



The SpringfieldCambridge Record



Romans 12:2 - Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

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A word from our Minister -

light shines in earthenware pots (2 Corinthians 4:6-7)



After a recent Wednesday morning Service, over a cup of coffee or tea, sitting in the Hall of Fellowship, we were chatting about the pressures of modern day living. Of the stresses faced by those in work, of family difficulties, and of how suddenly when you least expect it, a 'crack' can open up in your life.

In my mind I imagine a house. Every time a crack appears in the wall, or damage in the house, I dash out to repair it as quickly as I can, like most of us would do, so that the inside of the house is protected and kept safe from the weather and the storms. And the Lord says to me, "This is what the Christian life is like. Whenever any cracks appear in the wall that has been built up around you over the years by the world and by yourself - you dash out and you fill in the cracks so that no one is able to see what is inside. But I want the world to be able to see what is inside. I want to be able to come in through the cracks into your life and I am not going to fill them up either, I am going to flow in and out of these cracks. So when you see the cracks appear in your life, do not rush out and fill them in. Let **ME** come in."

Why not look up 2 Corinthians, Chapter 4, verses 6-7, as you reflect on the image above which comes from Salisbury Cathedral, and look afresh at the cracks in your life, before you rush to do anything with them. You might just see things in a whole new light.

P.S. If this article has sparked a flame of curiosity and you have access to the internet, why not Google Salisbury Cathedral, and search for the Blog comment posted on 6/7/2014 by the Canon Precentor, Tom Clammer, entitled 'Jars of Clay but full of light.'

Rev Ian Taylor

LOOKING BACK

In the last magazine we reported on the successful Family Fun Day, Balloon Launch and Barbecue on the 20th. of June, and of the balloon labels which were returned to us from Menteith Avenue and Dalkeith.



After the magazine was printed we received a phone message from Gillian McGovern who found our balloon in Dalkeith. Gillian phoned the church office to confirm receiving her prize and to thank us. She informed the office that she had left the house that morning, not feeling in a great mood, when she came across the balloon. She said it brightened up her day. She was delighted with her prize. She also informed us that her church (St Peter's in Musselburgh) would be celebrating its 150th anniversary next year! Maybe we will receive one of their balloons!

Baptisms



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

Sunday 30th August, 2015

Lewis Christopher BLAIR

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 24th August, 2015

Mrs Elizabeth (Betty) Smith,
20 Westerhill Road

Wednesday 26th August, 2015

Mr Charles M. Moore,
37 Cleddens Court

Wednesday 9th September, 2015

Mr James (Jim) Brown,
21 The Rowans

Thursday 17th September, 2015

Mr David J. Hutchinson,
105 Woodhill Road

Doors Open Days *get into buildings!*

Open Doors Days, Saturday 12th September 2015 – for the first time we opened our doors

as part of East Dunbartonshire's Open Doors Day. This was a valuable training exercise for us for the second event we held on **Sunday 20th September, 2015**. Visitor numbers were not exceptional, but those who came over the threshold gave us very positive feedback, and we

hope to build on this in the future. **A huge thank you to all our tour guides, tea room staff and those who prepared the various materials we used during these days to explain just a little of who we are and what we do.**

At the close of our celebrations in October we will post on our website the materials we gathered and used for others to access and download for free. Copies of the DVD of the opening of the 'new church' will be available as a number of folk have asked for this. There will be a small charge for the DVD to cover production costs. Details to follow...



On Sunday 20th. September, 2015 the church was beautifully decorated for our Harvest Thanksgiving Service. We were able to leave these decorations in the church until the following day which meant that our second Open Doors Day Visitors could admire the sanctuary. Thank you to all who helped with the decorations, and to those who donated gifts and to those who distributed them afterwards.



At 3pm on Sunday 20th September, 2015 some of us were able to attend CadderChurch for our **first Joint Parish Grouping AFTERNOON Service.**

This Service was reflective in nature and also quite poignant as we said farewell to Rev. Graham Finch who retires on 4th. October, 2015. Various presentations were made to Graham and he has written to express his thanks to the Kirk Session and congregation for the gift of a Springfield Cambridge 150th Anniversary crystal paperweight.



LOOKING AHEAD

On **Sunday 4th October, 2015**, we will celebrate the **Sacrament of Holy Communion** at **11am and 3pm**. The Guest Preacher at the 11am Service will be Rev Donald R. Lawrie, M.A., B.D., Minister of Hamilton South linked with Quarter, one of our former Assistants.



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 11th October, 2015**. 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 25th October, 2015** our Anniversary celebrations draw to a close with a Dedication Service involving all our Organisations and members, followed by a light lunch in the halls.



The **Sunday School** will be providing Rolls and Sausage/Bacon after the Service on **Sunday 1st November 2015**.

Vestry Hour - Wednesday mornings at 10 am



Should anyone wish to see the Minister, Ian will be available on the **7th, 21st and 28th October 2015** from 10-11 am. Should you wish to see him at another time, please contact Ian on ☎0141 772 1540 or ✉itaylor@churchofscotland.org.uk and another arrangement can be made.

Mid Week Services - Cambridge Chapel 11.10 am

The Wednesday morning Service will be held in the Cambridge Chapel. The Cambridge Chapel will also be open Monday - Friday from 10 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.

News from the Congregational Board

In September, the Board reviewed our charges for staff costs for Weddings and Funerals. The previous scale of fees had not been revised for a number of years. The Following fees were approved by the Board and take effect from 1/9/2015.

Wedding costs - Organist £80, Church Officer £50, Cleaner £40 and Non Member Wedding Donation £100.

Funeral costs - Organist £80, Church Officer £50, Cleaner £40.

In future the fees for Weddings and Funerals will be discussed as part of the Halls Letting Meeting in June.



Relatives of one of our members, have recently begun work with the charity Mission Aviation Fellowship which serves the mission community and isolated people in some of the most remote parts of the developing world. The Knighton family are based in their Papua New Guinea programme. Why not have a look at their web page www.maf-uk.org/knighton.

65th Girls Brigade – Junior Section

The Junior section has 17 girls this session. Our educational subject is Ready Steady Cook, the girls will be making a recipe book and cooking various goodies on Tuesday evenings. First cooking session was Muffin Pizzas which they did very successfully. Our spiritual is Bread of Life, physical is Keep Fit as well as energetic games, we will be line dancing and are taking part in a sponsored walk in aid of Fresh Start this will be part of our service to others. A busy session planned.

Brenda Diamond



LODGING HOUSE MISSION

Once again we will be selling Christmas Cards and Meal Vouchers on behalf of the Lodging House Mission. These will be available in the Hall of Fellowship, every Sunday, from 25th October. *Christine Macintosh*

On the front cover this month . . .

As part of our 'walk down memory lane' for this our anniversary year, the splendid photograph on the front cover this month is of a Halloween Party that took place at Springfield Church, sometime in the late 1940s. The Minister at the time was the Rev Cameron – and he can be espied in the top row, 7th from the left. And he has entered in to the spirit of the occasion by coming dressed as . . . a Romany Gypsy, perhaps? . . . or something more of a nautical nature – a pirate, maybe?



For the girls, I count no fewer than eight nurses – all with “proper” nurse or matron head dresses. Amongst the boys, the one who intrigues me most is the young lad on the extreme left dressed as a kilted Scotsman. My “intrigue” part is the role played by the paint brush he is holding! An improvised sporrán, perhaps? Or an equally improvised beard? Either way - a splendid costume and I do sincerely trust he won a ‘spot prize’ for innovation!

The photograph on the cover shows 56 adults and children – all told, on the ‘actual photograph are over 70 adults and children. I had to select the central area only in order to ‘fit’ on to our cover. Along with the photograph, I was presented with a sheet containing a partial list of 44 named attendees.

I have run off the full size photograph on to glossy photograph paper. If anyone would like a copy of the full sized photograph (plus a copy of the partial list of names) then please see me in church on a Sunday morning or ‘phone me on 772 1323. I will be pleased to so supply.

James Robertson



Another word from our Minister -
Love divided multiplies = 150?

Many of you have already returned your 150th Anniversary Appeal envelopes - **thank you**. If you have not yet returned your envelope you can still do this before our final Service marking our Anniversary year on 25th October 2015.

Your Anniversary Appeal envelope can be placed in the Offering plate any Sunday, or if you have difficulties then please phone our Treasurer, Jim Kerr on ☎ 0141 772 6015 to arrange an uplift.

I hope in the November edition of the magazine to give an indication of the level of generosity marked by our members so far.

Happiness doesn't follow the laws of Mathematics. When you start dividing happiness among others, it actually multiplies.



65th Glasgow Girls' Brigade Company is taking part in a Table Top sale as a fundraiser for our company and also for Greater Glasgow Division. This will be a great opportunity to purchase some Christmas gifts. The sale takes place in Renfield St Stephens Church Bath Street on Saturday 7th November 11am - 2pm. There is also a cafe in the building that serves excellent lunches and afternoon tea. Please come along and support this event.

Brenda Diamond, Commissioner Greater Glasgow Division

268th Boys Brigade - Anchor Boys

The Anchor boys restarted in September after the summer break. We currently have 25 boys on the role. Over the summer time we promoted 11 boys to our Junior section. Although 25 boys is still a very strong section this is slightly down on numbers from the last few years when we have had 40 boys on our role. We still have capacity to take more boys. So if you know any boy in P1, P2 or P3 at school who you think would like our Anchor Boy Section please pass on our details.

Since our restart we have been busy with all our anchor boys. Our badge work is well under way with the P3 boys. Our new groups will be made up by the end of September with the boys choosing our group theme for the year. The boys can choose from Superheroes, Cartoons or Football teams. Our 5 new groups will also have 5 newly selected leading boys from our P3 boys & our group competition will start as well.

Our Primary 3 boys are currently working on an item for the church talent show at the end of October.

We have our Halloween party planned in for the 30th October.

Alan Kerr. Office in Charge

Anchor Boys email :

anchorboys268@aol.com

Web site www.gmuir.co.uk

Harvest

“Share with God’s people who are in need” *Romans 12 v 13*



As I looked around the Church this Harvest Festival time, I was surrounded by love. Love represented by the donations of produce and money adorning the tables.

Thank you for people who care; whose generosity surpasses all limits. Soon many will benefit from your unselfish Act of Giving. It is truly a blessing to belong to this Church Family.

Thank you to the Flower Committee who gave of their time to decorate the Church, fill the boxes and help to deliver them. Thank you too, to David Lockhart who took the boxes to the Lodging House Mission.

Your donations were gratefully received by not only the Lodging House Mission, but also Kirkhaven, Glasgow City Mission, Callieburn Care Home, RNIB (Bishopbriggs), Womens’ Aid and Marie Curie (Huntershill). The monetary donation of £421.69 has been sent to Cross Reach.

Thank you everyone for making it all possible.

May God’s Blessing be with you and yours.

Anne Harvey, Convenor

FLOWER CALENDAR – OCTOBER

Mrs M Jeffrey* *772 5415
Mrs J Campbell* *563 5404

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



How lovely it is to see the flowers along the veranda and at the door of the Church as we enter the car park. They are beautiful and it is all thanks to Robert Ditty that we can enjoy this view as he both provides and attends to them.

Thank you, Robert

The Guild

At our first meeting the ladies of the Guild were very interested in hearing about the year spent in the U.S.A. by Catherine and Ian Taylor while Ian was studying at Princeton and Catherine was on the Fulbright Teacher Exchange Program. They told us of the important role their St. Andrews Presbyterian Church family played in supporting them particularly Catherine in what was a challenging but interesting year. They spoke of the lifelong friendships they made in the church which made them welcome. We thank them both for sharing their experiences with us.

Our scheduled speaker for 21st September was unable to come and I am extremely grateful to Nan Middleton for stepping in at very short notice. Nan was an inspirational speaker who shared her faith in God telling of his influence in her life and spoke eloquently about the joy she gets from passing on her Decoupage skills. She gave a short demonstration of how it's done. The ladies really enjoyed listening to her speak and were really taken with the examples of her wonderful artistry in 3D Decoupage. She and her team of volunteers are now permanently located in Brackenbrae House in Bishopbriggs and they would welcome anyone who is interested in learning any of the many crafts taught there. It is on our doorstep so look in sometime when you are in the village and see what they offer.

On October 5th our speaker is Andrea Hart from Hotter Shoes who will tell us something about the company and the shoes they manufacture. She will bring along some samples and items for sale. On 19th October we have a talk entitled 'Upstairs & Downstairs' by Eileen Beaton who is a volunteer at Pollock House. On 2nd November we have Juliet Robb from Olive Tree Scotland a small voluntary not-for-profit, non-sectarian and non-political organisation who aim to promote a wider understanding of the situation in the Holy Land today including Israel and Palestine issues. They import Palestinian crafts providing employment, income and hope to the women and children in this deprived area. She will be bringing along items such as olive oil, soap, dates, items made from olive wood, ceramics, glass, embroidered bags purses & scarves, jewellery, felt crafts and hand-made Christmas cards for sale so perhaps you may wish to indulge in some early Christmas shopping for a good cause.

Dates for your diary

North Presbyterian Council Autumn meeting Tuesday 27th October in St. Columba's Kirkintilloch

Guild Coffee Morning Saturday **14th November** 10 am -12 noon. (Please note the **new** date NOT as printed on the syllabus)

Guild Big Sing Friday 20th November at 2pm in Dunfermline Abbey (tickets- email guild@churchofscotland.org.uk or call 0131 240 2217. EVERYONE is welcome, so bring friends!)

Joyce Macmillan, Secretary

Church Library



Unfortunately it now appears that books are being removed from the Library without filling in the withdrawal slip.

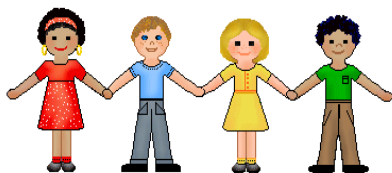
It is important that if the library is to continue we must know where all the books are. I rely on your integrity to return the books once you have read them. I have two separate requests for one of the new books, "The Railway Man" by Eric Lomax, which had disappeared. If you have it

would you please return it so that others may be able to read it. Another book I have been unable to trace is "The Airmen Who Would Not Die" by J.G. Fuller.

I can only assume that there are others which have also been removed; so if you have any books out that you have now read, would you please return them or let me know if you are still using them.

Mervyn Porter

Toddlers Group



The Tuesday morning section of the Toddlers Group has a few spare places. They meet from 9.45-11.15am in the Springfield Hall. Annual registration fee is £6 and there is a monthly fee of £6 for the first child and £2 for each additional child.

Contact scctoddlers@gmail.com

Or speak to Carrie-Anne on a Tuesday morning.

CHRISTMAS CARD DELIVERIES

268 Glasgow Company Boys' Brigade



Our Christmas card delivery service is once again being made available for all "G64" postcodes. (Please provide all cards fully addressed with flat numbers and postcodes as omissions may mean that we cannot guarantee delivery).

Dates to Remember:

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| Collection starts | Sunday 29 th November |
| Last Collection date | Sunday 13 th December |
| Deliveries Completed by | Sunday 20 th December |

Thanks

My family and I wish to thank you all for the kindness and support we have received at this time. Thanks to the Rev Ian Taylor, the organist, Jim Tonner, the Elders, Friends, fellow members who attended at my husband Jim's funeral on the 9th of September

Yours sincerely

Mary Brown

My sincere thanks to all who sent “Get Well Messages”, cards and flowers to me after my stay in hospital. Also thanks to Rev Ian Taylor for his much appreciated visits in hospital.

Amy Henderson

Spectacles

Well – last month an invitation was extended to the good folk of Springfield Cambridge to donate no longer required specs. And as ever – said good folk of Springfield Cambridge rose splendidly to the challenge. We had specs in, around, on top or just plain ‘near’ the recycling items receptacle. As of today’s date – 92 pairs of spectacle were received. Thank you. All have been passed on and donated to Vision Aid Overseas to allow them to carry on the good work they have been carrying out for the last 30 years.



So now the fourth drawer in the recycling unit is temporarily empty – just waiting to receive the next pair of specs located lurking in the back of a drawer! Thank you again to all who have donated

“Mavis Valley & the 1913 Pit Disaster” - £3.00
and

“Auchinairn the Forgotten Village” - £3.50

are now on sale at Bishopbriggs Library, Bishopbriggs Post Office,
Huntershill Village or direct from the author – Bill Findlay

Cadder Mens Club

The club is a group to which everyone is welcome. We enjoy a programme of presentations on a wide range of topics on alternative Wednesday evenings. There is also regular bowling meetings on Monday afternoons and organised visits to places of interest during the year.

We start our 2015-16 meetings on Wednesday 7th October with a presentation by Dr John Cossor entitled "Amazon Hope". A medical dental ship berthed on the River Amazon. This is in Cadder South Halls at 7.30pm.

The Monday activities resume on 12th October 2015 at 2.00pm in the South Halls.

The meeting on 21st October will be a presentation by Rev Martin Forrest on his ministry at Low Moss Prison.

See you all there on Wednesday 7th October.

George Graham

Mea Culpa! Or in more prosaic Scots terms – jings, crivens help m'boab!

In the last month's issue, I contrived not once but twice to use the wrong term to highlight our on-going church recycling fund raising initiative; in that I referred to it as 'Spend and Raise' rather than its correct name of 'Recycle for Profit'. I shall now in best précis form summarise the two imitative – and I'll pay attention to what I am writing!

Recycle for Profit – is a recycling initiative whereby we request donations of CDs, DVDs, spent ink cartridges and mobile 'phones – which we endeavour to sell on behalf of church funds. Last month alone we processed a further £52.00 – so if you have any such items available – please do pass them on.

Easy Funding (formerly known as Spend and Raise) is an internet buying initiative. A registered charity can receive a donation when items are purchased on-line through certain companies (M&S, Amazon, Tesco, Late Bookings, amongst many others). It is a simple matter of completing the purchase through the Easy Funding link. So to all computer owners at our church who do engage in buying through the internet – think Easy Funding – think benefit of church funds! Check out the details on www.

With thanks once again to all who contribute. *James and Kenneth Robertson*



A VARIETY OF TALENT

Featuring Representatives from all the Organisations

To the Congregation: Please buy a ticket when they are available and support this venture to celebrate our 150th Anniversary.

To the Organisations: Hope you are busy planning your item, we will be in touch soon to hear what you have in mind so that we can organise the programme. Any queries, please get in touch with either Maureen Brown on 563 3501 or Fiona Russell on 772 5643



SPRINGFIELD CAMBRIDGE CHURCH 150TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS FINAL FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Fri 23rd October Congregational Talent Show

Sun 25th October Closing Anniversary Celebration Service
(including Group photographs, Congregational Re-dedication),
followed by a light lunch.

150 years in 6 months -

thanks to everyone who made it such a memorable year



Springfield Cambridge Church

Sunday 4th October

Worship at 11am and 3pm

Including the Sacrament of Holy Communion

Sunday 11th October

Worship at 11am

Service at Callieburn Court at 2.30pm

Sunday 18th October

Worship at 11am

Sunday 25th October

Worship at 11am

150th Anniversary Celebration Service



Happy Halloween!

"For God so loved the world
that he gave his one and only Son,
that whoever believes in him shall
not perish but have eternal life."

-- *John 3:16*