

List of Charges being Advertised

as at 11 December 2024

If a charge is marked ***P3*** this means that, if the successful candidate is a Probationer, stipend will commence at Point 3 of the new 5-point scale. If the charge is marked with a ***D*** this means that the congregation has departed from the Church's traditional position in respect of Ministers in civil partnership & same sex marriages, in so far as it has been mentioned in the Parish Profile

To have a vacant charge added to this list, or to notify amendments to current details, please email
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New Vacant Charges			
Presbytery	Charge and Tenure	Interim Moderator	Further information
Open for Applications			
Presbytery	Charge and Tenure	Interim Moderator	Further information
2	Lothian and Borders Parish of Belhaven and Spott in deferred union with Cockburnspath Unrestricted Tenure	Interim Moderator Rev. Brian Hilsley. If you would like to make an informal enquiry. Please email bhilsley@churchofscotland.org.uk	You can download our parish profile, person specification and application procedure from this link https://www.belhaven-and-spott.org/vacancy/ Applications should be made to the clerk to the Nominating Committee, Jenifer Spencer: jenifer.spencer@btinternet.com Date posted: 21 June 2024
3	South West Troon Church of Scotland Reviewable Charge: 5 Years each for two posts from Induction. *D* Closing Date 31st January 2025	Informal enquiries may be made to our Interim Moderator Rev Dr Scott McKenna at interim.moderator@troonchurch.org.uk	We are seeking to call two full time ministers to build a team ministry and serve the community of Troon. Troon Church of Scotland was created on July 1st 2024 by the union of Troon Old, Portland and St Meddan's Parish Churches. If you believe God may be calling you to an exciting opportunity in team ministry, we would like to hear from you. The Parish Profile, including the Basis of Union, is available on our website Vacancies – Troon Church of Scotland Applications, including a Curriculum Vitae, a personal statement and the names of two referees should be made to Jane Potts, Clerk of the Nominating Committee at nominatingcommittee@troonchurch.org.uk Date posted: 28 November 2024
8	Perth Broughty Ferry Parish Church Reviewable Charge: 7 years each for two posts *D*	Interim Moderator Rev John C Duncan JDuncan@churchofscotland.org.uk 01382 480772	Following the election of Rev Lorna Tunstall to one of our vacancies, Broughty Ferry Parish Church is looking for the second minister to work in Team Ministry with Lorna and a still-to-be appointed MDS under the terms of the "Basis of Team Ministry" annexed to the Parish Profile. The team is to lead and inspire the 5 Marks of Mission development of the huge potential in the attractive suburbs of Broughty Ferry and Barnhill. The Parish Profile is available from the website. https://www.bfpc.scot The links to the Parish Profile are on the footer at the bottom of the home page. The Parish Profile is also available from the Clerk to the Nominating Committee, Denise Melville, defmelville@hotmail.co.uk Enquiries and applications to Denise should consist of:

				<p>- a full CV and contact details, with 2 references and a covering letter of under 250 words outlining your reasons for applying & the qualities that you can bring.</p> <p>Date posted: 21 June 2024</p>
8	Perth	<p>Montrose Trinity Church</p> <p>*D*</p> <p>Reviewable Charge 7 Years for both posts</p>	<p>Gavin Drummond gavin.drummond08@gmail.com 07985963105 Gavin is happy to receive informal enquiries</p>	<p>Montrose Trinity was formed on 3rd August 2023, bringing together the legacy congregations of Montrose South & Ferryden, Dun & Hillside and Montrose Old & St. Andrew's.</p> <p>We have vacancies for two Ministers to join with the Youth Worker and an OLM as a ministry team. We see this as an exciting opportunity to create a broad team, using the wide ranging skills of the elders and members, to develop the mission of the congregation.</p> <p>A Parish Profile can be downloaded at: http://www.montrose-trinity.co.uk/vacancy</p> <p>John Campbell is the clerk to the Nominating Committee to whom enquiries and applications should be made. John Campbell: jtcarman@btinternet.com</p> <p>Date posted: 1 March 2024</p>
9	North East and Northern Isles	<p>Strathbogie Drumblade</p> <p>Reviewable Charge 5 Years</p>	<p>Informal enquiries may be made in confidence to Interim Moderator: Rev Carol Ford – Cford@churchofscotland.org.uk (07818 204 333)</p>	<p>Strathbogie Drumblade congregation in Huntly is a worship centred, welcoming community called to preach Christ by loving God, loving one another, and loving our neighbours near and far.</p> <p>Our Parish Profile can be downloaded from the church website: http://www.strathbogie-drumblade.co.uk or from the Clerk to the Nominating Committee Ann Gray - lvmaweedug@gmail.com to whom Applications should be emailed.</p> <p>Applications should include curriculum vitae, a personal statement and the names of two referees with contact details (referees will only be contacted if the application is being taken further).</p> <p>Date posted: 6 November 2024</p>
9	North East and Northern Isles	<p>Peterculter Parish Church</p> <p>Unrestricted Tenure</p> <p>*D*</p>	<p>Rev. Duncan Eddie DEddie@churchofscotland.org.uk Phone: 01224 325873</p> <p>Informal enquiries may be made to the Interim Moderator.</p>	<p>With a parish straddling the boundary between Aberdeen City and Aberdeenshire, beside the River Dee, the congregation of Peterculter Parish Church seeks a new minister to lead us forward in the next chapter of our life.</p> <p>Detailed information on the parish is given in the Parish Profile http://www.culterkirk.co.uk/parish-profile/. Additional queries can be addressed to either the Convener Isabel McIntyre, email: vacancy@culterkirk.co.uk or Clerk Ross Andrews, email: vacancyclerk@culterkirk.co.uk of the Nominating Committee.</p> <p>To apply for this position, please submit a covering letter, a CV and details of two referees to: vacancyclerk@culterkirk.co.uk.</p> <p>Date posted: 17 April 2024</p>

9	North East and Northern Isles	Shetland Parish – North Charge *D*	Rev. David Stewart, 54 Woodstock Road, Aberdeen, AB15 5JF Tel: 01224 317975 Email: DStewart@churchofscotland.org.uk	Parish profile and information pack available from the Clerk to the nominating committee: Frances Richardson, Shetland Church of Scotland, Parish Office, 82 St. Olaf Street. Lerwick, Shetland, ZE1 0ES Tel: 0745 337 4543 Email: FRichardson@churchofscotland.org.uk Parish profile is also available for download here: https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fi/kfepiigiptqcu1tjf186/Parish-Profile-26th-May-2023.pdf?rlkey=46n9l4hagcd346c39w278eki0&dl=0 Link to website - www.shetlandchurch.org.uk Date posted: 16 June 2023
10	Clèir Eilean Ì: Highlands and Hebrides	Deferred Union of Portree with Kilmuir and Stenscholl to form Portree, Kilmuir and Staffin Parish Church of Scotland Unrestricted Tenure	Mr John H Lamont jhlamont@btinternet.com	Kilmuir and Stenscholl parish is currently vacant and Portree will become vacant in October 2027 on the retiral of the present minister. Initially, the successful applicant will be responsible for the Kilmuir & Stenscholl parish and in due course will assume responsibility for the new united parish of Portree, Kilmuir and Staffin Church of Scotland. The Convener of the Nominating Committee is Bill Marshall wvm74marl@hotmail.com The Vice-Convener of the Nominating Committee is Donald MacDonald donaldsine@aol.com The Clerk to the Nominating Committee is Morag MacDonald moragmacdonald@gmail.com An integrated information pack covering both existing parishes is available from the Clerk. Informal enquiries regarding Kilmuir & Stenscholl can be made to Donald, or for Portree to Bill, via the emails provided above. The Parish Profiles are available on the respective church websites at https://portree-parish-church.org.uk and www.shetlandchurch.org.uk and Parish Profile 20231206.pdf Date posted: 15 December 2023

Closing Dates Passed

	Presbytery	Charge and Tenure	Interim Moderator	Further information
1	Edinburgh and West Lothian Presbytery	Bathgate Parish Church Reviewable Charge 5 Years *D* The closing date is, Friday, 15th November 2024	Informal enquiries are welcome. Please contact, Rev Nelu Balaj [Interim Moderator] Phone No 01506 411888. Mobile No 07954436879 Email : nbalaj@churchofscotland.org.uk	This newly united congregation, comprising, the former Bathgate High and St John's Bathgate. Although we are a new Union, we have a committed Kirk Session and Congregation and people who will pray for you, support you practically and enjoy sharing in ministry with you. The congregation is looking for a Minister, led by the Holy Spirit to share our mission and be part of God's voice in the heart of West Lothian. This is an exciting opportunity for a Minister who can develop and lead us in advancing the Kingdom of God in Bathgate. We are a diverse community and share a commitment to draw others to Christ continuing our long tradition of worship and biblical teaching.

				<p>You can download our parish profile from the Church website at https://www.bathgateparish.com/. The annual report and accounts for year ending 31 December 2023 is available on the Church website and can be found with the archive of Church magazines. Applications should be made to the Clerk of the Nominating Committee, Louise Sedgewick, by email to louise.sedgewick@googlemail.com</p> <p>Applications should consist of; a full CV and contact details, 2 references. Referees will not be contacted unless the Nominating Committee is progressing an application. A covering letter of about 250 words outlining your reasons for applying and the gifts that you can bring to this congregation.</p> <p>Date posted: 25 September 2024</p>
1	Edinburgh and West Lothian	<p>Boghall Parish Church</p> <p>Reviewable Charge 5 Years</p> <p>*D*</p> <p>Closing Date 12 Noon on 11 November 2024.</p>	<p>Informal enquiries may be made in confidence to the Interim Moderator, Rev. Hanneke Janse van Vuren, email: hjansevanvuren@churchofscotland.org.uk</p>	<p>Our vibrant and community orientated church in the heart of Boghall seeks a new minister to lead our life and work. With this Parish Profile, we hope to show what life and ministry is like in Boghall. We try to be a community focussed, forward looking, inclusive and welcoming church. We seek a new minister to help guide us to grow in faith and share God's love in our community. We, the church family, offer you our unconditional commitment, friendship, love and support. Could you be the one to take on the challenge to join us in shaping our future? A copy of the Parish Profile is available from our website: Boghall Parish Church Profile.pdf (boghallchurch.org.uk)</p> <p>Applications should be made to the Clerk of the Nominating Committee, Islay McLauchlan, by email: islaymclauchlan2@gmail.com. Applications should include a Curriculum Vitae, a personal statement and the names of two referees (referees will only be contacted if the application is being taken further).</p> <p>Date posted: 2 October 2024</p>
1	Edinburgh and West Lothian	<p>Edinburgh: Gorgie and Palmerston Place Parish Church of Scotland</p> <p>Reviewable Charge 5 Years</p> <p>Closing date of 12 noon on Friday 27th September</p>	<p>Informal enquiries may be made by phoning the Interim Moderator, Rev Sam Torrens, on 0780 866 4194.</p>	<p>This newly united charge in the west of Edinburgh is one of the largest in the city, serving a diverse community of some 24,000 people. Our Parish Profile can be downloaded from our website at www.gappchurch.org.uk</p> <p>Applications should be made to the Clerk to the Nominating Committee, John Duncan, at nominationsclerk@gappchurch.org.uk. Expressions of interest are also welcome.</p> <p>Applications should comprise:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full CV with contact information • The names of two referees. They will only be contacted if your application is being taken further • A covering letter giving your reasons for applying and the gifts that you believe you can bring to the congregation

				Date posted: 4 July 2024
1	Edinburgh and West Lothian	Edinburgh High (St Giles' Cathedral) Reviewable Charge 5 Years *D* Closing date 12 noon on 30th September	Informal enquiries may be made in confidence to Interim Moderator, Rev Dr George J Whyte: gwhyte@churchofscotland.org.uk	Our iconic city church in the heart of Edinburgh seeks a new minister to lead our life and work. The Parish Profile, and related documents, is available from our website: https://www.stgilescathedral.org.uk/ministerial-vacancy Applications should be made to the Clerk to the Nominating Committee, Emma Caskie-Potter, by email to emma.potter@stgilescathedral.org.uk . Applications should include a curriculum vitae, a personal statement and the names of two referees (referees will only be contacted if the application is being taken further). Date posted: 19 August 2024
4	Clyde	Houston & Killellan Kirk linked with Langbank Church *D* Unrestricted Tenure Closing Date: 27th October	Informal enquiries can be made in confidence to our Interim Moderator, Rev. Barbara Ann Sweetin BSweetin@churchofscotland.org.uk 07988 938 476	This newly linked charge seeks a minister to lead us as we continue our journey of faith together. Our parish profile can be downloaded from the vacancy page of our website: To make an application or request a hard copy of this Parish Profile, please contact our Clerk to the Nominating Committee, Mrs Evelyn Cook, at hkklangbank@gmail.com We ask all applicants to submit a C.V. and covering letter which specifically addresses their call to this parish. Please also provide two references, one of which should be able to comment on your ministry. Referees will not be contacted until after the interview stage. Date posted: 24 September 2024
5	Glasgow	Carmunnock Parish Church of Scotland linked with Glasgow: Castlemilk Parish Church Of Scotland Unrestricted Tenure *D* Closing Date: Friday 11th October 2024	Our Interim Moderator, Rev. Alasdair MacMillan, is happy to answer questions and receive informal enquiries either by email: alasdair.macmillan@churchofscotland.org.uk or by telephone: 0141 391 9102 or 07745313778.	We are delighted to share the Parish Profile for our linked charge. It can be accessed at https://shorturl.at/FtiGF or sent to you by emailing the Clerk to the Nominating Committee. Expressions of interest can be made to either the Interim Moderator or the Clerk and applications should be made to the Clerk, John Davidson, at johndavidson1303@gmail.com Applications should include a CV, the names of two referees (who will only be contacted if your application is being taken further) and a covering letter sharing your vision for ministry and how it relates to this charge. Date posted: 26 August 2024
7	Fife	Forthview Parish Church Reviewable Charge 7 Years *D*	Informal enquiries can be made to the Interim Moderator, Dr. Fergus Duncan at fid@tighnacaille.co.uk 07768873550	Following review of our previous advert, and in accordance with the Presbytery Mission Plan, Fife: Forthview Parish Church has been allocated three full-time Ministers of Word and Sacrament. All the posts are vacant, and applications are now sought for each of Charges A, B, and C. The Minister at Charge A, which covers Inverkeithing and North Queensferry, will

		<p>Closing date Wednesday 31 July 2024</p>		<p>be the Moderator of the Kirk Session. The Minister at Charge B, Rosyth Parish, will be the Ministry Team Leader. The Minister at Charge C, which is Dalgety and St Fillan's Aberdour, will be the line manager of any ministry staff employed. For more information, please see the parish profile and the Basis of Team Ministry at https://forthviewchurch.org.uk/home/parish-profile/</p> <p>Applications and CV should be sent to the clerk to the Nominating Committee – Veronica Simpson at dalgetyvee@gmail.com</p> <p>(Applications should advise whether a specific charge only or consideration for all charges is being applied for.)</p> <p>Date posted: 8 May 2024</p>
8	Perth	<p>St Serf's Church, Tullibody</p> <p>Reviewable Charge 7 years</p> <p>Closing Date 31st October</p>	<p>Informal enquiries can be made to: Rev. Scott McInnes smcinnnes@churchofscotland.org.uk 07824 465833</p>	<p>Visit www.stserfstullibody.org.uk to find out more about the life of the congregation of St Serf's and to download a copy of the Parish Profile.</p> <p>To apply please send a CV & cover letter to the clerk of the Nominating Committee (Clark Whyte: clarkdavidwhyte@gmail.com). Please include the names and contact details of two referees. Referees will not be contacted unless the Nominating Committee is progressing an application.</p> <p>Date posted: 29 August 2024</p>
8	Perth	<p>Arbroath and District Church</p> <p>Charge C</p> <p>Vacancy for MWS to join the ministry team.</p> <p>Reviewable charge 7 years</p> <p>*D*</p> <p>Closing Date Friday 25th October 2024</p>	<p>Informal enquiries to Interim Moderator are most welcome.</p> <p>Rev Dr Ian A McLean imclean@churchofscotland.org.uk 07735 404524</p>	<p>The congregation was formed very recently by the union of 9 congregations with 6 worship centres. There is a ministry team of 2 MWS and a FT Youth and Children's Worker in post with a further MWS being sought. The newly united congregation is busy at work seeking to develop an already varied and active programme of mission, worship, pastoral care and community engagement.</p> <p>The new website has now launched https://arbroathdistrictcofs.org.uk/</p> <p>Access the Parish Profile via the Vacancy tab at the top of the page.</p> <p>Applications, with a brief outline of how you might see yourself being suitable for this vacancy, together with a CV and the names of two referees (one to provide a professional reference, the other a personal one), should be sent to - Mrs Audrey Shepherd Clerk to the Nomination Committee Email: as1960@btinternet.com</p> <p>Date posted: 21 June 2024</p>
10	Clèir Eilean Ì: Highlands and Hebrides	<p>West Ross (Formally Gairloch & Dundonnell)</p>	<p>Rev. Dr. Rory Macleod ClèirEileanI@churchofscotland.org.uk 07841654281 (Informal enquires can be made to the Interim Moderator)</p>	<p>Nominating Committee</p> <p>Convener: Mr Dugald Macpherson 07784161870 dugald.macpherson@btinternet.com</p> <p>Clerk: Mr Donald .E. Macrae</p>

		Unrestricted Tenure Closing Date 30/09/24		07935460016 DEMacrae@btinternet.com Enquires & Applications can be made, and a Parish Profile obtained from either the Clerk or the Convener Date posted: 9 February 2024
10	Clèir Eilean Ì: Highlands and Hebrides	Dornoch Firth Church of Scotland Reviewable Charge 7 Years *D* Closing Date for Applications: 16th September, 2024.	Informal enquiries may be made by phoning the Interim Moderator, Rev Alistair Drummond, on 01349 852480 or 07484 348819.	Our Parish Profile can be downloaded from our website at www.dornochfirthcofs.org Applications should be made to the Clerk to the Nominating Committee, Ann Creed at apply@dornochfirthcofs.org . The recipients of emails to this address include the Convener, Vice-Convener and the Interim Moderator. Expressions of interest are also welcome. Applications should comprise: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full CV with contact information • The names of two referees with contact information, one of whom should be familiar with the current ministry context of the applicant. They will only be contacted if your application is being taken further. • A covering letter giving your reasons for applying and the gifts that you believe you can bring to the congregation. Date posted: 11 July 2024
13	International	Lausanne in deferred linkage with Geneva Unrestricted Tenure *D* Closing date: 31 October 2024, 23:59 CET	Rev. Graham Austin Email: GAustin@churchofscotland.org.uk	A combined parish profile and further information is available on www.scotskirklausanne.ch and https://churchofscotlandgeneva.ch or by contacting the Clerk to the Nominating Committee at nominatingcommittee@scotskirklausanne.ch If you would like to be our minister, please send your application (cover letter, CV and links to on-line or recorded services and any additional information you think relevant) to nominatingcommittee@scotskirklausanne.ch Informal enquiries to the Interim Moderator. Date posted: 30 August 2024

Progressing Nominee				
	Presbytery	Charge and Tenure	Interim Moderator	Further information
1	Edinburgh and West Lothian	Kirk of Calder Nominee elected		
1	Edinburgh and West Lothian	Edinburgh: The New Town Church of Scotland Nominee due to preach on 1 December 2024	Rev. Ann Inglis at revainglis@gmail.com or at 07920228545	
3	South West	Isle of Arran Parish	Interim Moderator, Rev Tom Macintyre lappideks46@gmail.com	

		Nominee due to preach on 15th December 2024		
4	Clyde	Lomond Parish Church Minister has been elected	Interim Moderator Rev. Ian Miller revianmiller@btinternet.com 01389 753039	
4	Clyde	Helensburgh Parish Church Nominee elected	Rev Ann Cameron Email: ACameron@churchofscotland.org.uk Mobile no.: 07484835261	
4	Clyde	Inverkip, Skelmorlie & Wemyss Bay Church Nominee Elected	Interim Moderator- Rev Karen Harbison kharbison@churchofscotland.org.uk Tel 01475 721048	
9	North East and Northern Isles	Aberdeen Hillside Parish Church Minister has been elected	Interim moderator: Darren Jalland, djalland@churchofscotland.org.uk	
9	North East and Northern Isles	Formartine Parish Church Nominee to preach on 1 December 2024	Rev Alastair Bruce, Interim Moderator E: abruce@churchofscotland.org.uk T: 01358 723787 or 07929 832061	
9	North East and Northern Isles	St Andrew's-Lhanbryd & Urquhart Induction 16 December 2024	Interim Moderator, Rev Wiekus van Straaten: WvanStraaten@churchofscotland.org.uk k Phone Number: 01542 882799	