

Governing Document
The Church is administered in accordance with the terms of the Unitary Constitution.

Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

Members of the Kirk Session are the Charity Trustees. The Kirk Session members are the elders of the church and are chosen from those members of the church who are considered to have the appropriate gifts and skills. The minister, who is a member of the Kirk Session, is elected by the congregation and inducted by Presbytery.

Organisational Structure

The Kirk Session which meets approximately five times a year is responsible for the spiritual affairs within the church

Objectives and Activities

The Church of Scotland is Trinitarian in doctrine, Reform in tradition and Presbyterian in policy. It exists to glorify God and to work for the advance of Christ's Kingdom throughout the world. As a national Church it acknowledges a distinctive call and duty to bring the ordinances of religion to the people in every parish of Scotland through a territorial ministry. It co-operates with other Churches and is ecumenical in its approach to other Christian bodies.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE, 2025

Preparing

At the start of the New Year we, as part of the East Cluster Mission Plan, were mentally preparing ourselves for the sad closure of our church. One of the other churches in our Cluster had put forward an appeal on the process regarding the closure of their own church and this caused a significant delay for us in finding out the way forward. However, we carried on positively.

The Proposal

In mid August, we were contacted by Partnership Development, Edinburgh with the proposal of an Interim Minister to work with the four churches, their Interim Moderators and Locums towards a new United Church. It would be essential that the four Kirk Sessions agreed to the proposal and would support the ministry of an Interim Minister. This then would allow us to keep our church open for a bit longer.

Interim Minister

Happily, in November, the four churches having agreed to support the Interim Minister, Rev Muriel Pearson, gathered in Newarthill/Carrin Parish Church for a joint service of welcome. It was a lovely service with a fine turnout from all the churches in the cluster and in the surrounding area. The Interim Moderators and Session Clerks took part in serving the Sacrament of Communion.

Calendar of Worship

Our Interim Minister prepared a Calendar of Worship for our cluster which lets us know where and when she would lead worship on a given date and future dates for joint services. We are now all working towards a new United church and although we don't pretend that it's going to be easy, we will give it our best efforts.

Word and Worship leader

In June 2025 we were grieved when our friend, Elder and Word and Worship Leader, Mrs Janet (Jenny) Rankin passed away after a long illness. Even in her time of poor health Jenny continued contributing to our joint Thought for the Day which she gladly undertook Jenny was a 'one-off' with a deep Christian faith. We are thankful to have known and worked with her and we miss her.

Harvest Thanksgiving Appeal

Our Harvest Thanksgiving Appeal in 2025 supported the British Red Cross Appeal for Food and Water for Gaza. Our wonderful givers in Wraugholm raised £287.50 for this worthy cause.

Christmas Appeal

We supported our friends in the Salvation Army for their Christmas Toys Appeal to support families who need a bit of extra help at Christmastime. The Salvation Army were "blown away" with the donations from us as well as other churches and were able to provide toys to over 700 homes.

Many Blessing

May God Bless our wonderful congregation young worshippers, Ben Josh and Darcy, faithful readers, Office Bearers: Barbara, John, Jean, Margaret, Netta, Steven, our Locum, Interim Minister, Interim Moderator, Stewart for his Thoughts of the Day and all who give a huge amount of themselves to our church at Wraugholm.