

Sunday 9th February, 2025

Dear Friends,

This past week, I had the opportunity to take part in the Church of Scotland's Safeguarding Training—a reminder of the great responsibility we all share in creating a church that is safe, welcoming, and protective of the most vulnerable among us.

Safeguarding is not just about policies and procedures; at its heart, it is about ensuring that our church is a place where everyone, from the youngest to the eldest, can feel secure and valued.

Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.” (Matthew 19:14) These words remind us that care, love, and protection are central to our faith. Safeguarding is not just a duty—it is an expression of the care and compassion we are called to live out as Christ's followers.

As a congregation, we all have a role to play in creating a culture where people feel safe to worship, serve, and grow in faith. If you have any concerns or want to know more about our safeguarding policies, please do not hesitate to ask myself or one of our other Elders. Together, let us commit to being a church that reflects God's love and care for all.

Yours in Christ,

Rev. Jade