



# The Springfield Cambridge Record



*I lift my eyes to the hills - where does my help come from?  
My help comes from the lord, the maker of heaven and earth.*

*Psalms 121 1-2*

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## ***A word from our Minister***



The original deadline date for articles for this magazine was the 23<sup>rd</sup> of April. On that day the 37<sup>th</sup> London Marathon was held. In the lead up to this event there was a lot of press coverage around issues of mental health. The principal charity for this year's race was *The Heads Together Campaign*. The Duke and Duchess of Cambridge and Prince Henry's support for this campaign have brought these issues to the attention of many. Last month's 'Life and Work' magazine and this month's edition again contain features on mental health.

Many years ago I ran in several Glasgow marathons in the 1980's, however, my continuing recovery from an Achilles injury means that I will not be running a marathon any time soon.

However the marathon and issues of mental health have been connected in my own experiences as I have often found myself chatting to people who have experienced difficulties in their lives. The statistics indicate that 1 in 4 of us will at some point in our lives have an issue with our mental health. That means that you, or someone you know, will have been affected by such issues.

How does that fit into our understanding of faith when we or someone we know or love is struggling? How do we respond? This might be a trial of faith for us. How do we cope? And what encourages us when we 'hit the wall'? Maybe we need to persevere - to run 'through the wall' as it were. Maybe we need to let others and God come alongside us, to listen, help and guide us. As Christians we do not journey on our own, we are pilgrims in the company of others.

Many of you I am sure saw the Chorlton Runners athlete David Wyeth struggling as he neared the end of the London Marathon. To his aid came Matthew Rees a Swansea Harrier, who stopped 300 metres from the finish line, foregoing his own early finish, to help a fellow competitor, saying *"We'll cross the line together."* And so they did. Crowds including Prince William cheered them on, and race officials tweeted, *"You've just encompassed everything that's so special about the London Marathon."*

The following day, David was interviewed on TV along with Matthew, his 'Good Samaritan' and asked if the positions were altered, would he have stopped and helped Matthew. He said that he would love to think that he would.

This made me think of those who have helped me over the years in my own race for life, and those whom I have tried to help. Getting alongside people is a great challenge and calling in which we can share with God's help. After all *"from whence doth come mine aid? My safety cometh from the Lord."* Psalm 121

**Rev Ian Taylor**

When 'i' is  
replaced By 'we'

Even  
'illness'  
Becomes  
'Wellness'

## Funerals

<b>Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2017</b>	Mrs Joyce Paterson, Lilyburn
<b>Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2017</b>	Mr Archibald (Archie) Stewart, The Leys
<b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April, 2017</b>	Mr James (Jimmy) Sim, The Leys
<b>Monday 10<sup>th</sup> April, 2017</b>	Mr Alexander (Alex) Wood, Fourhills Home
<b>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April, 2017</b>	Mr William (Willie) Miller, Kincardine Drive
<b>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April, 2017</b>	Mrs Margaret McKenzie, Stobhill Care Home
<b>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April, 2017</b>	Mrs Elizabeth (Betty) Bissett, Lunan Drive

*God of grace and peace, in your Son Jesus Christ, you have given us new birth into a living hope. Strengthen us now to live in the power of the resurrection and keep us united with our loved one from whom in death we are not divided. For you live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.*

Mary McDonald and family would like to say thank you to everyone for the messages of condolence and love, and the flowers they received following the death of David. We would also like to say thank you to all who were there to support us at his funeral and also to those who gave practical and prayerful support over the last few difficult years. Thanks also must go to Ian Taylor and Craig McDougall for the parts they played in laying David to rest. We will never forget all your kindness.

## *Senior Elder celebrates*

On the 5<sup>th</sup> of April 2017 Jim Stormont, our Senior Elder, celebrated his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday after the Wednesday morning Service with some of his Church family in Room 2.



## LOOKING AHEAD



### Vestry Hour – Wednesday mornings at 10 am

Should anyone wish to see the Minister, Ian will be available on the 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2017 from 10-11 am. Should you wish to see him at another time, please contact Ian on ☎0141 772 1540 or ✉ ITaylor@churchofscotland.org.uk and another arrangement can be made.



### Mid-Week Services – Cambridge Chapel 11.10 am



The Wednesday morning Service will be held in the Cambridge Chapel. The Cambridge Chapel will also be open Monday - Friday from 10 a.m. - 12 noon for anyone who wishes to find a quiet place to read the Bible, pray or reflect during the course of the week.



On **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May, 2017**, our Service will include an element of Thanksgiving to mark the end of the session for the Boys' & Girls' Brigade Companies.



**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2017** will be our first Parish Grouping Service at



**Cadder Parish Church at 10.30am.** since the Induction of Rev John MacGregor. Please join your Church friends at the earlier time of 10.30am. at Cadder Church.

There will be a Service at Callieburn Court on **Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2017**



**at 2.30 pm.** This monthly Service at Callieburn Court is open to any member of the congregation who would like to join the residents for a short Service lasting about 20 minutes or so. The Service is held in the Lounge.



**Christian Aid Week**  
**14<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> MAY, 2017**

The list for **Collectors' names** is available in the

**Hall of Fellowship.** If you can help with the area you have covered in previous years please tick or append your name on a desired street, or contact **Maureen Brown** on ☎ **0141 563 3501.** We are very short of **Collectors** this year so your help would be invaluable. Please do what you can to assist.





## **General Assembly of the Church of Scotland** **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2017**

The General Assembly reports have now been published on the Church of Scotland website and further details will be uploaded over the coming weeks: [http://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/about\\_us/general\\_assembly/general\\_assembly\\_2017](http://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/about_us/general_assembly/general_assembly_2017).

The Lord High Commissioner to this year's General Assembly is to be HRH The Princess Royal. In view of this, security will be heightened.

The daily proceedings from the General Assembly can be viewed 'live' online by following the links from the Kirk's website [www.churchofscotland.org.uk](http://www.churchofscotland.org.uk)



### **INVITATION TO participate in the Local Church Review (LCR)**



Since the last magazine, the LCR Team Leader has met with Minister, Session Clerk and Clerk to the Congregational Board on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March. The office-bearers have had an initial meeting to prepare some of the paperwork associated with the review on April 18<sup>th</sup>. The Presbytery Team will return on **Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2017 at 7pm** to meet with our office-bearers and any members of the congregation who wish to join us in the Cambridge Chapel.

### *Thank you*

A very sincere thanks to all at Springfield Cambridge Church for the many cards, gifts and expressions of good wishes on the occasion of my 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. I mustn't forget the lovely cakes. You made it a memorable week.

*Jim Stormont*

## Treasurer's Report

Firstly this month, I would like to appeal once again for donations to offset the cost of the Springfield Record. I'm sure you will agree that it is a pleasure to read such a professionally produced colour church magazine 9 times a year! **The recommended donation is £5 per household per year** to cover the printing and stationery costs. Simply place your donation in an envelope marked "Church Record" and place in the offering basket any Sunday. A great many members already give a donation annually and this is most appreciated. Thanks to everyone who contributes!

With the new Tax Year well underway we are able to claim £2,000 in tax recoveries under the Gift Aid Small Donations Scheme.

This month we will pay our annual insurance premium of £3,830 for cover on the church buildings and the manse. The premium has increased by £370 compared with 2016 due to an increase in Insurance Premium Tax.

The General Fund Receipts and Payments Account show a surplus for the year to date as at 12/4/17 of £15,193 as below:-

	<u>YTD (£)</u>	<u>BUDGETED (£)</u>
FWO Scheme	4,818	4,622
Gift Aid	20,349	20,121
Tax Recoveries	19,899**	n/a ***
Open Plate	2,017	2,139
Other Ordinary General Income	6,950	7,081
<b>TOTAL ORD GEN INCOME</b>	<b>54,033</b>	
<b>GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>38,840</b>	<b>40,424</b>

\*\* The Tax Recoveries of £19,899 relates to claims that were originally due to be settled in 2016, but were not settled by HMRC until this year.

\*\*\* No Budgeted Tax Recovery figure shown as 12/4/17. Budgeted figure for the 2017 Calendar year is £19,899 (same as 2016)

*Jim Kerr, Treasurer*

## THE GUILD

The Annual General Meeting was held on 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 2017. Isabel Hutchison is the new Convener, and Irene Smillie is now the Treasurer. Unfortunately there were no volunteers to carry out the role of Secretary. However if any member now feels that they would be able to provide some assistance with the secretarial duties Isabel would be very pleased to hear from them.

One of the main activities of the Guild is to raise funds and this year at the AGM a total of £2541 was disbursed to various charities, including £1500 to the Church Fabric Fund and £691 to the Guild Projects. Following the business part of the meeting we had a fun quiz and then a recorded message from the Moderator who had a number of amusing tales to tell. There was also a short musical presentation from the Heart and Soul Band recorded at the Annual Gathering in Dundee in 2016.

Our outing is on 13<sup>th</sup> May, 2017 when we are off to Largs via Cardwell Garden Centre. The bus will leave the Church Car Park at 10.30am. Other forthcoming events include the “Big Sing at the General Assembly” being held in the Assembly Hall in Edinburgh on 23<sup>rd</sup> May. It is hoped that this will be as enjoyable an event as last year. We are hosting the North Presbyterial Council Meeting “**Echoes of Assembly**” on **5<sup>th</sup> June, 2017 at 7.30pm**. Please note the change of date from that in the syllabus and announced at the last meeting. Contributions of home baking would be much appreciated. Please could all those who requested a ticket for Annual Gathering in September pay the £10 bus fare to Irene Smillie before 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2017. Thank you.

We will resume our regular meetings in September and anyone interested in joining as a new member will be very welcome. *Ellen Robertson*

## Flower Calendar

### MAY

**Distributors:** Mrs A Henderson (772 5888) and Mrs S Paton (772 4430)

**Donors:** Mr J McGilvery (2<sup>nd</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>), Mrs E McSheehy, Mrs L McGrath, Mrs Stewart (16<sup>th</sup>), Mrs C Mackintosh, Mrs E Graham (27<sup>th</sup>)

### JUNE

**Distributors:** Mrs M Leeper (772 0196) and Mrs C Bickers (563 6607)

**Donors:** Mrs J Martin (6<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>), Mrs E Wishart, Mrs McDougall (12<sup>th</sup>), Mrs Watson (14<sup>th</sup>), Mrs L Reynolds (29<sup>th</sup>), Mrs I Harley, Mrs G Magin (last Sunday in June)

# Springfield Cambridge Church

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May**

Worship at 11am

(Including an element of Thanksgiving to mark the end of the session  
for the Boys' & Girls' Brigade Companies)

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May**



Parish Grouping Service at **Cadder Parish Church at 10.30am.**

*Service at Callieburn Court at 2.30pm*

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May**

Worship at 11am

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May**

Worship at 11am

