

Linkage News

Services Sunday 5 July 2026

Carlops Church Worship - 10am - Colin Herd in church & on **Zoom** (see email for link)

St Andrew's Church Worship - 11:30 - Colin Herd in church & on **Zoom** (see email for link)

Kirkurd & Newland Church Worship - 10am – Isobel Hunter in church

Skirling Church Worship - 11:30am - Isobel Hunter in church

Tweedsmuir Church Worship - 9:30am - Fiona Burnett in church

Broughton Church Worship - 11am - Café Church in village hall



ANNOUNCEMENT

We are delighted to announce that Peter Wood will be leading the services at Carlops and St Andrews on 2nd August.

Peter is our Presbytery Mission Officer. The Mission officer's role is to support churches to discern how best to serve their communities with the gospel and to grow disciples; to tell faith stories, to host and co-ordinate mission networks and clusters that encourage prayer and best mission practice; to encourage pioneering new initiatives and support with funding and with presbytery colleagues to present a vision of the bigger story of which we are all part.

As you can see that is a crucial remit and it would be great if he could see a well-attended and welcoming congregation at both our churches.

Please put the date in your diaries and we can look forward to engaging and inspiring service on 2nd August

SAVE THE DATE

2 AUGUST 2026

CARLOPS & ST ANDREW'S

www.westtweeddale.org.uk

Sharing of News & Information

Anything you would like shared should be emailed to

intimations@standrews-westlinton.org

by Thursday lunchtime would be really helpful to allow time to collate and distribute it.

Minister for West Tweeddale - Contact details to be advised

Email

Telephone

West Tweeddale Church Office

Tel: 01968 660 221 Email cos1560.tweed@outlook.com



Our Village Events

Hosted monthly
by Carlops Church

Friday 10 July 6.30pm

“Jump up and Sing”

Songs chosen and led by children from Carlops and other local churches, organised and with musical accompaniment by

Ann Lyon and Murray Campbell

Families, friends and neighbours are invited to join us and the children singing together with energy and joy.

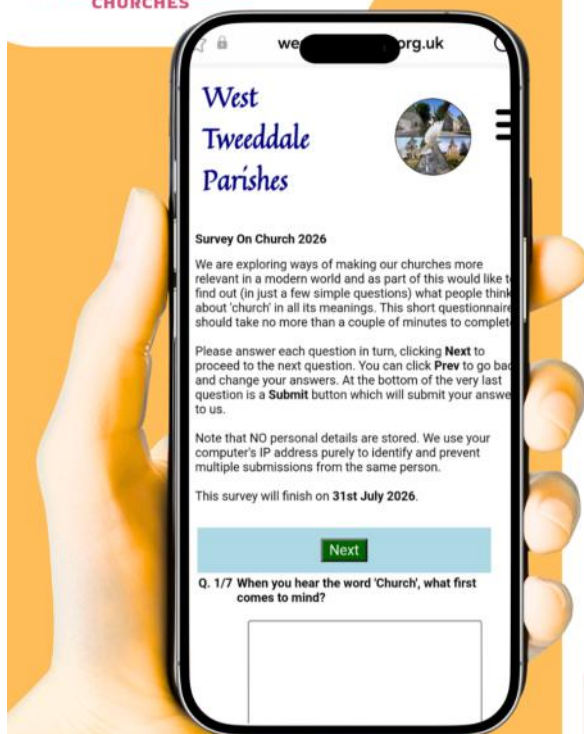


Admission free. Donations will be invited

West Tweeddale Churches Open-Air Communion Service and Picnic

at the site of old Newlands Church
Everyone is welcome

Sunday 9 August 2026
3pm



We Value Your **INPUT**

Scan the QR Code to complete
our survey



 **Website**
www.westtweeddale.org.uk

Church Survey 2026

We are exploring ways of making our churches more relevant in a modern world and as part of this would like to find out (in just a few simple questions) what people think about 'church' in all its meanings. This short questionnaire should take no more than a couple of minutes to complete. You can start the questionnaire by going to the questionnaire page on the West Tweeddale parishes website: www.westtweeddale.org.uk/questionnaire.asp

GARDEN OPEN
FOR CHARITY

Macbiehill Gardens
Birchbrae, Macbiehill EH46 7AZ

Sunday 5 July
2pm - 5pm

£6.00, children free
for Macmillan Cancer Support: Borders General Hospital
and Scotland's Gardens Scheme

Refreshments available at Whitmuir Gallery

Art exhibition & stone carving demonstration at the Walled Garden

Full details here:



scotlandsgardens.org Scotland's
GARDENS
Scheme
growing health Scottish Charity No. SC044886



Prayers for Healing

A Service of Prayers for Healing

will be held at

St Mungo's Church
Chapel Brae, West Linton
on

Sunday 5 July at 5.00 p.m.

A gentle, reflective time with a focus on
God's healing presence

Everyone is welcome

Come and Pray with us

We meet on the first and third Monday of each month at 10:00 a.m.
in the meeting room at Broughton Village Hall (next to the bridge
into the car park)

We have spent the past year in contemplative prayer using the
Revelation of Divine Love by Julian of Norwich and will be
continuing to do that in March and April

Coming soon

From May we will be studying and praying with the Gospel of Thomas.
This was discovered at Nag Hammadi in the last century and scholars
believe that it may have been written while Jesus was still alive. It is
written in the wisdom tradition of the Bible and contains sayings
attributed to Jesus – some of which are familiar to us, some not so.

When the books that are included in the Bible as we know it were finally
agreed in the third century the monks and nuns in Egypt and Syria were
ordered to destroy any other documents they had. Rather than destroy
these many were buried in the desert.

Why study this?

“Seeing Jesus through this new filter... dislodges us... from any lingering
smugness that we have Jesus’ teaching in our hip pocket... this new
portrait gives us the freedom to go deeper... I find nothing in the Gospel
of Thomas that contradicts any of Jesus’ teachings in the canonical
gospels. Rather, it rounds them out... and creates a newfound sense of
awe..”
Cynthia Bourgeault: The Wisdom Jesus



**FREE hot drinks, scrumptious scones,
and delectable cakes!**

West Linton Old Church Hall

Third Tuesday, every month

Doors open from 10 a.m. to noon.

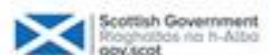
Aug	Sept	Oct
18th	15th	20th

Supported by Citizens Advice Bureau, "The Coffee Clubs" are community cafes. You can meet old friends, make new friends and have a good blether. The Coffee Clubs are for everyone - whether you'd like free access to advice or just a cuppa!

We will have a Foodbank collection point in the venue. Donations are welcomed but not essential.



Funded by Borders Community Action
Community Health and Wellbeing Fund



JOIN THE ADVENTURE



Tuesdays
6:30-7:30pm
New Church Hall
Under 11s
Restarts September



ANCHORS

5 – 8 Years

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8 – 11 Years

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT YOUR LOCAL GROUP

Drop us an email for more information:
westlintonbb@gmail.com

We hope everyone will enjoy a relaxed summer and that Guid Blethers will resume on 9th September.

GUID BLETHERS

Tea, home baking and chatting with
friends

Second and Fourth Wednesday of the month

2 - 4pm

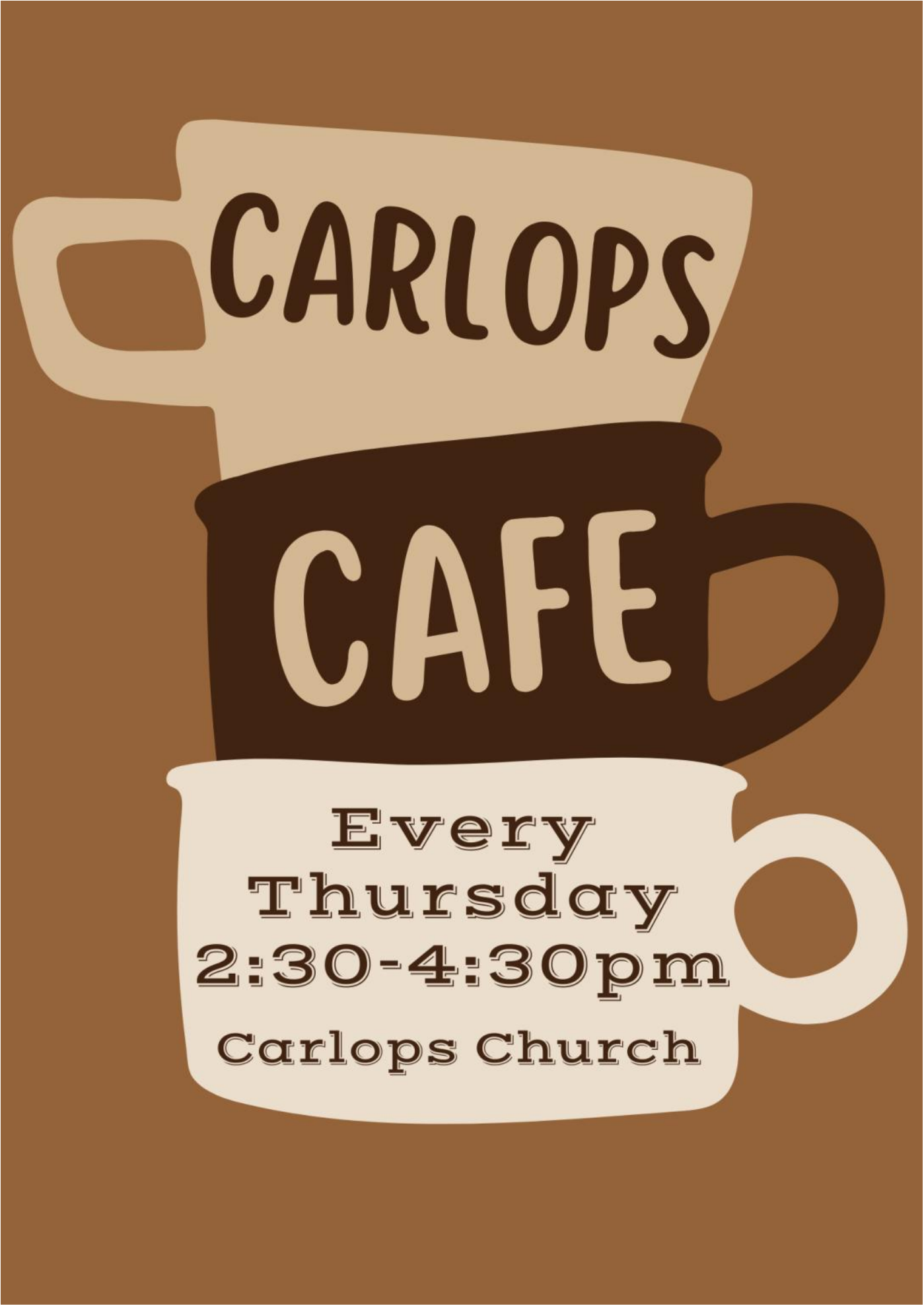
Old Church Hall West Linton



Guid Blethers Is about enjoying the company of old and new friends by sharing interests and skills together. Our programme has varying topics of local interest with speakers and other activities.

If you have any questions get in touch with our co-Ordinator

Co-Ordinator Helen Dry 01968 660 506



CARLOPS

CAFE

**Every
Thursday
2:30-4:30pm
Carlops Church**

St Andrews
Old Church Hall
West Linton

Sip and Share



Open to all
(under 16s need to be accompanied by an adult)
Dogs (well behaved) welcome
Free
Donations welcome but not expected
Tea, Coffee, Biscuits and occasionally cake

Table Tennis

Fridays 7 - 8.30pm New Church Hall, West Linton

All ages & abilities welcome

BABY BRUNCH SUMMER HOLIDAYS

Have a great summer!

Restarts Friday 21 August



Term time Fridays
Old Church Hall, West Linton

PASTORAL GROUP

WE ARE A SMALL GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO ARE THERE TO OFFER A LISTENING EAR IN CONFIDENCE.

IF YOU KNOW OF ANYONE WHO MIGHT APPRECIATE A VISIT PLEASE DO CONTACT OUR PASTORAL GROUP LEAD **JEAN HOWAT**
HOWATJEAN@GMAIL.COM

WE ARE NOT PROFESSIONAL COUNSELLORS BUT RATHER SYMPATHETIC LISTENERS.



The minister's benevolent fund offers emergency assistance throughout our linkage areas. If you require assistance please contact us by email. All emails will be dealt with in the strictest of confidence. People may need other kinds of support and we are also ready to help with that or direct you to others who can.





Got a problem?

Stressed? Anxious? Depressed?
Parenting difficulties? Relationship issues? Work
problems? Trouble at school/college? Etc.

Whatever the problem - large or small, recent or
long-standing - Solution Focussed Brief Therapy
can help.

Ask for an appointment at

THE OPEN GATE

Fridays 2pm to 5pm.

Anyone who wants help for their problem is
welcome and will be seen locally and in
confidence by arrangement.

PHONE OR TEXT 07535 898 244

The Open Gate uses a counselling approach which is brief,
effective and future-orientated, building on your own solutions.
All sessions are free and confidential, with no long waiting-list.