

Linkage News

Services Sunday 15 March 2026

Carlops Church Worship - 10am - Rev. Dr. Tony Foley in church & on **Zoom** (see email for link)

St Andrew's Church Worship - 11:30 - Rev. Dr. Tony Foley in church & on **Zoom** (see email for link)

Kirkurd & Newland Church Worship - 10am – Rev. Chris Levison in church

Skirling Church Worship - 11:30am - Rev. Chris Levison in church

Tweedsmuir Church Worship -9:30am - Murray Campbell in church

Broughton Church Worship - 11am - Murray Campbell - in village hall



ST ANDREWS PARISH CHURCH WEST LINTON

Stated Annual Meeting

Sunday 15 March 2026

Meeting will be held after the service

Carlops Community Spring Clean Table Top Sale - sorry it is Short Notice!!

Event details:

Saturday, 21st March in Carlops Village Hall

Sale open to the public: 11:00 am – 2:00 pm

Table setup from: 10:15 am

Carlops Church will have two tables at this event to raising funds for the maintenance of our building. Many other tables will be offering goodies for other funds. We hope you can support us by donating items for the sale and/or coming along to the event to explore the offers and enjoy tea and cake.

All enquiries re Carlops tables to maryhmcclroy@outlook.com or 07899 872131

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 - Rev. Dr. Tony Foley

Email tfoley@churchofscotland.org.uk

Telephone 07793 294 000 or 01968 660 221

West Tweeddale Church Office

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

Carlops Community Spring Clean Sale

At Carlops Village Hall

Fundraiser for the Community Play Park

Clear out &
Help fund our
new Play Park!

Tables £5

Reserve a table to sell
pre-loved items

**Book
Donations
Welcome**

Books welcome for
the community book table
- all proceeds support -
the Play Park Fund

Saturday, 21st March

11am - 2pm

Enjoy coffee, tea, and home baking
while browsing for bargains!

Reserve your table today.

Link in comments or post.

if you would still like to have a table at the sale, please
email saramerrilees@gmail.com to see if there is space available.

Parishes of Upper Tweeddale

HOLY WEEK

PILGRIMAGE AROUND THE PARISH

The services are centered around the Beatitudes which are the basis of our current Lent Study

Monday March 30th 7pm Tweedsmuir Church

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Tuesday March 31st 7pm St Andrew's West Linton

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Wednesday April 1st 7pm Broughton Village Hall

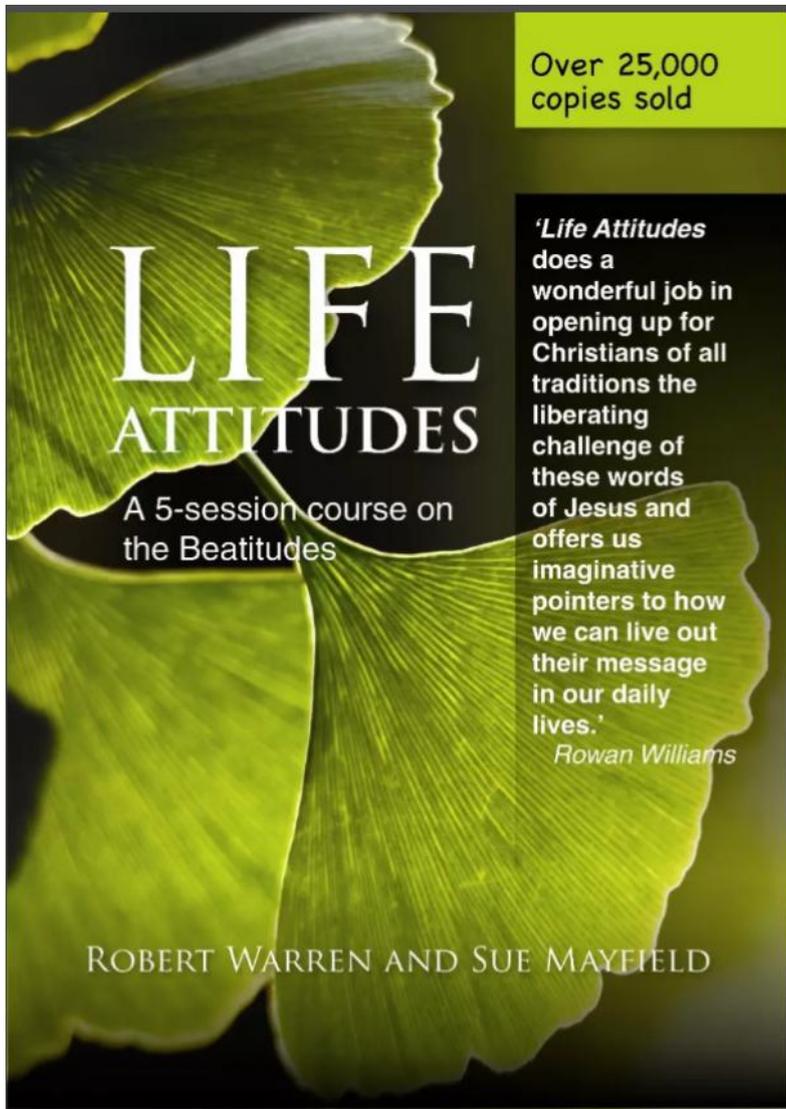
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Thursday April 2nd 7pm Kirkurd & Newlands Church
Maundy Thursday Communion

Good Friday April 3rd 7pm Skirling Church

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Good Friday April 3rd 8pm Carlops Church
(Tennebrae Service)



This 5-session group study course, specially designed to be used during Lent, encourages Christians to examine their lifestyle in the light of Jesus' radical teaching and to live out these kingdom values - now.

The aim of the course is nothing less than to equip Christians to live their faith more fully and so to demonstrate to those outside the Church that a knowledge of God makes sense of the whole of life.

Studying the Beatitudes will: deepen our understanding of Jesus and challenge our deepest personal values, help us understand how they impact on our attitude towards major global issues, such as environmental pollution and the ongoing hostilities and injustices in our world.

Steven Whalley & Colin Herd will lead the [on-line](#) lent study.

The book for the Lent study is:
Life attitudes- A 5-session course on the Beatitudes
 by Robert Warren and Sue Mayfield.

We are looking to arrange an on-line study group.

Details to follow.

[Life Attitudes: Free Delivery when you spend £15 at Eden.co.uk](http://eden.co.uk)

Currently available on Eden Books at £6.39

The list of dates in full are:

Wed 25th February 7pm

Thurs 5th March 7pm

Wed 11th March 7pm

Wed 18th March 7pm

Wed 25th March 7pm

There is also a "in person" lent study on the same book at **10am** on **Tuesday** mornings in the **Laurel Bank cafe in Broughton**, with coffee and a scone.

[Link for the next three weeks - on Wednesdays 11, 18 and 25 March](#)

6:45 PM for 7pm start

Meeting ID: 812 9260 7292

Passcode: 489594

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81292607292?signature=RtmDmYPe-IHtNtY_VcK7NydoZK8ZJfEBYk4ndMbZTTO

Newlands community centre

3RD SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH

Car Boot Sale

Coffee, teas , soft drink
and bacon rolls etc .



Starting sunday
March 15th

9 to 1pm

£12 per car . £15 for vans

£3 table hire

For more information

manager@newlandscentre.org.uk

Whipman Play Society

WHIPMAN INTRODUCTION EVENING

DRESS REHEARSAL

THURSDAY, 26 MARCH

IN THE GRAHAM INSTITUTE

AT 7.30 p.m.

FREE ENTRY

EVERYONE WELCOME



Whipman Play Society

COFFEE MORNING

SATURDAY, 28 MARCH

IN THE GRAHAM INSTITUTE

FROM 10 – 12 NOON.

COFFEE/TEA/HOT CHOCOLATE

HOME BAKING

CHOCOLATE TOMBOLA AND RAFFLE

**PLEASE COME ALONG AND MEET YOUR
LINTON WHIPMAN ELECT
AND HIS LASS FOR 2026
BARONY HERALD, FLOWER GIRL
AND PRESENTING LADY.**





Welly Wanders are special Wanderings for pre-schoolers and their carers.

Meet us at the main layby carpark at Broughtonknowe woods. We will be going on a fun woodland journey together, exploring how we can connect life and faith in the forest.

It is essential folk wear suitable boots with good grip and weather appropriate, waterproof clothing. (Wellies are better than wheels).

Bring a snack and there's the option of joining for lunch after at the Gillespie Centre, free of charge.

There is a composting toilet available on site. Under 18s must be accompanied by an adult. Please note event will be cancelled if the weather is not safe.

Meet at what 3 words: [certainty.questions.flown](https://www.certainty.questions.flown)

OS grid ref: NT103391 more info: [@Wanderings-Scotland](https://www.facebook.com/Wanderings-Scotland) on Facebook

ALL WELCOME

EASTER EGG HUNT

SUNDAY, 5TH APRIL 2026

11:30 AM

ST ANDREW'S PARISH CHURCH
WEST LINTON

SEE YOU THERE!

EASTER FAMILY SERVICE

DONATIONS TO SELL NEEDED

**CHRISTIAN AID
CAR BOOT SALE**

**SKIRLING
VILLAGE
GREEN**

**SUNDAY
10 MAY
2026**

**1:30 -
4:30 PM
VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**



**HELP WITH THE TEAS, HELPING IN THE KITCHEN,
SERVING TEAS , BAKING FOR THE TEAS,
MANNING THE CHRISTIAN AID STALL, GENERAL
ASSISTANCE IN SET UP & TAKE DOWN**

CONTACT ISOBEL HUNTER

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

JOIN THE ADVENTURE



Tuesdays
6:30-7:30pm
New Church Hall
Under 11s
From 16th Sept



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

ROYAL VOLUNTARY SERVICE

We are inviting anyone over 65 to join our friendly, social and fun group.

West Linton Social Centre

We will be open on Tuesdays - from Tuesday 6th January 2026

Why not come along to our West Linton Social Centre and give it a try?

We're inviting anyone over 65 to join our friendly, social and fun group. Whether you're feeling a little isolated and would like to feel more connected, or simply fancy a change of scene, we'd be delighted to welcome you.

There's always plenty to enjoy-from celebrating birthdays to 10 pin bowling, new age curling, dominoes, games and much more. Come and find out!

Every Tuesday 10am - 2pm from 6th January 2026

Broomlee Court, West Linton, in the lounge for a relaxed, cosy and sociable day

A cuppa and a delicious hot lunch is provided at excellent value.

£13 per session(+£7 for transport, total £20)

If you, or someone you know would like to join us please contact the office on 01896 754481

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



**Sip and Share will be closed on
Good Friday 3 April.**

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

**Term time
Fridays 10-11.30am**

Old Church Hall, West Linton





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.



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WESTLINTON.ORG

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.

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 MINISTER **REV. DR. TONY FOLEY**

TFOLEY@CHURCHOFSCOTLAND.ORG.UK

OR OUR PASTORAL GROUP LEAD **JEAN HOWAT**
HOWATJEAN@GMAIL.COM

WE ARE NOT PROFESSIONAL COUNSELLORS BUT RATHER SYMPATHETIC LISTENERS.

