About Shettleston New Church ...

Shettleston New Church of Scotland is the name of our church, situated in the east end of Glasgow. The congregation was constituted in 2007 by the union of two churches that had been linked for over twenty years. The previous congregations of Carntyne Old (seen below) and Eastbank Parish Churches now form one united congregation, meeting in the former Eastbank building.

The church sanctuary, now known as Shettleston New Church, was built at a cost of just over £6,000 and was opened in 1904. Now a Grade 2 listed church, it is a handsome arts and crafts building with the art nouveau detailing characteristic of the work of the architect, W. G. Rowan.

The memorial stone was laid on October 1902 and the red sandstone was brought from a quarry in Dumfries. Finest pitch-pine was used for the interior wood. The church hall had been built first at a cost of £1,500 and was opened in 1899. The stone for it had been brought from a quarry in Cambuslang. The hall was used by the congregation until the sanctuary was completed.

The interior roof is made up of 90 square panels on which the ‘Te Deum’ (We praise Thee, O God) is inscribed.

The hymn follows the outline of the Apostles’ Creed mixing a poetic vision of the heavenly liturgy with its declaration of faith. A printed copy of the words of the ‘Te Deum’, with information about it, is available.

The church has a magnificent working pipe organ that was installed in 1904 and, until recently, was still played during morning services.

There is stained glass in the Gothic arch window above the main door. It is a large WW1 memorial that has several panels inscribed with scripture. In the vestibule are plaques commemorating those in the church who fell in WW1 and WW2.

The church bell was cast in 1901 by J. Miller Reid, Brass & Bell Founder of Glasgow & Greenock. It has a portrait of Samuel Chisholm who was Provost from 1899-1902. In 1995 it was decided that the bell tower was unsafe and so the bell was removed. It sits now on a plinth in the sanctuary, beside the colours of the uniformed organisations.