



The Springfield Cambridge Record



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He called a little child and had him stand among them. And he said: "I tell you the truth, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. *Matthew 18:2*

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***A word from our Minister.....*Parish Grouping News**

After many long months of negotiations, the Presbytery of Glasgow has now advised us that the congregations of Cadder, Kenmure, Colston Wellpark will all vote on the enlargement of our existing Parish Grouping to incorporate Colston Wellpark into a new Parish Grouping on **Sunday 23rd. November, 2014.**

The background to this is as follows:

THE BISHOPBRIGGS / COLSTON WELLPARK PARISH GROUPING

The Presbytery Plan for our area indicates that the Parish Grouping which already included the three Bishopbriggs Church of Scotland congregations should be expanded to include Colston Wellpark. The staffing for the new grouping consists of three Ministers of Word and Sacrament and an Ordained Local Minister.

The Basis of Parish Grouping has been considered and voted on and agreed by the four Kirk Sessions. The next step requires the approval by the congregations. The Basis is printed below and will be circulated to all members prior to the vote. The explanatory notes in italics will also be circulated:

BASIS OF PARISH GROUPING:

Cadder, Kenmure, Springfield Cambridge and Colston Wellpark churches

In accordance with the Presbytery Plan for Glasgow, the congregations of **Cadder, Bishopbriggs Kenmure, Springfield Cambridge and Colston Wellpark** shall form a Parish Grouping on and that on the following terms and conditions:

1. **NAME:** The name of the Parish Grouping shall be Bishopbriggs/Colston Wellpark or such as the congregations shall determine.
2. **TERRITORIAL RESPONSIBILITY:** The bounds to be served by the Parish Grouping shall be the combined Parishes of the participating congregations or as Presbytery may determine.
3. **PROPERTY AND FUNDS:** The property and funds belonging to or held on behalf of each congregation shall remain the property and funds of each congregation. Contributions to the financial costs in regards to the work of the Parish Grouping shall be in proportion to the Central Allocation of each congregation.

4. **KIRK SESSIONS:** The Kirk Sessions shall continue their present status and authority. Each participating Kirk Session shall appoint two of its members, together with the Ministry Team, to form a Development Group. The Development Group shall be moderated by a member of the Ministry Team by rota and shall have the task of promoting and co-ordinating the common work of the Parish Grouping. The Development Group shall have the power to co-opt additional members as it sees fit. The Kirk Sessions shall meet together at least twice in each calendar year.
5. **MINISTRY TEAM:** The Ministry Team shall consist of the Church of Scotland staff specified by the Presbytery Plan.
6. **STIPENDS AND SALARIES:** The stipends and salaries shall be as sanctioned by the Presbytery in conjunction with the Council of Assembly of the General Assembly.
7. **AREAS OF CO-OPERATION:** The Parish Grouping commits itself to working collaboratively in the following:
 - Worship
 - Mission
 - Service
 - Fellowship
 - Learning through faith and prayer
8. **VACANCY PROCEDURE:** This Parish Grouping constitutes a Team Ministry (in terms of Act VIII 2003 Para 14.3) and therefore in the event of a vacancy, up to two representatives will be appointed by Presbytery to serve on a Nominating Committee.
9. **POWER TO ADJUST:** While the articles and terms shall form the Basis of Parish Grouping for the congregations now agreeing, the congregations shall be free like any other congregation to agree to adjust arrangements under the authority of Presbytery as need may arise.

Clause 2 – The existing parish boundaries are unchanged.

Clause 3 – Each congregation continues to have the right to administer its own finances and the responsibility to maintain its own buildings. No individual congregation should expect financial support from another within the grouping nor will it be required to offer such support.

The cost of joint projects will be shared by the four congregations in proportion to their Ministries and Mission allocations.

Clause 4 – The Development Group will take responsibility for planning shared activity and these plans are subject to the approval of individual Kirk Sessions.

Clause 5 – As stated above, the staffing for the new grouping consists of the three Ministers of Word and Sacrament presently inducted to Bishopbriggs Kenmure, Bishopbriggs Springfield Cambridge and Cadder and an Ordained Local Minister. The OLM will share in ministry across the parish grouping, but will principally minister to the members and parish of Colston Wellpark Church. Line management of the OLM will be the responsibility of the interim moderator of Colston Wellpark who will be one of the ministers from within the Grouping.

Clause 6 – This does not change the current position.

Clause 7 – This is a very wide-ranging list but the particular areas of cooperation will be defined by the Development Group and agreed by each Kirk Sessions.

Clause 8 – There will, however, always be a majority of members of the vacant congregation on the nominating committee. This procedure was followed in the Bishopbriggs Grouping when Rev. Jim Gemmell was called to Kenmure and worked satisfactorily.

Clause 9 – This simply provides for changes to be made in the basis of Grouping with the agreement of the four Kirk Sessions and congregations and Presbytery.

Members are encouraged to be at Church on Sunday 23rd. November, 2014 for this important congregational meeting, at which I will attempt to explain the background and process, and respond to any questions before the congregational vote itself which will be overseen by representatives of Presbytery.



LOOKING FORWARD

Vestry Hour - Wednesday mornings at 10 am

Should anyone wish to see the Minister, Mr. Taylor, will be available on the **5th, 12th, 26th November, 2014** from 10-11 am. Should you wish to see him at another time, please contact him 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.

On **Sunday 2nd November, 2014** we will welcome New Communicants into our congregation during a Service for the Public Profession of Faith.

On **Sunday 9th November, 2014** (Remembrance Sunday) Our Service will start at the earlier time of 10.45 a.m. The Uniformed Organisations will join us that morning. There will be a Retiring Collection in aid of the Earl Haig Fund. Following our Service, there will be a second short Service at the Community Centre (at approx. 12.45, assemble at 12.30), on Auchinairn Road, before the Wreath Laying at the War Memorial across the road. A similar Service will be held at the War Memorial at Bishopbriggs Cross.



On **Tuesday 11th November, 2014**, there will be short acts of Remembrance at 11am at the War Memorial on Auchinairn Road and at the War Memorial at Bishopbriggs Cross.

There will **not** be a Service at Callieburn Court in November this month. The next Service will be on **Sunday 14th December, 2014 at 2.30 pm**. This 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.



On **Sunday 16th November, 2014**, there will be a Service of Dedication for the Church of Scotland Guild.

On **Sundays 23rd and 30th November, 2014** we will celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Baptism





LOOKING BACK

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.*

Wednesday 1st October 2014

Mrs Elizabeth G Cargen,
84 Springfield Road

Saturday 4th October 2014

Mrs Margaret Speirs,
Mavisbank Nursing Home

Tuesday 7th October 2014

Mrs Margaret S Stewart,
211 Kirkintilloch Road

Friday 10th October 2014

Mr Alexander Lawson,
48 Meadowburn

Friday 10th October 2014

Mrs Isobel Galbraith,
10 Stirling Gardens

Tuesday 21st October 2014

Mr Henry (Harry) Horn,
18 Villafield Drive

FLOWER CALENDAR – NOVEMBER

Mrs S Struthers 772 7422

Mrs M McKinnon 772 5857

Mrs M Myles, Mrs E Allison (11th), Mrs M Manson, Mrs J McMillan, Mrs S McDougall, Mrs H Wood.

The Guild

The ladies of the Guild were enthusiastic in their support of the jewellery sale held on 6th October and Mr Fraser gave a generous donation to our chosen Guild Project for this year which is Out of Africa into Malta. On 20th October the ladies were greatly entertained by Andrea MacLean with stories from her life. Andrea wrote the music for the hymn Look Forward in Faith and has spent her life as a music teacher, church organist, choir mistress and musical director of theatrical productions. Her tales of a life fully committed to music laced with a generous helping of humour kept the ladies in stitches and in many cases tears of laughter!

On 3rd November we look forward to a talk on The Scottish Dialect and on 17th November we are hosting our fellow Guild members from Cadder and Kenmure churches when we will be entertained by The Columban Singers. Members of the Guild would be delighted to welcome any members of the congregation would like to join their fellowship on alternate Mondays in the Springfield Hall.

Joyce Macmillan, Joint Secretary

Sunday School

On Sunday 23rd November the Sunday school will be serving rolls with sausage/bacon. We look forward to members of the congregation joining us after the service. Please come along and support us.

Our Christmas parties this year will be on Saturday 13th December 2-00 - 4-00 pm.

The Bible Wayfinders and Sunday schools will take part in the Nativity Service on Sunday 21st December.

Brenda Diamond

PRE-CHRISTMAS SHOPPING MORNING **with the launch of the CHURCH RECIPE BOOK**



On **Saturday 18th October**, the Fundraising Group launched the **150th Anniversary Recipe Book** along with a **Pre-Christmas Shopping Sale, Home Baking Stall and Tearoom** with a **taster session** of some of the delicious **cakes and traybakes** from our **Recipe Book**. With the marvellous support from the Congregation and other visitors at the event we raised **£1058.80 including Gift Aid for Church Funds**. In addition, the **300 Recipe Books** which were printed have now all been sold at a profit of **£957 for the 150th Anniversary Fund**.

We are at present awaiting a **second print** of the **Recipe Books** priced **£6** each, and are continuing to take orders for these on **Sunday mornings** in the **Hall of Fellowship** or by **contacting any member of the Fund Raising Group**. This will provide another opportunity to purchase a book if you missed out the first time. They will be available **mid-November** and would make excellent **Christmas presents**.



A big thank you again from all of us to those who supported and helped at the event and made it a great success





Rhona and I would like to thank everyone for their kind gifts, cards flowers and well wishes after the birth of baby Noah they were all greatly appreciated thank you very much

Rhona and Stephen Millar



Treasurer's Report

Further to last month's article, I am pleased to say that we have now received settlement from HMRC of the Q4 2013 General Fund Tax Claim of £4,529.61 along with the Q1 2014 General Fund claim of £4,764.42.

To date in 2014 our Open Plate Offerings total £6,120 and while all contributions to church funds are much appreciated, if we as a congregation were able to Gift Aid half of this we would be able to claim another £765 in Tax Recoveries. Gift Aid has no commitment for any fixed amount to be given over a period of time and is a great way for us to make your offerings go further. If you would be interesting in finding out more about Gift Aid then please do not hesitate to contact our Gift Aid Convenor, David Lockhart or myself. Our contact details are on the inside front cover of this magazine.

As you see from the figures below the deficit on the General Fund for the year-to-date is £7,409. I anticipate the deficit will reduce further over the next few weeks and that our year end General Fund 2014 will be in line with our budgeted figures.

The Trustees recently approved the creation a new fund to be included in the accounts. The fund is called the "150 Fund" with the purpose being to receive money from individuals or events held in connection with the 150th Anniversary of Springfield Cambridge Church. Funds will be utilised for items/events at the sole discretion of the Kirk Session and Congregational Board. In the event of the winding up of the fund all money will be credited to the Church Fabric Fund.

The Income and Expenditure figures for the year to 19th October as against budget on the General Fund are as follows: -

Income from Offerings	£	£
ACTUAL	BUDGET	
FWO Scheme	16,592	16,852
Open Plate	6,120	6,629
Gift Aid	59,583	57,600
Tax Recovered	4,764	14,400
Total	87,059	95,481
 Other Ordinary Gen Income	 20,375	 18,063
TOTAL ORD GEN INCOME	107,434	113,544
 GENERAL EXPENDITURE	 114,843	 111,528
 Deficit for Year to date	 (7,409)	

Jim Kerr, Treasurer

Recycle for Profit

This on-going exercise has not had a mention in the magazine for a wee while – but now seems a very apt occasion to mention again as we have just passed the £1000 mark in terms of cash raised through this initiative. And every penny raised goes direct to church funds – as the supply of items has been steadily on-going it means we have been able to batch items to take advantage of ‘free delivery’ rates. In the past period, £48 cash raised through sale of CDs and DVDs and a cheque for £52 for sale of ink cartridges have been passed to Mr Kerr, our Church Treasurer. So a sincere thank you is extended to all who have contributed items over the two year length of this project. And all we can conclude with is to say again – please keep the items coming! One CD or one DVD or one ink cartridge all add up to the benefit of church funds. The boxes remain in position in the Hall of Fellowship to receive your donations. And thank you again for your appreciated on-going support.

James and Kenneth Robertson

Thomas Muir (The Younger of Huntershill)



2015 is the 150th anniversary of the opening of what we now call Springfield Cambridge Church. The original name was actually Cadder Free Church. Many of its members had been members of Cadder Church prior to the Disruption in 1843. So it is clear that we at Springfield Cambridge can share the history and heritage of Cadder Church prior to that date.

In addition to 2015 being the 150th anniversary of our church it is also the 250th anniversary of the birth of Thomas Muir, the great radical reformer. Muir, who resided at Huntershill House, was a Cadder Church elder. This is hardly surprising as he had studied Divinity at the University of Glasgow prior to obtaining a law degree from Edinburgh University. His legal knowledge enabled him to successfully defeat the Heritors when they tried to impose a minister on Cadder Church against the will of the congregation.

In addition to practising law, Muir was one of the leaders of the Radical movement which looked to greatly extend the franchise and to improve the lot of the common people. Muir distributed pamphlets, conducted and spoke at many meetings and encouraged peaceful demonstrations. He also travelled to France to intercede for the life of the King and Queen. France had been at war since 1793. When Muir returned home he was arrested, tried for Treason and sentenced to fourteen years transportation to Australia.

In 1796 he escaped and sailed to America where he was well received. He attempted to return to Europe, was wounded in a sea battle, arrested and imprisoned in Spain. The Spanish authorities released him and he was given sanctuary in France, where he died in 1798. Quite a man and we can claim him as part of our heritage.

Bill Findlay

Girls' Brigade

On Tuesday 25th September we as a company held our first Fun Night for the girls. What a fun filled night it turned out to be. Firstly they had games in the Springfield Hall the girls were put into teams with two Brigaders as leaders of each team, then Juniors and Explorers were put into their teams and then the fun began.

At the end of that session they were all exhausted. Then everyone went down to the Springfield Hall where they were told there were four boxes

Filled with very expensive paper and material with which they had to build a Church, as our own Church is going to celebrate its 150th birthday, and our theme this year is 150 years of Springfield Cambridge. The Brigader leader opened the box and what a surprise it was filled with scrap paper of all colours and pieces of old material. Each table was then asked to build a Church to commemorate our 150 years. At the end of the session we had four completely different style churches, if you were at Church the following Sunday they were displayed on the Chancel for everyone to see. It just proves what can be done with rubbish?

After all that hard work we again went up to the Springfield Hall, finished with more games, tuck shop and home

Our next fun night will be our Halloween Party in November with more games but no waste paper and material

Margaret Cuthbert, Captain

Church Photographs

A sincere thank you is also extended to those who have contributed photographic items; some interesting 'memories' have been received. The box to accept photographs is still in place in the Hall of Fellowship; but if anyone has items they would prefer to be collected, then please 'phone me on 772 1323 – I'm pleased to make 'house calls'!

James Robertson

100th Anniversary of the Commencement of World War 1

Remembrance Sunday this year takes on a particular significance, 2014 marking 100 years since the outbreak of World War 1. “The war to end all wars” - which alas it was not.

Our front cover photograph this month also, therefore, takes on particular significance. Showing, as it does, the War Memorial at Auchinairn – with church and politics represented – whilst surrounded by pupils from Auchinairn Primary School - with a young lass in centre position. For truly this represents “For your tomorrow we gave our today”

Some from the church may, just, remember a service preached from our own pulpit by the Rev Frank Haughton that was based squarely on one of the war poems of Studdert Kennedy – “Woodbine Willie” as he was known to the troops in the front line trenches where he led Sunday services – or Rev Geoffrey Anketell Studdert Kennedy, MC to give him his proper name. Here follows his poem “To Stretcher Bearers”; with its profound conclusion from Matthew 25:40

Easy does it — bit o' trench 'ere,
Mind that blinkin' bit o' wire,
There's a shell 'ole on your left there,
Lift 'im up a little 'igher.
Stick it, lad, ye'll soon be there now,
Want to rest 'ere for a while?
Let 'imdahn then — gently — gently,
There ye are, lad. That's the style.
Want a drink, mate? 'Ere's my bottle,
Lift 'is 'ead up for 'im, Jack,
Put my tunic underneath 'im,
'Ow's that, chummy? That's the tack!
Guess we'd better make a start now,
Ready for another spell?
Best be goin', we won't 'urt ye,
But 'e might just start to shell.
Are ye right, mate? Off we goes then.
That's well over on the right,
Gawd Almighty, that's a near 'un!
'Old your end up good and tight,
Never mind, lad, you're for Blighty,
Mind this rotten bit o' board.

We'll soon 'ave ye tucked in bed, lad,
'Opes ye gets to my old ward.
No more war for you, my 'earty,
This'll get ye well away,
Twelve good months in dear old Blighty,
Twelve good months if you're a day,
M.O.'s got a bit o' something
What'll stop that blarsted pain.
'Ere's a rotten bit o' ground, mate,
Lift up 'igher — up again,
Wish 'e'd stop 'is blarstedshellin'
Makes it rotten for the lad.
When a feller's been and got it,
It affec's 'im twice as bad.
'Ow's it goin' now then, sonny?
'Ere's that narrow bit o' trench,
Careful, mate, there's some dead Jerries,
Lawd Almighty, what a stench!
'Ere we are now, stretcher-case, boys,
Bring him aht a cup o' tea!
Inasmuch as ye have done it
Ye have done it unto Me.

Rev Geoffrey Anketell Studdert Kennedy

We can but continue to pray and hope that the prophetic words from the Old Testament as contained within Isaiah 2:4 may yet come to pass: “And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more”.



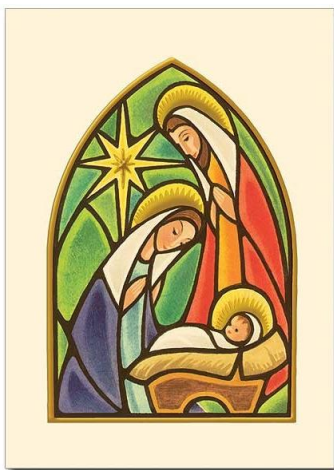
Lodging House Mission



With Christmas looming ever closer make the choice of your Christmas Cards this year easy by choosing the Lodging House Mission cards which will be on sale in the Hall of Fellowship from Sunday October 26th. Also on sale will be meal deal vouchers which entitle the holder to a meal at the Lodging House.

Please support this worthy cause.

Christine Mackintosh



Christmas Cards

Back by popular demand, the Company Section will be delivering Christmas Cards round Bishopbriggs again this year. The post box will be in the Hall of Fellowship from Sunday 30th November to Monday 15th December at a cost of 20p per card. Can you please put the full address including postcode on the envelope so we can find the correct house/flat easily.

Thanks,

John Armour

Front Cover Photograph

We would express here, our sincere thanks to Auchinairn Primary School for their kind permission to include their photograph of the Auchinairn Primary School children in attendance at the Auchinairn War Memorial

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Springfield Cambridge Church

Dates for November 2014

Sunday 2nd November

Worship at 11am

*Including the Admission of New Communicants
through Public Profession of Faith*

Sunday 9th November

Worship commences at **10.45am**

Remembrance Sunday

Sunday 16th November

Worship at 11am

Including Dedication for the Church of Scotland Guild

Sunday 23rd November

Worship at 11am

Including the Sacrament of Baptism

Sunday 30th November

Worship at 11am

Including the Sacrament of Baptism