



The Springfield Cambridge Record



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From the beginning of my Reformation I have asked God to send me neither dreams, nor visions, nor angels, but to give me the right understanding of His Word, the Holy Scriptures; for as long as I have God's Word, I know that I am walking in His way and that I shall not fall into any error or delusion. Martin Luther

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A word from our Minister ...*here's looking at you*

In my old barbers, as I sat in the barber's chair looking at my reflection in the mirror, there was a small notice pinned to the top right corner, which read something like this:

*"Everyone brings joy to this shop
some when they enter...
others when they leave..."*

On Wednesday mornings during my Vestry hour, I am always delighted when people pop in to see me about this and that. Sometimes I can have a succession of folk, and I imagine that's what it must be like for a GP seeing one patient after another during surgery hours. When the door opens you never know who will walk in, why they are there, and how they will be when they walk out at the end. At other times, no one wishes to see me that day, and I sit quietly.

Recently someone came to see me and to my great surprise they had something they wanted to show me and offer to the church. I was intrigued. As the parishioner carefully lifted an object from their large plastic bag - in a moment reminiscent of 'Antiques Roadshow' I instantly recognised a large Communion flagon. In a recent loft clearance the family had found the flagon which had belonged to their mother who had received it when the old Cambridge Street Church had closed. So the story goes, when Cambridge Street was closing, members were given an opportunity to keep a bit of the 'old church'. Their mother had opted for the flagon. "*Would you like it, Mr. Taylor?*" I hope my face matched my inner joy - "*of course*" I said, "*thank you.*"

Next year will be the 50th Anniversary of the union of Cambridge Street and Springfield Churches, so to have received this flagon as a gift on your behalf was for me a very special moment. It reminds me that in the Christian faith, we never stand alone; we always stand in the footsteps and faith of others who have gone before us. The faith we hold dear, is never exclusively ours, it is something to be given and received, to be shared with others.

As we approach our own Communion 'season' as we used to say in our Presbyterian tradition, I have been reminded by a parishioner's generosity that:

*"Everyone brings joy to the Vestry
some when they enter...
others when they leave..."*



Rev Ian Taylor



At its meeting in **September** the **Kirk Session** agreed to open a Face book account which will allow us to 'post' items about our activities in the public space of the internet.

This will complement our 'online presence' provided by our church website. Watch out online for Springfield Cambridge expanding its social media presence for an initial trial period of six months.



Baptisms

Jesus said, "Suffer the little children to come unto me."



Sunday 10th September, 2017

Jamie Christopher CLARK



Sunday 24th September, 2017

Bobbie Derek SMITH
& Ross Graham McMAHON

Funerals

Friday 1st September, 2017

Miss Anne Hardie,
Alexander Court

Thursday 7th September, 2017

Mr Francis (Frank) McCarroll,
Antonine House

Monday 11th September, 2017

Mr Peter Harkins,
Sunart Gardens

Thursday 14th September, 2017

Mrs Elizabeth (Bunty)
R. Porter, Kirriemuir Gardens

Friday 15th September, 2017

Mrs. Catherine D. Culley,
Springfield Crescent

Wednesday 20th September, 2017

Miss Agnes (Nessie) Saunders,
Muir Street

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.

CONGREGATIONAL GOLF EVENT - JACKIE MURRAY MEMORIAL TROPHY

For the ninth consecutive year competition was fierce to secure this prestigious trophy on Friday 8th. September, 2017 at Bishopbriggs Golf Club.

May Murray handed out the trophies and received a small token of thanks from the golfers and diners who enjoyed a fine meal in the clubhouse after the day's mixture of rain, sunshine, pain and laughter!



Individual winner - DAVID RUSSELL Runner-up - STEPHEN BATES



The winning team was made up of IAIN MURRAY, DAVID RUSSELL, MARION & JOHN GRANGER

The runner up team was made up of **ROY POTTER, ROY STEWART STEPHEN BATES & FRASER MURRAY**



The best score from a lady player was **MARION GRANGER**

Our thanks go to our organiser and starter Roy Stewart for all his hard work in ensuring a good day was had by one and all.

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

On the first two Sundays in September, 2017 our Services considered some aspects of Stewardship to help members review their financial commitment to the Church. On Sunday 17th September, 2017 during our Service of Harvest Thanksgiving, we rededicated ourselves to the work of God.

Thank you to those members who considered the Stewardship Appeal and have already returned their envelopes.

If you have not yet completed and would like to return your Review Form, you will find one in last month's magazine on the back page. There is still time to return this any Sunday during October. Envelopes will be provided on arrival at Church for you to place your review form confidentially for the attention of our Treasurer/Gift Aid Convener. If you are unable to be at Church, please ask your Elder for one and they can return it for you, or phone the Church office on a Monday or Wednesday morning and a return envelope will be delivered to you. Thank you once again for your continuing commitment to the work of Christ's Church.

Rev Ian Taylor

Harvest Thanksgiving was celebrated on **Sunday 17th September**. The Church was beautifully decorated and all the Harvest gifts (including monetary donations) were gratefully received during our Service. *(Please also see p.11 for further reflection and information)*



Preparing the Church for Harvest Thanksgiving Sunday



Looking Ahead



Vestry Hour - Wednesday mornings at 10 a.m. Should anyone wish to see the Minister, Ian should be available on the **4th and 25th October** from 10-11 a.m. Should you wish to see him at another time, please contact Ian on ☎0141 772 1540 or ✉ ITaylor@ church of scotland. org.uk and another arrangement can be made.

Mid Week Services - Cambridge Chapel 11.10 a.m.

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 1st October, 2017** we will celebrate the **Sacrament of Holy Communion** at 11am and 3pm. There will be a **Retiring Collection** after each Service in aid of the **Kirk Session Benevolent Fund**.

There will be a Service at Callieburn Court on **Sunday 8th October, 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.



British Summer Time ends on Sunday October 29th, so remember to put your clocks back by one hour the night before so that you come to Church at the correct time!



SPRINGFIELD CAMBRIDGE FESTIVAL JUNIOR CHORUS - If you are aged between **8 and 14**, we would like to invite you to join the Junior Chorus. We will be singing in Glasgow Royal Concert Hall for CHAS on Thursday 21st. December, 2017.

We will rehearse on Sunday mornings from 12.30 - 1.30 pm starting on Sunday 22nd. October. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact **Catherine Taylor** ☎ **0141 772 1540**, 📠 **07511629272** or 📧 catherinejtaylor@btinternet.com
Hope you can join us!



On Sunday 29th October, 2017, we have been invited again to return to Low Moss by Rev. Martin Forrest to lead a Service at 9.30am.

Further details can be found on the weekly Orders of Service if you would like to join us then.



On Sunday 29th October, 2017, there will be a Service of Dedication for the Boys' and Girls' Brigade at 11am.



Thank You

Mandy and I would wish to thank all our friends in Springfield Cambridge Church for their continuing support during Bunty's long illness.

Knowing we were not alone at that time gave us strength and Mr Taylor's regular visits were very much appreciated and obviously gave Bunty an inner peace.

Once more I just want to thank you for all your comfort, which helped us through a very bad time. Yours very sincerely. *Mervyn and Mandy*

Harvest Thanksgiving 2017

We did it! **“Love through giving”** This is Faith in Action.

Our Church Family once again came together at Harvest. The Church glowed with the flowers from members' gardens. These were beautifully arranged around the Church by the Flower Committee. This set the scene for the produce to arrive and fill the tables, and it did so in abundance until the tables groaned with food in all disguises.

Thank you for your generosity, it is overwhelming.

The monetary collection totalled £393 and this has been sent to Cross Reach.

Thank you to the Flower Committee who gave of their time to decorate the Church, pack boxes and deliver goods. Thank you too, to Jim Tonner for all his help.

It all came to a fitting climax on Sunday with the Harvest Thanksgiving and Worship Service.

Through our giving we have sown a Harvest of Love.

God Bless.

Anne Harvey

Flower Calendar - October 2017

Distributors: Mrs M Jeffrey (772 5415) and Mrs J Campbell (563 5404)

Donors: Mrs H Summers (6th), Mrs H Noble (11th), Mrs M Kinloch, Mrs J McGowan, Mrs E McEwan





SPRINGFIELD CAMBRIDGE CHURCH

LUNCH

We are delighted to announce that **£675**, including **£102.50 Gift Aid**, was raised at the Lunch held in the Cameron Hall on Sunday 17th September after the Morning Service. A heartfelt thanks is extended to the members of the **Fund Raising Group** who organised the Lunch, and to all the other volunteers who assisted in many ways. Thanks are also extended to all those who attended to help raise funds for this worthy cause. A cheque for the final amount will be sent to Christian Aid.





*SPRINGFIELD
CAMBRIDGE
CHURCH*



FUND RAISING GROUP

*are holding a
QUIZ AND FISH SUPPER NIGHT*

on

FRIDAY 24th NOVEMBER 2017

at

7.30 PM

in

THE SPRINGFIELD HALL

TICKETS - DONATION OF £9

on sale on Sundays from 29th October

in the Hall of Fellowship

*This is an Adults-only night
BYOB*



The Guild

Dundee was a busy place on Saturday 2nd September when 2000 Guild ladies were in town! Guilds from all over Scotland were



represented at this year's Annual Gathering with sixteen of our own members present. The singing was wonderful, almost raising the roof of the Caird Hall! The Heart and Soul Swing Band provided such lively and inspiring music that there was dancing in the aisle and on the stage, and swaying and foot-tapping in the seats! The speakers gave us amusing stories, amazing anecdotes and a great deal to think about. So starts our new session.

On Monday, 4th September, Our first speaker, Rev Kay Brown talked beautifully on our theme for this year - Go in Love - to the 63 members present. With 90 members on our books it looks to be another busy year!

Juliet Cramb-Low was our speaker on 18th September, and with the help of very informative photographs explained to us how the provision of solar ovens was not only



revolutionising cooking chores, but also bringing about much better gender equality. This is our chosen Project for this year - Caring for Mother Earth in Bolivia. Monday, 2nd October sees the return of Kathleen McPherson, a most entertaining speaker who will tell us about “Hollywood Nights”.

In last month’s article, I managed to “cut” half of the last paragraph, so I reiterate the invitation in it here. A warm welcome awaits any ladies - or gentlemen - who would like to join the Guild so that you can share the fun, fellowship and friendship of the group. If you would like to come along to the meetings for a week or two to learn more about the Guild before committing yourself to membership, we would be delighted to see you. So do try us out!

Go in Love!

Sheila Gibson



Life & Work 2018

A letter will be enclosed with the October 2017 issue to all existing subscribers requesting payment of £27.36 by 5th November 2017 if they wish to continue receiving the magazine in 2018. The cover price will remain at £2.50 next year and by paying for the full year in advance subscribers can save nearly 10% on the full price.

Jim Kerr, Treasurer

Fresh Start

Thank you to members of the congregation for your continued support. We have had a busy summer with 9 referrals. It has been great that families have been moving on, sadly there is a waiting list and the refuge is full again. Our supplies at our unit in Lennoxtown are running low. We are in need of cutlery and kitchen utensils. We appreciate all the donations that have been given. We would like to share a letter from a lady that received a starter pack with you.

Springfield Cambridge Toddlers Group

The toddlers raised the sum of £229 with their obstacle course and bouncy castle. The toddlers had a great time and we would like to thank the parents for their donations.

Brenda Diamond & Wilma Cox



letter received with regard to Fresh Start

“My son has Asperger’s and although I was so relieved to eventually get my own home we literally had two deckchairs and not much else. I was so worried about how this was affecting my son who struggles with change. Luckily my friend was redecorating her living room and she gave me a sofa and fireplace and my brother gave me a unit and television so at least we had somewhere comfortable to sit. I had some savings so managed to buy paint and some cheap wallpaper and I got to work. Soon the house was clean and bright, and with help from Women’s Aid and their BBC Children in Need fund I could get my son a new bed and furniture and curtains for his room. Although the house was in much better shape my son still did not call it “home” and always referred to the house we shared with his Dad as “home”. I had spent every penny I had on trying to make the house better and I had no way of buying any extras. When I was given the Fresh Start donation I could not believe it! I had nothing new in my kitchen, I was boiling a pot for tea and coffee and had no toaster or microwave. I was overcome with the crockery and cutlery, we had two plates to our name and a couple of chipped mugs and bowls so when I saw the new stuff (all beautifully matching) I just cried with happiness. I think it meant so much that the stuff was new – (apart from the stuff my son got from Children in Need for his room everything we had was second hand), so it was amazing to have BRAND NEW STUFF! At last, I could have a change of sheets in the airing cupboard and a change of duvet cover without having to wash, dry and put back on, new towels for the newly painted bathroom just made it so fresh and homely, I was over the moon. It felt like I had been given wonderful housewarming presents for our new start. My son has started to settle in now and calls our house “home” I think seeing me so happy and being able to put the final touches to our house has helped him accept that we are staying here. People take for granted basic things in life, I know I did when I lived with my husband, but when you are on your own and starting from scratch it is difficult to afford the most basic things that most of us don’t think twice about. I feel as though fresh start helped me make my house a home and the fact that it was brand new felt as if it signified my new start. I am so grateful. Thank you.”

James B M Davidson

Jimmy Davidson is known to many of us at Springfield Cambridge and we thought his friends would want to learn of his passing. Jimmy was born on the 4th of July 1926 – the first child to Archibald and Alice Davidson. He was born in Jellyhill and as the family grew they moved to a flat above the Crow Tavern. He went to school initially at Bishopbriggs Primary and later to the Higher Grade School, a building he would frequent for most of his life as an avid reader, especially of Western books.

Jimmy was one of the last, indeed he may even be *the* last, original Life Boy in the 268 joining in 1935 under the then leadership of Adam Kennedy of Scottish Wire Rope, a well-known local employer. In this photo from around 1938 Jimmy has moved up to the Boys Brigade from the Life Boys and can be seen in the front row, third from left. Jimmy's interest in the Company lasted for over 80 years having attended a number of the ex-members dinners including this years, often with his brother George.

With a talent for football in his younger day he played for Huddersfield until called up for National Service serving in the Black Watch and later the Parachute Regiment with a period in India/Pakistan during the partition period.

A return to football was considered on being de-mobbed with a trial at Ayr United and games for the "Peesy"

He met Margaret Rae at The Mens Own and they have been a devoted couple for 64 years having been married in Cadder Church in 1953. Their family consisted of Susan now in Tunbridge Wells and Murray now in Hastings. Trips to visit them were always enjoyed.

Despite the lure of football Jim served his time as an auto electrician and worked at Albion Motors and McHarg Rennie & Lindsay before moving to the Post Office where he worked in the garage.

Jimmy attended and later became an elder at Cadder and assisted at the Coffee Shop for a while after retirement. In his leisure time he enjoyed walking, often along the canal and thought nothing of walking to Kirkintilloch. His other main interest was being an active member and Past Master at Cadder Freestone, later enjoying the fellowship of the Probus club. We pass our condolences and prayers to his family at this difficult time.



NB Thanks to Rev John McGregor for the details of the eulogy delivered at Jimmy's funeral.

Donald Armour

CADDER MEN'S CLUB

Welcome to the Club which is planning another exciting series of meetings on Wednesday evenings this autumn and winter. Come along and enjoy good fellowship (and a cup of tea) with interesting talks on a variety of subjects, frequently of a local nature. We also go on organised outings to places of interest during the year. It is hoped to continue with indoor bowling on Monday afternoons, but this will be dependent on the numbers attending - come along and give it a try!

The season kicks off on Wednesday 4 October with Canon Hill of St Matthews talking about his Church, and continues on a fortnightly basis (holidays excepted) until the end of March. The meetings for 2017 are:-

- October 4 Canon Hill. "History of St Matthews"
- October 18 Keith Mason. "Glasgow Trams"
- November 1 Carol Primrose. "Cawder Estate - Romans to Rabbits"
- November 15 Ian Watt. "The Schlumpf Collection"
- November 29 Geoff Bailey. "Antonine Wall"
- December 6 George Graham. "Topical Christmas Quiz"
- December Christmas Lunch

On the Front Cover this month

31st of October is designated as Reformation Day. It is not a “day” greatly remembered or reflected upon in this country; but it is marked in many northern European countries as a special day. For this year, 2017, the date is of particular significance as it marks the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. Recently, I visited Copenhagen and visited there the Lutheran Cathedral – and the notice boards inside the doorway were festooned with adverts and flyers for Concerts, Services and Lectures being held to mark the 500th Anniversary date.

The date itself was chosen as it was on the 31st of October 1517 that Martin Luther nailed his 95 Theses to the door of Castle Church (*Schlosskirche*) in his native city of Wittenberg. An act now perceived as the “start” of the Protestant Reformation. The front cover shows Martin Luther, hammer in hand, nailing his sheet containing the 95 Theses. The quote that follows reflects part of the essence that drove Martin Luther to lead the Reformation.

[For those in the church with very, very good memories – may perhaps remember the last Sunday in Advent in 1999 – just before the start of the New Millennium – when our own Bible Wayfinders took part in the service and contributed to the worship with a piece entitled “Ripples in Time” – which included a re-enactment of the nailing of the Theses – this time to the back wall at the foot of the stairs up to our pulpit!].

Why is the Reformation Day important? Well – simply put – no Reformation would have meant no Church of Scotland.

Over the coming issues we will present pen pictures of the leading characters and events associated with the Reformation; including in Scotland the “Six Johns” – one of whom was indeed Mr Knox!

James Robertson



Springfield Cambridge Church

Sunday 1st October

Worship at 11am and 3pm

*Including the
Sacrament of Holy Communion*

Sunday 8th October

Worship at 11am

[Service at Callieburn Court at 2.30pm]

Sunday 15th October

Worship at 11am

Sunday 22nd October

Worship at 11am

Sunday 29th October

Worship at 11am

*Including a Service of Dedication for the
Boys' and Girls' Brigade at 11am.*

*For in the gospel the righteousness of God is revealed-
a righteousness that is by faith from first to last
just as it is written: "The righteous will live by faith."*

Romans 1:17