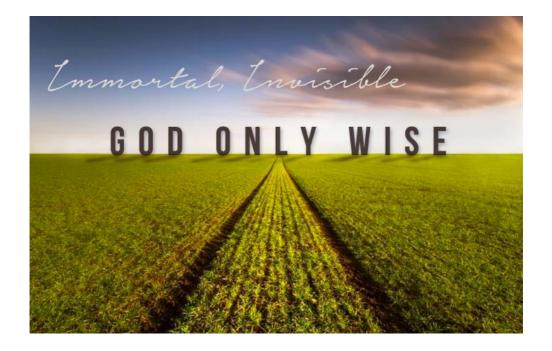


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Summer 2016

Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Timothy 1:7

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A word from our Minister... is that all there is?

Occasionally when I am with people who are having a tough time, they will ask me, "is that all there is?" Often it is in the experiences of illness, or bereavement that people will ask the big questions of life (and death). We are all too aware of our own stories of finitude and failure. We yearn to hear a word of truth, spoken in humility, of the truth about sin and brokenness, death and despair - the truth about the shadow side of living. Listening to such questions I am struck by the fact that what we sometimes need to find is the courage to look into the mirror of our own imperfection. Because it is there - in the glare of the truth - that we most experience the grace, tenderness, and touch of God. It is there that we discover how utterly dependent we are upon our utterly dependable God. It is there that we can feel safe.

The story is told of a traveller who was lost in the desert. As he wandered for days, he became more parched and disoriented. Up hills and down hills and through the bitter night and the blistering day, he searched for water. But he found nothing. Finally, he stumbled and fell and found no more energy to get up and try again. He lost all hope of survival.

It was only then that he began to pay attention to the utter silence around him - to the sound of total silence in the desert. With consciousness fading away, he suddenly heard something -

a sound so faint that only sheer silence could detect it. It was the sound of running water. Revived by hope, the traveller dragged his body towards the sound and soon immersed himself in a pool of fresh, cool water.

What is the cacophony of worries, pressures, and obsessions keeping us from slowing down and opening up and hearing the sweet silence of God? "Is that all there is?"

We are called to a discipline of humility as Christians, a journey of wandering, a blessing of mortality - trusting that God will meet us in the shadows and feed us in the barren places. Be bold to receive this blessing and rejoice in God's promise of finitude, fragility and eternal life.

Ian Taylor



Looking Back

Baptisms

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

Sunday 22nd May, 2016 Emilee Katie MILNE



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.

On Saturday 22nd May, 2016, Rev Donald Lawrie, one of our former Assistant Ministers, was married to Jacqueline Brookes at Westburn Parish Church, Greenock. The Minister who conducted the Wedding Service, the Rev. Karen Harbison, was one of the speakers at Donald's Induction social when she was still the Minister of Trinity Church, Hamilton, before her move to Greenock.





Saturday 11th June, 2016 Clare Langan & Gary A. Lavelle

Thank you

Thank you to everyone for the cards, flowers and good wishes which I received during my recent illness. Special thanks to Rev Ian Taylor and Mr Jim Stormont for their prayers, hospital and home visits.

Catherine Lynn

I would like to say "thank you" for all the cards and words of condolence from the congregation and also from the Girls Brigade. Also to lan Taylor for his spiritual guidance and comfort and support. We raised £228.22 at the crematorium and the total raised by Victoria and Laura running the Race for Life was in the region of £900 for Cancer research.

Janice McLaren

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 29th April, 2016 Mrs Mary M. Miller,

Lochwynd Nursing Home

Thursday 12th May, 2016 Mr James R. MacLaren

Mugdock Nursing Home

Thursday 12th May, 2016 Mr Roderick D. MacLaren,

Melville Gardens

Friday 13th May, 2016 Mr James Morgan,

Tweedsmuir Crescent

Monday 16th May, 2016 Mrs Katherine I. Williams,

Springfield Court

Thursday 19th. May, 2016 Mrs. Anne Gordon,

Fern Avenue



Looking Forward

Vestry Hour - Wednesday mornings at 10 am. Should anyone wish to see the Minister, Ian will be available on the: 29th June 2016; 27th July, 2016; 3rd, 17th and 24th August, 2016 from 10 - 11 am. Should you wish to see him at another time, please contact Ian on \$\mathbb{m}\$0141 772 1540 or \$\frac{1}{2}\$ 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.



On Sunday 26th June, 2016 there will be a Parish Grouping Pulpit Exchange. Mr. Taylor will be at Kenmure while Mr. Grieve from Colston Wellpark will be with us, and Mr. Gemmell will be at Colston Wellpark. With the current Vacancy at Cadder Church they will not participate in this round of the exchange, but we hope their new Minister will the next time!



DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - 'AMORE' On Friday Evening 1st July there will be a Concert consisting of Love Songs.

will feature the Springfield Cambridge Festival Chorus and Soloists, and will raise money for Springfield Cambridge and Alzheimer Scotland. It will be a terrific, bright way to begin the summer and will include a wide array of much-loved music. Tickets, priced £7.00 will be available after Church on a Sunday morning or at the door on the night itself. Summer refreshments will be served during the interval.



Parish Grouping - Holiday Club - Guardians of Ancora Monday 8th - Friday 12th August, 2015

Our Holiday Club with our partners from our Parish Grouping (Cadder, Colston Wellpark, and Kenmure Churches) will be called 'Guardians of Ancora' and will run each morning for children of primary school age, from 10 am-12 noon. Further details will follow in the weekly Orders of Service. A Joint Service in Springfield Cambridge on Sunday 14th August, 2016 at 11am will round off the week's activities.

Please note that this year's Holiday Club will run during the last full week of the school holidays before the pupils return on Wednesday 17th. August, 2016.

BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT!!!



After the summer recess there will be a Service at Callieburn Court on Sunday 11th. September, 2016 at 2.30 pm (no Services in July & August). 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.

Treasurer's Report

This being the final magazine of the session I would just like to take the opportunity to wish everyone a very pleasant summer. Hopefully by the time you read this article the hot and sunny days of May and early June have returned!

Thanks to all the regular "givers" for your offerings. Whether you give by weekly envelopes or bankers order, your contributions are much appreciated and mean that we can meet our regular ongoing expenses. Even over the summer months our average outgoings will still be nearly £11,000 per month without taking into account any one-off expenditure items that may crop up.

The General Fund has a deficit for the year of £7,002 as at 12th June. We still await settlement of the Q3 and Q4, 2015 General Fund tax claims from HMRC. All Income and Outgoings for 2016 to date are broadly in line with the budget set out as the beginning of the year.

I am pleased to advise that as a Congregation we have been granted full exemption from paying any water charges backed to the 6th April 2015. Any Registered Charity whose annual income is less than £200,000 can apply for exemption under the new scheme introduced by the Scottish Government. All water charges totalling £1,966 that we have paid since 6/4/2015 have been refunded in full to us and no further charges will apply. Finally, I would like thank everyone who responded to the recent appeal for donations to offset the printing costs of the Church Magazine. In the last few weeks over £300 has been received.

Jim Kerr, Treasurer

Springfield Cambridge Festival Chorus & Orchestra A Date for your Diary

I am pleased to confirm that our 2016 Christmas Concert will take place on Thursday 22 December in The Glasgow Royal Concert Hall.

Sheila Dunbar, Secretary

The Guild

The Guild Outing was on 14th May to Pitlochry and we were lucky to have some good weather for a change. We stopped in Perth on our return journey for our High Tea and this was enjoyed by all. From the photographs below it seems the ladies thoroughly enjoyed their day.



Dates for your diary.

The first meeting of the Guild for the new session is **Monday 5**th **September 2016** when we will welcome Rev. Ian Taylor who will speak to us on our theme for this year Be Bold, Be Strong – Go in Joy. **Registration will be from 7.00pm**. We meet fortnightly thereafter at 7.30pm and new members are encouraged to come along. You will be made very welcome so if you are free on a Monday evening please come and join us.

The **Guild Big Sing** is to be held in Greenock Westburn Parish Church, Nelson Street on **Friday 18**th **November at 2.00pm**.

Joyce Macmillan, Secretary

'Sparkling Strawberry' Afternoon Tea



The Fund Raising Group organised a very successful 'Sparkling Strawberry' Afternoon Tea on Saturday 7th May. 101 tickets were sold and the amount of £947, including Gift Aid, was raised at the event. Mrs Nina Pollok won the "Guess the Weight of the Cake" competition which raised £41 towards the total. Everyone who attended enjoyed the sandwiches, scones. strawberry tarts and home baking, as well as the 'fizz', tea and coffee. Many thanks to all who donated to the event. to all who supported it, and to the hard-working members of the Fund Raising Group.

The total amount raised from our ventures this session was £1902, including Gift Aid.

The Group hopes to have a Christian Aid Lunch on Sunday 11 September, and we'll possibly be looking for assistance from other members of the Congregation. The Lunch will consist of a bowl of homemade soup and a filled roll, along with tea/coffee.

We are also looking at several events to provide fellowship and raise funds for the Church for next Session – more information on these in the next edition of the magazine.





Quiz Sheets for the "Food and Drink" Quiz, compiled by Drew Fleming were on sale at £1 per copy during the month of May. A total amount of £163 was raised from this venture. There were 11 completed sheets handed in. The winner was Mrs Sheila Mackenzie, and 4 people who were 2nd equal. These were Peter Struzik from Bellshill, Les Jenkins from Lenzie, and our own Willie Lawson and David Hogg. Many thanks to Drew Fleming for all his hard work in compiling and marking the Quiz.

Thanks to everyone who purchased a Quiz Sheet over the last year, whether you were able to complete them or not. They help us to keep our brains active, and provide a good source of fund raising income

Food and Drink

FUND RAISING GROUP QUIZ ANSWERS

1	Hibernian hotpot	IRISH STEW
2	Usher the undercover agent	SHEPHERD'S PIE
3	CALL LOVE PAIL	VALPOLICELLA
4	Even out the fermentation	IRN BRU
5	Observed the wise men	SAUSAGES
6	Time spent behind bars	PORRIDGE
7	Brought up in Austria	VIENNA BREAD
8	NOT A NEAT BOSS	BEANS ON TOAST
9	Cowardly percussion equipment	CHICKEN DRUMSTICKS
10	Moulded piece of soap for a Greek God	PANCAKE
11	Sounds like a false ache	CHAMPAGNE
12	Hebridean island obtained illegally	POACHED EGG
13	Reinforcements for King William	ORANGEADE
14	CLERGY BROKE CORK INK	KNICKERBOCKER GLORY
15	Undercooked morsel from Snowdonia	WELSH RAREBIT
16	Movement of waves in a Northern Ocean	ARCTIC ROLL
17	SINGS MERE TUNE	MERINGUE NESTS
18	People having forty winks	KIPPERS
19	Former German Chancellor and Jewish pastor	KOHLRABI
20	Granny Smith's shot is past	APPLE TURNOVER
21	TOOK A BAD PET	BAKED POTATO
22	Seek information with gambling discs	FISH AND CHIPS
23	Native of large German port	HAMBURGER
24	European Union HQ grows	BRUSSELS SPROUTS
25	Strike-breaking sweet	BLACK PUDDING
26	I yell in terror	ICE CREAM
27	The French lady doctor reduced the leases	LAMB CUTLETS
28	Foot affliction starts to peel	CORNFLAKES
29	Stitched a pancake!	SODA SCONE
30	IN CHORAL CLINIC	CHILLI CON CARNE
31	"Your good health" - in Paris?	FRENCH TOAST
32	Inexperienced seasoning	GREEN PEPPER
33	Baking ingredient for the shepherd's dog	CAULIFLOWER
34	Most frozen food shops do	STOCK CUBES
35	Sweltering puppy	HOT DOG

Girls Brigade

Well what a year this has been for us as a company we started the session with a high attendance at the dedication service where we posed, smiled and pouted for our company photo. The girls all worked very hard in obtaining their badges with baking, cooking singing, fund raising, shopping, games, army drill and lots of fun. We competed in the divisional competitions - in the line dancing our Junior team came joint first, our explorer/junior team did well in the collage competition and we are proud to say we had 3 finalists in the Divisional logo competition.



We held our display in the church on Tuesday the 26th of April with an excellent show of talent from all the girls. Our major award winners were as

follows:

Best All Round Explorer: Ava Milne, Centenary Award: Georgia Meechan, Achievement Award: Emma Winning.

Best All Round Junior: Corin Kevin, Educational Award: Aysha Begum and Endeavour Award: Kaitlyn Hutcheson.

Best All Round Brigader: Emma Wylie, Anniversary Award: Melissa Kerr and Centenary Award: Rhiannan Ballard. Well done to all the girls.

We wish you all a very happy summer and look forward to seeing all the girls back in August

Katie Byrne, Captain

(PS Can I also add that our company has been nominated and selected by Asda Bishopbriggs for their community life board (better known as the green tokens) from this week until late August. If you are shopping in Asda please ask for a token to support the girls and our company. Thank you)

Girls Brigade - Surprise Party!

As you know Margaret Cuthbert has acted as our honorary Captain this year and retired at the display after 63 years as Captain; in commemoration of her commitment and service to the company we presented a new award at the display aptly named the Cuthbert cup which this year was presented to Claire Round.

We celebrated Margaret's retrial with a surprise afternoon tea in the church followed by a party with the girls and officers on our closing night.

Despite not liking surprises Margaret had a lovely time. We all wish her a well deserved rest and happy retirement.





268th Glasgow Company The Boys' Brigade

As we draw to the close of our 2015/16 session we look back on an interesting year. The number of Boys has remained fairly steady at 70 and, when we tell others of that statistic, they consider that we are doing well. We are not however complacent and will be mounting a recruitment campaign in August most particularly aimed at the primary one school age group as our Anchor Boy Section promoted 16 Boys to the Junior Section leaving them with only 10 Boys so we need to do all that we can to recruit at that that age group as this where the feed for all other Sections begins. The Junior Section also provided a welcome boost to Company Section numbers with twelve Boys promoted to that Section.

We will of course be happy to welcome new members to all Sections of the Company at the start of the 2016/17 session.

Of particular note we were pleased to be able to award the Brigade's second highest award, the President's Badge, to Jamie Blackhall and Callum Russell and the Brigade's highest award the Queen's Badge was awarded to Matthew Russell and David Scott. The awards were presented to all four Boys by the Company Chaplain the Reverend Ian Taylor at our end of session service on Sunday 8th May 2016. (See pictures). In addition, Matthew and David were presented with their Queen's Badge certificates by Lord Haughey of Hutchesontown at a presentation held at Glasgow City Chambers on Thursday 2nd June 2016.

Also in the course of this session we took part in The Boys' Brigade Church of Scotland World Mission Fund appeal which was entitled "Kit for Kenya" to provide uniforms for emerging Boys' and Girls' Brigade Companies in that country. The Girls' Brigade also participated in this appeal.

At the 268th Glasgow this appeal is historically the remit of the Junior Section of the Company but this year it was agreed that all Sections of the Company would take part. Our Boys made great efforts for the appeal and we were delighted to be able to raise a sum in excess of £1000.00 which has been passed on to the fund organisers so well done to the Boys and staff for a truly excellent response in our aim of helping others.

I began this article by mentioning our need to recruit especially, but not solely, at the younger age group. I have long believed that our best recruiting tool is by word of mouth so if any of our readers have any contacts as grandparents, parents, teachers or carers of boys please do what you can to let young people know of what The Boys' Brigade has to offer them and encourage them to be a part of this great movement.

George McMillan, Captain



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Springfield Cambridge Badminton Club

Scotland achieved their best ever result in the annual Scotland v England Robert McCoig trophy match which traditionally precedes the International start of the Veterans championships. And we are delighted to reveal that two Springfield Cambridge Badminton Club members were capped at this Representing Scotland in the Over 40s category, Frazer McCulloch won his doubles



match 2-0 and in the Mixed Doubles he and Karen McDonald were very narrowly pipped by 1-2.

The trophy is in memory of one of the greatest badminton players Scotland has ever produced who won the country's first badminton medal at the 1966 Commonwealth Games.

This year's event took place in January 2016 and Karen and Frazer are shown – still smiling – after their sterling effort. Well done to both from all at Springfield Cambridge Church.



Copies of Bill Finlay's book

"The Villages of Bishopbriggs"

are still on sale, priced £4.95

at Huntershill Village, Poppies (Bishopbriggs Post Office), Bishopbriggs Library or direct from Bill.

On the Front Cover this Month

Summer – this proved a wee bit of a challenge as a theme to match with a Scottish hymn writer. First to mind is, of course, Summer Suns Are Glowing; this being written by William Walsham How. Who was a very interesting Victorian gentleman. In 1879 he became a suffragan bishop in London, under the title of Bishop of Bedford, his province being the East End of London. There he became the inspiring influence of a revival of church work. He founded the East London Church Fund, and enlisted a large band of enthusiastic helpers, his popularity among all classes being immense. He was particularly fond of children, and was commonly called the children's bishop. In addition, when he came to East London "he found great need of women's help for the poor in the huge parishes of his diocese" and in 1880 the East London Diocesan Deaconess Institution was founded

at Sutton Place, Hackney with Deaconess Sisters working in various East London parishes. In 1888 he was made the first Bishop of Wakefield, and in the north of England he continued to do valuable work. His sermons were reported to be "straightforward, earnest and attractive." He wrote various hymns in his lifetime; Summers Suns Are Glowing being written in 1871. William Walsam



How was born in 1823 in Shrewsbury; over 200 miles south of Hadrian's Wall – so, alas, does not count for our purposes as a Scottish hymn writer!



Instead, selected for this month is the great hymn "Immortal Invisible, God only wise". Which was written by the Rev Walter Chalmers Smith; who was born in 1824 in Aberdeen – which lies over 200 miles north of Hadrian's wall and so does very much count for a Scottish hymn writer! Walter Chalmers Smith was ordained on Christmas Day, 1850 as pastor of the Chadwell Street Scottish Church, Pentonville, Islington, London. He also served

as rector at the Orwell Free Church, Milnathort, the Free Tron church, Glasgow, the Roxburgh Free Church, Edinburgh and the Free High Church Edinburgh. In 1893, the Free Church of Scotland elected him moderator during its Jubilee year. "Immortal Invisible" is perhaps the most well known of the hymns he wrote. This hymn is based on 1 Timothy 1:17, which in the King James Version says: "Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honour and glory for ever and ever.Amen."

The hymn encompasses two great lines on the theme of light: "In light inaccessible hid from our eyes" and "silent as light". Perhaps Rev Smith was influenced by the Psalms to speak of God as light: "God is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear" (Psalm 27:1).

Why choose this hymn for the summer issue? Well, I came across the interesting photograph as shown on the front cover; with the words "immortal Invisible" attached. I know not the significance of scene to words – but it seemed a nice "summery" picture to include – and the hymn was written by a Scottish hymn writer! If anyone around the church knows of a hymn written by a Scottish writer that contains reference to "summer" please do let me know – I am always willing to learn. And I can always include it next year!



OPAL – East Dunbartonshire Information Line

Correspondence to the church was recently received from Ceartas, who are based in Kirkintilloch and who provide an independent advocacy service. Ceartas asked if information could be disseminated to church

members with regard to their operation of a free helpline, called OPAL, which is open to all adults (16+). OPAL is a locally based helpline which aims to enhance the lives of all adult citizens within East Dunbartonshire. The service combines key information, advice and advocacy support through East Dunbartonshire Citizens Advice Bureau, Ceartas Advocacy, Carers Link and East Dunbartonshire Voluntary Action.

OPAL will provide a personal point of contact to help in a number of ways:

- Finding out about services for adults in East Dunbartonshire.
- Providing information about pension credits and benefits entitlement.
- Learning about power of attorney and how to prepare for the future.
- Finding where to get help regarding small house adaptations such as handrails and shower seats.
- Connecting service users with many local voluntary organisations, who we could either signpost to or support them with an introduction.
- Information on leisure and social activities.

Thank you To all the Members of the Magazine Distribution Team for their appreciated time given and contribution made over the past year.

Sheena Paton

Thank you To all those who contributed articles for inclusion in our church magazine over the past session.

James Robertson

Springfield Cambridge Church

Sunday 3rd July Worship at 11am

Sunday 10th July Worship at 11am

Sunday 17th July Worship at 11am

Sunday 24th July Worship at 11am

Sunday 31st July Worship at 11am

Sunday 7th August Worship at 11am

Sunday 14th August Worship at 11am

Sunday 21st August Worship at 11am

Sunday 28th August Worship at 11am

This is the message we have heard from Him and announce to you, that God is light, and in Him there is no darkness at all. 1 John 1:5