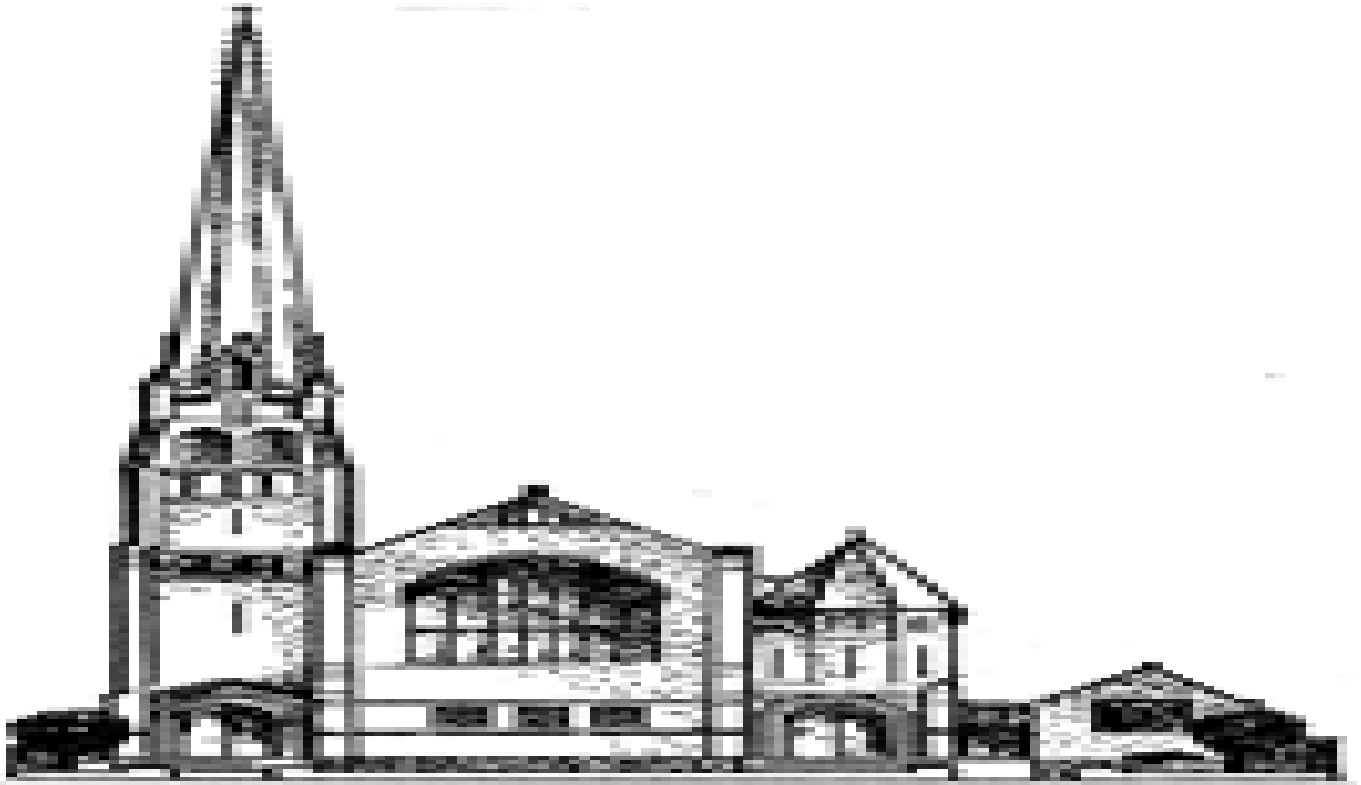


# AYR, ST ANDREW'S CHURCH



## JULY PRAYER DIARY

*( month of thanksgiving )*

### Summer Activities

Take time to claim your strength; they are gifts of God.

Take time to have fun; it's God's way of teaching you your strengths.

Take time to grow yourself; only you can grow you.

Take time to trust yourself; God trusts you.

Take time to be self-reliant; it is better than being dependent.

Take time to share with others; they will bless you, and you will bless them. Take time to have hope, you are a child of God.

Let's put ourselves into the hands of the Lord, and pray that God will bless us and our families during the wonderful months of summer. Lord God, Creator of all things, guide our steps and strengthen our hearts, during these months of summer and vacation days. Grant us refreshment of mind and body. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

*Topics are arranged over 7 days which you may find helpful*

### SUNDAY

God has been merciful on us, bringing us into the seventh month of the year. Thank God for the sermons you have heard for the past six months. Thank God for ministers and other vessels God has used to enrich your life with his blessings. Please pray for Stanley, the worship team and everyone working at the background to ensure that Sunday by Sunday we are led in worship bringing to life the presence and promises of God.

## **MONDAY**

Thank God for preserving your life and the lives of your loved ones during the last six months. Thank God for all you were able to accomplish in the first half of the year by God's grace. Ask God to strengthen and comfort families that have experienced bereavement, illness, financial hardship, relationship breakdown and other pains.

## **TUESDAY**

Thank God that the Cross of Christ made a way for us to 'receive the Spirit of adoption' and become 'children of God' and 'fellow heirs with Christ.' Pray for those who are yet to accept Christ, to repent and trust in Him. Lord Jesus, we long to experience more of the freedom You promised as we follow You. Pray that many would seek God's face and be liberated from the power of sin, death and the power of evil through Christ's sacrificial death and glorious resurrection.

## **WEDNESDAY**

Thank God for the role of the church in human history. Pray for the future of the church. Read 2 Chronicles 7:14 and prayerfully ask God to send revival among us. Ask the Lord of the Church to revive our hearts, inspire our congregations and mobilise the Body of Christ at large with a renewed desire to proclaim his truth and demonstrate his compassion through sharing the gospel and serving others. Pray that individually and collectively the body of Christ will forsake sin and turn to God in righteousness.

## **THURSDAY**

Remember the penny prayer we were taught. Thank God for the world of his making. Thank God for leaders of nations and the people they lead. Pray that God's will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Ask God to stir the world and events in our present world to the direction of his will. When the righteous is in authority the people rejoice. Pray for leaders of our nation and leaders in other nations, ask God to enable them govern in righteousness and truth. "pray for us" is the cry of people in need and in trouble. Pray for people everywhere as the Spirit of God leads you.

## **FRIDAY**

We are in another summer time. Thank God for the warmth of the sun's embrace, the gentle breeze swept in by incoming tide, the rhythm of seasons, of new birth, death and recreation. All of these speak of God's love, power, and beauty. Ask God to walk with you this summer in whatever you do and wherever you go. Pray summer blessings over your family and over the nation. May we make our homes places of relaxation, joy, love, peace and safety. Pray that we may we constantly strive to make a meaningful difference in the lives of our loved ones and in the world around us as we enjoy the warm days of summertime.

## **SATURDAY**

Thank God for the Steering Group for the formation of the Presbytery of the South West of Scotland. Thank God for the appointment of a Presbytery Clerk for the new Presbytery and pray for the wisdom of selecting a suitable Presbytery Moderator. Thank God and pray for Ayr Presbytery and the Presbytery Officers. Thank God and pray for St Andrew's, Auld Kirk, and St Columba Churches that our coming together in the future would be a smooth transition. Pray for the three congregations and Sessions that God will direct and lead in every step of the process.

**One way to focus and fuel your prayer life is to use different prayer themes.**

**Sunday Prayer Theme: Your Church**

Pray for your pastors, ask God to pour out his Spirit on the Sunday worship, bless the singing and preaching of the word.

**Monday Prayer Theme: Thanksgiving**

List and give thanks for as many things as you can think of.

**Tuesday Prayer Focus: Your Family**

Pray that God would save every one of your descendants until he returns and that they would all follow Jesus as disciples

**Wednesday Prayer Topic: The Nations**

Pray that God would save multitudes worldwide, that the gospel would go forth in power to every nation and people.

**Thursday Prayer Theme: Your City and Region**

Pray that the kingdom would come to your town, and region. That God would save your neighbors and open doors for the gospel in your town.

**Friday Prayer Focus: Salvation**

Make a list of all your family members, friends, neighbors, schoolmates and co-workers who are unsaved and ask Jesus to save each one.

**Saturday Prayer Theme: Current Needs of Family and Friends**

Whether it be healing, financial provision or help in their marriages.

**If you have a prayer request or a favorite prayer which you would care to share in a future prayer diary, please e-mail:**

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