

Thurs 23rd	We thank you, Lord, for loving us even when we turn away from you. When we might feel unworthy of your great love we thank you that it is often in our own weakness that we come to understand your strength and that in our wanderings you can show us the way.
Fri 24th	Give thanks for our Session Clerk Colin MacNeill, give thanks for his faithfulness, his dedication and his concern for the welfare of the people of Newhaven. Pray that he will receive wisdom and discernment in his many responsibilities. Pray that he will make time for rest amongst the busyness.
Sat 25th	<i>A person who is ready to give everything for his soul except his last coin is a fool, for it is with his last coin that it is bought</i> (ancient Chinese saying). Pray for the courage to give all to God, and to hold nothing back.
Sun 26th	As we gather today to celebrate the Lord's Supper, come to His table with awe and reverence for Jesus, who gave himself up to die for us.
Mon 27th	Pray that there will be a good involvement by the Congregation in our Shoebox Service this coming Sunday. Please pray for the work of Blythswood Care, which we will be supporting.
Tues 28th	Give thanks for our police force and the protection they give us. Pray for their safety especially in dealing with critical incidents, public order or other potentially violent situations. Pray God will give them wisdom when exercising their powers and courage in the face of danger.
Wed 29th	Father we pray for families throughout the world who may be living through stressful times due to unemployment, financial hardship, difficult relationships, illness and the many other factors which can interfere with family harmony and well being. Bring your love and patience into such situations and build up families everywhere with your strength to overcome their difficulties.
Thurs 30th	Please pray for integrity and Godliness for those involved in seeking recovery for the loss we suffered in the bank scam this summer.
Fri 31st	Give thanks for those who are employed in our Church (Yvonne, Katie, Jeanette and Jason), for their skill and devotion. Pray that we may appreciate all that they do and that they will be blessed in their work.

	Newhaven Church Prayer Calendar October 2014
Wed 1st	Give thanks for the many new faces that have been joining in worship at Newhaven in recent months. May God remind us that Newhaven Church belongs to Him, and not its members. May all feel welcome and at home as we worship God together.
Thurs 2nd	Lord, we pray for everyone in our community without a home or family. We pray for the organisations which provide support and care in such situations, especially Bethany Christian Trust and the City Mission.
Fri 3rd	Pray for a coming together after the divisions of the referendum. Pray that folk may respect others who hold different views and be able to work together for the well being of Scotland.
Sat 4th	Pray for the situation in Iraq. Pray that the people in the ISIS group will end the violence and turn to Jesus and know his love: that those who are being sent into the area will be protected; for the protection and provision of those who are being persecuted; that those who are suffering will feel God's peace and love; that the Christians who are being persecuted will remain strong in faith.
Sun 5th	As we gather for our Harvest All Age Service today, give thanks for the food we have to eat, and remember those who don't have as much as we have. Be open to God's prompting to give what you can to help others.
Mon 6th	Pray for the organisations such as Tearfund and Christian Aid, who work amongst the poorest communities in the world to make their lives better, and to show them that God loves them.
Tues 7th	Lord, we pray for those who have reached out to help people caught up in the Ebola epidemic. We ask for their safety and well being as they care for and support their patients in such difficult circumstances.
Wed 8th	Our Minister, Peter Bluett, heads off on holiday today for a few days. As he spends time with Leandra, and Leandra's family please pray that God will bless them with rest and peace.
Thurs	Pray for applications for the Youth Worker position to be

9th	received. We already know of at least one applicant. Pray that there will be a suitable candidate with a real calling to the work of the Church and SU. Remember the interviewing group and pray that they may have wisdom in assessing the candidates and insight to see who is the right person for the job.
Fri 10th	Pray for Chatterboxes SU group that meets today at Trinity Primary School. Give thanks for the children's enthusiasm and pray for strength and wisdom for Christine and Lynn as they lead the group.
Sat 11th	We are seeing the Autumn leaves fall now and can take a break from what we are doing today to thank God for the wonderful, colourful, beautiful world he has given into our care. Give Him thanks that all we have comes from His natural world. Pray that we care for it as we should so that future generations will also be blessed with God's gift.
Sun 12th	Please pray for our children's groups leaders. Give thanks for them, especially the new volunteers. Pray that God will inspire them as they plan the sessions, that God will give them wisdom and confidence as they lead the sessions and that the Holy Spirit might shine through them, so that our young folk may be encouraged to follow Jesus.
Mon 13th	Christ, you had to flee with your parents to Egypt so we bring before You the refugees of the world. We pray that we might see You when we look at them and not turn our faces away in their time of need.
Tues 14th	There are many in our society, including our own community, who feel overwhelmed by the stresses of life. Please pray that they may hear, and then respond to, Jesus' invitation: <i>"Come to me all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light"</i> (Matt 11:28-30).
Wed 15th	Pray for wisdom for the Finance & Stewardship Group, and also the Session, as they consider the challenges posed by our financial situation. Ask God to give them wisdom to know how to best use our resources. Pray that, as leaders in our Church, they will put their trust in God, that He will lead us through these times, as He has done before.
Thurs	Pray for the Mission and Outreach Group (John Hodge, Kate

16th	Aitchison, Brian Souness, Christine Hodge) as it looks at ways in which we may be an outgoing Congregation. Pray that we all may see mission as part of our Christian lives and have a passion to share the gospel with our neighbours, work colleagues and families.
Fri 17th	Give thanks for the Growth Groups get-together a couple of weeks ago and that there are many in our Congregation who gather together regularly to study the Bible and pray. Pray that those who want to join these Groups will be able to be accommodated, and that the Groups will continue to be a source of love, care and teaching.
Sat 18th	Snippet from Encounter with God, on Amos 5:18-27: <i>It's as if God said to us "Close down your Sunday services and get out into the community and fight for justice and righteousness"</i> . Pray that we may hear clearly the call that God makes on our lives, and that we might understand His priorities.
Sun 19th	Give thanks for all those who serve in our Church on a Sunday morning, the Welcome Teams, the Praise Band, the Count Teams, those who make and serve Brunch and tea and coffee, those who put the chairs away and lock up, and of course, our Minister, Peter Bluett. May the love of Christ shine through each one and may they know His blessing as they serve in this way.
Mon 20th	Give thanks that Dermot and Laura have agreed to take on the compiling of this prayer calendar. Pray that many in Newhaven will support them in this, by sending in items for prayer and, of course, by using the prayer calendar each day.
Tues 21st	Please pray for the ongoing welfare of the children at the Kampi Child Care Centre in Kenya. May they be well cared for and loved. May the re-building project for their dorms go well, and give thanks for the money that Newhaven is able to send to support the Centre.
Wed 22nd	<i>"May the peace of Christ keep you in tune with each other, in step with each other. None of this going off and doing your own thing. And cultivate thankfulness."</i> Colossians 3:15