

Church Matters

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Times and Seasons

There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens. (Ecclesiastes 3:1)

In many ways, the church year begins in September and as we move into the autumn period, most things are back up and running within the church or will be starting soon - from Junior Church to Messy Church, the Guild to the Boys' Brigade.

This autumn, we will also be running an Alpha Course over 6 weeks - so please invite a friend and come along!

The church in many ways runs in times and seasons - just as the natural world runs in seasons (not that summer was particularly noticeable this year!) - but despite the changes and the initiatives and the activity, we must always remember what we are doing, who we are doing them for and why we are doing them.

The church would not exist without Jesus.

Jesus is the one whom we worship. He must always be at the forefront of anything that we do. There are times and seasons for everything under the heavens - but the Lord is the one who keeps everything together. That is why during the times and seasons of the year, that there are a few things that are constant - our Sunday services where we come together and worship morning and evening. The Wednesday Fellowship where we praise, pray and gather round God's Word.

Our passion for God, and all He has done in Christ, drives all that we do.

Sometimes, it is true, we lose our focus and we lose our passion for God. That is why it is so important that we spend time in personal prayer and reading God's Word to keep us spiritually fresh. Throughout his ministry, Jesus often went off to lonely places to pray - to seek His Father (see Luke 5:19 for example). And if that is what Jesus did, that is what we should be doing to. We need to be imitators of Christ.

And so can I encourage you during this season when everything is beginning once more to be much in prayer. For as we all know, *'unless the Lord builds the house, the labourer labours in vain'* (Psalm 127). Let's pray that in everything that we do, that our focus is upon the Lord - and that all glory be brought to His name!

Yours in Christ,
James

Church Register

The following have sadly passed away recently. Please remember the families in your prayers:

Elizabeth Middleton,
Drummilling Drive, died 26th August 2015.

Ian Morrison,
Kilbrannan Avenue, Saltcoats, died 16th September 2015.

Victoria Young,
latterly Abbotsford Nursing Home, died 18th September 2015.



EDITORIAL

The weather forecast tells us that we are due to have a three week Indian summer starting soon, which will be great if the forecast is correct as we haven't had much of a British summer! Have you noticed that Christmas goods are starting to come into the shops already? I have a friend who has all her Christmas gifts bought and parcelled and is thinking of writing her Christmas cards soon. My reaction was, "NO, IT'S TOO SOON!" It only seems like a few weeks since we took last year's Christmas decorations down and packed them away! It does, however remind us that this is a time of giving and we have plenty of opportunities to do just that.

It is time to get the Christmas paper and shoeboxes out and start to fill these for the Blythswood Shoe Box Appeal which Helen Ferguson organises each year. If you can't fill a box by yourself but would like to donate items for them, you can bring them along to the church and Helen will see that they are used. The boxes have to be on their way to their destinations in November, so it's time to start now!

As we approach the colder weather our thoughts and prayers go out to the thousands of refugees who are trekking across vast expanses of land to reach safety. They can only bring what they can carry with them so, when they reach a safe place, they need many basic items to enable them to survive. Our church is helping CalAid to collect these and I would urge you to read the article in the magazine which has a list of the items being collected. If you have any of these that you would be willing to donate they will be gratefully received. These do not have to be new items, as long as they are in good condition. There is also a plea by Knit For Peace for warm clothes and blankets for refugees in Kurdistan and other places. Again, there is an article about this in the magazine. The need for donations of food for the Foodbank continues and

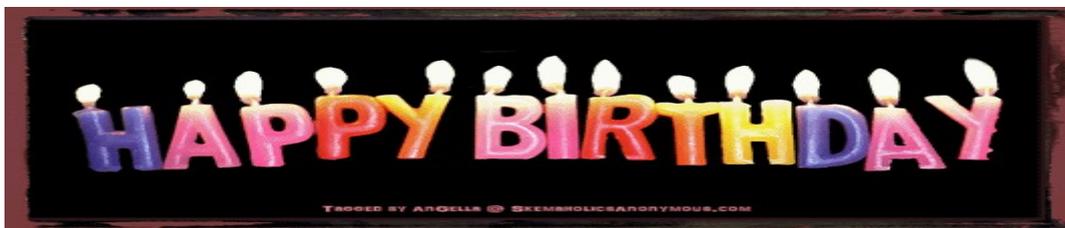
it looks as if this will be needed for a long time to come as more and more people are having their benefits sanctioned or are working on zero hour contracts which pay the minimum wage, leaving families without enough money to live on.

When we think of the dire needs of people around the world it behoves us to count our blessings and give thanks to God that we live in freedom and peace, that we have warm homes, warm clothes and enough to eat. Give thanks that we are cared for when we are ill, we have free education, we have friends and family, freedom to worship our God who loves us and our Saviour who died for us. May you be blessed as you give to those who do not have even the basics in life.

Deirdre Murray



*HAPPY 30th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
To
Richard & Fiona deCourcy
May you be blessed with many more
happy years together.*



Many blessings to Brian Murray
who will be celebrating his 60th birthday
on the 29th November.

Hope you have a great day
celebrating with your family Brian!

SESSION SNIPPETS 11TH AUGUST 2015

The Session started with a hymn, 'When I survey the wondrous cross', and a reading from Acts 12. This reading lead into a discussion about new Elders and broadened our thoughts on how and why to elect new Elders.

The Apologies and Sederunt were dealt with and also the Minutes of the last Meeting, which were approved.

Two church members went through the safeguarding process.

The Kirk Session were asked to give serious thought about how we could communicate with the congregation, it was felt that perhaps the Session seemed a little out of reach or touch with the congregation. We were reminded that anyone can attend a Session meeting and perhaps we should remind people of this before each Session meeting. One thought put forward was to have a Session meeting immediately after a Sunday service, which will be considered. Also, we could put it onto the website, each elder could ask someone to attend, and perhaps put it in the West Kilbride snippets in the local paper. Also, the fact that a new Magazine is available to view on the website should be put into the local paper snippets.

The Elder appraisals are now complete and will not happen again until 2017.

It was put forward that a date of Communion in the coming year be changed. At present, they are – 1st Sunday in: January, February, June, September and November. It was felt that the January and February were very close together, so it was put forward that the February Communion be changed to the first Sunday in March. This was agreed.

It was agreed that communion would be held at our evening services at the end of September, November, January, April and June.

Data Protection: There are new safeguarding policies, which mean that if a church member does not fill in a form saying that they are willing to have their name and details on the Congregational Roll, they cannot be on the Church Roll. There is nothing we can do about this, it is now part of the legal system. Nothing is changed, it just means that each member will fill in a form and sign that they are willing to have their name on the Roll – as is the law of the land at present with data protection. Nothing changes in practise, but the law has changed. It is proposed that forms are handed out in September for congregation members to complete. The Pastoral Care team will help those who are unable to attend church.

In August the Session were asked to put forward names for new elders. Six names were put forward. It was agreed by the Session that these people be approached. There would be two meetings to discuss what was involved and then the decision would be made by the people approached. It was hoped that all six would agree, but accepted that their decision is a personal one.

Under 'Any Other Business' it was confirmed that John Coy has attended Session Training. The Hall Keeper is ill at present, it was agreed that statutory rights for sick pay apply, but after 7 weeks, we can extend this for a limited period if necessary while decisions are made about the future. In the meantime, Carol will be organising the cleaning - any volunteers welcome.

Tearfund have requested that we host a Christmas Concert. It was agreed that we pay Tearfund to host the concert, but that we recoup the cost from the ticket sales. Any surplus would go to Tearfund. The dates put forward were discussed and the 20th December was the date agreed, as it did not clash with other events within the village.

A village resident has requested to be baptised. As it is not

possible for her to attend Church, after discussion it was agreed by the Session that the Minister, with two members, two Elders and those of the person's choice attend at the house for the baptism.

Jean Sutherland has had a sabbatical year from Eldership and has written to resign from the Session. Her many years of service were appreciated and a letter to that effect was requested to be sent to her.

It was stated that the next Team Leaders' meeting would be 29th September at 7.30pm and the next Session meeting be on 13th October (now changed to the 20th October) at 7pm in the Sanctuary, as the Community Choir was in the Lower Hall.

The meeting ended with a blessing.

Joyce Anderson

THANK YOU

Mary Gibson would like to say a Big Thank You to everyone for their prayers, cards, letters, flowers, hospital and home visits.

I would also like to thank James and Mandy for their Pastoral Visit, it was very much appreciated.

Hope to see you all soon.

Blessings,
Mary.



Lynne Paterson, Director of Tearfund in Scotland has written once again to thank us for our generous donation of £121.75 which she says its much appreciated.

She writes, “Our work around the world wouldn't be possible without the generosity of people like you and I like to encourage you with an example of how your support can dramatically improve the lives of those struggling in poverty.”

She tells of a young Mum called Magessa James, who lives in a small house in Tanzania with no toilet. As a result the children were ill every fortnight with diarrhoea and other diseases.

A health worker from one of Tearfund's church partners visited the family explaining to Magessa the importance of basic sanitation including washing hands with soap and drinking clean water. Together they built a toilet with bricks including a Tippy Tap for hand washing. There is now a huge improvement in the health of her family. The church partner is improving people's lives throughout the district of Geita through health education.

Lynne says our gift will help them to follow Jesus where the need is greatest to free people from poverty.

Thank you so much to all our collectors of small change who are helping to make this work possible. Our latest collection which I am about to send is £167.16 which is wonderful. I have also asked for information on the work Tearfund are doing in the Syrian crisis.

Audrey Brown.

BLYTHSWOOD SHOEBOX APPEAL

I am starting to collect shoeboxes again to go to the poor people in Eastern Europe and beyond. Filled boxes, contents to make up the boxes and/or donations to help with transport costs will be gratefully received. There are leaflets in the church available to take. This year Henni McClure has kindly offered to help me. The closing date for this appeal is the beginning of November. THANK YOU.

Helen Ferguson.

Church Flowers

By the time you read this our Harvest Celebration will be over and we will be making our plans for Christmas.

We are going to make door spades with fresh foliage again this year and, to this end, orders will be taken until 28th November. The cost will be £7.50 each.

Many thanks to all who donated money for the flower fund or provided the flowers for a particular Sunday this year. We hope you will consider doing so in 2016. The flowers are much appreciated by those who receive them after worship on a Sunday.

Moira Mackinnon

GUILD

The Guild which is open to both men and women will have its first meeting on Tuesday 13th October when we look forward to having “*Foreign Ladies in West Kilbride*” with Ruth Donaldson (*from Indonesia*) and her friends Annie Cheong (*from Malaysia*), Ariana Allen (*from Brazil*), Inga May Elvesveen (*from Norway*), Inger Olsen (*from Denmark*), telling us about their customs, mode of dress and sampling some of their local food. You don't have to be a Guild member to join us at any meeting. Syllabus are available in the Lower Hall and table in the Church Sanctuary.

Elrose Graham

Guild Syllabus	
<p>2015</p> <p>October</p> <p>13th RUTH DONALDSON & FRIENDS <i>'Foreign Ladies in West Kilbride'</i></p> <p>20th KA LEISURE</p> <p>27th Dr MARGARET STRICK <i>'The Breadth and Joy of Plastic Surgery'</i></p> <p>November</p> <p>10th CECILY MacLAGAN <i>'Peruvian Adventure'</i></p> <p>24th MARY JACK <i>'Childhood Memories of Farmlife'</i></p> <p>December</p> <p>1st ALAN WARD <i>'Bassoon Player'</i></p> <p>8th AGE CONCERN LUNCH</p> <p>15th CAROLS & READING</p>	<p>2016</p> <p>February</p> <p>2nd MOIRA McKINNON <i>'American Adventure'</i></p> <p>9th REV. JAMES MCNAY <i>'Go In Peace'</i></p> <p>23rd GEORGE CRAWFORD <i>'A Wee Walk Around Big Cumbrae'</i></p> <p>March</p> <p>1st ANNA McNAY <i>'Bible and Brainteasers'</i></p> <p>15th ALISON WARD <i>'The Joys of Teaching in Prison'</i></p> <p>22nd CLOSING LUNCH</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(Meetings take place at 2.30pm)</i></p>

KNIT FOR PEACE

Knit for Peace UK is an initiative of the Charities Advisory Trust. They have had an urgent request for warm clothes and blankets to go to Kurdistan, where there are 1.8 million refugees. Most have fled civil wars and Daesh (sometimes known as ISIS) in Syria and Iraq. Last winter 6000 refugees died from the cold. The project also sent knitted items to refugee centres in the UK and other parts of the world. If you like to knit and you would like to help please contact Mandy, our OLM, for knitting patterns (if you need them) and regarding collection of items. There are also some odd balls of wool that were handed in available for knitting blanket squares. Let's see how many hats, scarves, mittens and blankets we can send! For more information on this initiative please visit: <http://knitforpeace.org.uk>

Remember that the Craft Group meets on a Wednesday once a month so, if you want to knit and natter, do please come along. New members are very welcome! The next meeting is on the 7th October.

Deirdre Murray

Scripture Union Scotland presents...

Ayr Community Gospel Choir

Thursday 8th October 2015

7PM at Ayr Salvation Army Church

(John Street, Ayr)

**Entry is free - there will be a collection in aid
of SU Scotland weekends in Ayrshire.**

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Monthly Prayer Diary – October 2015

- Thu 1st Thank You Lord, for the wonderful gift and privilege of prayer.
- Fri 2nd World Watch List 23 – Egypt. Christian converts from a Muslim background have long suffered persecution but in recent years, the large indigenous Coptic community has begun to be targeted also.
- Sat 3rd We give thanks for James our Minister, Anna his wife & their two sons John and Alasdair. May God bless & equip James in every area of his ministry.
- Sun 4th We pray for all who have had to flee from their own communities or their country. Lord, may they know Your comfort in these days.
- Mon 5th Our witness; When we constantly choose a negative attitude, it is hurtful to God and not a good witness to others. Invite God to wash us clean of cynical hard heartedness.
- Tue 6th We pray for all we know who are unwell, having treatment, awaiting test results, and for all who care for them.
- Wed 7th Our GP Surgery, local hospitals hospices and Care Homes.
- Thu 8th We pray for all we know who are grieving whether their loss is recent or long ago. Be very close Lord, to those who are struggling.
- Fri 9th World Watch List 24 – Djibouti – a small, poverty stricken Muslim country. Converts to Christianity face pressure from family & community.
- Sat 10th Teamwork!! We give thanks for Carol our Session Clerk, our Elders and all who work on the Church Teams behind the scenes.
- Sun 11th We give thanks for the leaders who work with our young people. May they be encouraged, well supported and inspired.

- Mon 12th Our Witness; Lord, forgive us when we become selfish & self-centered. Help me to look outside myself and do something beautiful for You.
- Tue 13th We pray for people around the world who have lost loved ones through war, conflict or natural disasters.
- Wed 14th Lord of all compassion, we pray for every Christian organization dedicated to demonstrating Your grace through supporting people in need, helping with debt, homelessness, unemployment, ill health and many other situations. CARE)
- Thu 15th Aid Agencies and Rescue Services. Our Armed Services.
- Fri 16th World watch List 25 – Burma/Myanmar. Myanmar remains among the ten most violent states for Christians to live.
- Sat 17th World leaders and all who are in authority over us.
- Sun 18th We give thanks for the freedom we have to worship, and for the beauty and freedom we enjoy in this beautiful place.
- Mon 19th Our witness; We pray for people who are struggling with the effects of aging. May we have words of peace and help them to feel valued.
- Tue 20th We give thanks that the Glasgow City Mission Winter Night Shelter will be able to extend its opening from 3 to 4 months this winter.
- Wed 21st We pray for all who serve as MPs, MSPs, MEPs and Local Councillors.
- Thu 22nd We pray for all who suffer with depression or other Mental Health issues. May help always be available when needed.
- Fri 23rd World Watch list 26 – Palestine Territories. The past year has seen increased pressure in the Christian community, especially in Gaza, because of the pressure of fanatical Islamic movements.
- Sat 24th We pray for all who have started university or college, especially those who have moved away from home.

- Sun 25th We pray for everyone joining to worship with us today, may all feel the warmth of welcome, may no-one feel excluded.
- Mon 26th Our Witness; Help me to live so at peace that the presence of Jesus shines through my life and others will want to get to know Him too.
- Tue 27th We pray for Christians who are persecuted for their faith and give thanks for the agencies who work to support them.
- Wed 28th Tearfund is partnering with Church groups in Europe, enabling them to offer care and aid to those who have fled conflict and persecution. Please pray for all the resources they need.
- Thu 29th Pray for all who have been exploited and trafficked. We pray for an end to modern day slavery.
- Fri 30th World Watch List 27 – Brunei. Contact with Christians in other countries, the import of Bibles and the public celebration of Christmas are banned.
- Sat 31st Halloween. We pray for protection on all our young people this evening and protection over and around our village.

Monthly Prayer Diary – November 2015

- Sun 1st ‘As saints of old still line the way retelling stories of His grace, we hear their call and hunger for the day, when with Christ we reign in glory.’
- Mon 2nd Our Witness; Jesus, I want to be like You. I want to be light in the darkness and to love the unloved, but I need your Holy Spirit to enable me.
- Tue 3rd Local Businesses as they prepare for Christmas. May they work together for the good of the whole community

- Wed 4th James, Anna, John and Alasdair. We pray for James in his role as Moderator of Ardrossan Presbytery.
- Thu 5th We pray for our Church Family. We pray that we might all be encouragers one to another.
- Fri 6th World Watch List 28 – Laos. Christians in Communist Laos are viewed with suspicion and every movement is monitored.
- Sat 7th Please pray for the Lord to have His sovereign way in North Korea. Pray for Christians as they struggle to find opportunities for fellowship. (Asialink)
- Sun 8th Remembrance Sunday.
- Mon 9th Our Witness; Lord, help me to be real about my struggles, so others will see more of your work of saving grace in me.
- Tue 10th CrossReach Week (9 – 13th) We pray for staff & volunteers across Scotland & remember especially South Beach House.
- Wed 11th On this Remembrance Day we pray for peace makers and Peacekeepers and all who work for peace.
- Thu 12th We give thanks for Mandy working alongside James, and pray for every aspect of her work, life and ministry.
- Fri 13th World Watch List 29 – China. In spite of the enormous risk many people are becoming Christians. Pray for their protection.
- Sat 14th We pray for all who have recently had to flee their own countries and pray for those trying to settle in Britain.
- Sun 15th We pray for our local congregations where there has been recent change. Pray for any who are discouraged.
- Mon 16th Our Witness; we pray for neighbours and friends who attend other churches. May we find opportunities to serve You together.
- Tue 17th European Pray Day for Schools. We pray for the work of Scripture Union within schools, and we pray for our local schools today.

- Wed 18th We pray for charities, Aid Agencies, and NGOs in this time of great need.
- Thu 19th We pray for all who are caught up in addiction and the effect this has on family life. Lord, be their strength in times of weakness.
- Fri 20th World watch List 30 – Jordan. Although Christians still enjoy a relatively high degree of religious freedom, violence against Muslim background believers is becoming more prevalent.
- Sat 21st We pray for all who are worried about debt, fear of unemployment, working long hours and the pressures this puts on family life.
- Sun 22nd We pray for missionaries, for those feeling discouraged or homesick at this time, or those who have had to leave because of instability in the country.
- Mon 23rd Our Witness; Pray for opportunities to support & care for young mums often away from their own family & missing friendship of work colleagues.
- Tue 24th All we know who are unwell. We think of those in chronic pain or living with long term sickness or disability.
- Wed 25th All who are grieving the loss of a loved one and the changes they are trying to deal with. Lord, You are there in every change & circumstance.
- Thu 26th We give thanks that You are the everlasting God, Creator of the ends of the earth. You do not grow tired or weary & You long to hear our prayers.
- Fri 27th World Watch List 31 – Bhutan. Expat Christians are usually left in peace but converts from a Buddhist background and non-traditional Protestant communities face pressure from local authorities, family and friends.
- Sat 28th In Ethiopia, communities gather together to listen to God's Word through a Proclaimer, a solar powered little black box. (Scottish Bible Society).

Sun 29th We pray for members of our Church family who are housebound or for those who stay at home to care for someone. Help us not to forget them.

Mon 30th Our Witness; Heavenly Father, thank You for our community. Please direct and inspire us as we reach out in friendship beyond the walls of the church to bless our neighbours and offer support to those in need.

**If God answer your prayers,
He is increasing your faith.**

**If God delays,
He is increasing your patience.**

**If God doesn't answer,
He has something better for you.**

Diary Dates for October 2015

4 Oct 10:30 AM	Morning Service and Junior Church
4 Oct 2:00 PM	Age Concern - Afternoon Service Headrigg Gardens
4 Oct 6:00 PM	XLR8 – Bill Penny Hall
5 Oct 7:30 PM	Church Choir Practice
6 Oct 9:30 AM	Women Who Pray – Prayer Room
6 Oct 10:00 AM	Rendezvous – Lower Hall
7 Oct 10:00 AM	Church Craft Group – Small Hall
7 Oct 7:15 PM	'Wednesday Fellowship' – Lower Hall
11 Oct 10:30 AM	Morning Service and Junior Church
11 Oct 7:30 PM	Evening Service
13 Oct 9:30 AM	Women Who Pray – Prayer Room
13 Oct 10:00 AM	Rendezvous – Lower Hall
13 Oct 2:00 PM	The Guild Meeting with Ruth Donaldson & Friends <i>'Foreign Ladies in West Kilbride'</i>
14 Oct 7:15 PM	'Wednesday Fellowship' – Lower Hall
18 Oct 10:30 AM	Morning Service and Junior Church
18 Oct 7:30 PM	Evening Service
19 Oct 7:30 PM	Church Choir Practice
20 Oct 9:30 AM	Women Who Pray – Prayer Room
20 Oct 10:00 AM	Rendezvous – Lower Hall
20 Oct 7:00 PM	Kirk Session Meeting – Sanctuary
20 Oct 2:00 PM	The Guild Meeting - KA LEISURE
21 Oct 7:15 PM	'Wednesday Fellowship' – Lower Hall
25 Oct 10:30 AM	Morning Service and Junior Church
25 Oct 6:00 PM	XLR8 – Bill Penny Hall
25 Oct 7:30 PM	Evening Service
27 Oct 9:30 AM	Women Who Pray – Prayer Room
27 Oct 10:00 AM	Rendezvous – Lower Hall
27 Oct 2:00 PM	The Guild Meeting with Margaret Strick
28 Oct 7:15 PM	'Wednesday Fellowship' – Lower Hall

House Groups

Currently three house groups usually meet fortnightly on Monday/Wednesday evenings. For dates and times of meetings, please speak to either Helen Ferguson, Audrey Brown or Margaret Morrow.

Diary Dates for November 2015

1 Nov 10:30 AM	Morning Service with Communion and Junior Church
1 Nov 2:00 PM	Afternoon Service with Communion - Headrigg Gardens
1 Nov 6:00 PM	XLR8 – Bill Penny Hall
2 Nov 7:30 PM	Church Choir Practice
3 Nov 9:30 AM	Women Who Pray – Prayer Room
3 Nov 10:00 AM	Rendezvous – Lower Hall
4 Nov 7:15 PM	'Wednesday Fellowship' – Lower Hall
8 Nov 10:30 AM	Remembrance Sunday Service and Junior Church
8 Nov 6:00 PM	XLR8 – Bill Penny Hall
8 Nov 7:30 PM	Evening Service
10 Nov 9:30 AM	Women Who Pray – Prayer Room
10 Nov 10:00 AM	Rendezvous – Lower Hall
11 Nov 10:00 AM	Church Craft Group – Small Hall
10 Nov 2:00 PM	The Guild Meeting with Cecily MacLagan <i>'Peruvian Adventure'</i>
11 Nov 7:15 PM	'Wednesday Fellowship' – Lower Hall
15 Nov 10:30 AM	Morning Service and Junior Church
15 Nov 7:30 PM	Evening Service
16 Nov 7:30 PM	Church Choir Practice
17 Nov 9:30 AM	Women Who Pray – Prayer Room
17 Nov 10:00 AM	Rendezvous – Lower Hall
18 Nov 7:15 PM	'Wednesday Fellowship' – Lower Hall
22 Nov 10:30 AM	Morning Service and Junior Church
22 Nov 6:00 PM	XLR8 – Bill Penny Hall
22 Nov 7:30 PM	Evening Service
24 Nov 9:30 AM	Women Who Pray – Prayer Room
24 Nov 10:00 AM	Rendezvous – Lower Hall
24 Nov 2:00 PM	The Guild Meeting with Mary Jack <i>'Childhood Memories of Farm Life'</i>
24 Nov 7:30 PM	Team Leaders Meeting – Entrance Foyer
25 Nov 7:15 PM	'Wednesday Fellowship' – Lower Hall
28 Nov 4:00 PM	Messy Church - WKPC
29 Nov 10:30 AM	Morning Service and Junior Church
29 Nov 6:00 PM	XLR8 – Bill Penny Hall
29 Nov 7:30 PM	Evening Service

FOODBANK

The food you can donate are as follows:

- Meat (Tinned – Pies/ Stew/ Ham)
- Breakfast Cereal (Corn Flakes / Rice Crispies)
- Tinned Vegetables (Carrots and Corn)
- Pasta Sauce (Plain Sauce in jar)
- Sugar (500g)
- Tinned Tuna
- Fruit Juice (Carton – long dated)
- Milk (UHT)
- Tinned Fruit
- Instant Potatoes
- Tinned Custard
- Teas Bags (40's only)

They stress on their leaflet that these are the only items they need as they have an abundance of other items.

There is a collecting can in the office for you to donate money if you prefer to do that rather than carrying heavy shopping to church. When the Foodbank is short of any items the money enables them to buy what is needed.

Thanks So Much!

Prayer for Trust in Jesus

O Christ Jesus,
When all is darkness and we feel our weakness and
helplessness,
give us the sense of Your presence, Your love and Your
strength.

Help us to have perfect trust in Your protecting love
and strengthening power
so that nothing may frighten or worry us
for, living close to You,
we shall see Your hand, Your purpose,
Your will through all things
Amen

(St Ignatious of Loyola)

If anyone has her/his own favourite prayer
and would like to share it in the Church Matters,
please send the prayer to the church office
to be included in the next edition.

Thank You!

Glasgow City Mission Craft Fair
with a wide range of handmade crafts
from local suppliers
for sale

Tickets available at the door

Sat 14th November. 10am – 3pm
20 Crimea Street, Glasgow, G2 8PW



CAL AID

**Ayrshire collection day for CALAID and Refugee Crisis
Saturday 10th October from 10-4pm
at Fairlie Marina Quay, Fairlie**

A collection day is being organised to help those caught up in refugee crisis. Collecting for CalAid and other organisations assisting with the refugee crisis.
Update on items required for collecting:

Tents and tarpaulins
Blankets, Sleeping bags
Men's jackets, Woolly hats
Travelling bags/rucksacks
Candles and wind up/ solar lights/torches
Men's jeans sizes (preferably smaller sizes)
Men's tracksuit trousers
Socks and underwear (men's)
Toothpaste, toothbrushes, Soap, shampoo
Pots and pans
Trainers, Wellies

Please note, CalAid do not currently require women or children's clothes.

You can either take these items along to the collection point in Fairlie on Saturday 10th Oct or you can drop them into the church on Mon, Tues, Thurs or Frid from 10-12noon or bring them along on Sunday when you come to church.
If you are available on the 10th then volunteers to help pack would be appreciated down at the marina in Fairlie.

Thank you.