## Good morning,

I trust all is well with you and that the summer weather is allowing you to enjoy the outdoors. The sunflowers are doing well at the church and the first few are in flower, almost .

The Scottish Government has announced that churches are allowed to open for worship from today. However, please don't rush up the hill at 11am for morning service, as we won't be there this Sunday. There are a lot of things to consider and put in place before the church will open, and worship will not be the same as it was before. Physical distancing, masks, removal of soft furnishings and bibles, plus not being allowed to sing will make it all very strange. Hopefully these restrictions will slowly ease, but until they do we will need to think of new and meaningful ways to worship together face to face.

So for now, please continue to find and enjoy all the different services and reflections that are being placed online. The Presbytery of Gordon website has a list of all that are available locally, but why not venture further afield? Perhaps you have found a good service somewhere you would not have visited in person, if so, please do let me know! Also, are you worshipping on a Sunday morning, of have you discovered other days and times that suit you better? Please let me know, I would be curious to hear.

As always I attach the reflection, based on the Lectionary reading for today. Enjoy your Sunday and remember you are a precious Child of God, and He loves you.

Blessings Valerie 01651 806005