

# The Springfield Cambridge Record



"The Last Supper"

Stuart Duffin R.S.A.

Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. 1 Corinthians 11:28

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### A word from our Minister....

# the inter connectedness of all things...

In a recent TV program, 'Dirk Gently', a private investigator and his assistant attempt to solve mysteries through the application of physics to their problems. Gently believes that the answer to any problem lies in the inter connectedness of all things.

During a reflective group meeting at a local primary school, I told the staff the story of Aidan, a monk who was sent from Iona, to Oswald, King of Northumbria to help share the Christian faith. King Oswald had known Aidan from his youth when the King had been an exile on Iona, and Aidan was a young monk. Oswald said of Aidan, "He helped me to see how to be a practical Christian and turn my faith into action...He's genuine through and through, is Aidan. There's no difference between what he teaches and what he is."

Over the past few weeks on a Sunday we have read from the Letter of James. Many of those passages have spoken of the importance of faith in action. Or as we might say in the Church – the integrity of life and faith. Of the need to practise what we preach. For most of us that is a high calling and a daily challenge.

As I prepared to leave the primary school reflective group after a time of prayer, a teacher said, "Look, Ian, do you see whose desk you have been sitting at this morning?" The name tag read, "Aidan". Now that's what I call the inter connectedness of all things.

Truly God is all, in all.

Rev Ian Taylor

# Sanctuary mullions

Work on the mullions is now scheduled to begin on the exterior of the building on Monday  $1^{\text{st}}$ . October, with internal works beginning a week later on Monday  $8^{\text{th}}$ . October after our Service of Holy Communion. There will be some disruption to the gallery area and to the rear pews of the Church while the work is underway, but we hope that the disruption will be kept to a minimum.



# Looking back...

### Local Church Review (LCR)

The final report of the Presbytery representatives who conducted the LCR was presented to Presbytery on September  $11^{th}$  2012. The report itself was a favourable. There were five main recommendations which were approved by the Presbytery of Glasgow:

### "Recommendations for Five Year Plan

The Minister, Office Bearers and members are to be commended for having put together a 'Development Plan' which is comprehensive and challenging. The PSD Team feel that there are adequate material and achievable goals within it for them to work on for the next five years. However we would by their own prioritising recommend five steps for them to work towards over the next five years:

- (1) Develop a Home Visitation Policy: this would entail training members and office bearers who would have the appropriate skills for such work. This might include counselling training and bereavement follow up visits.
- (2) Members are already generous in providing and helping with transport but feel they need to develop and co-ordinate a Transport Policy to ensure non drivers have the option of transport to and from the church as required.

- (3) The congregation is at this time involved in an ecumenical Bible Study group which is of much advantage to them but feel they need to introduce a new Bible Study/Prayer Group to further develop the enthusiasm and interest in this aspect of the congregation's life expressed by some of the members.
- (4) Review committee structure in light of congregation's expected needs over the next five years. This may involve exploring the avenue of adopting the Unitary Constitution which could bring about an inclusive approach with a Session only and a committee structure which can encourage and nurture the skills not only of elders but non elders too.
- (5) Seek to work with the other congregations of their Parish Grouping in contributing to and delivering an Outreach Programme for their area; by this they will strengthen this grouping and could explore the possibility of a shared youth worker who could liaise with the local schools and the secondary school chaplaincy team."

The concluding paragraph of the report had this to say: "They are to be commended for their vision, faith and commitment to the work and mission of the Church as a congregation, contributing towards the life of the Presbytery and to the wider work of the witness and life of the Church of Scotland as a whole. The very fact that they embarked upon a Christian Commitment Plan shows that they are prepared to grapple with the issues and challenges that face the church today. This is a happy congregation and the Presbytery should give them and their minister all the encouragement they can to continue their good work."

Should anyone wish to see the full report, please contact Mr Taylor and a copy of the full report can be issued.



# Looking ahead...

Vestry Hour - Wednesday mornings at 10 am

Should anyone wish to see the Minister, Mr Taylor, will be available on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>., 24<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2012 from 10 - 11 am. Should you wish to see him at another time, please contact him on (20141 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. There is no need for anyone to make a contribution if they do not wish to do so. Following this meeting the ecumenical Bible Study meets in the Chapel at 7.30pm, which is open to all and for all.

**Back to Church Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2012.** For the second year, we will dedicate a Sunday to this venture. You are invited to extend an invitation to a member of your family, a friend or neighbour, to come with you to our Church. Our friends at Cadder and Kenmure Churches will be running a similar event. This **Back to Church Sunday** coincides with our celebration of the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2012 at 11am (Church) and 3pm (Cambridge Chapel). There will be Retiring Collection after each Service in aid of the Kirk Session Benevolent Fund.

There will be a Service at Callieburn Court on Sunday 14th. October

**2012 at 2.30 p.m.** 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.





On Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October, 2012, there will be a Service of Dedication for the Boys' and Girls' Brigade.



### **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.

Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> August, 2012	Mrs Bessie Wearing
	Mavisbank Nursing Home
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> September, 2012	Mrs Peggy Borthwick
	4 Brodick Square
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> September, 2012	Mr Alex Strachan
	17 Muirpark Drive

### **Treasurer's Report**

The Income and Expenditure figures for the year to 14<sup>th</sup> September as against budget on the General Fund are as follows: -

Income from Offerings	£	£
-	ACTUAL	BUDGET
FWO Scheme	13,652	16,474
Open Plate	5,722	5,593
Gift Aid	47,486	47,949
Tax Recovered	5,368	11,987
Total	72,228	82,003
Other Ordinary Gen Income	14,396	13,160
TOTAL ORD GEN INCOME	86,624	95,163
GENERAL EXPENDITURE	90,692	93,241
Deficit for Year to date	(4,068)	

Jim Kerr, Treasurer

### **Fair Trade**

A Fair Trade table will be open <u>before</u> and <u>after</u> the service on **Sunday 14th October**. Please give us a visit and see what we have in stock and hopefully we will have something to suit you.

We look forward to seeing you in the Hall of Fellowship on the 14th.

Anne Crooks and Mary Johnstone

### The Guild

On our opening night we were entertained by Isobel and Graeme, who encouraged us to join in with their programme of singing and keyboard playing. They were excellent and as I looked around, everyone was singing and smiling and seemed to be thoroughly enjoying themselves. We had a great attendance for our 1<sup>st</sup> night and welcomed eight new members. At our next meeting we will be given a talk on "Growing up in Springburn" by Bill Gilmartin. Anyone wishing to become a member of the Guild will be made most welcome. Our meeting start at 7.30.p.m.

Carol Milliken, Joint Secretary

### Men's Club

The Men's Club will resume on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October at 7.30 pm in Cadder Church, South Halls. All gentlemen of the Congregation are welcome to join the Meeting when Colin McDougal will give a talk entitled 'Life or Death – a Matter of Management'.

On Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October the first of the Games Afternoons start in the South Halls at 2 pm. The games consist of Carpet Bowls, Table Tennis and Snooker. A warm welcome awaits everyone who wishes to attend. (Games Afternoons – Monday 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> October).

On Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October we meet in the South Halls at 7.30 pm when John Burnett will give a talk on 'The Life and times of a Militia Man'. Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October we hold one of our popular Games Nights at 7.30 pm in Cadder Church, South Halls.

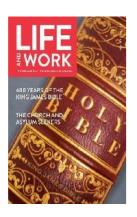
George Graham

My family and I wish to take this opportunity of expressing our appreciation and thanks to everyone for the many kind messages of sympathy and support which we received during our recent difficult time. The large number of letters which I received expressing the high regard in which Ettie was held by so many people was a great comfort to us.

I know that many prayers were put up for Ettie and I, both in the Church and by individuals in their own homes, especially when we were both in Hospital, and I thank you all.

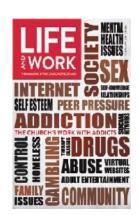
Particularly I want to express my sincere appreciation and thanks to the Rev Ian Taylor for his kindness and support throughout this long difficult period, not only at the time of Ettie's passing, but especially for his diligent regular visits to Ettie and myself in Hospital. Visits which I personally found comforting.

Jim Halliday



### **Life & Work 2013**

A letter will be enclosed with the October 2012 issue to all existing subscribers requesting payment of £19.44 by 4<sup>th</sup> November 2012 if they wish to continue receiving the magazine in 2013. The cover price will rise to £2.00 from January 2013 and by paying for the full year in advance you can save 19% on the full price.



Jim Kerr, Treasurer

### Girls' Brigade

The Company restarted on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> August, this being our first night we held a games night which the Explorers' enjoyed. The Junior Section welcomed the Explorers' who moved up last session. We have no new Brigaders as yet. The total number of girls' at present is 50, we hope this will increase during the session; everyone would be made most welcome

At present we have the following events taking part:

Two Warrant Officers starting their officers' training shortly; two Warrant Officers taking their Queen's Badge; one Brigader doing part three of the specialised training; five Brigaders taking part two of the specialised training and one Brigader taking part one of the specialised training. The Officers' have just finished their Specialised Training

We would like to wish Victoria Gray every success in the next part of her Nursing Career. Victoria is at present finishing her nursing career in Edinburgh. She hopes to specialise in the nursing of sick children.

Margaret Cuthbert, Captain

# Flower Calendar October 2012

### Distributors

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Mr I Millar (16<sup>th</sup>); Mrs M Kinloch; Mrs J McGowan; Mrs E McEwan

### "Share with God's people who are in need" Romans 12:13

Harvest Thanksgiving – over in a flash.... Or is it?

The Service on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> September may have finished, but the "harvest" from the message goes on. Seeds of love are sown as we reach out to others through the sharing of our goods and money.

It began on Saturday with members of the Flower Committee giving of their time to bring greenery and flowers from their gardens. Soon the Church was decorated with this "harvest". Then produce grown elsewhere arrived from donors.

On Sunday, our tables filled with donations from the Congregation. The climax of Giving was reached when the children placed their gifts on the table. The music filled the Church and all joined in worship.

Through music and verse, scripture and story, the meaning of harvest – not only in material goods – opened before us. A message of love through thoughtfulness and sharing. Thank you to all who brought it to us.

After the Service, all goods were packed and members of the Congregation took on delivery to the appropriate places. Thank you to all who were willing to do this. The monetary offering of £350.91 has been sent to Cross Reach (Church of Scotland Social Responsibility). Once again our Church family gave generously and made it all possible.

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# "Whoever sows generously will also reap generously" 2 Corinthians

God Bless

Anne Harvey, Flower Convenor

### **Sunday School and Harvest**

I would like to thank the children of the Sunday School/Bible Wayfinders for their harvest gifts and their participation in the service. They all did very well, as did Mr Taylor with the story for the children, I know he captivated the children and I am sure many of the adults with his north west and southern wind sounds.

A big thank you to the Sunday school staff for their hard work setting up before the service and serving and clearing up after the service. Thank you to all who joined us and we do hope you enjoyed your roll with sausage/bacon apologies to those who missed out. We will make sure we order more supplies for the next time. We raised the sum of £271 for Sunday school funds. Thank you all for being so generous. I would also like to thank Jim Tonner for all his help.

We will now be looking towards Christmas and will soon be starting preparations for our parts in the Nativity service.

Brenda Diamond, Sunday School Superintendent



A pictorial montage showing just some of the members of the Flower Committee ... and the splendid results of the input of all members to the Harvest Service



### This Month's Cover . . .

Second in our series of "Contemporary Art featured within Churches", this month we feature a splendid painting by Stuart Duffin R.S.A. This updated version on the Last Supper hangs prominently above the chancel area within Langside Parish Church. A 'man o'pairts', not only is Stuart a distinguished artist he is also an accomplished musician and plays with *Sons of Thunder*, a Christian music group who supply the music for weekly worship at Langside Church.



The artist and his son, Joe, install the painting – panel by panel

The reduced scale of the illustration on the front cover of this magazine cannot, and does not, do the picture justice — being, as it is, a work 12 foot long - oil on canvas. It truly has to be appreciated *in situ*. Likewise, editorial space available cannot reflect on all the elements and characters contained within the picture. That said, there is a full commentary on the picture contained within the 'Visual Arts' section of the church's website:

http://www.langsidechurch.co.uk. (For those who do not have access to a computer and would like to read about the painting, then please contact myself and I will be pleased to download and supply).

James Robertson

**Bread and Wine** are probably the most obvious of the symbols used and are central to the "Last Supper" story.



And for those interested to know more about Sons of Thunder www.sonsofthunder.co.uk/spreading God's grace through music

### Tour of the Church, *continued* . . .

### The Chalmers Window

Our tour of the church continues with a visit to the Springfield Chapel and The Chalmers Window contained therein. I am indebted to Mr Bill Findlay for the following history of the window.



Mr Chalmers was a Springfield Church elder and his wife a member of the Deacons' Court (this is now the Congregational Board) during the 1930s and 40s.

They had three children, Janette who died in early years, Drew who died of peritonitis while still at primary school and Mary, a nurse and Life Boy leader who died in her early 20s, during the Second World War. Mr and Mrs Chalmers continued to serve the church and presented it with a stained glass window in memory of their children. This window now stands in the Memorial Chapel. It was Mrs Chalmers who proposed the building of the Cameron Hall at a Congregational meeting in 1947. Mr Chalmers died in 1950 but Mrs Chalmers

continued to serve the church for many years thereafter.

# Christian Friendship Fellowship

What is the CFF? The CFF is a registered charity which, since 1975, has been providing opportunities for single Christians (widowed, divorced, Separated or never married) to meet for fellowship in local groups.

Some groups meet weekly, others fortnightly, some monthly, and activities may comprise Bible Studies, meals out, quizzes, visits to places of interest, theatres, discussions, rambles, DVD evenings, Prayer and Praise, Bring and Share meals, games afternoons, ten pin bowling ... the list is as varied as the members!

Annual membership at present costs £10. This entitles a member to attend any CFF Group meeting and to receive the "News and Views" booklet four times a year and to join a circular letter scheme (not pen friendship) if unable to attend a local group.

Many CFF members say that members of the group become like their family and over the 35 years plus years the CFF has been in existence a number of people have made close friends – or married people they met there.

If you wish further details, please e-mail **cffenquiry@aol.com** or phone 0141 334 0009 between 9.30am and 2pm or between 6pm and 10pm. (am answer phone is available if there is no reply between those times). The CFF website is at **www.christianfriendshipfellowship.org.uk** and it gives details of many local programmes over a three month period.



CFF - Christian Friendship Fellowship
Companionship and First-class Friendship!
Chat, Fellowship, Food!
Come For Fun!
Try it out and see what you think

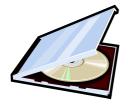
# Recycle for Profit

### An Update Questions and Answers Session

- Q. So this "Recycle for Profit" thing is it still on going?
- A. We have been asked this question a couple of times of late and the answer is a clear and categorical **YES!** 
  - As stated at the outset we are in this for the long haul.
- Q. Well how are we doing? Is it of benefit to the church?
- A. I am sure Mr Kerr, our excellent Church Treasurer, would answer this with an equally clear and categorical YES!
  In the past year this project has raised £532 on behalf of church funds.
  That's right over £500. So you can see why we are saying we are in it for the "long haul" for the benefit of our church. So please keep 'em coming.
- Q. Is it still the same items- CDs, DVDs, 'Phones and Ink Cartridges?
- A. "If it 'aint broke, don't fix'it" we are now well settled to the areas and markets where we can achieve best financial returns for no-longerrequired CDs and DVDs (in plastic cases), second hand 'phones and spent ink cartridges. So, again – please – keep 'em coming.
- Q. I now only occasionally have the odd one or two CDs/DVDs to hand over and spent ink cartridges are only available once in a while. Do you still want just "penny numbers"?
- A. The way the various markets work is that payment comes for "grouped" items. At present we are sitting with just over £14 worth of ink cartridges we need another £11 pounds worth to make-up an order. Likewise we currently have two cased DVDs in hand but we need another eight before we can process an order. So the answer to the question is that just one single solitary item dropped in to the appropriate receptacle in the Hall of Fellowship takes us another step forward to being able to present another cheque to the Church Treasurer. So small or large numbers all are of benefit to our church. What can we say? Other than please keep 'em coming!

With sincere and genuine thanks to all who have kindly donated items to date – it has truly helped your church.

James and Kenneth Robertson









### The Boys' Brigade - Company Section

A lot has happened since our last article in the magazine. In April the company took great delight in presenting, during morning worship, a President's Badge to Euan Russell. Euan is now working towards his Queen's Badge, so we congratulate Euan for his success and wish him well in his next endeayour.

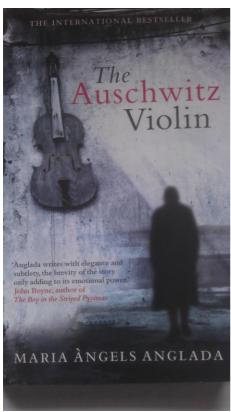
Back in May the Company Section went to Oban for a weekend camp. The weekend was excellent, although a little cold! The activities the boys participated in were sea kayaking, gorge walking, sea safari and a trip to Cruachan Power Station. The photos below show the boys had a great weekend. Although, don't be fooled by the sun, as stated, the weekend was a lot colder than it looks!

Our new session has begun. We have around 16 attending. with 2 seniors, Euan Russell and Chris McCarthy, working towards their Queen's Badge. Boys have already begun their badge work, which has varied from the practical first aid, to the essential Christian Faith, to the energetic trumpeting, to the wacky "how many baked beans can you eat with a cocktail stick in 2 minutes?" For anyone interested, the answer is 103 by Stephen Hughes, one of our Target Boys! What more daftness can we get up to? Watch this space!

Douglas Robertson



### **BOOK REVIEW** – The Auschwitz Violin by Maria Angels Anglada

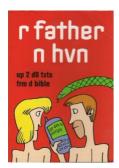


I have noticed that there seem to be a number of books about the atrocities perpetrated against the Jews during the Second World War by the Nazis. Think of The Invisible Bridge by Julie Orringer, or The Thread more recently by Victoria Hislop. Into this genre you could place this novel. This small book by the late Catalan author Maria Angels Anglada tells the story of Daniel a violin maker imprisoned in Auschwitz. The book was originally published in Catalan in 1994 while the author was still alive, but the sympathetic English translation did not emerge until 2010. I found it a compelling read; in fact, I read the book in a single day. The brevity and simple beauty language, of the accompanied by a story of great

hope make it an uplifting read. The horrors of the camp are not hidden, but are depicted in a subtle way. For anyone interested in music, or the craftsmanship of instrument makers, this is a real gem of a book. The beautiful power of music is a lovely counterpoint to the inhumanity of man, and you are left feeling, "in the end, a song lives." My song is love unknown.

Rev Ian Taylor.

# Do u no txt spk?



Or, in proper English – "do you know text speak?" That is, the new language born out of mobile 'phone text messaging. As a purist when it comes to the use of the Queen's English, I must admit I shudder at times with the messages (or rather – *msgs*) I receive on my 'phone. With no proper use of grammar or any sign of punctuation and at times totally indecipherable! But it's here to stay – with *gr8* for great, *1de*r for wonder, EZ for easy,2 for to and *U* for you and FR for forever, and so on it goes. But I was delighted to come across a little

book entitled "**r father n hvn**"; which translates as "Our Father in Heaven" which includes "*up 2 d8 txts frm d bible*" (up to date texts from the bible). The Christian faith is all about utilising all communication means possible to pass on the one true faith – so why not utilise contemporary mobile 'phone text language!

As an example from the book, The Lord's Prayer in text language starts off as;

dad@hvn,ur spshl we want wot u want &urth2b like hvn Giv us food&4giv r sins Lyk we 4giv uvaz.

(Truth be told – I prefer the poetic flow of the King James version).

Each month, in the *Record*, I will include a bible verse in text language for you, the reader, to "translate". So – bibles at the ready – we start with John 1: 1-5

B4 NEthin was the wrd.the word was wiv god & was god. Nuffin was made wivout him. Life-lite blazed outa darkness and nufin could put it out.



I will also include a cartoon drawing from the book – they are quite splendid!

James Robertson

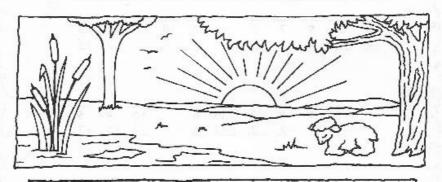
Finally – leading on from the Harvest Service centre page article – here is a puzzle that very much relates to Harvest for our church young folk to think about – and complete!

### In God's Pasture

# PSALM 95:7

God cares for you and keeps you safe, just as a shepherd takes care of his sheep. Find and circle the words from Psalm 95:7 in the puzzle.

FOR HE IS OUR GOD AND WE ARE THE PEOPLE OF HIS PASTURE. Psalm 95:7 NIV®



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# Springfield Cambridge Church Bishopbriggs

Services during the month of October 2012

# Sunday the 7<sup>th</sup> of October

The Sacrament of Holy Communion and Back to Church Sunday Service at 11am

The Sacrament of Holy Communion Service at 3pm in the Cambridge Chapel

# Sunday the 14<sup>th</sup> of October

Service at 11am

Afternoon Service at Callieburn Court at 2.30pm

Sunday the 21st of October

Service at 11am

Sunday the 28th of October

Service at 11am

Service of Dedication for the Boys' and Girls' Brigade