AVENDALE & DRUMCLOG CHURCH NEWSLETTER MAY 2023



IN THE LOOP

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https://www.avendale-drumclog.org.uk/Calendar/Month.aspx Click on the above link to see May's activities

Here are a few important points to highlight:

Men's Breakfast:

A great crowd of over 20 men - young and old - met at Barn St for the Men's breakfast and that was with 5 or so unable to be there. The next one has been moved to the 20th May - a week earlier than previously advertised. It's helpful, but not crucial, if you could say if you're coming on the WhatsApp group or let Calum know.

EVERY MONDAY - HAVEN COMMUNITY HUB - INCORPORATING.



10am-11.30am Haven Coffee - This is really busy every week and a popular meeting place for many - such a buzz of activity to start the week. If you come on your own you will be welcomed and made to feel at home.

Citizen's Advice Bureau (CAB)

will be present at Haven Coffee to help answer any questions people may have with regard to benefits, pensions, consumer rights etc etc

10am - 10.35am Haven Bugglets for pre schoolers - music & song, stories & fun

2.30pm - 3.30pm Haven Prayer Please come for as long as you are able.

3.30-5.00pm Haven Homework P6 - S6 Retired teachers on hand to help answer questions. Let people know of this free resource.

HAVEN COFFEE STILL ON IN THE HOLIDAY MONDAYS

BUGGLETS AND HOMEWORK ARE OFF ON THE 1ST. 8TH & 29TH

HAVEN PRAYER IS OFF ON 8TH

Diary Dates :

Sunday 14th May - If you have been coming to worship at Avendale or Drumclog, we would love to see you at our Stated Annual Meeting immediately after worship. It won't last long and will keep you informed of what goes on behind the scenes.

Sunday 4th June -



How would we feel if our government was persecuting us for our faith? This happened in our country in the past and is happening in many countries now one way or another. On the 1st Sunday of June we meet at The Drumclog Memorial (What 3 Words ///superbly.starred.glare) to give thanks for the brave folk who risked their lives for their faith. Come and learn

Saturday 24th June - There will be an afternoon tea in the church......further info will be released nearer the event.



Pop your stamps in the box in the Hall of Fellowship

Raising money for Firmly Planted: Agroforestry for Sustainability
Firmly Planted is a community-based agroforestry initiative with the ambition of making a sustainable impact across Malawi, Zambia and Zimbabwe. It is spearheaded by our partners in the Church of Central Africa Presbyterian (CCAP), and built around the church's community structures. The initiative will resource individual groups to respond to the various challenges affecting Malawi today.

Agroforestry presents an opportunity to address challenges of food insecurity, deforestation, climate change and youth unemployment. Tree nurseries create employment opportunities, fruit trees improve nutrition and wider tree planting helps mitigate the impact of the climate crisis, in turn improving agricultural productivity.

Firmly Planted will provide community-based training tailored to the community's needs, ensuring woodlots are well maintained to have the greatest chance to thrive. The programme, through effective distribution, looks to attain large-scale tree planting of locally relevant woodlots – these could be linked to schools, churches, clinics and community groups. Having already established a pilot tree nursery, CCAP is looking to replicate this across the Synods by implementing Central Tree Nursery Hubs allowing each nursery to grow tree seedlings based on the needs of their communities.

Wednesdays 8pm



Please join us for a time of prayer online on Wednesdays. Click the link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86267230783? pwd=RlQxYks0Zk11d3NucnJqVzJHTER6dz09



Haven Hangout next on this Friday 5th May, then June 2nd. There's been a great turnout of kids at this and Calum and Liz are putting in such a lot of effort to it. Please ask them how you could help.



This is next on 21 May at the usual time of 4-6 in the church.

The June Messy Celebration is going to be held, weather permitting in Sandi & Angus's back garden like last year. Remember the treasure hunt, BBQ & games? Details to follow.

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