

Linkage News

Services Sunday 21 June 2026

Carlops Church Worship - 10am - Isobel Hunter in church & on [Zoom](#) (see email for link)

St Andrew's Church Worship - 11:30 - Isobel Hunter in church & on [Zoom](#) (see email for link)

Kirkurd & Newland Church Worship - 10am – Peter Worthington in church

Skirling Church Worship - 11:30am - Peter Worthington in church

Tweedsmuir Church Worship - 9:30am - Julian Birchall in church

Broughton Church Worship - 11am - Julian Birchall - in village hall



West Tweeddale Churches Open-Air Communion Service and Picnic

at the site of old Newlands Church
Everyone is welcome

Sunday 9 August 2026
3pm

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.

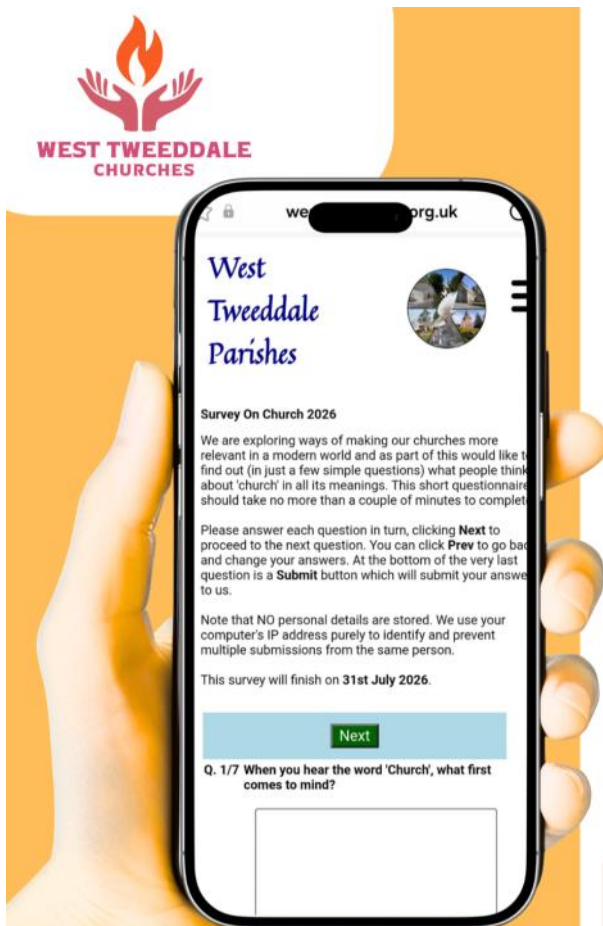
Minister for West Tweeddale - Contact details to be advised

Email

Telephone

West Tweeddale Church Office

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



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

If you would like to explore your faith further through the church then there is also a **Next Steps** page to help you on that path, again on the West Tweeddale Parishes website: www.westtweeddale.org.uk/add-NextSteps.asp.

All are welcome
to attend

St Andrew's Kirk Session Meeting

Thursday 25 June 2026
7.30pm
New Church Hall, West Linton



Newlands Open-Air Communion Service and picnic- Sunday 9 August at 3pm

There will be an open-air Communion service followed by a picnic for the whole West Tweeddale linkage at the site of the old Newlands church on Sunday 9th August at 3pm. Parking will be in the car park opposite the current Newlands Church.

Everyone should bring their own picnic and folding chairs or a rug to sit on.

In the event of the weather not co-operating we will take refuge for the service and the picnic in the current church. Everyone is welcome.

For more information contact Jean Howat: howatjean@gmail.com



Fri 19th June 10.30am-
Welly Wanders for families

Sat 27th June 2.30pm

Wed 1st July 10am -
accessible Wandering at Glenholm followed
by Broughton bite n blether

Wanderings is a reflective woodland wander; a gathering where everyone is welcome to come and reflect, talk and walk together.

Meet at the main layby carpark at Broughtonknowe woods. We will be walking about 3km, slowly through the woods on rough, steep, muddy tracks. It is essential folk wear stout boots with good grip and warm, waterproof clothing. There will be some thoughts shared, a Bible verse, time to chat, share and consider as well as some silence and a cuppa. For up to date info or to contact us visit our Facebook page.

Under 18s must be accompanied by an adult.

Meet at what 3 words: certainty.questions.flown
OS grid ref: NT103391  **#Wanderings - Scotland**



**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.

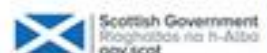
Aug	Sept	Oct
18th	15th	20th

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



Houston's
Bus and Coach Travel

NEW EVENING SERVICE

101 EDINBURGH ↔ BIGGAR

STARTING 10.07.2026
Timetable details coming soon.

LATER JOURNEYS
Perfect for shopping, nights out and more

MUCH REQUESTED
You asked, we listened!

FRIDAY & SATURDAY NIGHTS
Initially, with potential for expansion

MORE FLEXIBILITY. MORE CHOICE. BETTER CONNECTIONS.
Keeping you moving, day and night.

For times and updates visit houstonscoaches.co.uk

Biggar – Edinburgh – Biggar
Friday & Saturday Late Evening Timetable
from 10/7/26

Biggar, High Street dep

Dolphinton

West Linton

Silverburn

Penicuik

Flotterstone

Fairmilehead

Morningside Station

Tollcross

Edinburgh, Bus Station

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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
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

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

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

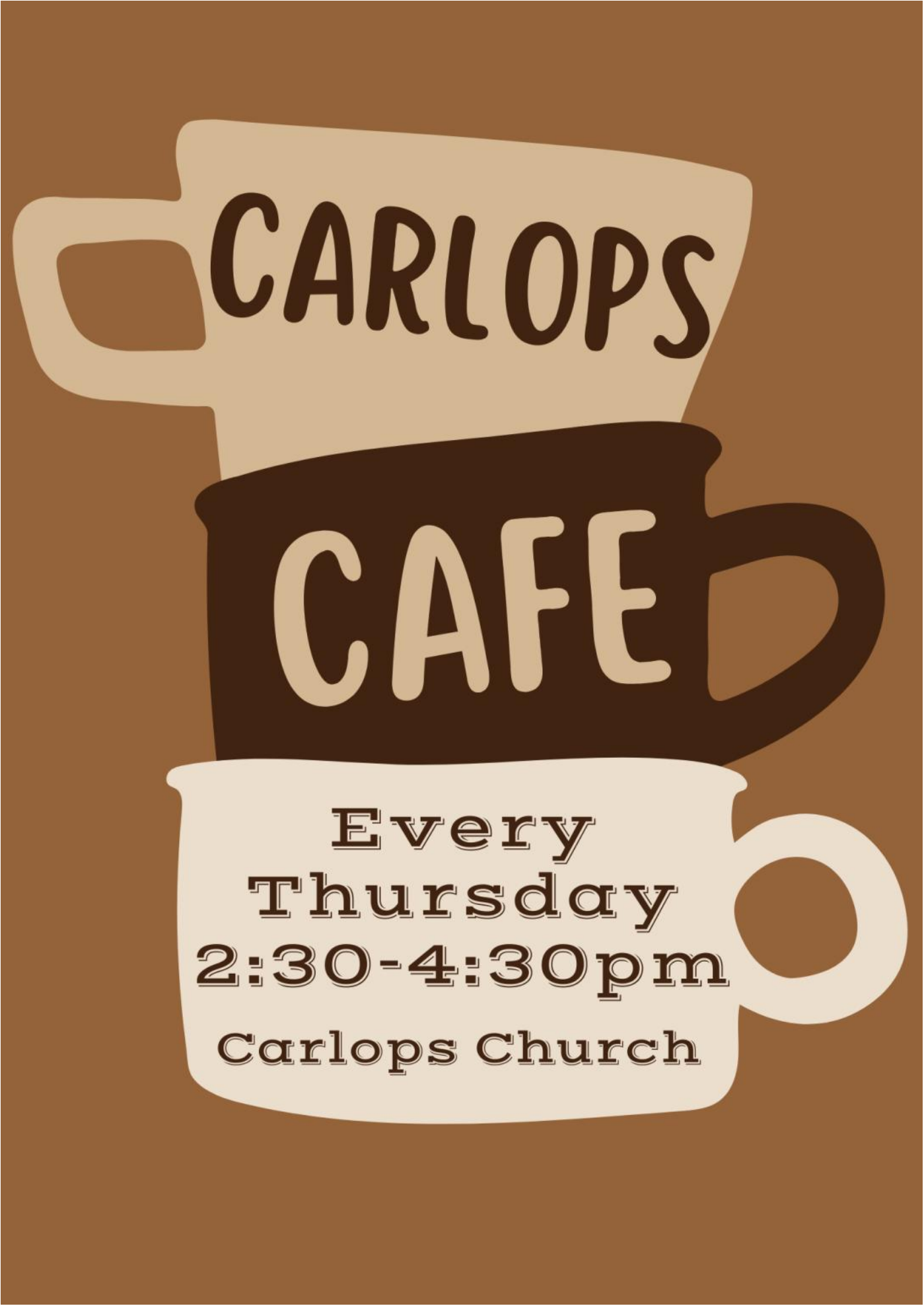
Old Church Hall West Linton



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

**Term time
Fridays 10-11.30am**

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.