

The Springfield Cambridge Record



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You will again have compassion on us; you will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea.

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A word from our Minister....

In 1969 a young man decided to explore the tropical jungles while travelling in the Yucatan peninsula of Guatemala, on his way to the recently discovered pyramids of the vanished Mayan civilisation. Travel was difficult and it took him three or four days to travel from Guatemala City to the ruined temple complex known as Tical. Arriving at the complex, the man discovered there were no guides or guidebooks to tell him the meaning of the impressive stone monuments pointing to the sky. No one was around. So he started to climb one of the tall pyramids.

For the previous three days he'd travelled through the jungle – the roads and paths and rivers were like tunnels through the dense greenery. He had not seen the horizon for many days. In fact – he hadn't seen far distances at all, he was in a jungle.

On top of the pyramid, he was above the tangle of the jungle. Not only could he see where he was on the map like panorama laid out before him, but he could see in all directions, with nothing between him and infinity.

Sanding up there, as if on top of the world, he imagined what it must have been like for a young Mayan born in the jungle, raised in the jungle, and lived all their life in the jungle. He pictured them being led in a rite of passage gently by the hand, by a wise old man, up to the summit of the pyramid for the first time.

Standing on the point of the pyramid, in the doorway between heaven and earth, there would be no one, no thing, no word between them and the infinite in every direction.

We all need to grant ourselves the time and peace to climb that spiritual pyramid inside each one of us, to rise above and beyond the tangled jungle that is our life, if only for a short time. Then we may see for ourselves our place among things, the overview of our life journey, and gaze unimpeded in every direction.

Another word from our Minister...



We are in the process of preparing to deliver a leaflet to all the homes in our Parish during the last week of August and the first two weeks of September. The leaflet is designed to let people in our Parish know that we are here, and to invite them to join us on Sunday 15th. September, 2013 for 'Back to Church Sunday'. Volunteers are needed help deliver the leaflets. There is no cold calling – all that is required is that you take a street (or 2 or 3!) and deliver them though the letter box. The leaflets will be available for uplift on Sundays 25th August, 1st and 8th September, 2013.

YOUR CHURCH NEEDS YOUR HELP.





LOOKING BACK

News from the Congregational Board

At its final meeting of the last session in June, Lynne Robertson, our Clerk to the Congregational Board, for almost the last 15 years, stood down as Clerk. During those years Lynne has brought dedication, attention to detail, and perseverance in helping to guide the Board and congregation through significant changes. For her tireless commitment, we express our grateful thanks. The Congregational Board, on behalf of the congregation, presented Lynne with a Dictionary of the Christian Church which it hoped would help with her studies and training towards becoming a Reader within the Church of Scotland. Mrs Sandra McDougall was appointed by the Board as the new Clerk

News from the Kirk Session

At its final meeting of the last session in June, George McMillan, our Session Clerk, for almost the last 7 years, stood down as Clerk. Initially George agreed to become Clerk at a transitional point, for a limited period of time. His term has now exceeded his expected time span, and we would wish to express our thanks for his commitment and dedication to the role. The Kirk Session, on behalf of the congregation, presented George with book tokens to spend at his leisure. George has agreed to act as a Deputy Clerk for a period while Jim Scott, his successor, familiarises himself with his new responsibilities.

At the same meeting, Mrs Irene Smith, stood own as the Kirk Session Minute Secretary and she was presented with gifts to express the gratitude of the Kirk Session for her many years of service.

During the summer months, the Hall of Fellowship has been decorated by a recreation of our winning display from the Glasgow Garden Festival in 1988....



Thanks to everyone who helped recreate this scene.



On Sunday 9th June, 2013, Peter Roger, the Chairman of the Lodging House Mission (L.H.M.) joined us for Worship. During the Service, he spoke of the work of the Mission and presented the congregation with a picture painted for us by

one of the service users. Christine Mackintosh has agreed to act as our new representative to the L.H.M. Following the Service, Peter Roger wrote to Mr Taylor:

Dear Ian

Thank you very much for your very warm welcome this morning which I greatly appreciated and for the opportunity to speak to the congregation about some of the ways we have been able to develop our service to try and help those in such great need.

We are anxious to keep our loyal supporters abreast with developments at the LHM and would encourage all those interested to provide their email addresses so that we can do so. I would emphasise that we will be aiming this facility to provide up to date information on our activities; it will not be used as an avenue for sending out "begging letters".

I enjoyed being in your Church this morning and I send you my best wishes and thanks for all you have already done to support the LHM.

Kindest regards,

Peter C M Roger

On Sunday 9th June, 2013, we were also pleased to welcome two new members who joined the Church during a Service of Admission. Pictured below are Stacey Clark and Ian Stewart.

Stacey works as an Auxiliary at Glasgow Royal Infirmary and Ian works with Glasgow City Council.





On Sunday 11th August, 2013, we welcomed our friends from Cadder and Kenmure Churches for our 'Space Academy' themed Service

marking the end of our children's holiday club which ran from 5th-9th. August, 2103 from



10 -12. During the week 95 children joined us for fun, craft, drama, music, Bible stories and a film night!

A HUGE THANK YOU TO ALL THE VOLUTEERS and to Jim Tonner and Carol Nelson for helping us have another great week.



LOOKING FORWARD

Vestry Hour -Wednesday mornings at 10 am Should anyone wish to see the Minister, Mr Taylor, will be

available on the 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th. September, 2013 from 10-11 am. Should you wish to see him at another time, please contact him on (20141 772 1540 or 1540) 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 1st. September, 2013 there will be a lunch in aid of Christian Aid in the Cameron Hall after our Morning Service.

Tickets £4 adults, children £2.



There will be a Service at Callieburn Court on Sunday 8th September, 2013 at 2.30pm. 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.

The Sunday School is having a Champagne Tea on Saturday 14th September, 2013.

Tickets will be available from Sunday 1^{st} September and are priced £6.



On Sunday 15th September, 2013 we will have a special Service as part of Back to Church Sunday. You are invited to extend an invitation to a member of your family, a friend or neighbour, to come with you to our Church.

Sunday 22nd September, 2013 is our Harvest Thanksgiving Service.

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.

Christine G. O'Neil & Scott J. Milne

Friday 16th August, 2013

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.

Friday 26th July, 2013 Mrs Helen G Johnston,
Northgate House (formerly 7 Cherry Place)
Wednesday 31st July, 2013 Mr James Macaulay,
46 Gallowhill Road, Kirkintilloch
Wednesday 7th August, 2013 Mrs Ethel Stephen,
Broomfield Court Nursing Home

"Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures for ever" Ps 118 v 29

Harvest Thanksgiving Service Sunday 22nd September

When we stop and count our blessings, we realise just how much God has provided for us. We can thank Him by sharing what we have, and what better time to do this than at Harvest Thanksgiving.

We remember: Lodging House Mission

Kirkhaven (run by CrossReach)

City Mission

RNIB (Bishopbriggs)

Marie Curie (Bishopbriggs) Women's Aid (Bishopbriggs)

Callieburn Care Home

Your gifts are gratefully welcomed by them.

The Church will be open on **SATURDAY 21st SEPTEMBER** from 10am – 11.30am when members of the Flower Committee will be present to receive any donations of produce.

On **SUNDAY 22nd**, there will be a plate in the Hall of Fellowship for any monetary gifts. After the Service all of the goods will be packed ready for distribution.

All donations would be welcome and can include the following: Vegetables, lentils, cereals, biscuits, tea, coffee, fresh fruit, sweets, fruit juices and **tinned goods** such as soup, beans, corn, peas, vegetables, fruit and puddings. Small ring-pull (easy to open) tins of macaroni cheese, meats, fish, bolognaise, beans & sausages, *etc* are very useful to hand out to people.

Wishing everyone God's blessing at Harvest Time.

Thank you for your support.

The Girls Brigade visit to Auchengillan Outdoor Centre



Treasurer's Report

I trust that you have all had an enjoyable summer break and trust that your batteries have been suitably re-charged after the great weather! Since this is the first magazine of the new "session" I would just like to update you on all things financial that have been going on over the summer months.

Firstly, I would like to thank you to all the "regular givers" for their offerings over the summer months which has enabled us to meet all our outgoings over the period. Major items of expenditure over the summer months included the renewal of the church insurance at a cost of £3,464, the remainder of our Presbytery dues for 2013 of £1,877 and we also carried out some work to the Electrical Systems in the church at a cost of £1,483 that should save us money in the long run by reducing our bills.

As you see from the figures below we are running at a substantial deficit on the General Fund for the year-to-date of £16,684. Although a deficit situation is not unusual at this time of the year it has been magnified by delays at HMRC in settling our Tax Recovery claims on Gift Aid Offerings. Indeed, we still await settlement of our first claim of the year for circa £5k for the period ending 5/4/2013. I am confident that with your continuing financial support and improved cashflow from the tax recoveries that this deficit will reduce substantially over the next few months.

The Income and Expenditure figures for the year to 18th August as against budget on the General Fund are as follows: -

Income from Offerings	£	£
	ACTUAL	BUDGET
FWO Scheme	12,916	13,106
Open Plate	4,638	4,946
Gift Aid	44,438	45,369
Tax Recovered	nil	10,806
Total	61,992	74,227
Other Ordinary Gen Income	13,014	13,431
TOTAL ORD GEN INCOME	75,006	87,658
GENERAL EXPENDITURE	91,690	85,193
Deficit for Year to date	(16,684)	

Jim Kerr, Treasurer

MUSIC LIVE

Music Live has been meeting monthly for 6 months. We are a group of people who want a chance to play instruments we have learned or are learning and make music for fun. We have been playing Waterloo by Abba, Hey Jude by the Beatles, Beautiful by Christine Aguilera to name a few. We are an eclectic mix of recorder, drums, violin, clarinet, flute, saxophone, keyboard and bass guitar. We meet on the first Saturday of each month in the Church gallery from 3-4.30pm and would welcome anyone who would like to join us. If you would like to come and sing with us or play, or would like further information, please contact Catherine Taylor on 0141 772 1540 or at catherinejtaylor@btinternet.com Our first meeting of this new church season is on Saturday September 7th. Hope to see you there!

Sunday School

Hope you have all had a pleasant summer. We certainly enjoyed some lovely weather. By the time this goes to print Sunday School & Bible Wayfinders are hopefully enjoying this new session. We have changed our programme this year and I hope both the staff and the young people find it interesting and challenging. The programme we are using is called Spill the Beans it is fairly new this is only the 9th issue. It started as a wee local idea but has grown somewhat as groups of people from Church of Scotland and other denominations have got together to explore Bible passages and write worship and learning resources for their own congregations, this is now being shared among other congregations.

We are planning to hold our champagne afternoon tea on Saturday 14th September, tickets will be available from Sunday 1st September and are priced £6. You will be served a glass of bubbly sandwiches and home baking. We will be serving our rolls sausage/bacon in October date to follow.

"Springfield Cambridge Festival Chorus"

As previously advised our 2013 Christmas Concert, entitled "Light and Love", will take place in the Glasgow Royal Concert Hall on Monday 23 December.

The Box Office will be open on Wednesdays and Fridays between 10.00 and 12.00 in Cadder South Hall, Kirkintilloch Road, Bishopbriggs, with effect from **Wednesday 4**th **September**.

Sheila Dunbar, Secretary"

65th Girls' Brigade

We Hope everyone had an enjoyable summer break

This being the Companies 60th Anniversary we hope to have an eventful year We have two girls' on the last step of their Officers Training (Rhona Scott and Rachel Findlay), as well as six girls on the last lap of their Leadership 3 Our biggest challenges during the session is going to be getting badge work finished in time for our celebrations and each section entering the Commonwealth Games Badge Competition which will be quite challenging

By the time you read this w will have been "back" a fortnight and will have welcomed back girls from previous years and, hopefully, have also welcomed some new faces.

Margaret Cuthbert, Captain

Congratulations

Congratulations to Ian and Elsie Baxter of 4 Ryan Road, Bishopbriggs who celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary on 21st September 2013.

Flower Calendar

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<u>Donors</u>

Mrs E Frame (11th), Mrs M Johnstone, Mrs M Fleming, Mrs C Heathwood, Mrs J Sutherland (20th)

One More Step Along the World I Go!

As the Summer has progressed so the list of "to dos" is getting shorter. It's like wearing "GT" plates – Getting There – as opposed to Getting Better! June saw my last Conference at Tulliallan. It was led by Peter and Dorothy Neilson and was about exploring your own spirituality – an excellent way to round off the Conferences. As the final worship session drew to a close there was a dawning on those of us who had come through together that this was "it". Tears abounded – tears of sadness but also tears of joy and as we joined hands for the blessing everyone felt a surge of being uplifted in the Spirit. It was a very emotional experience. I've now completed four of the six academic modules and am well through the course on Romans which I've worked on through the Summer. In fact it has been the one I've really enjoyed the most, but maybe that's just because I'm into the swing of it! Old Testament studies start in September and I hope to have finished the academic side of things by Christmas. That then leaves the final placement and final Preaching assessment. At the time of writing I have no idea where this is going to be but it should be in place in the next few weeks. It's an exciting time for some of my colleagues have already finished and I'm going to two services of Setting Apart in the coming weeks - one in Cupar and one up the road at Chryston. A third will take place in Perth in September/October. Then of course there's the question of Jonathon in Inverness – how do we get to that? Finally, a thought, since I started on this journey I have consistently asked for your prayerful support. I started here with a small group I know pray for me on the path God has led me to follow. From there it has become a snowball – when I left Lenzie Union folks there said they would continue to pray for me and it grew again when I left Carnwadric knowing that I go on with their prayerful support. Please keep praying for me, especially as final Preaching Assessment draws close that I will be able to become a Reader of the Kirk and fulfil what God has planned for me.

The GUILD

Our opening meeting is on Monday 9th September 2013. Registration will commence at **7pm** on the first night to allow us to start at our **normal time of 7.30pm**. when we will be entertained by the singing group "Aria". Please come along and join us.

Our second meeting is on 23rd of September when we will have an interesting talk on "Shelter Boxes"; presented by Agnes Malone, President of the Bishopbriggs Rotary Club.

We hope that all our regular members from last year will be back to join us for fun, friendship and an interesting programme - every second Monday evening. The registration fee this year will remain the same at £8.50 and is payable at the time of joining. We will be delighted to welcome any ladies of the Church who would like to become a member and share in the activities. Come on give us a try!

Carol Milliken, Joint Secretary

THANK YOU

I would like to say a very sincere 'thank you' for all the cards, flowers, telephone calls and support I received from many members at Springfield at the time of my Mum's death.

I would especially like to thank Ian Taylor for his prayers, help and words of comfort and the 'Office Angels' who all stepped in at short notice to cover the daily routine at Springfield Cambridge.

Isobel Lawson and Family

Modern Art in the Church

As we return to producing the magazine in *glorious technicolour* we are able to pick-up again our front cover theme of 'Modern Art in the Church'. This month features the very graceful – and functional – lectern from St Columba's Parish Church in Lerwick; the story behind which follows over the page. Before which, I would here record my sincere thanks to Rev Dr Caroline Lockerbie and to David Grieve from St Columba's for giving kind permission to present the piece and for supplying the photo and text.

Following major refurbishment and modernisation of the church in 2008, it was suggested that a new lectern should be made in keeping with the contemporary feel of the new sanctuary.

This new lectern was designed and built by Roy Leask, who together with his wife, Joan, and their family, have generously donated it to the Church.

Roy is a Viking enthusiast with a keen interest in boats, so it is not surprising that he found inspiration for his design in the famous Norwegian longship, discovered early last century in a burial mound at Oseberg, near Tønsberg. The lectern replicates the prow of this longship, and the book-rest cleverly represents the vessel's yard and striped sail.

Roy is also an Up Helly Aa devotee and in 2008 he had the honour of presiding over the annual fire festival as Guizer Jarl. The Viking regalia designed especially for that occasion were infused with nautical symbolism. A wave motif featured throughout the suit was inspired by a carving in the St Magnus Cathedral in Kirkwall. This wave design has been reproduced on the lectern, and can also be found elsewhere in St Columba's Church - on the Communion chairs.

As Guizer Jarl, Roy chose to represent Kol Kalison, who the *Orkneyinga Saga* tells us, inspired the design and building of St. Magnus Cathedral. This was an appropriate choice for Roy given his family links with Orkney. A further motif of three interlocked waves can be found on the 'prow' of the lectern, each wave representing strength, hope and unity between Orkney and Shetland.

This image of the ship's prow is also a fitting spiritual symbol. The logo of the World Council of Churches represents a ship at sea with a cross for a sail. This reminds us of our journey on the sea of life. We can often experience storms; rough times that would sometimes seem to overwhelm us. St Rognvald was the son of Kol Kalison. *Orkneyinga Saga* tells how Rognvald went fishing with a local farmer off Sumburgh Head. The farmer began to panic when their boat drifted into the tidal waters of the Sumburgh Roost. Rognvald said, "Cheer up farmer, dry your eyes. He who let us drift into the current will bring us out of it as well." Our faith is encouraged when we read in Mark's Gospel chapter 4 a similar story of the disciples' fear and how Jesus calmed the storm on the Lake of Galilee.

This lectern is not only a usable piece of furniture, but a truly unique and inspirational work of art. It was dedicated on Sunday 17th July 2011.

r father n heaven

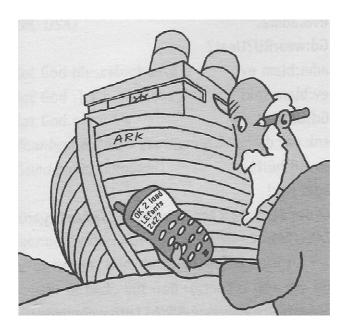
... finally ... a last and final dip in to 'r father in heaven' and a last two bible text messages for you to decipher.

From the beginning and from Genesis we have an abbreviated account of Noah's Ark:

Noah tuk hs famli &anmls 2bi2 in2 de ark, God fluded urf& ark woz at sea 4 4e days. Afta vry1 else died God sed 2 Noah I prmse neva 2flud urf agen& dis rnbo ses so.

And to close – here is a very succinct summary of Revelations – the last book in the Bible:

Da Bble's big ending, wiv a cast of 10000s: d hor d Bbylon, 4 riders of d apoclypse, d gr8 S8n. &above all, d Kg of Kgs &Lord of Lords, who wipes awa evry tear.



Who-o-o Is Wise?

Proverbs 9:10

God makes us wise as He shares His plan for salvation with us, promises to love and care for us, and shows us how to love and obey Him. Solve the puzzle by matching each number with its letter.

20 8	5 6 5 1 18 15 6
	20 8 5 12 15 18 4
	9 19 20 8 5
	2 5 7 9 14 14 9 14 7
	15 6 23 9 19 4 15 13



13 = M14 = N3 = C 15 = O $4 = D \quad 16 = P$ $5 = E \quad 17 = Q$ 6 = F 18 = R $7 = G \quad 19 = S$ 20 = T21 = U22 = V23 = W24 = X $13 = M \quad 25 = Y$ 26 = Z

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Springfield Cambridge Church Dates for September 2013

Sunday 1st September Worship at 11am Followed by a lunch in aid of Christian Aid

Sunday 8th September Worship at 11am Service at Callieburn Court at 2.30pm

Saturday 14th September Sunday School Champagne Tea

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> Sunday 22nd September Worship at 11am Harvest Thanksgiving Service

