



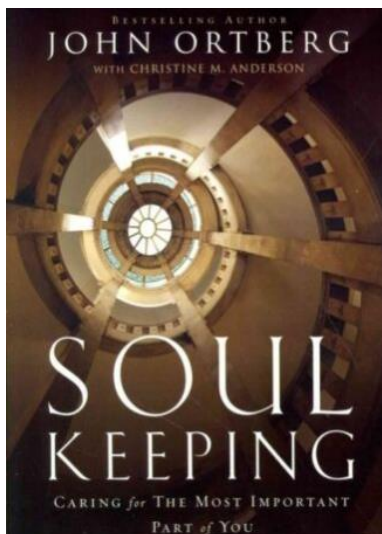
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From the Minister – Rev Dr Allan Vint

*“Truly my soul finds rest in God;
my salvation comes from him.
Truly He is my rock and my salvation;
He is my fortress, I will never be shaken.” Psalm 62*

Over this last session, thankfully we managed to get back to some weekday evening, in-person discussions about Christian topics. Our chosen theme this time around came via a video presentation of John Ortberg, a Presbyterian pastor in the USA, about our Soul and the benefits of keeping it healthy.



John reminded us about the great value of our soul and of its need to be cared for. He used the helpful illustration of a mountain stream, tended by a keeper who looks after its welfare – making sure it is regularly cleared of junk and debris so that it flows to the benefit of those downstream. John highlights the fact that without the keeper the stream can become polluted or stagnant which causes all sorts of problems. He says, ‘the soul is the stream, and you are the keeper’.

We were challenged in our discussions about how well we are tending to that most central and important part of our being – after all it is our soul which connects us with God and which, united to

Jesus, brings us eternal life. Yes, the question for us all is surely, are we tending our soul well and wisely?

“Have nothing to do with godless myths and old wives’ tales; rather, train yourself to be godly. For physical training is of some value, but godliness has value for all things, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come.”

1 Timothy 4



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The Men's club

Meetings begin again on Wednesday 14th September 2022 and are held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month in the Church Hall. We have a monthly games night, (carpet bowls and a friendly chat with members) and a monthly speaker.

We are a cheery group and would welcome all who wish to join us. If you would like more information, then please contact Mr Jardine (details below)

Games night: 7pm
Speakers: 7.30pm

Office bearers are

Hon. President:	Rev Dr Allan Vint	
President	Mr W Jardine	01290 550447
Vice President	Mr Ian Watt	
Secretary	Mr W Peebles	
Treasurer	Mr W Jardine	

Mauchline Off Peak Badminton Club

Looking for some exercise and friendly chat then why not come and join us at the Mauchline church hall? We are hoping to restart the club on Tuesday 6th September 2022. We are a friendly, non-competitive group and warmly invite new members to join us for some enjoyable badminton games and of course relax with a well-earned tea/coffee and biscuit. This invitation is open to all members of the public.

We meet on a Tuesday afternoon from 1.30pm – 3.30pm and on Wednesday mornings from 10am – 12 noon.

If you would like further information please contact Linda McLelland, (07549646851) Jennifer McMurray (07814732768) or June Allan(01290 550820)



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Children & Church

Then people brought little children to Jesus for him to place His hands on them and pray for them. But the disciples rebuked them.

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."



Sunday School

We all know how important it is to help our children understand the world and how best they can live a life which is marked by kindness, goodness, respect, love, compassion and care (for themselves, for others and the planet). I'm sure many will also want to see our children (and grandchildren) to develop fully (physically, emotionally and spiritually). Over the years the church has provided a unique opportunity to address each of these dimensions.

At Mauchline Church we want to provide parents, grandparents and carers a place for children to learn about the wonderful love that God has for them; a place to grow in understanding of God's wonder and his grace shown through Jesus - a place to mature heart, mind and soul through an experience of God's presence.

Traditionally we have called this 'Sunday School' or something similar and here at Mauchline we would be delighted if you wanted your child to participate.

Mauchline Parish Church is looking to provide Sunday School for children (initially from P1 - P7) on Sunday mornings beginning on August 21st 2022. Children would come and sit initially with family or carers in the Church service at 11:15am for a short time before leaving for child specific activities in the church hall. The activities may include Bible teaching, games, crafts and fun!



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If you would like your child to participate, then please either complete the google form available at www.mauchline.info (A link is also provided on our Facebook page)

We would also like to invite adults to be helpers at the Sunday School on a rota basis. If you would be willing to volunteer for this then please also send an email to the minister Rev Dr Allan Vint at avint@churchofscotland.org.uk

Church Online

You are invited to come and join us at Mauchline Church online. Each week our Sunday service is streamed live to Facebook and YouTube and then afterwards remains available for viewing at your convenience.



If you are unable to attend in person, why not pop in and join our local and international online congregation?



YouTube can even provide automatic subtitles for those that require it.



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<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPiMQjqez9yQ0-LISUultQ>
(or www.mauchlineparish.org.uk)