abbey Church Halls, evening, time tbc Thursday 24th February - Cupar Old Parish Church, daytime, time tbc

You can watch Hannah explain more about the course via the video below:



More information coming soon...

Acorn

Ask
Call
Obey
Report
Notice God



Fife Presbytery ACORN Groups

Following our recent Talking Mission, Fife Presbytery has initiated 3 ACORN Groups, which are open to all.

ACORN gives us a way to share our faith and encounter God by praying daily `Lord who do you want me to connect with today?' then meeting with others weekly or fortnightly for an hour to report back and notice God at work.

Groups take place on Zoom.

For more information and if you would like to join a group, please email fife@churchofscotland.org.uk and you will be put in touch with your group facilitator. (Anyone can join in with ACORN - if you are housebound or isolating you can make phone calls or connect online; if you are incredibly busy, learn to find God at work in the busyness!)

If you are interested in participating but these dates don't suit, or you would like more

 $information,\ please\ contact\ aileen. christie@churchofscotland.org.uk.$



Training



Fife Presbytery: Youth Work Journeys

Next Meeting: 10am - 12noon, Friday 17th December, via Zoom.

All Welcome - no need to have been previously.

https://zoom.us/i/91389476105?pwd=T3p1eGNLckVEaTkzRFIWVTF3N3BWUT09

Paul Beautyman of *Youth Work Journeys* continues to support youth work across Fife Presbytery, as we explore together how we can encourage and grow more youth work in our churches and

A series of Inspire Sessions are being planned that will offer limited opportunities to get alongside Youth Workers and experience faith-based groups and activities, followed by a time for debrief and discussion.

Inspire Sessions being developed include: Children's Club + Art Activities, School Lunchtime Club (SU), Young Persons Mental Health Group, Sport Activities.



Church of Scotland ASCEND

communities.

Ascend is the training, support and development centre for all those involved in ministries across the Church of Scotland.

For all the latest training and support information see: https://ascend.churchofscotland.org.uk/events/



Growing Others is a great opportunity to develop coaching skills

Run by our friends in FX, Forge, Methodist and Salvation Army Churches. This is being run as a set of 4 workshops on 3 separate occasions over the coming year - at a cost of £55:

Feb 2022 - https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/157072759853

If you or those working with you / supporting you are interested in this, but funding is an issue, please get in touch Steve Aisthorpe, Church of Scotland Mission Development Worker (Pioneering) via saisthorpe@churchofscotland.org.uk



CAP MONEY COURSE

CAP have got a number of in-person and online money course training sessions over autumn that will equip you to help those in your community who may be struggling financially. The CAP Money Course is a video-based budgeting course which has helped over 50,000 people avoid financial crises and become better stewards of their money.

For more information, see:

https://capuk.org/get-involved/your-church/cap-money-course



Huddle

A place to find support, be equipped & grow in your leadership calling.

At Cairn we believe in the importance of investing in what matters and that is you. We all know that leadership is not easy... we need support along the way and that is what huddle is about.

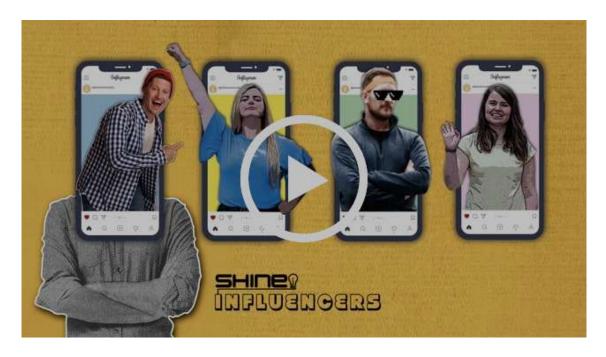
Often as leaders we function in spheres where we are leading, where we are looking to get the best out of others, and aiming to release potential in our leaders, teams and organization but often forgetting to invest in ourselves. Huddle gives the opportunity for you to have that investment and gives you the opportunity to find support, be equipped and grow in your leadership and calling with a group of peers on a similar journey as yourself.

You can choose from three streams of Huddles;

- The Pioneer Ministry Huddle, for those in a frontline, missional context either planting a church, new mission initiative or similar pioneering environment
- the Established Church Huddle, for those in a more established form of church but looking to adapt and grow missional expressions
- The Spiritual Formation Huddle, for those seeking to find a better balance in ministry life that brings fruit, rest and spiritual growth.

For more information and to register interest see: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeCPELZGJQAfS8t9uP_3SQo2RpYRrqW5HRksn wkF6uF-AUOww/viewform?mc cid=dca9fd29da&mc eid=1b04172065

Resources



SHINE: Influencers

SHINE is all about providing resources for EXPLORING the Christian faith.

This year the theme is **INFLUENCERS**.

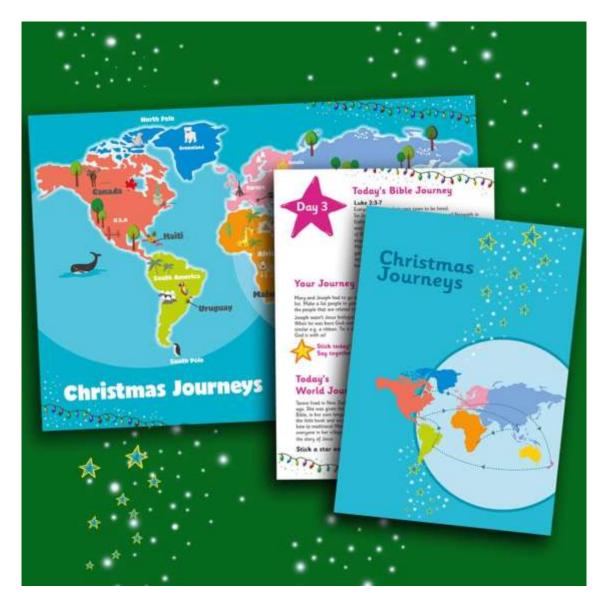
Who influences you the most? What would life look like if Jesus was your greatest influence? What do you think of the fact that Jesus was voted the number one greatest influencer of all time?

Be part of something bigger across the UK and Ireland as both school and youth groups sign up to be part of SHINE.



Scripture Union: Light Up Christmas

It's that time of year again! Light Up Christmas is an amazing FREE video resource, helping children take a fresh look at Christmas in a fun and dynamic way. Each video comes with supporting activities, including quizzes, crafts and group work. Check out our Light Up Christmas website here: lightupchristmas.org.uk



Scottish Bible Society: Christmas Journeys

Buckle up for seven days of all-age adventure as we explore the Christmas Story with Christmas Journeys!

Each pack comes with a colourful world map, star stickers and daily activity cards.

Every card contains a Bible story along with some fun activities to help you join in with the journey. Stick your stars on the map to chart our route and then find out what someone from that part of the world has discovered about God through the Bible.

At the end of your seven days you will have been on an incredible journey. Your star covered map will remind you of "God with us" – the amazing good news of Christmas. **Get your journey pack for only £1 (postage and packaging included).**

For more information, see: https://scottish.bible/christmas

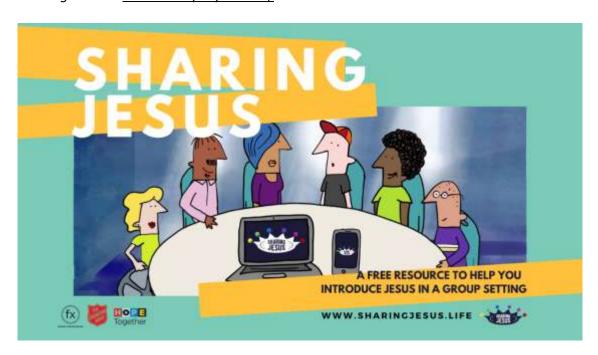


24/7 Prayer: The Be Still Series

Embrace the countercultural practice of stillness every day...

A five-week video course from 24-7 Prayer enabling you and your community to learn together how to develop a regular rhythm and deeper daily relationship with God.

Streaming now at www.24-7prayer.com/



Sharing Jesus is a resource designed to help people add a spiritual dimension alongside what you're already doing. It has ideas for sharing Jesus in a new worshipping community, Fresh Expression of church, missional community or church plant as well as community groups.

Over the 30+ years of pioneering new, contextual forms of church we've found that the part of the Fresh Expressions/Loving First journey people struggle with the most is introducing a spiritual element to their gatherings in a sensitive and contextual way which is why we created this resource.

Sharing Jesus adopts an open-handed, walking together, learning from one another, asking questions approach. It's not about telling people what to believe, but about saying to friends: "This is what I am finding helpful. What do you think? Might we explore this spiritual path together?" It includes seven topics, each with a video animation, a video story, and a short downloadable guide with additional ideas and explanation. The resources are arranged logically to give them a shape, but please don't follow the order! Go to the section that most interests you.

For more information, see:

http://sharingjesus.life/?mc_cid=12ebbcebb2&mc_eid=70f95ab914



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The Pioneer Tool Library Hack

With already over 80 tools in the Pioneer Tool Library is now available to help resource mission and pioneering. It's completely FREE to access or to post your own tools. Hosted by the Northern Centre of Mission.

You can access the library here:

https://en-gb.padlet.com/NorthernMissionCentre/pioneerlibrary

Funding

Church of Scotland Small Grants Scheme

Church of Scotland Small Grant Scheme is now open for grants of up to £1k: See: https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/connect/small-grants-fund

SCVO Funding Scotland

Funding at your fingertips

Find funding for your charity, community group or social enterprise using our free online search engine. From small grants to funding for big capital projects, we can help you track down the funding you need to make a difference in your community.

See: https://fundingscotland.com/

The National Lottery Community Fund Improving Lives

The National Lottery Community Fund's Improving Lives programme is open to voluntary or community organisations. The programme aims to help people facing challenging

circumstances especially activities that mean people:

- are better able to identify ways to take control over their lives and build resilience
- are able to shape the activities and services they use to better meet their needs
- have more access to support and opportunities to improve their lives

The grants range from £10,001 to £200,000.

See: https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/grants-for-improving-lives

KFC Foundation

Grants of between £200 and £2,000 are available for projects which empower disadvantaged young people in the UK to fulfill their potential. The funding is being made available through the KFC Foundation and is available to local charities, registered community interest companies, unincorporated clubs and associations that have a turnover of less than £300,000 which have a local KFC restaurant in their community.

See: kfc.co.uk/kfc-foundation-community-grants

Childs Charitable Trust (UK)

The Childs Charitable Trust is a grant-making trust, supporting Christian UK registered and excepted charities and organisations both in the UK and overseas. During 2017 the Trust awarded grants to 81 different organisations all based in the UK but operating in more than 100 different countries worldwide. Projects will be considered that fall into the following categories:

- Youth the trust looks to support projects working in schools and with vulnerable and disengaged young people in the UK. Supported activities may include RE Lessons; School Assemblies; Lunchtime/After school clubs; Evangelism; Personal Development Programmes; Homelessness Prevention.
- Outreach the trust works to share the gospel of Christ by supporting all aspects of Christian outreach both in the UK and overseas and can fund, for example, Church Plants; Overseas Mission; Training in Evangelism; Chaplaincy. Society the trust believes people of faith bring a valuable contribution to social action and justice and support initiatives that have a positive impact in their society. Grants could support, for example: Counselling; night shelters; alcohol/drug rehabilitation; homelessness; or prison/ex-offenders work.
- Education the trust supports initiatives involved in all areas of Christian education including Bible Translation; Media Initiatives; Bible Colleges; Literature; Apologetics. The primary focus for grants allocated in 2021 will be on those organisations who actively share the Christian gospel in their work.

The next closing date for applications is the 30th November 2021.

See: https://childscharitabletrust.org/

The Weir Charitable Trust

Small community groups and charities based in Scotland can apply to the Weir Charitable Trust for funding of up to £25,000 to support projects relating to:

- Sport i.e. encouraging and increasing public participation in sport
- Health i.e. the prevention or relief of sickness, disease or human suffering
- Culture i.e. supporting heritage through participation projects
- The advancement of animal welfare
- Recreational Facilities i.e. the provision or organisation of recreational facilities that are primarily intended for people who need them due to age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage and are available to members of the public at large.

See: https://weircharitabletrust.com/apply-now

Grants to Help Older People Lead More Fulfilling Lives

Barchester's Charitable Foundation is a grant giving charity that helps older people and other adults with a disability across England, Scotland & Wales to lead more fulfilled lives and reach their

full potential. The Foundation's focus is on connecting or re-connecting people with others in their local community, helping combat isolation and loneliness and enabling people to be active and engaged. Funding of between £100 and £5,000 is available for individuals and small community groups to help improve people's mobility, independence and quality of life. Individual applications must be completed by a third-party sponsor such as a health care professional, social worker or charity/support group representative. Applications are assessed on a case-by-case basis, with funds allocated to those who demonstrate greatest need.

See: https://www.bhcfoundation.org.uk

People's Postcode Trust Opens for Applications

The People's Postcode Trust has re-opened its grants programme and will award grants on a monthly basis until October 2021. Funded by players of the People's Postcode Lottery, the Trust makes grants to support smaller charities and good causes in Scotland under the following themes: • Improving mental wellbeing • Enabling community participation in the arts • Preventing or reducing the impact of poverty • Supporting marginalised groups and promoting equality • Improving biodiversity & green spaces • Enabling participation in physical activity • Responding to the climate emergency & promoting sustainability • Increasing community access to outdoor space Registered charities can apply for grants of up to £20,000, other not for profit organisations can apply for grants of up to £2,000 to support both project and organisation core costs. The funding is available for 12 months. To be eligible to apply, organisations will need to have an annual income of below £1 million with preference given to those with an income of below £500,000 per year. The Postcode Community Trust will operate on a monthly basis. On around the 1st of each month, applications will open, and organisations will be able to submit their request for funding until the maximum number of 150 has been received until the 1st October 2021.

See: https://www.postcodetrust.org.uk

AllChurches Trust

AllChurches Trust like to fund projects that demonstrate an impact on people and communities. Applicants should include clear (and where possible, measurable) outcomes for projects and demonstrate how they will ensure sustainability beyond our funding. It's also important to show how additional funding support will be sought to enable the project to be completed.

Our open grants normally fund capital projects and equipment, not salaries or running costs, with the exception of our transformational and Hope Beyond programmes. In most cases, we give a small percentage of the project cost as this enables us to say yes to more worthwhile causes, although we do occasionally give larger grants.

See: https://www.allchurches.co.uk/what-we-fund

National Church Trust

Funding available for Scotland's cash strapped churches and chapels A range of grants are available from the National Churches Trust

Churches and chapels in Scotland needing funding for urgent repairs and maintenance are being encouraged to apply for grants from the National Churches Trust.

In 2021, the church support charity expects to allocate more than £1.5m to churches and chapels throughout the UK. Any church, chapel or meeting house in Scotland that is open for regular public worship can apply.

See: https://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/news/funding-available-scotlands-cash-strapped-churches-and-chapels

Scotland's Churches Trust

Scotland's Churches Trust helps sustain and support Scotland's places of worship through a range of grants, bursaries, advice and support.

Scottish Churches Trust offers grant support to help with:

- restoration projects in the repair of buildings and windows
- cost of routine preventative maintenance

- organ educational awardssupport towards organ concerts

See: https://scotlandschurchestrust.org.uk/