

# Linkage News

## Services Sunday 23 March 2025

**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. Calum MacDougall in church

**Skirling Church Worship** - 11:30am - Rev. Calum MacDougall in church

**Tweedsmuir Church Worship** - 9.30am - Peter Worthington in church

**Broughton Church Worship** - 11am - Peter Worthington in village hall



Communion Service  
Carlops 10am  
St Andrew's 11:30  
Sunday 23 March

All are welcome

Possible dates for a **short workshop on the tips and tricks for public Bible reading** led by Rupert Smith are proposed as Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April, 26<sup>th</sup> April or 10<sup>th</sup> May

Please let your Session Clerk know if you would like to attend and which dates are possible for you.

Sharing of News & Information

Anything you would like shared should be emailed to

[intimations@standrews-westlinton.org](mailto:intimations@standrews-westlinton.org)

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

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

**27  
MAR** INTRODUCTION CONCERT  
DRESS REHEARSAL

**28  
MAR** INTRODUCTION  
CONCERT

**29  
MAR** COFFEE MORNING



St Andrew's West Linton,  
**Stated Annual Meeting** -  
will be held on **Sunday  
23rd March** after the  
service.

## Stated Annual Meeting



*Ruth Alan,  
pianist  
Tom Celeketic,  
conductor*

## *Sister Community Choirs* **Crescendo and Wednesdays**

*with  
international  
soloists*



**Saturday, March 29th, at 7 PM**

*£5 in aid of  
Macmillan  
Cancer Support*

*Newlands Church*

*Tea, coffee and  
cakes included in  
the interval*

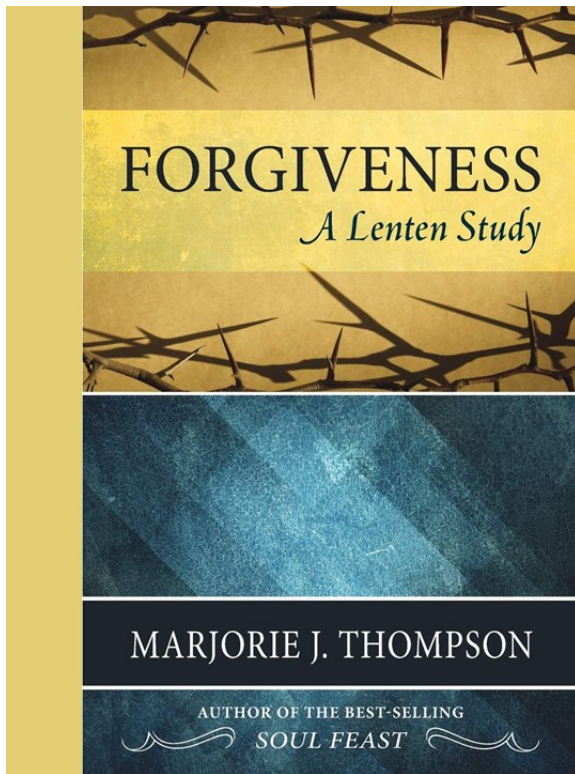
**Tickets from WL Pharmacy**

Community Choirs Crescendo and Wednesdays will be performing at Newlands Church.

Saturday 29 March at 7pm in Newlands Church

**Tickets:** £5 in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support available **from Jean Howat and Newlands elders or West Linton Pharmacy.** Tea, coffee and cakes included in the interval





## Lent Studies for 2025

Starting the week beginning  
Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March for six weeks

**Forgiveness by Marjorie J. Thompson**

Join either of two groups, one in person and the other online using Zoom on the following days:

**Tuesday 10am to 11am** – the **Laurelbank** in **Broughton** led by **Isobel Hunter**

**Wednesday 7pm** – **Zoom** study led by **Steven Whalley** and **Kevin Scott**

On-line study group for Lent. It will run from next **Wednesday** (the 5th March) until 9th April from 7pm

The study group will be considering the book *Forgiveness: a Lenten Study* by Marjorie J Thompson.

The study group will be facilitated by Kevin Scott and Steven Whalley.

Meeting ID: 880 1773 4989

Passcode: 031485

The link to the meeting is below.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88017734989?pwd=z27NKhlfomEM2yB3GFZzSUaifchZE3.1>

## Forgiveness and a free cup of coffee

Forgiveness is something we need to learn to both give and receive. In these disconcerting times probably more than ever.

Come and join us in the Laurel Bank in Broughton at 10am on Tuesdays for a cup of coffee and a discussion based around *Forgiveness* by Marjorie J. Thompson over the 6 weeks of Lent – from the 4<sup>th</sup> March to the 7<sup>th</sup> of April, or just drop in for a single session



# *Whipman Play Society*

## **WHIPMAN INTRODUCTION EVENING DRESS REHEARSAL**

**THURSDAY, 27 MARCH**

**IN THE GRAHAM INSTITUTE**

**AT 7.30 p.m.**

**DONATION AT THE DOOR**

**EVERYONE WELCOME**

## **COFFEE MORNING**

**SATURDAY, 29 MARCH**

**IN THE GRAHAM INSTITUTE**

**FROM 10 – 12 NOON.**

**COFFEE/TEA/HOT CHOCOLATE**

**HOME BAKING**

**TOMBOLA AND RAFFLE**

Parish of Upper Tweeddale  
presents a programme of

# Films That Make You Think!



next showing  
**Broughton Village Hall**  
Friday **21<sup>st</sup> March '25**  
film starts **7:00 PM**

A full length feature film followed by an  
open discussion of some of the themes  
and issues raised by the film



for more information scan the QR code or go to  
[www.uppertweeddale.org.uk/films\\_that\\_make\\_you\\_think.asp](http://www.uppertweeddale.org.uk/films_that_make_you_think.asp)

Free Admission  
Light Refreshments

## Gathering at Whim Care Centre (02/04/2025 - Wed)

A short, informal little service to be held in the **Whim Care Centre** on the **1st Wednesday of the month**. St Mungo's folk have been doing this on the 2nd and 4th weeks.

Interested Whim residents are drawn together in the lounge area and have been enjoying this time together.

Margaret Habeshaw will likely be taking her keyboard for some cheerful hymns, but we are in need of folk to lead the singing and we are hoping that we can be joined by one or two from our churches to help with this. Entrance is by the door down the slope at the side of the building. We will be starting at **2 pm**, for a service perhaps lasting **30 minutes** and we will likely be offered a cup of tea later.



It's that time of year again! Come along and join us for a fun-filled treasure hunt, plus Easter crafts, home baking and \*maybe\* some lambs and chicks.

Pre-booking essential.

<https://bookwhen.com/wlearlylear.../e/ev-s6f5-20250418140000>



# West Linton Easter Egg Treasure Hunt

Fri 18th April  
2-4pm  
St Andrew's  
New Church Hall



**Easter treasure hunt • home baking • teas & coffees • crafts**

Pick up your treasure hunt sheet from the New Church Hall, search the Lower Green for the letter clues, unscramble the word, and win a chocolate Easter Egg! Each ticket enters you in the grand prize draw to win a giant Easter egg.

**Book your  
tickets here**



**£5 per child • £2.50 per adult  
£18 for families of 3 or more children**

# JOIN THE ADVENTURE



**BBs meet on  
Tuesday  
evenings:  
email us for info**



**ANCHORS**

5 – 8 Years

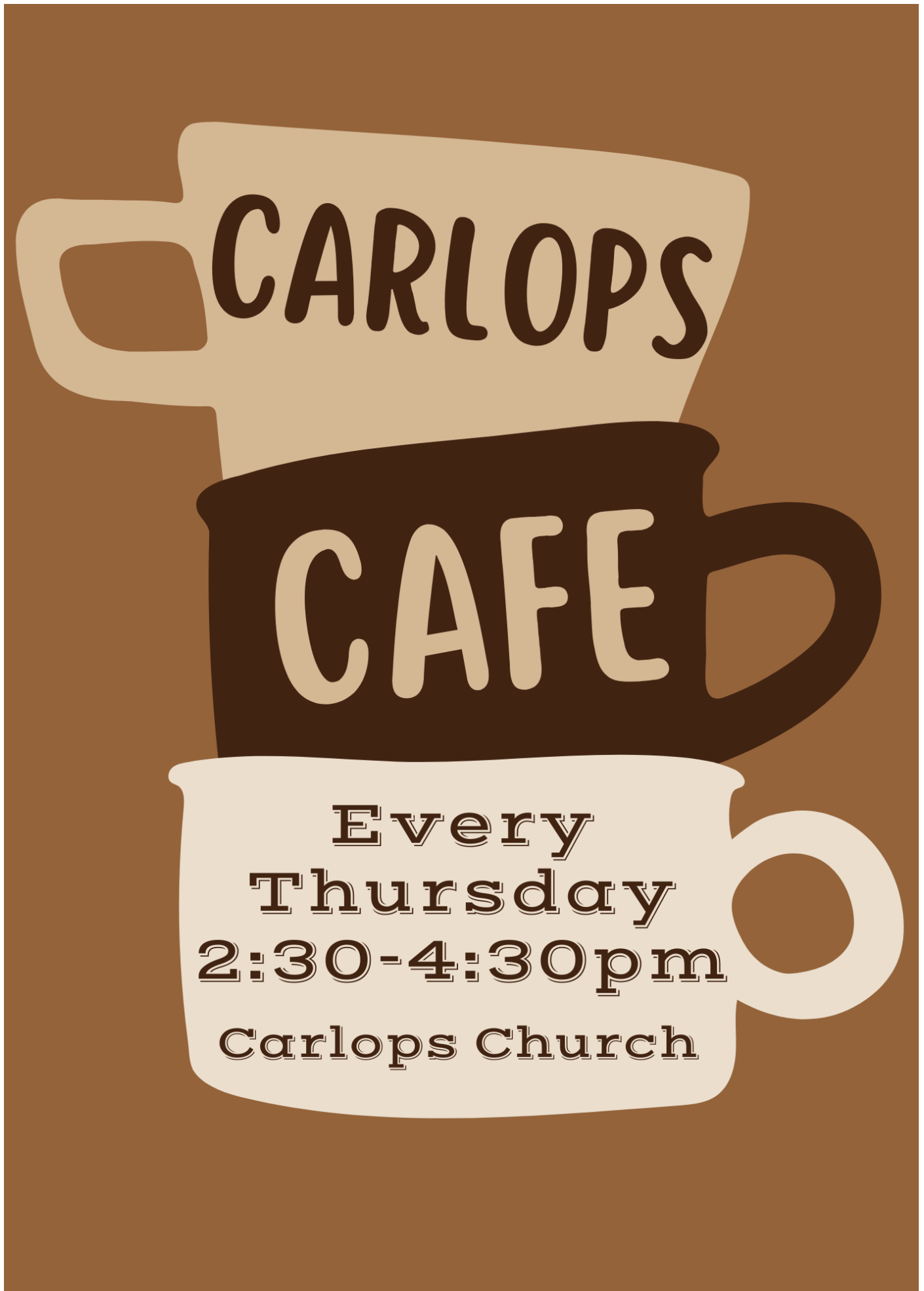
**ЈУНИОРС**

8 – 11 Years

**Drop us an email for more information:**

**[westlintonbb@gmail.com](mailto:westlintonbb@gmail.com)**

Note the change of time





# Table Tennis

Fridays 7 - 8.30pm New Church Hall, West Linton

All ages & abilities welcome

No Baby Brunch Friday  
21st Feb due to school  
holidays

## BABY BRUNCH

**Term time  
Fridays** **10-11.30am**

Old Church Hall, West Linton



## COMMUNITY COSY CAFE AFTERNOON

Fridays 2-4pm  
Old Church Hall  
West Linton

**Come along for  
Tea, Coffee, cakes, biscuits,  
chat & company**



[www.westtweeddale.org.uk](http://www.westtweeddale.org.uk)

More information: 07973 501 665



## Got a problem?

Stressed? Anxious? Depressed?  
Parenting difficulties? Relationship issues?  
Whatever the problem – large or small, recent or  
long-standing, Solution Focused Brief Therapy  
can help.

Ask for an appointment at

# THE OPEN GATE

**In Newlands Centre, Romanno Bridge**

**Fridays 2pm to 5pm.**

Anyone who wants help for their problem is  
welcome, and will be seen by arrangement. There  
is no 'Drop-in'.

**PHONE OR TEXT 07535 898 244**

**SFBT is enjoyable and helps quickly, usually within 1-3  
sessions. All sessions are free and confidential.**





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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**

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OR OUR PASTORAL GROUP LEAD **JEAN HOWAT**  
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WE ARE NOT PROFESSIONAL COUNSELLORS BUT  
RATHER SYMPATHETIC LISTENERS.

