Good morning and welcome to a new week!

Yesterday morning at 11am Meldrum Church was open for worship. All physical distancing measures, one way systems, mask wearing and cleaning protocols were in place. It was a joy and delight to be back together, albeit with only a small part of the congregation able to be there.

We had hoped to record the service so that everyone would be able to hear it afterwards. However, my microphone wasn't behaving and the sound quality was not very good. So I am attaching the script of the two reflections and links to the music we played. Pat and Billy led us in prayers and we also had a short time of remembrance for VJ Day.

The Edict for the Preaching for Sole Nominee was also read out as follows:

NOTICE OF NOMINATION - Section 22(2) To be read on two Sundays:

At a meeting held at Meldrum Church Hall on Monday 16 March 2020, the Nominating Committee chose the person who they wish to propose to this congregation of Meldrum & Bourtie Parish to be our new minister.

The name of the person proposed is Rev Alisa McDonald.

Arrangements have been made for Rev Alisa McDonald, to conduct public worship in this Church on Sunday the 30th day of August 2020 at 11 o'clock.

Immediately after that service, there will be a vote on whether or not Rev Alisa McDonald should be appointed as the new minister of this congregation of Meldrum & Bourtie Parish. Anyone whose name appears on the Electoral Register of this congregation Meldrum & Bourtie Parishshall be entitled to vote. No-one else shall be entitled to vote. .

Rev Euan Glen. Interim Moderator

We will meet again next week and hopefully the recording will work then.

This week marks the beginning of the Week of Prayer that the Moderator has encouraged us all to take part in. The link to the Church of Scotland website that gives all the information, this morning's prayer and short video is: <u>https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/news-and-events/news/2020/join-in-with-the-</u> week-of-prayer

I hope you may find time to join us all in prayer.

Blessings Valerie