

Stamperland Parish Church Magazine



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Dear Friends,

As a boy, with my father, I used to attend a church in the Govanhill district of Glasgow, called Crosshill Victoria. My father's family had a long association with the congregation. He was an elder, and continued to worship there although we lived in Milngavie.

While I have been with you in Stamperland during these past three years I have discovered that a few members of the congregation also had links with Crosshill Victoria.

My father's connection with the congregation went back to the 19th century when his grandfather, the Rev. Andrew Ryrie was minister of Hutchesontown Free church in Eglinton Street. Back in 1887 railway improvements and extensions took place on the site of the church, and after six years of uncertainty, a new church in Dixon Avenue was opened for public worship on the first Sunday of October, 1893. Since that time the congregation became part of several unions in the Queen's Park area. Today there is only one Church of Scotland called Queen's Park Govanhill serving an extended parish.

A few years ago a small bundle of sermons, written over a hundred years ago by my great grandfather, Andrew Ryrie, were passed on to me. I found it fascinating to read these sermons written between 1881 and 1887. It took me several hours because they were much longer than what church members expect today! These sermons would probably have taken between 30 and 45 minutes to deliver from the pulpit.

Longer—yes. Old fashioned language and grammar—yes. However, what struck me as I continued reading was that the message which my great grandfather shared, and the message which I attempt to share today is exactly the same. This fact should not be a surprise, because we are reminded in the last chapter of the letter to the Hebrews that “Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and for ever”. “Jesus, Son of God, is as relevant and important today as he was when he lived and taught in Galilee 2000 years ago.

When Scott Blythe is inducted as your next minister, you will hear the same Christian gospel proclaimed during the years ahead.

To give you a little flavour of one of my great grandfather's sermons on the subject of prayer, he quotes these lines. Victorian language maybe, but how true.

**“Prayer makes the darkened cloud withdraw,
Prayer climbs the ladder, Jacob saw;
Gives exercise to faith and love,**

Prayer makes the Christian's armour bright,
 And Satan trembles when he sees
 The weakest saint upon his knees.
 Have we no words? Ah, think again!
 Words flow apace when we complain,
 And fill our fellow creature's ear
 With the sad tale of all our care.
 Were half the breath thus vainly spent,
 To heaven in supplication sent,
 Our cheerful song would oftener be,
 "Hear what the Lord hath done for me".

Yours in Christ's service,

Jack Drummond

New Member

Mrs Pat Murray

27 Strathtay Ave

Funerals

Mrs Barbara Reaich

80 The Oval.

Miss Margaret Fowler

Eastwoodhill Care Home

Mrs Jenny Laing

123 Randolph Drive

Miss Betty Brown

**Braemount Care Home, Paisley
 (formerly Stamperland Drive)**



Christian Aid Sponsored Swim



The Christian Aid Sponsored Swim is on Saturday 7th October 2017 at 6pm at the swimming pool in Eastwood leisure Centre. The large pool is open from 6pm to 7.30pm and the small pool is 6pm to 7pm.

There is a sheet in the vestibule for anyone who would like to sponsor the swimmers. Sponsor Forms for the swim are available from Sandra Cowie or Russel Brown.

Sandra Cowie

MANSES

Dictionaries define "Manse" as a house provided for a minister of certain Christian Churches, especially the Scottish Presbyterian Church. Manse is derived from the Latin *mansus*, meaning a "dwelling". By the 16th century 'manse' meant both a dwelling and, in ecclesiastical context, the amount of land needed to support a single family. In Scotland the land supporting the minister and his family was more commonly known as the "glebe".

A few weeks ago when looking for information on the internet I stumbled upon a copy of "The Statistical Account of Lanarkshire" by the Society for the Benefit of the Sons and Daughters of the Clergy of the Church of Scotland. Published in 1841 this book presents, in considerable detail, for every parish in Lanarkshire descriptions of the landscape, geology, climate, the number of inhabitants, their main occupations and information about church and the school. I was fascinated by some information about Carmunnock Parish. In 1797 the minister's stipend was 94 bolls, 1 peck, $2\frac{3}{4}$ lippies of meal, 23 bolls, 2 firlots, 3 pecks, $1\frac{1}{2}$ lippy of bear and £15, 6 shillings and $4\frac{1}{4}$ pence in money. There was a "very elegant and substantial manse"; the glebe was described as scarcely 5 acres in extent but of excellent soil. Gray Fletcher, our Interim Moderator, is currently trying to establish whether he or his 1797 predecessor had the better stipend

'Manses' has recently been an issue of concern to our church and Netherlee Church. Several years ago the plan was that the new minister inducted to Stamperland would live in Stamperland Manse up to the time when Rev Tom Nelson retired from Netherlee. At that point, our new minister and family would move from Stamperland Manse (109 Ormonde Ave.) to Netherlee Manse (25 Ormonde Ave). Netherlee Manse meets the Church of Scotland criteria for manses - Stamperland Manse doesn't. With Scott Blythe and family arriving in late November they faced living in our Manse for only about eight months before having to pack up and move into Netherlee Manse. We all know how disruptive and stressful moving house can be.

Tom and Catherine Nelson proposed an option which would eliminate the need for the Blythe family to move twice. Tom and Catherine graciously offered to move from Netherlee Manse to the retirement house they have purchased in Rutherglen before the Blythes arrive, enabling the new manse family to move straight into 25 Ormonde Avenue. Whilst this offer was eminently sensible we had to seek agreement of both Kirk Sessions, Glasgow Presbytery and the Church of Scotland offices in Edinburgh. Full agreement has been achieved and the Manse at 25 Ormonde Avenue should be ready for the Blythe family when they flit from America to Scotland at the end of November.



231st Glasgow Company Boys' Brigade – Junior Section and Sparks



The 231st has started back for another new session, welcoming returning boys from last year and also welcoming many new boys who have settled into the BB really well, making new friends and enjoying the games and activities.

On Friday the 15th of September we put the boys into their groups and all boys who needed new uniforms received them. We would like to congratulate Jamie Kyle, Adam Black, Theo Gaddi and Lewis Addie who are this years new Leading Boys and all of the staff are confident they will be great group leaders and will be good role models to the younger boys in their groups.

On the same evening we discussed the vote that recently happened in the church to elect a new minister and explained what changes that will happen within Stamperland Church. As the BB are the only remaining Christian uniformed organisation within the church we felt it would be appropriate to take photographs of our sections and create something that our boys could contribute to that would welcome our new minister to the church.

Saturday morning games started back on the 16th of September. We had 6 boys who turned up to the first week to play a variety of games and had lots of fun. On this Saturday first games morning we used our new pop up football goals that have been donated by Donny Rankin who no longer needed them. We thank Donny for this kind donation and I am sure we will have many years of good use out of them.

Football training begins on Wednesday 20th September and all Boys who enjoy playing football are welcome to come along to learn new skills and enjoy playing. We will teach the boys basic footballing skills and play some football games. Boys of all abilities are welcome to attend and the focus is on having fun and developing confidence in footballing skills. I hope to be able to update you in coming months as to the progress of the boys in their football.

There are three parades to Stamperland Church each year along with all of the uniformed organisations. The dedication and harvest service is our first parade of the year to Stamperland Church. Our boys always look forward to attending the parade as all they enjoy marching behind 'the bigger BB boys' and the pipe band.

A very busy year appears to be in store for the 231st with lots of new enthusiastic boys that we hope will enjoy all aspects of our BB programme. As ever, if you know of any boys you think might be interested in joining us then feel free to pass on my details.

The Guild



I hope you all managed to look at the Guild syllabus printed in last months magazine and hope that you found items which are of interest to you.

Here is a reminder of what is on in October and November ;

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| Oct 3 | Theme, Dedication & Communion | Rev Jack Drummond |
| Oct 10 | Art & BBC's The Big Painting Challenge | James Mackellar |
| Oct 17 | Blythswood Christmas Shoe Box Appeal (filling boxes) | |
| Oct 24 | Richmond's Hope | Val Scholfield |
| Oct 31 | Halloween & Fish Suppers | |
| Nov 7 | Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF) | George MacRitchie |
| Nov 14 | Street Pastors | PROJECT |
| Nov 21 | Outing to the Strathaven Gift & Coffee Shop | |
| Nov 26 (Sunday) | Soup, bread & cheese lunch | |
| Nov 28 | Musical Evening with Jill Leavy & her accompanist Rachael | |

Again, elsewhere in the magazine, you will see the article regarding items required for the Blythswood Christmas Shoe Box Appeal. If you would like to contribute any items please bring them to Church on a Sunday or to Open Door on a Wednesday morning. We would appreciate your donation.

On the 21st November we are going once again to the Strathaven Gift & Coffee Shop. If you would like to add your name for the coach please speak to me any Sunday. Further details regarding cost and times will be advised in November Focus.

Please put Sunday 26th November into your diary to join us for a soup, bread & cheese lunch. Proceeds are for Guild funds.

If you would like information regarding any other item on our syllabus please speak to me on a Sunday morning.

Evelyn Graham, Guild Secretary



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On Thursday 12th October, 2017

At 7.30 pm
In Mearns Castle School Theatre



Ticket £5.

8.

A Season of Fun from Big Aggie (written in the vernacular)
(extracts from Last Tram tae Auchenshuggle by Alan Morrison 2011)

The lady, a regular passenger from Bearsden, had a cut-glass voice. She was always full of airs and graces. The woman explained to big Aggie that her husband was an expert on wine.



"In fact", she commented, "he is a founder member of the local wine club".

"Is that the wan that meets in the park every morning' about 9 o clock?" observed Aggie. _____

"De ye want tae hear another o' ma wee jokes, Aggie?" asked the minister, a regular traveler to Argyle St.

"Well meenister, if it's anything like the last wan then ye must have goat it aff the Dead Sea Scrolls!"

"Aggie, did yer parents work on the trams tae?"

"Naw, they were actually in the iron an' steel business".
My, that's impressive".

"Aye, ma mither did ironing an' ma faither wis forever stealing".

Flower Calendar

October/November 2017

Contact May Paterson 0141 571 8652



1 st	Oct	Donation
8 th	Oct	Mrs. S Neil
15 th	Oct	Mrs. E Graham
22 nd	Oct	Mrs. C Ferguson
29 th	Oct	Miss. O Greer
5 th	Nov	Miss G Scott
12 th	Nov	Mrs S Jamieson
19 th	Nov	Mrs K Bolton

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- **Doctors Appointment**
- **Could do with a chat**
- **Hospital**
- **Shopping**
- **Have a prayer request**

Please contact Grace Scott, 0141 637 2226

A few months ago we introduced a Library service to you, and this month would like to commend this to you again. Kay is able and willing to exchange your library book, assist you with future choices of your favourite authors, or like authors. Additionally she can provide listening books and large print books. If you are not already a member of the library Kay will happily see to this for you. With winter coming in, why not make use of this great service? We hope you will.

Remember that we are only a phone call away to help you with shopping, getting to Church, hospital and doctor's appointments and any other assistance that we can help you with.



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Please note that distribution will return to the last Sunday of the preceding month with effect from the November issue.



Any changes to the distribution should be advised to the Editor at the earliest opportunity so that changes can be made prior to distribution.

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December	12th November	26th November
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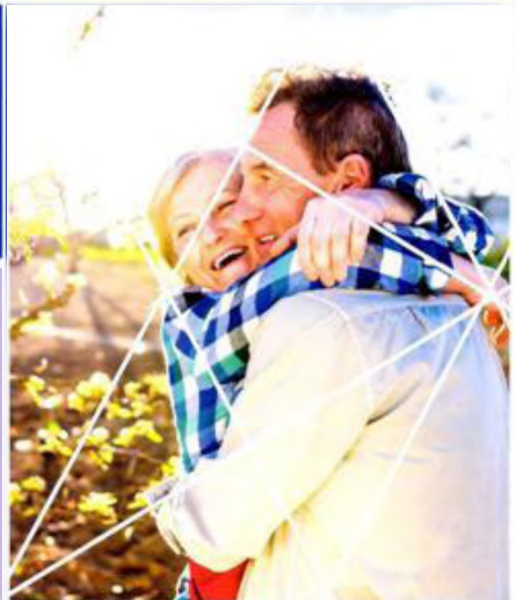
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EVENT**

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**SATURDAY 7th
OCTOBER 2017
10AM – 3PM**



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PROGRAMME

10am-10.15am	Welcome & Briefing
10.15am-11.15am	Workshops (Aiding Communication / Creativity & the Arts)
11.30am-12.30pm	Workshops (Aiding Communication / Creativity & the Arts)
12.45pm-1.30pm	Ask the Experts (Panel-led discussion)
1.45pm-2.45pm	Keynote Address (Andy Lowndes, co-founder with Sally Magnusson of 'Playlist for Life')
2.45pm-3pm	Vote of Thanks



CLARKSTON CHURCHES TOGETHER

Busby Parish Church | Carmunnock Parish Church | Cartsbridge Evangelical Church
Greenbank Parish Church | Netherlee Parish Church | Stamperland Parish Church
Williamwood Parish Church | St Aidan's Scottish Episcopal Church | St Joseph's Roman Catholic Church



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Boys' Brigade Company
Stamperland Church**



Friday evenings from the first Friday in September until May

Anchor Boys (P1-3) 6:30pm—8:00pm
Junior Section (P4-6) 6:30pm—8:30pm

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 f At 231stBB Junior Section and Sparks

Company Section (P7+) 8:00pm—10:30pm

For more information contact Peter Dale on 07506681531 or
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A Report on Work behind the Scenes on our Premises



A lot of work goes on unnoticed in and around our premises and not everyone is aware as most is unseen. This periodic report will keep everyone advised.

As you know, the manse was vacated by George Mackay on his departure to his new charge. After a serious clean up, redecoration and repairs to window locks, oven doors, dish washer, etc it was placed in the hands of a local estate agent to rent on a 6 monthly renewable basis.

In August this year the tenants left the property, giving us sufficient time to bring it back to an acceptable standard if it was to be used by whoever the incoming minister was to be.

Various rooms were painted, mainly due to wear and tear, the back door was re-hung due to broken hinges, and the property was professionally cleaned by the agents representatives. After an inspection by the property committee a further clean out was done with many trips to the dump and recycling centre to clear what was left. Some small electrical repairs were carried out, replacing light switches and broke sockets, beading to edge of laminate flooring was replaced due broken and missing pieces. The property is now in a fit and proper state to be placed back on the rental market.

At the church and halls, the outer wall of the church above the emergency exit on to Clarkston Rd some of the brickwork had appeared to have slipped. Very much with safety in mind a structural engineer was invited to inspect this problem. His findings were that it was basically a cosmetic repair and posed no threat or danger.

A decision was made on his recommendation to have this repaired and at the same time have the emergency exit door replaced as it's now showing its age. This is now in hand and a contractor has been appointed to carry out the necessary work.

Lighting in the church was all replaced with halogen lights after suffering from strip lights fading out after many years of use . Those of you who attend will notice a huge difference.

New cameras with a recording facility have been fitted at both front and rear doors as a security precaution.

The lighting in the large hall will shortly receive a makeover similar to the church, and at the same time the ceilings in both the large and small halls will be painted.

The session room is also to see a paintbrush with the BB having volunteered to give it a fresh look.

Open Door



You will be aware that Stamperland Church sanctuary is open on a Wednesday morning from 10.00 o'clock until 12.00 o'clock for quiet contemplation and personal prayer. Tea, coffee and biscuits are available in the vestibule where fellowship can be enjoyed. It would be encouraging if more of our members were able to come along.

As you will know we are trying to work more closely with Netherlee Church. They also have an Open Door on a Wednesday morning. They have a short Service at 10.00am for approximately 30 minutes. They also have tea, coffee and fellowship after the Service. If anyone from Stamperland Church would like to attend they would be made welcome. This may be of interest to you if you feel you are unable to attend Sunday morning worship at Stamperland. If you require transport to Netherlee their minibus can collect you. Please contact either, Evelyn Graham or Nancy Fisher Tel. 638 3844.

Parish & Beyond Committee





Free Dementia Friendly Art Group

Stamperland Parish Church
Stamperland Gardens

Every Friday
2-4pm



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Stamperland Congregation's own Page for Messages



This is the page for your Good Wishes, Get Well, Happy Birthdays, Wedding Anniversaries, A Thank You, or any other message you wish to make.

A great big thank you to Anne Mackenzie, the flower donator, the flower arranger, and the church for the beautiful flowers to celebrate my 80th birthday. Together with all the cards and good wishes it made my day.

John Moseley

On behalf of my friend Helen Stevenson, who celebrated her 90th birthday in Eastwoodhill on 17th September, I would like to thank members of Stamperland Church for the lovely flowers that were gifted to her, she was really appreciative of them.
Grace Scott

I would like to thank the Rev Jack Drummond for hospital visit and visit when I got home, while I was ill during the summer. I would also like to thank the Church for the beautiful flowers. Grateful thanks,

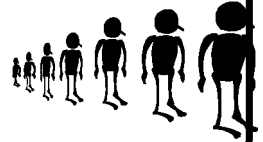
Betty Wright

Musical Minds

The Musical Minds Singing Group performs on the first Tuesday of each month from 10.00am to 12.00 noon in Clarkston House, 57 Stamperland Hill.

Anyone living with early stage dementia, and their family members, will be made welcome to join the singing group and enjoy a cup of tea/coffee and a scone, priced £2.

Duty Teams for the coming Months



May 2017

7th TEAM 2
14th TEAM 3
21st TEAM 4
28th TEAM 5

June 2017

4th COMM 1
11th TEAM 6
18th TEAM 1
25th TEAM 2

July 2017

2nd TEAM 3
9th TEAM 4
16th TEAM 5
23rd TEAM 6
30th TEAM 1

August 2017

6th TEAM 2
13th TEAM 3
20th TEAM 4
27th TEAM 5

September 2017

3rd COMM 2
10th TEAM 6
17th TEAM 1
24th TEAM 2

October 2017

1st TEAM 3
8th TEAM 4
15th TEAM 5
22nd TEAM 6
29th TEAM 1

November 2017

5th TEAM 2
12th TEAM 3
19th TEAM 4
26th TEAM 5

December 2017

3rd COMM 1
10th TEAM 6
17th TEAM 1
24th TEAM 2
31st TEAM 3

January 2018

7th TEAM 4
14th TEAM 5
21st TEAM 6
28th TEAM 1

TEAM 1

Mr W Paterson (C)
Mrs M Young
Miss L Robb
Miss G Scott
Mrs D Clark

TEAM 2

Mr G Fairweather (C)
Mr R Russell
Mrs J Silcock
Mr S Owens
Mr R Kirkwood

TEAM 3

Mrs A Macfarlane (C)
Mr A Henderson
Mrs S Skelton
Mrs R McNiven
Miss J Stewart

TEAM 4

Mrs N Fisher (C)
Miss J Barr
Mrs J Cranston
Mr G Finlayson

TEAM 5

Mr R Allan (C)
Mrs J Heriot
Mrs J Curror
Mr J Curror

TEAM 6

Mr A Graham (C)
Mrs E Graham
Mr N Walker
Mrs M Neilson

The applicable month is highlighted.

Any Duty Member who cannot attend on any date allocated should arrange a substitute for that date and inform the Duty Convenor.



Foodbank



The collection box has not been emptied since the last article was written. It will require to be emptied shortly and details of the weight up-lifted will be advised. Please continue to bring much needed items as the Foodbank serves about 26 people each week. Each food parcel distributed is very carefully calculated for nutritional values.

The food chosen for the month of October is as follows :

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Tinned Soup
 Packet cuppa soup
 Tinned meat / fish
 Cooking sauces in jars
 Dried / Boil in the bag rice
 Breakfast cereals

UHT Milk and Creamed Rice or Custard (Tinned) are acceptable at any time



SHOPPING LIST

Thank you for your support!

- * Milk (UHT or powdered)
- * Sugar (500g)
- * Fruit Juice (carton)
- * Pasta Sauces
- * Tomatoes (Tinned)
- * Tinned Veg
- * Cereals
- * Dried/ Boil in bag Rice
- * Tinned Meat/Fish
- * Instant Mash Potato
- * Sponge Pudding (Tinned)
- * Rice Pudding or Custard (Tinned)
- * Tea Bags/inst coffee
- * Tinned Fruit
- * Jam/Spreads
- * Biscuits or snack bars

ALSO COLLECTING

- * Toiletries men and women
- * Nappies & Baby Food
- * Treats

East Renfrewshire Foodbank is a project of churches and community working together under charity no: SC029853

Evelyn Graham on behalf of The Parish & Beyond Committee

Big Aggie the Tram Conductress

"Aggie, ye know aw the tram ticket prices, sure ye do.

"Whit's the best way tae get a right guid run fur yer money?"

"Go tae that new Indian restaurant oan the High Street."





Find and follow us on



**Netherlee Church
Halls**

An opportunity for busy young families on a Sunday afternoon from 4-6pm to experience Church through games, crafts and activities; as well as something to eat as a family. *OK to drop in at the last minute!*

SAVE THESE PROPOSED DATES: Sep 10 / Nov 19 / Jan 21 / Mar 4

Blythswood Christmas Shoe Box Appeal

The Guild ladies are participating this year in the Blythswood Christmas Shoe Box Appeal.

The boxes are distributed to people in need in Albania, Bulgaria Hungary, Kosovo, Moldova, Pakistan, Romania, Serbia and Ukraine



If any members of the congregation would like to join with us to collect items for the boxes it would be greatly appreciated. We are collecting items for women. Items must be of a size that can be put into a shoe box.

The items suggested by Blythswood are :

Toothbrush and Toothpaste	Shampoo	Face cloth/Moist wipes
Deodorant	Comb/Brush	Sanitary Products
Soap (not Pears)	Underwear	Socks/Tights
Hat, scarf, gloves	Moisturising Cream	Sewing equipment
Kitchen utensils	New Make-up	

Any items donated should be given to Nancy Fisher, Grace Scott, Jan Barr, Anne Mackenzie or myself on a Sunday morning or at Open Door on a Wednesday prior to us filling boxes on Tuesday 17th October.

A Walk Down the Memory Lane of Focus Magazines October 1977



From the Hatches Matches and Dispatches article we had the baptism of Laura Catherine Coutts of Orchy Gardens, the marriage of Miss Margaret Elizabeth Bissett of Randolph Dr to Gordon Thomas Townsend and the funeral of Mrs C.S.H Crabb.

The role rose by 11 members Mr & Mrs R Heron, Mr & Mrs D Speed, Mr & Mrs D Shaw, Mr & Mrs W Lindsay, Miss H Simpson, Miss J Simpson, and Mrs S Cherry. 3 members left our flock for pastures new.

474 attended morning and afternoon communion, of which 463 communicated, representing 54.8 o/o of the congregation.

In the Session Clerk's report (Robert Liddel) he thanked Bob Hutchison and his committee for their work involved with a successful harvest thanksgiving.

He also advised that Tom McBeath had reluctantly resigned from Scouting and was replaced by John Fearn as Cub Leader. Bill Lindsay had agreed to form a youth fellowship.

Stephen Crabb also resigned from being Leader in Charge of the Junior Section of the BB due to work commitments, and this position was taken on by Ronnie Kirkwood.

J Dodds was appointed Convenor of the Parish Visitation and would be responsible for a third of the parish being visited in the near future and would be seeking help for this task from many members.

He was also Convenor for the Poppy Collection for the Stamperland area and reported at the time that many people thought the collection had outlived its usefulness and the present generation should not be burdened with support of something of the past. (His fears were unfounded of course as we still continue to support this 40 years later)

STV's "Late Call" week commencing 23rd October was presented by the Woman's Guild and a member of our congregation, Mrs Linda McLean took part in her capacity as a member of the Guild Central Committee and appeared on the programme on 23rd October, as reported by W Findlay, Focus editor.

The Dramatic Club were in rehearsals for their forthcoming play "But Once a Year" based on a family at Christmas time, with laughs, tears and special magic all lined up, as reported by Jean Anderson.

Extracts of syllabus were also published of the Woman's Guild, The Young Woman's Group showing a full programme ahead for their members.

Good Money Week



Good Money Week, previously known as National Ethical Investment Week, takes place each October, aiming to raise awareness of sustainable, responsible and ethical finance. It involves a range of financial advisers, faith groups and charities.

Eastwood Churches Peace and Justice Group have arranged a Good Money Week meeting open to all on Monday October 2nd in Giffnock United Reformed Church on Fenwick Rd. This will be an opportunity to find out what ethical banking and investment means, how decisions on such financial activity are made, and how your investments can best be used in ways that benefit society and the environment.....making your money make a difference.

The evening starts from 7pm with relevant stalls and information available. There are three speakers from 7.30 to 9pm with plenty opportunity for questions. Representatives of Scotwest Credit Union and Kames Capital will discuss banking and investment issues. Shared Hope is an international charity started by Howard Peebles from Waterfoot who will explain how philanthropic activity can change lives around the world and challenge us about our own attitude to our money.

Finally there will be the opportunity for informal discussion with refreshments.

All are welcome to come to this informative evening.

Evelyn Graham

Life and Work

As the request will be coming forth in the next few weeks from the Church of Scotland for numbers for delivery of Life and Work for 2018, would all current recipients please contact Kay Bolton to confirm that they wish to continue receiving the magazine in 2018 before any commitment is made by us for our order.



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Anyone wishing to take out a subscription for Life and Work also asked to contact Kay for further information.

Kay Bolton

Big Aggie the Tram Conductress

"Aggie,. See when ye finish at night, dae you take a tram home"?

"Naw. We're no allowed. We have tae leave them in the depot".





79th Glasgow (Stamperland) Scout Group

Beaver Colony Beavers have now started back and we are working towards various badges and visits with trips to the pantomime in December and Clyde Region's Beavers Badgetastic event at Auchengillan in November. This day will give the Beavers lots of time to explore Auchengillan take part in lots of activities including zorbing, climbing, cooking as well as gaining lots of badges.

At the moment there are no spaces for new starts until the older Beavers have moved up to Cubs later in the year.

Alison Macfarlane – Asst. Beaver Leader, Tel: 0141 644 2712

Cub Pack

Comings & Goings – The Cubs have re-started the new session by welcoming in 5 new members from our waiting list. Welcome to Saul, James, Aaron, Ciaran and Raymond. We hope that they enjoy their time with us. We will be letting them get to know us all before starting on their membership badge.

During September and October the Cubs will also get ready to say farewell to a number of older Cubs who start their progress up to Scouts. We have enjoyed having Harry, Sam, Ross, Chandresh, Ashton and Coll in Cubs and hope that they continue their journey in Scouts. Before they move up the boys are working hard to gain their Silver Chief Scouts Challenges – watch this space!

Programme Highlights – Over the course of the next month the Cubs will be busy working towards a number of badges and part of this will involve a Bat Walk at the Dams to Darnley Country Park as well as a sleepover event in the church hall in early October.

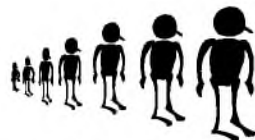
The Cubs have already made armpit fudge (yes, really!). It tasted very good as well and then followed this up by making their own table football games using shoeboxes, bamboo skewers, jelly babies and Maltesers – a bit of a theme emerging over the past couple of weeks!

Waiting List – even with all the movements noted above the Cubs do still have a waiting list as we will be welcoming up some Beavers later in the term.

Philip Moseley – Cub Scout Leader, Tel: 0141 620 3146

Scout Troop & Explorers As we start the new session this is just an update of activities that the Scouts took part in before the summer break and over the holiday period. I also hope you all have had a good relaxing break.

Duty Teams for the coming Months



May 2017

7th TEAM 2
14th TEAM 3
21st TEAM 4
28th TEAM 5

June 2017

4th COMM 1
11th TEAM 6
18th TEAM 1
25th TEAM 2

July 2017

2nd TEAM 3
9th TEAM 4
16th TEAM 5
23rd TEAM 6
30th TEAM 1

August 2017

6th TEAM 2
13th TEAM 3
20th TEAM 4
27th TEAM 5

September 2017

3rd COMM 2
10th TEAM 6
17th TEAM 1
24th TEAM 2

October 2017

1st TEAM 3
8th TEAM 4
15th TEAM 5
22nd TEAM 6
29th TEAM 1

November 2017

5th TEAM 2
12th TEAM 3
19th TEAM 4
26th TEAM 5

December 2017

3rd COMM 1
10th TEAM 6
17th TEAM 1
24th TEAM 2
31st TEAM 3

January 2018

7th TEAM 4
14th TEAM 5
21st TEAM 6
28th TEAM 1

TEAM 1

Mr W Paterson (C)
Mrs M Young
Miss L Robb
Miss G Scott
Mrs D Clark

TEAM 2

Mr G Fairweather (C)
Mr R Russell
Mrs J Silcock
Mr S Owens
Mr R Kirkwood

TEAM 3

Mrs A Macfarlane (C)
Mr A Henderson
Mrs S Skelton
Mrs R McNiven
Miss J Stewart

TEAM 4

Mrs N Fisher (C)
Miss J Barr
Mrs J Cranston
Mr G Finlayson

TEAM 5

Mr R Allan (C)
Mrs J Heriot
Mrs J Curror
Mr J Curror

TEAM 6

Mr A Graham (C)
Mrs E Graham
Mr N Walker
Mrs M Neilson



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2017 Starting Dates



Thursday 7th September

Contact: Alison Macfarlane – 644 2712



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Contact: Philip Moseley – 620 3146



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Please note that all sections currently have waiting lists.

For more information please get in touch with section

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