



The Springfield Cambridge Record



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Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast,
and which enters into that within the veil. *Hebrews 6:19*

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A word from our Minister... past holidays

At the end of my recent Easter holidays, Catherine and I spent some time in Lancaster with two former colleagues from my banking days and their wives. I have always enjoyed history and was fascinated to learn on a tour of Lancaster castle of the developments of the area, a little of the history and significance of the castle. Lancaster takes its name from the River Lune which winds its way through the town and the word 'castle'.

The castle has a long history, is presently owned by HM the Queen, housed Jacobite prisoners following the battle of Preston, until four years ago had a working prison within its walls, and presently houses the local courts for the area. The various cells and court rooms were a window into the past and present. In the criminal courts we heard tales of the treatment of prisoners, of sentences passed on individuals who were sent away on convict ships to Australia, of prisoners sentenced to death, and saw the gallows spot, and the 'topping shed' which I will leave to your imagination. In the criminal court one of our party was sent 'into the dock' and there encouraged to put his hand into an iron clasp, to which prisoners were manacled, with their hands outstretched flatly. It was in this device that individuals were branded with the letter 'M' denoting malefactor, before being sent on their way. I found this rather chilling I must confess, because it was not so long ago that such punishments and judgements were handed down. But then the guide cheered me up when he revealed that despite this chilling indictment of justice of yesteryear, clemency was awarded in 90% of cases!

When we look back at the 'good old days', it is easy to romanticise our image of the past. But such a picture is not always accurate. Standing on the other side of Easter as we do now, we can look back at our past with all its faults, failures and sins and become fearful. But surely the one, who was branded for our sakes with nails on a cross, has offered us 100% clemency upon repentance, and given us the promise of a brighter and better future. Jesus brands us by claiming us as his chosen people. That sounds like very Good News to me.

Rev Ian Taylor



Another word from our Minister...

looking back, looking around, looking ahead

150 years young, that's what we will be later this month as we begin the six months marking our history over the past century of Worship and Service in our Parish and community.

There will be various strands to what we will do between May and October this year (further details appear on page 9 of the magazine)

Worship on 10/5/15 will centre on giving thanks for our past with Rev. Bill Ewart joining us. Our June and October Communion services will involve participation from previous Assistants who have been with us. On 25/10/15 we will have a Service focusing upon the present and future of our congregation. **Social** events throughout the year we hope will have something for everyone, from lunches, a golf competition, to a balloon BBQ, a concert with a guest special performer Jessica Weidman, and a talent show!

Souvenirs, memorabilia will be available to order and purchase for members and their families and visitors and guest at our events. These items will be sold at little more than cost to provide an opportunity for the average purse or wallet, or piggy bank to relieve itself of some cash!

Financial appeal. Last year we did not have our annual Fabric Appeal because we knew our 150th was coming. This year we would like the congregation to support our '150' appeal. Through this we hope to split any proceeds in three directions – 50 to a local charity, 50 to an international project, and 50 within our own congregation. This split we believe allows us to give thanks for the past, acknowledge the present, and shape the future reflecting our desire to give thanks to God for what we have achieved and can still accomplish in our own Parish and community and beyond. More details to follow.

In these various ways I hope we can be seen to look back, look around and look ahead.

Rev Ian Taylor

INTERIM MODERATOR – LENZIE OLD PARISH CHURCH

The Presbytery of Glasgow has appointed me as the Interim Moderator at Lenzie Old with effect from 1st. May 2015, as a result of the impending retirement of Rev. Douglas Clark. This additional duty will inevitably impact upon my workload; however I hope and pray that if the congregation can secure the services of a Locum, my duties will in the main be confined to chairing the Congregational Board, Kirk Session and assisting the Nominating Committee. However, given the indeterminate nature of vacancies these days and shortage of Ministers, I will rely on your support and understanding during this coming period.

Rev Ian Taylor



LOOKING BACK

Sound desk and lectern microphone

Thanks to the generosity of the Fairlie and Kilpatrick families we have been able to purchase a new sound desk and lectern microphone to enhance the quality of sound reproduction in the Church. With the

new sound desk we also have the capacity to record Services straight onto a format which will allow us to make Services available at a later date and we are looking into how best to do that.

Weddings

Gracious God, we praise you for the gift of love - that most precious of gifts which endures beyond all others, bearing all things, believing all things and hoping all things.

We thank you for the joy that comes from two lives truly being shared, from two people becoming one, each complementing and enriching the other, each helping love to grow.

Rachel A. Semple & James Shaw Friday 20th March, 2015

Ainslie D.S. Walker & Greg J. Forrest Friday 24th April, 2015

Funerals

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.

Monday 30th March, 2015

Mr. Alistair Kerr,
2 Crinan Road

Thursday 9th April, 2015

Mrs. Margaret McCallum,
58 Springfield Road

Friday 17th April, 2015

Mrs. Anne Elder,
12 Rannoch Gardens

Wednesday 22nd April, 2015

Mrs. Elizabeth H.F. McCrory,
15 Morven Avenue

Legacy to the Church

The Congregational Board was delighted in March to receive the unexpected news from the solicitors of Miss Margaret Brown who died on 1/9/14 that Margaret had left the sum of £50,000 to the Church in her will. These monies which come to us in an unrestricted manner have now been received. In May the Congregational Board will discuss how best to use this legacy, and among the suggestions will no doubt be the early repayment of our outstanding loan to the General Trustees for the building works we carried out in 2011. We give thanks to God for Margaret's generosity and thoughtfulness to the Church.

Parish Grouping News

On 20th. April, 2015, the Congregational Facilitator, Rev. Hilary McDougall, convened the final meeting of the group who have been steering us through the process towards our new grouping. The ongoing work of the Grouping will now rest with the local parties. At this meeting, we agreed that our Vision Statement would be to

- Follow and serve Jesus and share His Good News;
- Care for our communities in the name of Jesus;
- Grow and learn together in a respectful and encouraging way.

As previously agreed in the Basis of Grouping, our areas of cooperation will be

1. Worship
2. Mission
3. Service
4. Fellowship
5. Learning through faith and prayer.

Most of the meeting was spent finishing off the task of setting our goals for the next twelve months as follows:

Worship – Promoting joint worship opportunities, taking into account the Colston Wellpark centenary in Jan 2015 and Springfield Cambridge's 150th birthday in September

Mission – Afternoon fellowship opportunity; develop existing holiday club initiative; run a God Question event

Service – Research into developing Community links; running a Christian Aid quiz and social evening in October

Fellowship – Family Ceilidh

Learning through faith and prayer – Shared prayer diary across the Grouping; Pulpit Exchange; joint conference Session meeting

LOOKING FORWARD



Vestry Hour - Wednesday mornings at 10 am

Should anyone wish to see the Minister, Ian will be available on the **6th, 13th, 20th, 27th May, 2015** from 10 - 11 am. Should you wish to see him at another time, please contact Ian on (☎0141 772 1540 or ✉taylorian@btinternet.com) 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 am-12 noon for anyone who wishes to find a quiet place to read the Bible, pray or reflect during the course of the week.



Prayer for All (Open to All/ Praying for All) 6.45 pm. Prayer for All meets in the Cambridge Chapel from 6.45 – 7.15 pm. on Wednesday evenings. Each night we begin with a short introduction, followed by suggested prayer points for that particular meeting. This is followed by open prayer.

Sunday 10th May, 2015 sees the launch of our celebrations to mark our 150th. Anniversary. Following Worship at 11am which include the participation of Rev. William Ewart, a ticket only lunch in the halls will inaugurate 6 months of various events to mark our special year.



On Sunday 17th May our Service will include an element of Thanksgiving to mark the 80th year of the 268 Boys' Brigade Company.



There will be a Service at Callieburn Court on **Sunday 17th May, 2015 at 2.30 pm.** (Please note that this is a week later than usual). 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.

Sunday 24th May, 2015 – Pentecost Service

We will join with our Friends from Cadder, Colston Wellpark and Kenmure for Worship on Pentecost Sunday.

The host church for this service will be Colston Wellpark – with the service commencing at 11am.



Cadder Church

Colston Wellpark Church

Kenmure Church

Sunday 31st May, 2015 – HMP Low Moss

We have been invited to Low Moss by Rev Martin Forrest to lead a Service at 9.30am on Sunday 31st May.



Numbers are limited; if you would like to attend, please speak to the Minister.

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!

I am pleased to say that we have received all our outstanding tax recoveries from HMRC and this being the tax year (15/16) we are also to claim another £1,250 in tax recoveries under the Gift Aid Small Donations Scheme. **Did you know that this amount in tax recoveries will increase to £2,000 in tax year 16/17 as announced in the Budget in March meaning an additional £750 in Tax Recoveries!**

Thanks to everyone who has already made donations to the 150 Fund that was established at the end of year! The balance in the fund as at 26/4/2015 is £1,469.

In May we will pay our annual insurance premium of £3,601 for cover on the church buildings and the manse.

The General Fund shows as deficit for the year to date as at 26/4/15 of £561 as below:-

	<u>YTD (£)</u>	<u>BUDGETED (£)</u>
FWO Scheme	6,005	6,483
Gift Aid	23,168	23,835
Tax Recoveries	nil	5,958
Open Plate	2,148	2,558
Other Ordinary General Income	10,358	6,951
TOTAL ORD GEN INCOME	41,679	45,785
GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURE	42,240	46,488

Jim Kerr, Treasurer



SPRINGFIELD CAMBRIDGE CHURCH 150TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Sunday 10 th May	Launch of 150 th Anniversary Celebrations, followed by a Lunch after Morning Worship. Tickets - Adult £10, Child £5
Friday 12 th June	Jackie Murray Memorial Trophy Golf Match at Bishopbriggs Golf Club
Saturday 20 th June	Summer Family Event - Barbecue and Balloon Launch
Friday 7 th August	Concert in the Church with Guest Performer Jessica Weidman, and the Springfield Cambridge Praise Team
Saturdays 12 th and 19 th September and Sunday 20 th September	Doors Open Days - Church and Halls
Fri 23 rd October	Congregational Talent Show
Sun 25 th October	Closing Anniversary Celebration Service (including Congregational Re-dedication), followed by a light lunch

***FURTHER DETAILS OF ALL THESE EVENTS
WILL BE PUBLISHED AT A LATER DATE***



**Do you have transport
difficulties getting to
the 150th Anniversary
Service and Lunch on**

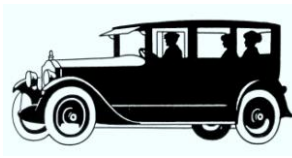


Sunday the 10th May 2015?

If so, please contact our Session Clerk, Jim Scott, who will be pleased to arrange transport to and from the Church.



Please contact Jim on
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Thanks

We would like to thank the congregation and Rev Ian Taylor for their kind wishes, cards, gifts and especially prayers as a result of Dela's spinal injury. We have been very touched by all your kindness. Dela is making good progress and was well cared for whilst a patient for 3 months in the National Spinal Injuries Unit. *Thank you.*

We would like to thank everyone who congratulated us on the birth of our son Lewis Christopher Blair on Tuesday 10th March 2015. We were overwhelmed by the generosity of people's cards, gifts and well wishes. We also appreciated the gift of church flowers. It is much appreciated. Many Thanks, *Michelle & Chris Blair*

Granny and Grandpa Scott would also like to thank friends in the congregation for the many good wishes, beautiful cards and church flowers that were still blooming two weeks after receiving them. We are blessed and enjoying every moment of being Grandparents, as are Rhona and Fiona being Aunties, to our beautiful grandson Lewis. Thanks again, *Jim, Carol, Fiona & Rhona Scott*

The Guild

The final meeting of the session was the A.G.M held on 13th April and it was very well attended by the members. Thanks were extended to all those who had served on the committee and were standing down. We were gratified to be able to fill almost all of the committee positions vacated and thank those members who showed a willingness to serve in this way. The evening concluded with a Beetle Drive which was greatly enjoyed by those present.

The Guild Outing is on 16th May to St. Andrews.

Over the summer the Guild will be organising an afternoon 'Get Together' with tea and biscuits once a month in June, July and August. The first event is on Tuesday 9th June 2.00-3.00pm in Room 2. All will be welcome whether Guild members or not so if you want to meet friends old or new feel free to come along.

Joyce Macmillan, Secretary



On this month's Front Cover

At this, the start of our church's 150th Anniversary period, we also have another splendid anniversary to celebrate – that of the 268 BB Company's 80th Anniversary. Our front cover picture shows the first formed company band in 1936. An article by Mr McMillan, our current BB Captain, follows.

The resounding words from Hebrews 6:19, which are such an integral part of the ethos of the BB, were the obvious choice to appear as the front cover featured bible verse. Perhaps less well known is the verse that follows; which is– *"where Jesus has entered as a forerunner for us, having become a high priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek. Hebrews 6:20"*. Paul would have chosen to highlight the name of Melchizedek as he would have been well known at the time of writing; being a venerated Priest and King – reputedly from the time of Abraham. Paul was highlighting that our Lord Jesus Christ is now the one and only "High Priest" for all time. And long, as George concludes, may our BB continue indeed be part of promoting the "advancement of Christ's Kingdom".

268 Boys' Brigade Company – 80th Anniversary

I write this article with no little astonishment when I realise that 5 years have elapsed since I wrote a similar epistle marking the Company's 75th anniversary. It seems like only a year or two ago but here we are about to celebrate the 80th anniversary of the formation of the Company with a Service of Thanksgiving at morning worship on Sunday 17th May 2015.

So let's begin as all anniversaries should by having a brief look at the past.

On the 21st May 1935 the 268th Glasgow Company of The Boys' Brigade was formed and was duly affiliated with Springfield Church of Scotland. Eighty years on the Company continues to provide activities for Boys staying true to the aim of the Boys' Brigade to advance Christ's Kingdom among Boys and to promote habits of Obedience, Reverence, Discipline, Self Respect and all that tends towards a true Christian manliness as set out by the Brigade's founder Sir William Alexander Smith.

The founding Captain was Mr John Davie who served as Captain from 1935 to 1944. Only twelve others have held that that post since and they are as listed below:

Mr Ronald Dalgarno	1944 to 1956
Mr James McGeachie	1956 to 1960
Mr William Semple	1960 to 1963
Mr Maurice Calderwood	1963 to 1964
Mr William Fletcher	1964 to 1970
Mr James Halley	1970 to 1972
Mr Robert Wilson	1972 to 1976
Mr James McNeill	1976 to 1983
Mr William Lowry	1983 to 1988
Mr Donald Armour	1988 to 1995
Mr James Copeland	1995 to 1998
Mr George McMillan	Currently the serving Captain



Anchor Boys



The Company has run continuously throughout its eighty year history and not even the advent of the Second World War in 1939 stopped the BB meetings albeit, due to blackout regulations and other matters, the Company met on a Saturday afternoon.

It should also be noted that by 1943 no fewer than eleven members of the 268th Glasgow were serving with His Majesty's Forces but the remaining staff organised the Company, including the Life Boy team, ably and well through those difficult years.

There is a great deal more which could be written here about the history of the 268th Glasgow but much of that has already been recorded in Bill Findlay's excellent booklet produced for the Company's 75th anniversary back in 2010 and the magazine editor would not thank me for filling the pages of the Record with the lengthy history of the Company. Suffice to say that the Officers of today are aware of the debt of gratitude they owe to those who for so many years maintained high standards in the running of the Company and we are thankful for the many men and women who gave so freely of their time and talents to make the Company a force for good in the local community.

The Company today may not have the numbers of Boys evident back in the 1970's when some 330 Boys could be found spread over the Company Section, Junior Section and the then Shipmates now known as the Anchor Boy Section. Nowadays numbers are somewhat more modest with 20 Boys in the Company Section, 32 in the Junior Section and 30 in the Anchor Boy Section but you would be hard pressed to find any BB Company in the United Kingdom today who could muster 330 Boys.

What we have today is a Company smaller in number but just as strong in spirit with a staff equally committed to the aims of The Boys' Brigade and, in relative terms the Company remains stronger in number than any of the Companies of Springburn District and indeed is one of the best attended Companies within Glasgow Battalion.

But numbers are not what a good BB Company is about rather we look, just as the Captains and staffs of the past did, to bringing a quality to the lives of our Boys through the BB programme providing varied and interesting activities to aid learning through education, experience and social responsibility all relative to the varying age groups with which we work.

We continue to encourage Boys to give of their best and we currently have five Boys of the Company Section working to achieve the Brigade's highest award, the Queen's Badge, and a further two will be awarded their President's Badge at our thanksgiving service on Sunday 17th May 2015.

Strong in spirit, good in heart we continue to seek to advance Christ's Kingdom among our Boys and each of our Section staffs work ably and well to provide interesting programmes in which all of our Boys can participate so it is important at this point that, whilst I have rightly praised the efforts and commitment of the staff of the past, I also acknowledge the sterling work done by the 268th Glasgow's staff of today who ensure that the Company remains a strong force for good in the local community.

George McMillan, Captain

Sunday School

Nathan Currie has been helping with the Sparklers and All Stars as part of his work for his Duke of Edinburgh award. He is seen here working with Mark Watchorn and Michael Craig; collectively preparing the next Sunday School newsletter -which we hope to have ready for the 17th of May.

The Sunday School are having a fun day on Saturday 20th June - 1 to 2 pm - and will then join with family and congregation for a balloon release to

celebrate the 150th Anniversary. There will also be a barbecue.

Sunday 21st June will be our prize giving during the morning service.



Brenda Diamond

Editor's Note: In the last period I was pleased to receive from Ian Miller, an item for consideration for inclusion in our church magazine. The item in question was a poem; which came with an accompanying note - part of which I include here by way of elucidation as Ian's motivation to pass on this piece.

*"I found this among the many cards which I received when my wife died and which I had not looked at since the day on which I received it.
... we have a small group of widowers in the church who have a weekly lunch date, so I passed this around for their comments. They all thought that it should be published as they, each, had got something from it".*

What is Dying?

*A ship sails and,
as I stand watching till she fades
on the horizon,
someone at my side says, "She is gone".*

*Gone where?
Gone from my sight, that is all.
She is just as large as when I saw her.*

*The diminished size
and total loss of sight is in me, not in her
and just at the moment
when someone at my side says, "She is gone".
there are others watching for her coming
and other voices take up the glad shout
"There she comes".*

That is dying

Flower Calendar – May 2015

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Springfield Cambridge Church

Sunday 3rd May

Worship at 11am

Sunday 10th May

Worship at 11am

Including the launch of our 150th Anniversary celebrations

Sunday 17th May

Worship at 11am

*Including an element of Thanksgiving to mark the
80th Anniversary of the 268 BGoys' Brigade Company*

Service at Callieburn Court at 2.30pm

Sunday 17th May

Pentecost Sunday

Springfield Cambridge, Cadder, Kenmure and Colston Wellpark

Churches will worship together at Colston Wellpark Church

Worship at 11am

Sunday 31st May

Worship at 11am