Bellshill: Central Parish Church

Sunday 25 October 2026 at 11am with Mr Ian Douglas

CHOIR INTROIT – CH4 497 Almighty Father of all things that be

WELCOME AND INTIMATIONS

CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN 130 Ye servants of God your master proclaim

PRAYER AND LORDS PRAYER

ALL AGE TIME

HYMN 204 I am the church!

READINGS – 1 Thessalonians 2: 1-8 and Matthew 22: 34 – 46

HYMN 189 Be Still for the Presence of the Lord

SERMON

HYMN CH3 227 I love to hear the story

OFFERING/DEDICATION *(singing CH4 251 Here I am Lord)*

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

HYMN 459 Crown Him with Many Crowns

BENEDICTION & SUNG AMEN

SUNG BLESSING – May the Lord bless you

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT BCPC. Whether you're here in person or online, a regular or visiting today, we warmly welcome you. Livestream via: www.youtube.com/bellshillchurch.

PASTORAL – let Stanley or your elder know of any folks in hospital, not well, bereaved, etc, or just needing a visit.

Rev Margaret is very happy to offer Home Communion to anyone who wishes it. If you would like her to visit, please phone 01357 671664. *NB: this number is a landline and cannot receive texts.*

PREACHING ROTA – 01/11 Rev Margaret; 08/11 Rev Keith Ross

READERS – today Zandra Swan; next week Sheena Bowman

FLOWERS – To donate financially, place your gift in the offering marked Flower Fund. To donate flowers, speak to Susan McGleish. This week's flowers are gifted by Alexa Walker. Last weeks flowers were gifted by Jane Aitken.

THE GUILD - tomorrow at 1.30pm – Release International – Operation Hope/Egypt – James Fraser, along with speakers who have come from Egypt All are welcome to come along.

PRAYER GROUP will meet tomorrow at 7:30pm. The Zoom link is shared in the church chat. Please speak to Naomi if you are interested in future meetings - prayer@bellshillcentral.church **PRAYER BOOK** is at the front door, to add any names or situations.

MEMBERSHIP OF BELLSHILL CENTRAL CHURCH

Before the November Union votes, we must update our congregational roll. To vote, please ask Stanley ASAP to add your name as a member or adherent (a regular worshipper who is not a member of another Church of Scotland congregation).

FINAL CHRONICLE MAGAZINE -December's Chronicle will likely be the final issue before our churches unite. Help make it a special edition by sharing memories, stories and pictures of Bellshill Central Church. This is YOUR magazine, so **please contribute by 15/11/26.**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

•Sunday 8 November - Remembrance service begins at **11.30am.**
•Monday 9 November – Clothes Show. Tickets priced £3 on sale now. Please see Sheena McKeown or Annette Mather. Please come along to support this fun event.
•Sunday 15 November – Guild Sunday **and** Congregational Votes on Basis of Union and Reviewable Tenure.

JOINT SESSION GATHERING – Saturday 31 October from 2pm to 4pm at Newarthill and Carfin Parish Church.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER – SATURDAY 31 OCTOBER - Along with other congregations across Scotland we will be taking part in the national prayer day. Our interim minister Revd Muriel Pearson is producing prayer pointers and a leaflet to let people take part as they can. Online resources will be shared online and our church WhatsApp.

"LEGBRANNOCK" CHURCHES JOINT SERVICE proposed to take place here in Bellshill Central on Sunday 29 November at 11am – the first opportunity for our 5 congregations to worship together. Tea and coffee will be served.

BOWLS have resumed on Wednesdays at 2pm. **CHOIR** has resumed on Wednesdays at 7pm. All welcome on Wednesdays.

OPEN CHURCH IS BACK - Everyone's invited — pop in for some quiet, open space and a short act of worship. Bring a friend or invite a neighbour. You don't need to be a member or have been before. Just come as you are. Friday 20 Nov from 12noon to 1pm. There will be a very short service at 12:30pm.

FRIDAY WALKERS - Join us on 20 Nov (weather permitting). We meet at 1pm. Everyone's welcome — a lovely chance to catch up, enjoy company, then a blether and a brew afterwards.

SHOEBOX APPEAL – Please bring your boxes to church ASAP. We need to have the boxes before the end of October. There are paper copies of the shoebox slip available at the front door. See Jayne in the Choir.

REQUESTS – Alan is happy to play a requested piece of music or slot in a favourite hymn, raising funds for the **ORGAN FUND.**

OFFERINGS: If you'd like to switch to bank transfer, speak to June or Zandra.
GIFT AID: If you're a UK taxpayer, we can claim back 25p per £1. For details, please see June or Donis.

ONC DONATIONS – There is a box in the vestibule to drop off non-perishable food stuffs for ONC. **On the first Sunday of the month**, we invite everyone to bring one item for the appeal.

If you wish to join our church family — by profession of faith or transfer from another church — speak to Stanley Cook.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK - Love is the measure of holiness: God calls us to justice, mercy, and truth with our neighbour. His word works powerfully in us when we receive it with open hearts. So let every step we take this week be shaped by love — for God, and for those around us.

DUTY TEAMS

This week:	Door Duty:	Hugh McBride/ Mary McBride
	Counting:	Zandra Swan / Ian Gibb
	Flowers:	Lesley Marshall / June Cook
	Screen:	Peggy
Next week:	Door Duty:	Georgina Dornan / Naomi Dornan
	Counting:	Donis Hudson / Lorna Watson
	Flowers:	Liz Morton / Sheena Bowman
	Screen:	Zandra

Our mission statement:

"We seek to look forward in faith, to worship God and to serve him in the community. To offer hope of a better future and to encourage people of all ages to know and love Jesus as Lord and Saviour."

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SHARE YOUR MEMORIES

Contributions for the Final Bellshill Central Chronicle

In **2014**, two churches **became one church** family. As we prepare the final Bellshill Central Chronicle, we'd love to share your thoughts, memories, stories and reflections from our journey together since 2014.

YOUR MEMORIES SINCE 2014

A favourite memory...

A story to share...

What made a difference...

BRIAN TAYLOR'S CLOTHES SHOW

Fundraising event for

Bellshill Central Parish Church

MONDAY 9TH NOVEMBER 2026

7.30PM

TICKETS ON SALE AT CHURCH NOW

Or email hello@bellshillcentral.church to reserve

Usual great clothes, banter from Brian, raffles, tea, coffee and goodies!

ALL WELCOME!