

Today in our Hallelujah Moment we celebrate Brechin's Pastoral Care Team.

WHAT does the PASTORAL CARE TEAM do?

They provide support to our congregation, to those who can no longer attend church, to those in care home facilities and to their families. The team visits, sends cards, phones and generally keeps in touch when a person is ailing, alone or just in need of support.

The Pastoral team goes to three Seniors Care home facilities once a month to provide a Communion Service for the residents as well as a friendly connection to Brechin.

The team hosts Memorial Teas with a spread of refreshments for the Celebration of Life ceremonies at Brechin, often catering to a large number of attendees.

The great variety of people who are the Sunday morning Greeters *and* who take the offering, the volunteers at the Welcome Table as well as the Coffee servers who volunteer to serve and provide refreshments are co-ordinated each week - not always an easy task.

The prayer ministry is also a part of pastoral care entailing the distribution of prayer cards in the pews and in the narthex. A small group meets weekly to pray for those people whose names are received on those cards.

Those cherished prayer shawls are also provided to those who may need a little extra comforting care.

It is often the Pastoral Care Team who is asked to provide the refreshments for various occasions that come up throughout the year.

The team is a group of dedicated volunteers who meet once a month to review who is in need of support in our broad ranging community and what can be done for them. The Pastoral Care Team is here for you and others to be a listening ear, a companion or support through a difficult period....and who doesn't need that at some time?

The Pastoral Care Team sends a huge THANK YOU to ALL the volunteers who so willingly participate and contribute to the services we provide - from the coffee makers to the greeters and all those who sign up for various occasions. THANK YOU ALL!!!

Your Pastoral Care Team at Brechin is made up of:

LINDA ALLEN (co- chair)

Barb O' NEILL (co- chair)

BETTY AVAKI.

GEORGINE ALLEN- NEWMAN

VERA BELL.

LINDA BRAID.

JUDY HYSLOP

NANCY HOHNSBEHN

Marilyn HUFFMAN

MARION RIVERS

DOROTHY RUSSELL

SALLY BULLAS

We say Hallelujah for the Pastoral Care Team and for all the volunteers. If you are already supporting the local expenses of Brechin United Church thank you so much. It is in doing so that you are supporting the Ministry of and to our congregation and to our wider Brechin community.