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A word from our Minister...

HAVE YOU HEARD THE NEWS?

Many of you I am sure will have heard of my football injury. On the 29th of August, whilst playing 5-a-side, I ruptured my Achilles tendon. The following day I had my left leg set in a full length cast for seven days. Following that I was then given a half cast from below the knee for four weeks. When that comes off I will then be seen sporting a 'boot' (but not a football one ever again) for six weeks!

Initially I had continued to work after my injury but on the 6^{th} of September my GP signed me off for 4 weeks until the 4^{th} of October. I am hopeful that once the cast is off and the 'boot' is on I may be allowed to perform some 'light duties' as I will be limited in terms of my mobility and unable to drive for some time. However, that decision will not be mine to make but rather the GP.

For a long while I have had a period of Study Leave arranged from 9th to 23rd October; during which time I was scheduled to go on a tour of the Battlefields in Belgium with Staff and Pupils of Bishopbriggs Academy as School Chaplain. At this point I am unsure as to whether my GP will deem me fit to travel.

In the meantime, I have become quite inventive in getting around and doing things in the Manse. I am trying to occupy my time by reading, catching up on paperwork <u>and</u> resting. I am also working hard on the virtue of patience although I am sure my family would say that I am only succeeding in trying theirs!

I am grateful to those of you who have sent me cards, good wishes, gifts, phoned, visited and provided me with transport when required.

I have been reminded once again of the understanding that the Christian faith does not call us to be dependent or independent but interdependent. Thank you all for your help and continuing prayers. I miss you all and I hope and pray that I will be back among you soon.

I leave you with this image and thought a colleague shared with me when he was recovering from surgery...



LOOKING BACK



Baptisms

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

Sunday 28th August, 2016 Matilda Thomson

Funerals

Friday 9th September, 2016 Isabella (Isabel) M. Aird,

Brackenbrae Avenue

Monday 19th September, 2016 Dr. Henry Patterson,

Rannoch Avenue

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.

The Patterson family wish to thank their many friends in Springfield Cambridge Church for all the messages of love and support they received during the past weeks. Your thoughts and prayers were a great comfort at this sad time.

Betty Patterson



On Sunday 4th September, 2016, we were able to present a cheque to Alzheimer's Scotland for £1413, from the proceeds of the sold out concert, 'AMORE' which we held in the Church on Friday evening 1st July, 2016.

(Pictured: Alan Craig and Angi Inch from Alzheimer's Scotland)



On Sunday 11th September, 2016 we concluded Worship by going through to the Cameron Hall for a 'Harvest Lunch' in aid of

Christian Aid. Once again the Church Fundraising Group raised this event from a self service style canteen to a first class restaurant with table service and no corridor queues! Extra 'staff' waited at tables and it was a lovely event. Many thanks to all who gave of their time and talents for this event, and to all those who came along to enjoy the lunch. The event raised £601.87, including £64.37 Gift Aid, and the Retiring Offering on Harvest Sunday (18/9/16) raised an additional £394.67.

LOOKING AHEAD

Vestry Hour - Wednesday mornings at 10 am

Due to my current indisposition check the Orders of Service for details of future Vestry Hours. All pastoral emergencies should be directed until further notice to Rev Jim Gemmell of Kenmure Church (201417721468).

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.



Our next Service at Callieburn Court will be on Sunday 9th. October, 2016 at 2.30 pm. 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 30th October, 2016, there will be a Service of Dedication for the Boys' and Girls' Brigade.



Treasurer's Report

We have now entered the last quarter of 2016 and time is marching on until the year-end!

Our income has picked up over the last few weeks with all of our outside agencies returning after the summer break resulting in a good cash flow. Income from offerings continues to be in line with the budgeted figures. I am also pleased to advise that we have now received settlement from HMRC of the Quarter 3 (2015) and Quarter 4 (2015) General Fund tax claims totalling £8,853.

Major recent items of expenditure over the last month include the final instalment of our Presbytery dues for 2016 of £1,434, our monthly Mission and Ministries payment to The Church of Scotland for £8,079 and our other monthly staff salary costs of £2,048.

As you see from the figures below we have a deficit on the General Fund for the year-to-date of £1,605. The deficit has been reduced from last month and we also still await final settlement of our Q1 and Q2 2016 General Fund Tax Claims (including claims under Gift Aid Small Claims Scheme) totalling £11,000 as well as some other miscellaneous claims totalling £2,150.

The Income and Expenditure figures for the year to 21st September as against budget on the General Fund are as follows: -

Income from Offerings

	ACTUAL (£)	BUDGET (to 21/9/16) (£)
FWO Scheme	11,807	14,741
Open Plate	4,964	5,606
Gift Aid	55,479	53,559
Tax Recovered	18,876	19,714
Total	91,126	93,620
Other Ordinary Gen Income	18,856	17,769
TOTAL ORD GEN INCOME	109,982	111,389
GENERAL EXPENDITURE	111,587	107,204
Deficit for Year to date	(1,605)	
		Jim Kerr, Treasurer

Recycle for Profit

In last month's issue we (rather sadly) indicated that we were ceasing our request for mobile 'phones. This month we are saying that we received, in our final batch for processing, an eminently 'saleable' item. Such is life! The item in question is an Apple i-phone 5S. However, before we can process it for sale for benefit of our church, there are certain adjustments that we require the previous owner to supply. So - please - could the owner who donated this 'phone call us on 0141 772 1323 and we can make those adjustments and then move forward for the church's benefit!

Many thanks

James and Kenneth Robertson

HARVEST

Jesus said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

Once again, as I looked around the Church this Harvest time, I was overwhelmed by the outward expression of love within our Church family.

In today's uncertain world, it is indeed a blessing to be part of a family of God's people who care and who are generous almost beyond measure. The benefits of this generosity will be felt like ripples throughout our community.

Thank you to the Flower Committee who gave of their time to decorate the Church, fill the boxes and help to deliver them.

vour 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 £394.67 has been sent to Cross Reach.

Thank you everyone for making it all possible.

May God's Blessing be with you and all you hold dear this Harvest time.

Anne Harvey, Convenor

FLOWER CALENDAR - OCTOBER

Mrs M Jeffrey 772 5415 Mrs J Campbell 563 5404

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

The Big Day Out

On the 2nd of July I attended The Big Day out that was held in Edinburgh. I was one of 4 girls representing Glasgow's Girl's Brigade District.

The first activity we were involved in was to parade down the Royal Mile but instead of parading for the first hour we stood in the rain. We were handed out ponchos so it wasn't too bad. After standing about in the rain the sun came out and the people ahead of us started moving. The parade had finally started. We waved flags and balloons while smiling cheesy smiles as people around of us waved back. We were approaching the end of our journey down the Royal Mile when we saw Nicola Sturgeon and other politicians shaking hands with various people. She did get a chance to smile and wave at us. It was now pretty bright and everyone had reached the end and we all sat down on our ponchos and were able to eat our lunch of sandwiches.

Soon after we had finished our lunch we had the chance to explore outside the Scottish Parliament building where there was an interesting water feature. My friends spotted a beam going across part of the water and thought it would be a good idea to walk along it. The four of us walked along the beam and felt as though we were walking on water but that was Not what the officers thought. All they could think about was us falling in!



Eventually they convinced us to stop walking back and forth across the beam and we were able to meet Ken Macintosh and I managed to sneak a selfie with him.

We then managed to get into the parliament building and went straight to the debating chamber where we got to sit in the seats of Nicola Sturgeon and the Presiding Officer.

Later on we went to the café where we could finally warm ourselves up after the morning with hot chocolate or in my case cool myself down with some Irn Bru!

There were many activities going on that day. We had all decided we wanted to go to the creativity section so we headed off there. Once we got there we got straight to work on creating masks. I decided to make a moustache out of pipe cleaners which then started a trend for the rest of my friends to follow.

It was soon time to catch the train back home. It was a busy day, but crammed full of interesting people and exciting activities.

Beth Taylor



Girls' Brigade

It was lovely to welcome all the girls back to Girls Brigade on Tuesday the 23rd of August. Our numbers have increased this session with 20 Excited Explorers, 28 full of fun Juniors and our 12 faithful Brigaders. The Juniors numbers increasing significantly with their successful Bring a Friend evening when they enjoyed a fun evening at the Pea Fair. The girls have started their badge work and amount other things have been learning about famous Scottish woman.

The Explorers theme this year is Animal Kingdom which has seen them out in the church grounds bug hunting. They are all looking forward to our visit to the Safari Park with the Juniors on the 1st of October hopefully we will get a dry day.

The Brigaders have been busy planning events for the session ahead and have been competing in their own mini olympics. They have taken on a new challenge this year in singing and have already shown their shining talent.



company we are planning a step challenge where all the girls and officers will wear pedometers. The Brigaders are planning a walk in the next few weeks and to set the tone 3 of the officers took part in the Memory walk at Kelvingrove Park on

Sunday the 18th of September in aid of Alzheimer's Scotland.

Over the summer our company was lucky enough to be selected by Asda Bishopbriggs green token community challenge. Unfortunately we did not collect the most tokens but have been sent a runners up donation for our funds. Our bag pack at Asda Bishopbriggs is on the 3rd of December.

Katie Byrne, Captain

Springfield Cambridge Festival Chorus Junior Chorus

If you are aged between 8 and 14 we would like to invite you to join the Springfield Cambridge Festival Chorus Junior Chorus.

We will be singing in Glasgow Royal Concert Hall for CHAS on Thursday 22nd December at 7.30pm with the Springfield Festival Chorus.

We will rehearse on Sunday mornings from 12.30 - 1.30pm starting on October 23rd.

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Catherine Taylor on 0141 772 1540 text 07511629272 catherinejtaylor@btinternet.com

Hope you can join us!

Catherine Taylor

Life & Work 2017

A letter will be enclosed with the October 2016 issue to all existing subscribers requesting payment of £27.36 by 6th November 2016 if they wish to continue receiving the magazine in 2017. The cover price will increase to £2.50 next year but by paying for the full year in advance subscribers can save nearly 10% on the full price.

Jim Kerr, Treasurer

Fresh Start

We have had a busy summer with 7 referrals. Great that ladies are being housed and moving on. Sadly the places in the refuge are taken right away. This has resulted in supplies at Lennoxtown being very limited. Churches involved in the project are appealing for items on list. We would like to appeal to members of Springfield Cambridge to donate new pillows and pillowcases. These can be placed in box in Hall of Fellowship. Thank you.

Brenda Diamond & Wilma Cox

The Guild

A greater number of members than usual made the long journey to the Guild Annual Gathering in the Caird Hall, Dundee on Saturday 3rd September and they were rewarded by a very interesting and enjoyable meeting. Around 2,000 Guild members attended almost all of them ladies although there were a few men there as we are no longer the 'Womens' Guild but open to all! The keynote address in the morning was given by the current Moderator of the General Assembly Rev Dr Russell Barr. He was a very interesting and entertaining speaker and in the afternoon Sally



(of Magnusson Reporting Scotland fame) spoke about the she founded Playlist for Life. Together with the hymns sung by a choir of 2,000 voices and music from the Heart & Soul Swing Band it was a very uplifting day for us all. Opposite some of are our members enjoying their picnic lunch outside as Dundee even laid on some dry weather for us.

We had an interesting talk by our minister the Rev Ian Taylor on this year's theme 'Go in Joy' at our first meeting on 5th September which gave us much food for thought to start off our new session with Joy in our hearts. On 19th September we were entertained by laughing at our own Scottish Superstitions led by our speaker Deedee Cuddihy. On 17th October we will be visited by Keith Jones who is a volunteer with Falkirk Community Trust and he will be speaking about the Helix Park and the Kelpies and on 31st October our speakers will be Dr Joyce Deans and Anna Magnusson talking about a book they co-authored called 'The Time of their Lives'.

New members are always welcome please come along and join us in the Springfield Hall every second Monday at 7.30pm

Guild dates for your diary:

Extra Meeting Monday **7th November** speaker Ellen Robertson – My Trip to China

Guild Coffee Morning **Saturday 12th November** 10 am – 12 noon Joint Meeting of Bishopbriggs Guilds at Kenmure **Monday 14th November** at 7.30 pm

The Big Sing **Friday 18th November** at 2.00 pm Guild Dedication Service **Sunday 20th November** at 11 am.

Joyce Macmillan, Secretary

The Fund Raising Group invite you to join them at their **BEETLE DRIVE**







On Friday 4th November at 7.30 pm in the Springfield Hall BYOB

(Tea/coffee at the interval)

TICKETS ON SALE SOON

in Hall of Fellowship or from Group Members

Springfield Cambridge Church

Sunday 2nd October

Worship at 11am and 3pm Including the Sacrament of Holy Communion

Sunday 9th October

Worship at 11am

Service at Callieburn Court at 2.30pm

Sunday 16th October Worship at 11am

Sunday 23rd October Worship at 11am

Sunday 30th October

Worship at 11am
Service of Dedication for Boys' and Girls' Brigade

