





Last Sunday, as we continued our “Choose Your King” series, we reflected on 2 Samuel 7 described as ‘one of the most crucial texts in the Old Testament for evangelical faith.’¹ In the passage King David proposes to build God a temple. God, however, does not want this, instead God tells David that He will build David a house. Most importantly, God would build David a house that will continue, unconditionally, for all time. David was reminded that we are not qualified to build God’s house, rather, it is God that builds a home for us through Jesus. Amazingly, as we come to Jesus, like living stones, we are built into a spiritual house, to be a people who are set apart (1 Peter 2:4-6).

Christ will make his home in your hearts as you trust in him. Your roots will grow down into God’s love and keep you strong. And may you have the power to understand, as all God’s people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep his love is. (Ephesians 3:17-19)

God chooses our home for us. Where we live, where we have placed our roots, is not a coincidence, rather it ‘is an invitation from God to seek God, and a commission from God to help others seek God.’ As the living stones of Christ’s house we should consider carefully how God intends us to be stewards of our homes, an outpost for ministry. Marshall Segal at desiringGod.org² helpfully outlines dreams for his home:

1. **May we build our home on Christ and nothing less** A house built on Christ, is a house built on the most secure foundations (Matthew 7:24-27)
2. **May we hold this home loosely** Enjoy your home, but do not put it above that the eternal security that can be found in Christ (Mark 10:29-30)
3. **May we make our home a home for others** Wherever you call home, use your home to serve the needs of others. (Hebrews 13:2)
4. **May we prioritise our true family** Let your home be a catalyst for the building of a family of faith. A home that welcomes the lost but also treasures the saved (Galatians 6:9-10)

They worshiped together at the Temple each day, met in homes for the Lord’s Supper, and shared their meals with great joy and generosity all the while praising God and enjoying the goodwill of all the people. And each day the Lord added to their fellowship those who were being saved. (Acts 2:46-47)

¹ Walter Brueggemann, First and Second Samuel: Interpretation commentary, 253.

² <https://www.desiringgod.org/articles/god-chose-this-home-for-you>

What's On

You can view our monthly calendar at <https://dwb.church/events>

November

Weekly Sunday Worship – 11am (Church/Online)

Join us at the church or on YouTube/Facebook as we worship together. Doors open at 10.45am and close at 12:00pm.

1st - Communion Service (Church/Online)

8th - **10.45am** Remembrance Service

15th - Martin Dudgeon from Platform 67

22nd - Morning Worship

29th - 1st Sunday in Advent

Weekly Prayer & Bible Study – Tues 2.30pm (Church Hall)

Discuss the most recent Sunday message, pray and worship together.

The latest study questions can be viewed at:

<https://dwb.church/links/biblestudy>

Weekly Natter & cuppa - Weds 7.30 to 8pm (Zoom)

Join with us for a natter on Zoom, bring a cuppa with you if you want.

Monthly Women's Bible Study – Mon 2nd 8pm (Zoom)

Gather together on Zoom as we continue the Prayer Course:

<https://prayercourse.org/>. For further information contact

rachel_luxton@yahoo.co.uk.

Monthly Reflections in the Psalms with Prayer - Wed 4th 11am (Online)

Joins us on YouTube/Facebook as a guest speaker reflects on Psalms 55 to 58.

December

Christmas preparations are currently underway and full details will be disclosed shortly. We also hope to start:

- **Weekly prayer walk** around the local area
- Blended homes and Zoom evening **weekly small group**.

Please speak to Anne Berry if you are interested in the prayer walk.

Please read the latest guidance on meeting physically with us:

<https://dwb.church/assets/files/reopening-guidance.pdf>

Sharing In and Out Together

Mission Spot – ‘Caring for Life’

Caring for Life is a wonderful Christian organisation which seeks to actually ‘care for people for the whole of their life’. They are based just outside Leeds and have a farm, polytunnels, riding opportunities for the disabled, and an amazing café in a beautiful converted barn. They provide supported accommodation for people who have challenges with everyday living and need a ‘safe place to be’ and a ‘family’ to support them. There are also folks who live out in the community who receive support. With the Covid restrictions, they, like so many others, have been challenged to find new and safe ways of working and ensuring a safety net remains in place, with the core team keeping in contact with folk who are often frustrated and longing to get back to ‘normal’ routines and attend the projects which help them to find life fulfilling. Please pray for the staff as they seek to bring God’s peace into the lives of those they support, and for wisdom in balancing books and keeping everyone Covid-secure at this time.

Generosity

We would like to thank all of you for your generosity in continuing to give to the church during this time. We appreciate that these are uncertain times and are grateful that many of us are still able to contribute to the mission of the Church. You can find further information on how to give to the church via bacs (preferred), cheque or cash at: <https://dunfermlinewest.org/giving/>

Sunday’s Message

If you haven’t had a chance to watch the message from Sunday or would like to watch it again you can watch it at:

<https://dwb.church/youtube>

Buddy Groups

Keep up to date with prayers for our community at

<https://dwb.church/prayers>

Connecting with us

You can connect into each of our services via <https://dwb.church/online> and also via telephone using our latest stay connected details at: <https://dwb.church/connected>

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- YouTube: <https://dwb.church/youtube>
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/dunfermlinewest>

Worship Group

As we are creating new songs we are adding them to a YouTube playlist which you can listen to whenever you like at: <https://dwb.church/worship/playlist>