



The Springfield Cambridge Record

*"And my soul
shall be joyful in
the LORD: it
shall rejoice in
his salvation."*

Psalm 35:9



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A word from our Minister ... *we are watching?*

Sunday night time TV viewing in the Manse has recently been dominated by two 'medical' drama programmes whose current series ended on March 12th.

In "*Call the Midwife*", all of human life is played out through the adaptation of the memoirs of Jennifer Worth set in East London in the last century. In the "*The Good Karma Hospital*", all of human life is also played out, though this time in tropical South India.

Various episodes of these programmes have at times wrestled with issues of life and death, good and evil, hope and tragedy. Such episodes reminded me of a colleague whose child had been teased by a school friend for her lack of athletic prowess. The little girl's friend (the real athlete!) then unceremoniously fell face first out of the swing. At which point, the little girl later reported to her mum, "*Karrrrrrrrmaaaa!*"

"No," said mum, "*we believe in grace not Karma.*" This theological point was lost on the little girl who with a raised eyebrow and a roll of her eyes, seemed to be saying, "*Whatever!*"

The notion of *Karma* seems to be prevalent in our current world - we like the notion of retribution - of someone getting what's coming to them - or getting their just desserts.

Weekly in our Sunday Worship, in our opening prayer of confession, we pray for and are given an assurance of pardon, but do we pray and receive them? Do we accept that we (and others) are in need of mercy - God's and others - or do we just hope for *Karma* (we're not all that bad really). What do the words "*forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors*" in the Lord's Prayer mean to us?

One of my favourite theologians, Miroslav Volf, once wrote that we live in a "*culture stripped of grace*." But why did Christ come, live, die and rise again if not by grace?

In "The End of Memory" Volf writes, "*In light of Christ's self-sacrifice and resurrection, the future belongs to those who give themselves, in love, not to those who nail others to a cross.*"

In this season of Lent, we lean in towards the future of Easter, living and recognising that Jesus took our place when he said, "*Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.*"

Christ paid that debt for us! Will we respond through calls for *Karma* or with demonstrations of grace? Pretty amazing grace!

Rev Ian Taylor

LOOKING BACK

Funerals

Wednesday 1st March, 2017

Mr Andrew D. MacLean,
Crowhill Road

Monday 6th March, 2017

Mrs Heather Wood,
Duncryne Place

Saturday 11th March, 2017

Mrs Alice M. Hutson,
Cromarty Avenue

Monday 13th March, 2017

Mr John T. Muir,
Muirpark Drive

Thursday 16th March, 2017

Mr David McDonald,
Kirriemuir Road

Saturday 18th March, 2017

Mrs Edna Vettters,
Haymarket Street

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.

Church Cleaner

On Friday 17th March, 2017, after 11 years of faithful and excellent service as our Church cleaner, and so much more, Carol Nelson hung up her 'Marigolds' at the Church for the last time. We wish her well in her 'second' retirement and express our deepest gratitude for all that she did for us. Carol we shall miss you...



(l to r Presentation to Carol on 15/3/17, Jim Tonner, Carol Nelson, Sandra McDougall, Rev. Ian Taylor)



After the presentation to Carol, some members gathered for a time of fellowship.

LOOKING AHEAD



Vestry Hour –Wednesday mornings at 10 a.m.

Should anyone wish to see the Minister, Ian will be available on the 12th and 19th April, 2017 from 10-11 a.m. 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 a.m.

The Wednesday morning Service will be held in the Cambridge Chapel. The Cambridge Chapel will also be open Monday – Friday from 10 a.m. – 12 noon for anyone who wishes to find a quiet place to read the Bible, pray or reflect during the course of the week.



There will be a Service at Callieburn Court on **Palm Sunday 9th April, 2017 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.



Holy Week

HOLY WEEK SERVICES 2017

Bishopbriggs Churches Together has arranged the following programme of worship during Holy week. **Sunday 9th April - Palm**

Sunday - Evening Service at Cadder Church at 7pm. **Monday 10th April** - Evening Service in Robroyston Church at 7pm. **Tuesday 11th April** - "Stations of the Cross" at St Matthew's Church at 7pm. (*Wednesday 12th April - no service*). **Thursday 13th April** - Maundy Thursday Service including the Sacrament of Holy Communion - in St James the Less at 7pm. **Friday 14th April - Good Friday** - *Walk of Witness* from Kenmure Church at 10.30am proceeding to St Matthew's Church, then on to Cadder South Church Hall and ending at Woodhill Evangelical Church (followed by a light lunch). A **Good Friday Evening Service** will take place in Bishopbriggs Community Church at 7pm. Finally - The Bishopbriggs Passion - , for news of this exciting event happening in Bishopbriggs over Easter weekend - see the following page and the poster on the inside back cover.

Our own **Palm Sunday Service** will be at the usual time of 11am on **Sunday 9th April**.



ON **Easter Sunday, 16th April 2017**, our 11am Morning Service will include the **Sacrament of Holy Communion**.

'The Bishopbriggs Passion' (15th - 16th April)

Following on from last year's performance of Adrian Snell's "The Passion" in the Church, the Springfield Cambridge Festival Chorus are aiming to tell the Biblical and historical story of people of faith in a dramatic and unique way. We hope these events will demonstrate to the people of our town the reason we exist and show what we have in common with each other, and leave our community with something that we hope everyone will be talking about before and after, and stir an interest in Christian belief.

On Saturday we will meet at various venues/Churches at 1.30p.m. and then walk to Springfield Cambridge Church to arrive at 2p.m. Once there - Palm Sunday to Good Friday to the Crucifixion through to The Resurrection will be enacted through music and drama - with an opportunity for 'the public' to participate in the drama.



On Easter Sunday There will be a Celebratory Music Concert at 3.30pm in Woodhill Evangelical Church Car Park (or at Etive Park if logistical issues can be resolved).

On both days spectators will be drawn in as participants to create maximum effect and impact on all who attend.





Girls' Brigade Divisional Gathering

Greater Glasgow Division held their gathering in Springfield Cambridge Church. Over 300 girls and 50 officers attended. We had crafts, games, a magic show and a worship service followed by snacks. Thank you to Rev. Ian Taylor for taking part in the service. Thanks to Catherine Taylor, David Hogg and Stewart Campbell for the music. Wilma Cox, Melissa Kerr and Callum Russell for their help. Anne Harvey for flowers and Jim Tonner for all the help he gave. The afternoon was a great success.

Brenda Diamond, Divisional Commissioner

Local Church Review (LCR)

In March 2012 the Presbytery of Glasgow conducted an LCR with us, in one of the early stages of this new version of the replacement for the old Quinquennial Visit. The process has changed in terms of some of the paperwork involved, but a similar process will be observed with us shortly in this 5 year cycle of congregational visits. A preliminary initial meeting was held with the Minister, Session Clerk and Clerk to the Congregational Board on Wednesday 15th March.

The Presbytery Team will return on **Tuesday 30th May, 2017 at 7pm** to meet with our office-bearers and any members of the congregation who wish to join us. Between then and now, the office-bearers and members will work on the substantial paperwork required for submission to Presbytery, at the latest, one week prior to their return visit. From that a report and recommendations will be prepared and presented to us hopefully before the end of June, with a final submission to the Presbytery of Glasgow in September of this year.

Treasurers Report

By the time this article goes to press the first quarter of 2017 will over! Income and Expenditure for the period January – March is tracking the budgeted figures for the year and we have received settlement of all outstanding Income Tax Claims from HMRC for 2016.

The main items of expenditure in March were our Central payment to the Church of Scotland of £7,864, partial payment of £1,390 in respect of our Glasgow Presbytery dues for 2017 and our monthly salary payments to our staff totalling approximately £1,900.

Jim Kerr, Treasurer



FLOWER CALENDAR - APRIL 2017

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**Friends of the Paul O'Gorman
Leukaemia Research Centre Glasgow**

Thank You

I wish to thank everyone who helped me to raise over £1300 (still

receiving donations) for the Paul O'Gorman Leukaemia research Centre at the Beatson campus in Glasgow.

The total is made up from generous donations, the quiz evening on the 18th March and a raffle during the quiz. Thank you to everyone who attended the quiz, gave donations, donated raffle prizes or who helped in any way. A special thank you to Jim Tonner for all his help. Tom Noon



CONGRATULATIONS

to Hamilton & Irene Smillie,

*66 Mailing Avenue on the occasion of their
Golden Wedding Anniversary (25/3/67-25/3/17)*

THANK YOU

I would like to say a very sincere 'thank you' for all your prayers, cards, flowers, phone calls and visits following my recent operation. I would especially like to thank Ian Taylor for his visit and prayers and the 'Office Angels' who have all coped admirably with the daily routine at Springfield Cambridge. I am now, hopefully, on the mend and hope to be back on my feet in the next month!

Isobel Lawson

'STREETS OF BISHOPBRIGGS' QUIZ

As part of our fund-raising efforts, these Quiz Sheets were made available to members of the Congregation. This has raised £159. There were 19 entries posted in the box. No-one managed to get totally correct answers, but the top 3 prizewinners were only pipped at the post by 2 marks, with most of the other entries just a few marks less. The winners who have been presented with a small prize each are Carol Milliken, Gordon Mackenzie and Christine Anderson. Well done to the winners, and many thanks again to all those who participated and helped to raise much needed funds for our Church.

QUIZ AND FISH SUPPER NIGHT

The Fund Raising Group is pleased to announce that a total of £741.50, including Gift Aid, was raised at our third successful Quiz and Fish Supper Event on Friday 24th February. The Group Members would like to thank everyone who attended, and assisted, for their support. A special thanks is given again to our excellent Quizmaster Stephen Millar for all his hard work in compiling and presenting the Quiz. Thanks also to Gianni's for supplying the appetising fish suppers. A 1st Prize of mini bottles of wine and chocolate coins and a 2nd Prize of individual chocolate selections, were awarded to the 2 tables with the highest scores and Consolation Prize-winners given to the table with the lowest score - better luck next year! A great time was had by everyone. Even if we didn't know all the correct answers, it was the taking part and the fellowship which gave pleasure.



FUND RAISING GROUP

STREETS OF BISHOPBRIGGS QUIZ SOLUTION

1	Not the Eastern meadow	WESTFIELDS
2	Canonised Liver Salts	ST ANDREWS
3	Diagonal chessman	BISHOP
4	Stopped weeping	DUNCRYNE
5	Premier League Stadium	FIRPARK
6	Required for entry to a safe?	MONIKIE
7	Black Birds	RAVENS
8	Angus dance venue	KIRRIEMUIR
9	Exhausted abstainer from animal food	DUNVEGAN
10	Valley for strokes below par	GLENEAGLES
11	Dentures for males	MENTEITH
12	Setting sun	WESTRAY
13	Solar mode of design	SUNART
14	Gathered in Springtime	LILAC
15	Arouse the fish	STIRLING
16	Maintained a grip	ELDON
17	Thomas's bonce	MUIRHEAD
18	Antarctic opinion	SOUTHVIEW
19	Agricultural irrigation	MEADOWBURN
20	Day before Tuesday in France	LUNDIE
21	Exercise in the hostelry	BARDRILL
22	Charlie's girlfriend	FLORA
23	Sending by post	MAILING
24	Entrance that's not too hot!	CALDERGATE
25	Cash for a species of deer	MONYMUSK
26	Falling behind	LAGGAN
27	Piscine attempt	FINTRY
28	Dreamy salesman	ANGUS
29	<i>CLUE DELETED AS</i>	<i>INCORRECT ANSWER</i>
30	Where the monks cross the river	ABBOTSFORD
31	Incline on which to boast	CROWHILL
32	Part replacement for a fireplace	NEWTYLE
33	Television Vet	HERIOT
34	Works in a monastery - or a chip shop!	FRIAR
35	Ecclesiastical delay	KIRKSTALL
36	Not the way up	DOUNE
37	Foggy legislation - on the coast?	HARLAW
38	Warm the lady's incline	HEATHERBRAE
39	Two-wheeled barrow for door to door selling	HURLY HAWKIN
40	In the act of going	LEVEN

THE GUILD

On 3rd March we hosted the Bishopbriggs area service for The World Day of Prayer. The service was written by the women of the Philippines and was titled 'Am I being unfair to you?' A number of our members were involved in supporting this service by participating in the prescribed service led by Rev Taylor, stewarding, collecting the offering and providing the tea and cakes which followed afterwards. On 6th March we held our Hostess Tea which was well supported by members and guests. We enjoyed entertainment by Rhona Hughes speaking and singing about her life in story and song followed by tea, sandwiches and cakes provided by the ladies of the committee. All of the approximately 90 people who attended seemed to enjoy the evening. Our final speaker for this year was Irene Dick on 20th March who kept the ladies in gales of laughter with her stories. It was an entertaining evening. The final meeting of this session will be our AGM on Monday 3rd April.

Dates for your diary.

Saturday 13th May - Guild Outing to Largs bus leaves the church at 10.30 returning between 7.00-7.30pm

7th June – we are hosting the North Presbyterial Council Echoes of Assembly meeting.

Joyce Macmillan, Secretary

Boys' Brigade - Company Section

The dust has settled on another years successful ex Members Dinner for the 268. The evening represented a Red Nose Free event - not sure about the Blue Ones! 48 friends and ex members met on Friday 24th March and enjoyed an evening of fellowship entertainment and nostalgia with friends old and new. This year's event was the best supported to date and it is hoped that those attending will contribute to that ever increasing number whenever they bump into old BB pals.

We had a short insight into life as a Director at Ibrox from John Gilligan a current non Executive Director of the Club who was a member of the 268 in 1960s and he also answered a number of questions from the more partisan elements of the audience. Following a very enjoyable meal Mark Johnstone our old friend from St Marys Kirkintilloch, after taking his leave of a Guild event in his own church, provided us with an insight into how he spent a weekend in the company of The Royal Family at Balmoral. In his own inimitable style the events on the one hand seemed very ordinary but on the other hand were most extraordinary with his thoughts on the return journey home being "did that really happen". Apparently HMQ has an in depth knowledge of not only the Johnstone family but also Kirkintilloch!

Feedback has been very encouraging and many attendees are already looking forward to next year's event. Over £700 was raised on the evening and we await the contribution from HMRC who tendered their apologies but were encouraged to make a financial contribution through Gift Aid.

Donald Armour

The Springfield Cambridge Festival Chorus

and

Fizzgig Theatre

present

The Bishopbriggs Passion

A free Easter event for all the family

Saturday 15th April 2017 1.30pm

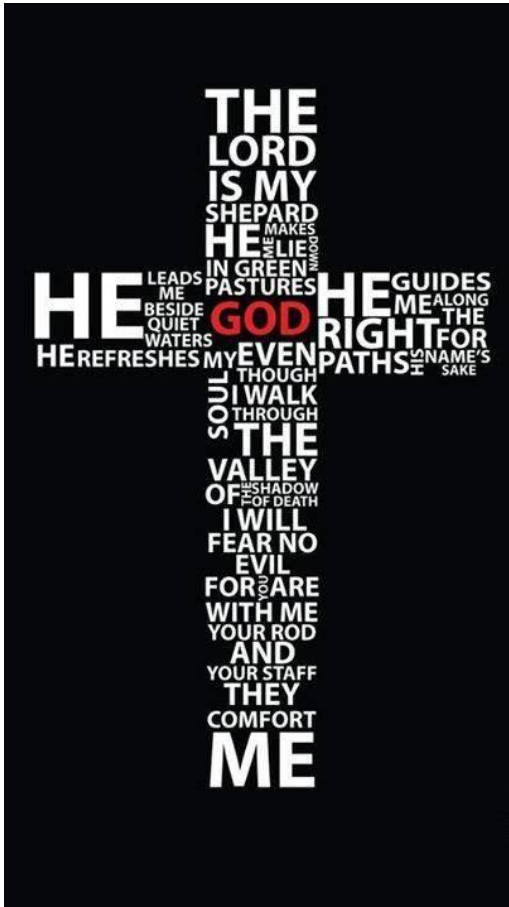
There are three starting points for the event.

Please gather at the most convenient car park by 1.30pm

- 1 . Kenmure Church, Viewfield Road
- 2 . Woodhill Evangelical Church, Wester Cleddens Road
- 3 . Bishopbriggs Community Church, Park Road

Supporting Children's Hospice Association (Scotland)

Springfield Cambridge Church



Sunday 2nd April

Worship at 11am

Sunday 9th April

Palm Sunday

Worship at 11am

*Service at Callieburn Court
at 2.30pm*

Sunday 16th April

Easter Sunday

Worship at 11am

*(including the Sacrament of
Holy Communion)*

Sunday 23rd April

Worship at 11am

Sunday 30th April

Worship at 11am