

The Springfield Cambridge Record



*"You care for the earth and make it fruitful:
you enrich it greatly,
filling its great channels with rain.
In this way you prepare the earth
and provide grain for its people. " (Psalm 65:9)*

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A Word from our Minister: Practice makes permanent

During the Birmingham Commonwealth Games I was fascinated by the 10 metre diving events. I marvelled at how some of the divers would approach their dive. In an upside-down position on their hands perched on the very edge of the board, they held themselves perfectly still before launching into the water below in a feat of skill and bravery, to my eyes and mind at least. Sometimes the divers would perform their routines, solo, and at other times as a pair in a synchronised performance of breathtaking choreography.

After one event, Gaby Logan was joined on the commentary sofa by Tonia Couch, herself a former diving medallist. Gaby was asking why one diver who was normally part of a duo, when performing solo did not move to the mid centre of the board before starting, but instead remained at the outer edge side where normally he would have been opposite his partner. Tonia said that whilst we normally say, *"Practice makes perfect"* - in the diving world, divers say, *"Practice makes permanent."* What she was suggesting was that in a sense to make their routine perfect, the divers had to practice in such a way that their routine became 'permanent' within them. The mind has a memory which connects to the body and so a habit can become a permanent feature of muscle memory. This set my own mind into a dive. I had been reading Hebrews 11:29-12:2 earlier where the Apostle Paul uses a racing metaphor to describe a life of faith. Imagine a stadium with a crowd watching the athletes. Every seat is taken. Look closely and you will see the saints, men and women who have given their lives in the service of God. There are holy people who dedicated themselves to the power of God. There are martyrs who died for the faith. All are watching the arena and the race that is taking place. It is an important race, for much of what they lived and died for is at stake. The one sitting at the end of the track is the King (Jesus). He too watches, for the kingdom is in some ways dependent on these runners. If the runners do not give themselves and dedicate themselves to the race, then the kingdom could be lost to the earth. The spectators know that if the runners do not win, much of what they have laboured for will be in vain. Now look at the runners. You should recognise them for you are among them. It is we who are in that stadium - we are fighting to win. It is a battle for our eternal soul, and more, it is the only way the kingdom can be established on

earth. The saints depend on us for their work not to be lost. We are called to witness and proclaim the Gospel. Christ and the saints rely on us - "They would not apart from us, be made perfect." So, let's continue to practice our faith, to name the presence of God where we experience it, and make our permanent mark on the world. In the Name of Christ.

Rev. Ian Taylor

A Word from our Assistant Minister

EVERY STEP AN ARRIVAL

I love Denise Levertov's poem "Overland to the Islands." The poet conjures up the image of a dog moving "intently haphazard" sniffing and dancing over rocks and mud, disdaining nothing his nose registers along the way. But the dog has a trick afoot, which is that he always "keeps moving, changing pace and approach but no direction - every step an arrival."

It seems like yesterday but almost nine months have passed since my family and I arrived in Scotland. Our journey has been long. Sometimes the path was plain and easy, but on some occasions, it was frightening and full of turns in which we could not see anything until we make the turn.

During this process, I have been learning how to ask God good questions because the wrong question leads to the wrong answer. So I do not ask God to show me the entire road ahead as it is impossible. We make the road by walking. Look! Walking, not running. So, in my case, the right question has been this: 'what is the next step, God?'

One of Thomas Merton's prayers has been very helpful to me. Let me share it with you:

My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me. I cannot know for certain where it will end. Nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think I am following Your will does not mean that I am actually doing so. But I believe that the desire to please You does in fact please You. And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing. I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire. And I know that, if I do this, You will lead me by the right road, though

*I may know nothing about it. Therefore, I will trust You always though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death. I will not fear, for You are ever with me, and You will never leave me to face my perils alone.
Amen.*

On different levels and perspectives my family and I can see God's hand guiding our lives, and as a result our hearts are full of gratitude since every step has been an arrival.

Rev. Edson Duque de Castro.

A Word from our Assistant Minister (Probationary Minister)

Solviture ambulando, wrote Augustine of Hippo, one of the early theologians of the Christian church. "It is solved by walking". What is "it"? If you want to find out, then you will have to do your own walking.

As I begin my probationary ministry, it can be overwhelming to know where to begin. Perhaps the six wise friends of Rudyard Kipling will help me out, what, why, when, how, where and who, for it is these questions which take us on a journey. So, with my six wise Kipling friends, I read through the words of Bill Findlay's, 'Springfield Cambridge Bishopbriggs, the story of a church' and began to understand your story.

What a labyrinth of a story it is. From The man from Unst to a New age dawns, War years to Up and downs, from Union and progress to The wind of change. A story which takes me back to my visit of Algiers Cathedral, Algeria, a place where the first Christian Labyrinth (324AD) resides. I remember the square in the centre read, SANCTA ECCLESIA, meaning 'Holy Church', and if you read it forwards, backwards, horizontally, or vertically, it always reads the same. Giving hope that the church is always there to the wanderer of the labyrinth path. Reminding me of the words in Isaiah 30:21, When you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a word behind you, saying, "This is the way; walk in it". Jesus was a walker, his pace was a slow meander, he took his sweet time, allowing the wanderers to come into focus for him, just as he came into focus for them. Gautama Buddha said, "Seek not to follow the footsteps of the men of old; rather, seek what they sought". Jesus is the destination, the centre of the labyrinth.

I feel privileged to be walking this chapter of your story with you, as for my question, where to begin? Put one foot in front of the other, meander through the labyrinth, singing, Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty.

Julie Hearty.

Presbytery Planning

Over the summer months work has continued locally on this task. Bishopbriggs has been allocated slightly more staffing resources than we had previously been led to believe. For the next five years Bishopbriggs has been given 2 posts. Kenmure is currently vacant and will not be permitted to call a Minister in the current plan. As both John MacGregor and I are on 'unrestricted tenure' the new plan for the next five years explores and sets out ways in which the congregations can more closely work together and serve the mission of Christ in Bishopbriggs. We will have to assume additional responsibilities and duties for our sister congregation within our Grouping. Further details will follow once our submission to Presbytery has been approved and the whole Plan has been passed by the Presbytery of Glasgow and the Church Offices at 121 in Edinburgh. What I would say is that inevitably with fewer staff across the whole Church (Ministers and Ministry Development Staff {MDS}) everyone is going to be expected to do more, and congregations will be required to provide additional support to maintain what we presently do before we engage in fresh mission. This will have a number of knock on effects affecting where and how we minister. One example of this is that more Presbyters will need to become Interim Moderators in vacancies and to cover illness for colleagues. An immediate consequence of these changes is detailed below.

Rev. Ian Taylor.

Interim Moderator - Springburn Parish Church

On the 15th. of August 2022, the Presbytery of Glasgow appointed me as Interim Moderator at Springburn for a period of three months, or less to cover for the Minister who is presently on Leave of absence due to ill-health. Other local

colleagues will assist me in providing pastoral cover for funerals, etc., and the congregation have arranged Pulpit Supply for most of this period. Therefore, my principal duties will be to moderate their Kirk session and Congregational Board and to line manage their MDS employee. Additionally, I will represent their interests in the various 'cluster' meetings relating to the Presbytery plan, so I ask for your forbearance as I may not always be able to respond to all the needs of our congregation and parish as I might wish. However, I have been assured my term is finite!

Rev. Ian Taylor.

Holy Communion

The Kirk Session at its meeting in June decided that post Covid, Holy Communion in future will be celebrated at the Morning service on the first Sunday in October, February and June. We will no longer have afternoon or evening Communion Services.

FLOWER MINISTRY - CHANGES

"Serve one another in love" Galatians 5 v13

The recent changes to the Flower Ministry in our Church mean that there will be fresh flowers in Church only on the *FIRST* Sunday of each month. The flowers will be purchased and arranged by Maureen Brown and Anne Harvey. Members of the Flower Committee and other members of the Congregation will help with delivering the flowers to those who need encouragement.

If you know of anyone who would benefit from receiving the flowers, please let us know about them.

These arrangements will be reviewed at the end of the year.

Thank you to all donors for your support in this ministry.

Anne Harvey and Maureen Brown

On behalf of the Flower Committee

Halls Letting

In June the Congregational Board agreed a new scale of hall let charges mindful of the rising costs faced by the Church for heating, lighting, cleaning etc. The new charges come into effect on 01/08/22 and are as follows:

REGULAR Let - Hall £24, Room £14

IRREGULAR Let (one-off) - Hall £25, Room £15

Baptisms

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

Sunday 3rd. July, 2022

Michael Alexander CUNNINGHAM & Matthew John CUNNINGHAM



Left = Matthew, Right = Michael

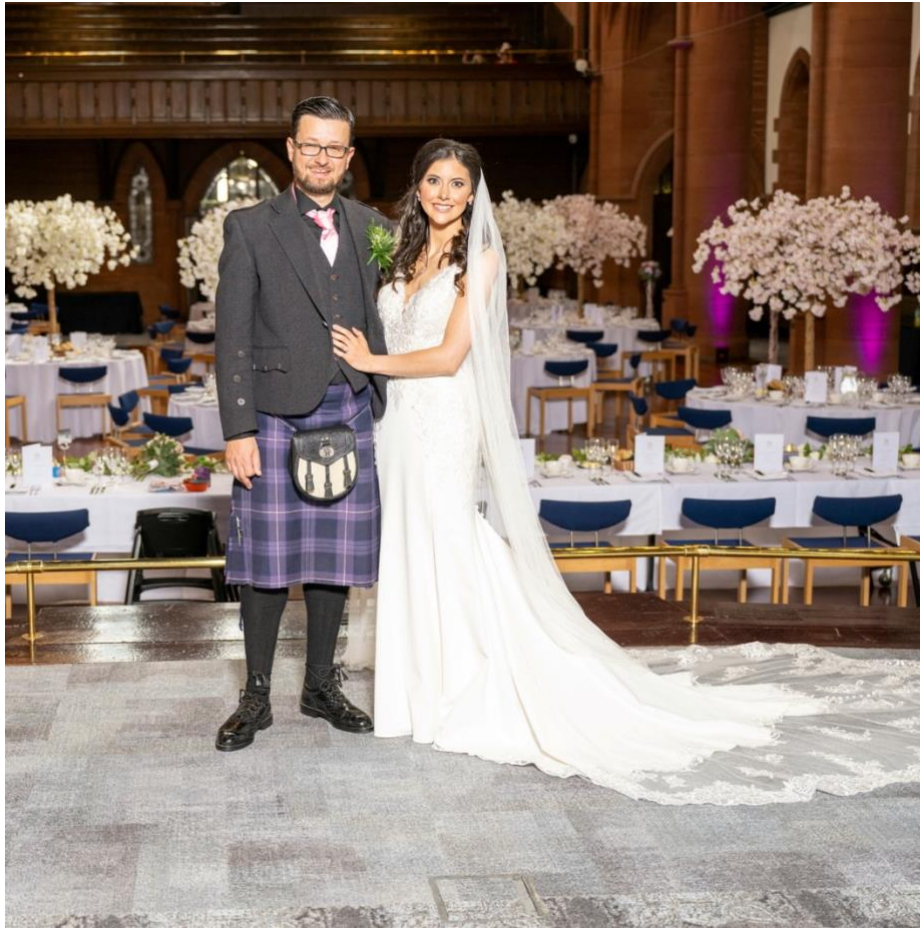
Weddings

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. Amen.



Kathleen H. Burt & Alisdair McLeod 25th June 2022



Anna L. Porte & Alan Craig 8th July 2022



RUBY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

James & Lynne Robertson 10th July 2022

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.

Saturday 11th. June, 2022

Mrs. Elizabeth (Bessie) Graham, Springfield Court

Friday 17th. June, 2022

Mrs. Mae Ellis, Mavisbank Nursing Home

Monday 20th. June, 2022

Mrs. Jean (Wilma) Cox, Novar Gardens

Wednesday 22nd June, 2022

Mrs. Mary Smith, formerly Gleneagles Gardens

Thursday 30th. June, 2022

Mrs. Mary Louisa Reynolds, Mailing Avenue

Monday 4th. July, 2022

Mrs. Rena Johnston, Westerton Care Home

Thursday 14th. July, 2022

Mrs. Charlotte Hamilton, Katrine Avenue

Monday 25th. July, 2022

Home

Mrs. Annie (Ann) Anderson, Mavisbank Nursing

Monday 1st. August, 2022

Mr. Ian Miller, Rannoch Avenue

Saturday 6th. August, 2022

Home

Mrs Margaret K. Campbell, Mavisbank Nursing

Tuesday 9th. August, 2022

Mrs. Evelyn H. Wylie, Woodhill Road

Monday 15th. August, 2022

Mr. James (Jim) K. Smith, Wood field Avenue



LOOKING BACK

TRIBUTE TO THE KIRK SESSION:

Mrs Jean (Wilma) Cox. 4/5/1954 -11/6/2022

Wilma (as she was better known by many) grew up in Bishopbriggs and was the elder sister to the late Drew. After her schooling locally she worked for a while in a chemists shop on Kirkintilloch Road, before pursuing her vocation as a nurse, training as she did at Stobhill Hospital. Most of her nursing career was spent as a theatre nurse (Wilma joked that she preferred her patients unconscious) but if you knew her, then you knew that was not the case. Initially she worked at Canniesburn in the Plastic Surgery Unit, then A & E in Monklands, Edmonton General Hospital in Canada, Ross Hall, Stobhill, Yorkhill and GRI (Maternity Unit) until she retired aged 60.

When she was 19, Wilma went on a blind date with Albert, and that proved to be a lasting match when they were married on 21/11/75. Their family grew with the arrival of Richard and then Andrew whilst they were living in Canada. They furnished homes in Airdrie where they lived for 5 years upon their marriage before emigrating to Canada for 3 years. On their return to Scotland they lived at 3 Auchinairn Road for 3 years before their final move to 64 Novar Gardens in Bishopbriggs.

In 1982 Wilma attended the Billy Graham rally at Parkhead and that marked the beginning of her commitment to the Christian faith. Her watchword thereafter in life was encapsulated by the words of St. Paul on the front of our Order of Service, *"I can do all this through him who gives me strength"* (Philippians 4:13). She had strong connections and involvement with Kenmure Church where she was ordained an Elder before moving to Springfield Cambridge Church joining our Kirk Session in 2014.

Family was a large part of Wilma's life - her late brother Drew, sister-in-law Cathy, husband Albert, boys Richard and Andrew, daughter in-laws Colette and Siobhan, and grand children Michael and Clarissa were at the centre of her being. She doted

on all of them. A great source of joy was her presence at the birth of Michael - while she was working at the Maternity Unit - though what her daughter-in-law made of her mother-in-law's presence in the delivery room is unclear to me! And when Clarissa was born prematurely, when Andrew phoned her to tell her the news, she was not expecting the announcement of her birth - however Andrew refused to disclose the sex of Wilma's new grandchild, instead saying simply, "*Come and see*". Her excitement could not be contained!

Friendship was also important to Wilma. She was very close to her dear friend Jennifer, to Liz and to Brenda who read these prayerful words at the funeral,

"Life is both delicate and resilient.
May you cherish the life that you have
and the lives of those that you love.
May the sadness of today
cause you to be thankful
for the gifts of family, friendship, faith and hope.
May you see the beauty
in the lives of those in front of you. "

If you had Wilma as your friend then you had a friend who was kind, considerate, loyal, loving and true.

Wilma enjoyed reading (on her Kindle) especially Glasgow social history, preferring true stories over fiction. She loved to watch on TV: *Corrie*, *Line of Duty* and not forgetting *24 hours in A & E* (no doubt recalling Monklands experiences) and *Call the Midwife*.

The family can recall many happy times on holiday at a villa in Portugal owned by a friend of Albert's and all the hilarity between the boys.

By nature, she was never negative, always took any setbacks in her stride, shaking off any obstacles preferring to simply move on. When she was born prematurely at 1 and 1/2 lbs she was the smallest baby in Lanarkshire - and surprised everyone by surviving thereby displaying her resilience and perseverance. Interestingly Richard, Michael and Clarissa were also later to be born prematurely like her.

Sometimes life can be a struggle for any of us - for all of us. What is important is how we face those struggles. Wilma was no stranger to the struggle of life. I am reminded of the struggle of the Stradivarius tree - "*the struggle for water, for*

light and for space - that makes it uniquely qualified to be crafted into a beautiful violin." (*The Power of Belonging*, Will Van Der Hart, Rob Waller)

Reflecting on the struggle of life, a colleague wrote these words which remind me of Wilma:

The trees at the edge of the forest
that have not had to struggle for water and air
whose branches are plentiful, whose leaves are many
are too full of knots to make beautiful instruments.

Only those that have struggled
Forced to endure darkness
Forced to grow thin and tall
Forced to eschew branches to occupy less space
Forced to seek the light
Those are the trees
Chosen

to be fashioned into beautiful instruments
For beauty insists that we go beyond what we see
that we persistently look
for that which is considered impossible
Beauty insists that we look deep within and call forth
an ancient wisdom that refuses to settle for ordinary
And beautiful music requires discipline
many hours of patiently rehearsing
the notes on the page laying each one down
allowing even the discords to find their place

Until
from the grit of persistence
transformation occurs
and out of brokenness
emerges beauty
forged in love
sustained by care.

A wholehearted offering
to beautify the world. (©Liz Crumlish 2022)

20/06/22 Rev. Ian Taylor.

LOOKING FORWARD



Harvest



On Sunday 18th. September, 2022 we will celebrate Harvest. The Church will be decorated to reflect this and donations this year will support the work of the Lodging House Mission and the local Foodbank at Colston Wellpark Church. **These can be brought on Harvest Sunday** or dropped off at church on Saturday 17/09/22 between 10.30 a.m. and 12 noon.



Members are asked to make a monetary donation as you enter Church or to bring any of the following items which will help the Foodbank:

instant coffee;
tinned fruit;
tinned meat;
tinned sweet corn;
long life milk;
long-life sweets;
nappies (esp. size 2/3)
cooking oil;
tomato puree.



are looking for the following items:

cereals;
pasta bake sauces;
curry sauce/paste;
mixed herbs; garlic powder;
ground turmeric;
chilli powder;
crushed chillies;
ground coriander;
salt/pepper;
tinned fruit;
tinned rice/custard;
tinned tuna/salmon/corned beef/ham;
brown/tomato sauce;
vinegar;
lentils;
olive/vegetable oil; bisto/stock cubes; jam/sugar/jelly.

Rolls and Sausage



The Sunday School will be providing rolls and sausage after Church on Sunday 18th. September, 2022 in the Cameron Hall.

Lodging House Mission

Just a short note to keep you in touch. Things have been very quiet during the Summer.

Soon we will be supporting Harvest, then selling Christmas cards.

On Friday 9th September the Mission is holding the Annual Service for Homelessness, three of us will be attending and looking forward to it.

Thank you all for your continued support.

Christine Mackintosh.

268 Glasgow Boys' Brigade

After our summer break, all sections return in September. We had our enrolment night on Thursday 25th August with all Boys returning and those being promoted to new sections all coming along. Junior and Company Section are also returning to pre-pandemic timings too which is great to get back to normal. National and local competitions are returning too so the final part of normality is now returning which will allow us to offer more for our Boys. Details of each section are below.

Anchor Boys return on Friday 2nd September 7pm-8pm for P1-3 Boys,

Junior Section return on Thursday 1st September 7pm-8:30pm for P4-6 Boys,

Company Section return on Thursday 1st September 7pm-9pm for P7-S6 Boys.

As always, if you know of any school age Boys, refer them on to us and they can enjoy new programme activities and most importantly, have FUN!

John Armour

Captain

65th Glasgow Girls' Brigade

Girls Brigade started the session on Tuesday the 23rd of August and meets every Tuesday :

Explorers P1-P3 from 6.30-7.30pm

Juniors P4-P7 from 6.30-8.00pm

Brigaders S1-S6 from 7.00-8.30pm

All girls old and new welcome. Come along and enjoy the fun, learning new skills and make new friends. GB is the place to be

Contact us on 07340302013

by email on gb65thglasgow@hotmail.co.uk , [Facebook.com/groups/65thGlasgow](https://www.facebook.com/groups/65thGlasgow) or come along on Tuesday

Katie Byrne

Captain

Springfield Cambridge Festival Chorus & Orchestra

We are delighted to advise that our annual live Christmas Concert, after an absence of two years because of Covid, will take place in the Glasgow Royal Concert Hall on **Wednesday 21 December at 7.30 p.m.**

Our singers can't wait to start rehearsals in October and are really looking forward to singing live on stage once again and raising lots of cash for CHAS.

The Bishopbriggs Box Office will be open on Wednesdays and Fridays between 10.00 and 12.00 from **Wednesday 07 September**, at Cadder Church South Hall, Kirkintilloch Road, Bishopbriggs, at 10.00 a.m.

Sheila Dunbar

Secretary

Sunday Duties

If you have a friendly smile and are happy to have a wee chat and you've not already volunteered to help with Sunday door duty then please let myself or Joyce Watchorn know and we'll add you to the next rota. It would only be every 8-10 weeks.

Also, if I've not already spoken to you and you're keen to be added to the Sunday readers list then please say to me. It would only be 2/3 times a year.

If you've any questions just ask.

Christine Faichnie

Joint Session Clerk

THE GUILD

Good News! Our Guild resumes again, on Monday 5th September at 7.00 p.m. (Please note the slightly earlier start time.) We will be able to use the Springfield Hall once again and look forward to welcoming all our previous members, while hoping that New members will join us this session. We meet every two weeks, when you can meet up with friends old and new for fellowship, a bit of a blether and a cup of tea. We offer a wide and varied Programme of interesting talks, information on the Guild's chosen Projects for this year, and even some entertainment from the "Elderley Brothers"!

Please come along and join the Guild, we would love to meet you!

For any further information please contact myself or any other Committee member.

Sheena McMillan.

Springfield Cambridge Church 150th Anniversary 2015

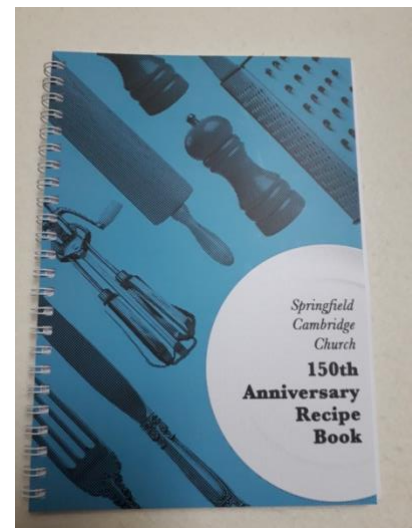
As part of the celebrations for Springfield Cambridge Church's 150th Anniversary, we launched a Recipe Book containing recipes sent in from the Congregation.

We have a few books remaining and if you missed out in 2015 and you would like to have a copy now, they have now been reduced to £2 with the proceeds going to the Church Fabric Fund.

Please contact me, Sandra McDougall, on 0141 772 2719 and I will be happy to provide you with a copy at the church, or deliver a copy to you.

Sandra McDougall

Clerk to the Congregational Board



Treasurer's Update

Thank you to all the regular "givers" who have continued to with their offerings so generously over the summer months. All contributions are much appreciated in these very difficult times whether it is by standing order, cheque, PayPal or offering plate on a Sunday morning.

Although Sunday morning services have been back to "normal" for some time now, we have seen a decline in "offerings in the plate" even taking in account that many of our regular givers now contribute by standing order. A small number of members continue to send cheques to me on a regular basis in respect of their offerings whether Gift Aid or Freewill Offering. I am more than happy to arrange uplift of any offerings for members who are unable to attend Sunday Worship or post a cheque to me. Please just get in touch with me on 772-6015 and I will be delighted to assist.

The attached statement for the year to 28/8/2022 shows a deficit for the year to date of £16,857. This is a larger than usual deficit at this time of the year as we are awaiting settlement of our Quarter 1 and Quarter 2 Tax Claims from HMRC along with our Gift Aid Small Claims Tax rebate for tax year 21/22. Our Income from Outside Agencies has now returned to pre-pandemic levels and this income flow will assist us greatly in the final quarter of 2022. We still have £21,771 outstanding on our Ministries and Mission for 2022 and this sum will be paid to the Church of Scotland by November.

As I've mentioned previously I fully appreciate that these are extremely tough times for everyone at the moment with the increase in the cost of living, but please be assured that your offerings are much appreciated and allow us to continue the work of the church.

Thank you for your continued support.

Jim Kerr, Treasurer.

General Fund Figures

	28/8/2022		BUDGETED 2022	
	£	£	£	£
GENERAL FUND INCOME				
Offerings				
WFO Scheme (non Gift Aid)	7,832		13,000	
Gift Aid Donations	53,624		84,000	
Tax Recovered on Gift Aid Donations	5,940		19,000	
Open Plate	2,244		3,500	
		69,640		119,500
Other Ordinary General Income (Including Church Org and Outside Agencies)		18,589		18,600
Extraordinary General Income		nil		nil
Total Ordinary General Income		88,229		138,100
Total General Fund Expenditure (see below)		105,086		150,136
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)		(16,857)		(12,036)
GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURE				
National Ministry and Mission & Wider Work		60,624		86,817
Local Staffing Costs		24,710		37,225
Buildings Costs		16,275		20,048
Other Local Costs		3,477		6,046
TOTAL		105,086		150,136
BREAKDOWN OF FUNDS		AS AT 28/8/2022		AS AT 31/12/2021
General Fund		- 11,395		5,467
Fabric Fund *		49,432		46,560
Boiler/Heating Sys Fund		(16,241)		(16,241)
General Trustees Loan Fund		17,000		20,000
Development Fund		8,436		8,436
Manse Fund		3,369		3,090
Organ Fund		932		932
Sunday School Fund		677		677
Book of Remembrance Fund		70		70
Bequest Fund		680		680
		52,960		69,671

* Fabric Fund includes loan funds drawdown of £30K from the General Trustees

** Tax Recoveries includes £9K in respect of Quarter 1 and Quarter 2 claims (2021) that will be settled shortly

CHURCH FUND RAISING GROUP - *'We're back in business'*

Hello everyone! Just to let you know that your Fund Raising Group is raring to go now to help raise much-needed funds for our Church after the lull we have been in for the last few years. We're sure, too, that you are glad to get back to a bit of normality.

The Group has reconvened with Ann Brannan as Chairperson, Joyce Gray as Secretary, and Margery Gough acting as a temporary advisor. The other group members are Ellen Alexander, Karon Birks, Lynda Cockburn, Wendy Currie, Moyra Ewing, Liz Giffen, Susan Hutchinson, Isobel Lawson, Sandra McDougall, Carol Robertson, Christine Smith, and Anne Stoneman.

Instead of our usual Christian Aid Lunch this year, we have decided to offer a **Quiz Sheet**, so look out for these over the next few weeks. They will be available to pick up from the Hall of Fellowship with an Honesty Box available for your donation of £1 per copy. Please try and take a quiz sheet for yourself and perhaps for friends who like to keep their minds active. It's not going to be too hard, find the answers.



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hard,
find the

CITY OF GLASGOW WIND ORCHESTRA



Our first major fund-raiser for Church Funds is going to be a return Concert with the City of Glasgow Wind Orchestra. This will take place on Friday 14 October in the Church. The concert will begin at 7.30 pm and the ticket price £10 adults, £5 under 21s will include interval refreshments. Tickets will be available from Group members in the Hall of Fellowship on Sundays 25 September, 2 and 9 October.

As many of you will already know, the Orchestra, under their Conductor Mr Martin Thompson, provide a very enjoyable evening of live entertainment. There is always something for everyone's musical tastes. Their repertoire comes from film, TV and musical theatre, plus wind band standards and some classical music with a twist.

We hope you will be able to come along and support this event. Why not bring along some friends with you and introduce them to the talents of the orchestra. Tickets are also available at the door on the night. Hope to see you there!

Margery Gough.



I am delighted to let you know that the total amount raised through easyfundraising for Springfield Cambridge Church, since we joined, is £891.67 🎉
A huge "Thank you" to everyone involved.

Would you like to help?

During these difficult times these donations will make a BIG difference and it doesn't cost you anything, so please sign up now, it only takes 2 minutes. Over 4,300 shops and sites will donate to our church at no extra cost to you - so you can raise donations when you shop online.

There's even a handy 'Donation Reminder' you can download from the website on to your pc/laptop/phone which flashes to let you know you can raise money for our church 😊

Please sign up and help us raise more at:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/springfieldcambridgechurch/>

Many thanks to you all.

Carol Scott

Evacuation Drills

As previously discussed at the Halls Letting Meeting in June it is our intention that over the coming period a number of Evacuation Drills are undertaken to ensure everyone remains fully aware of how and where to exit the building in the event of an emergency. This is for everyone's safety. It should be noted that last year we completed a number of Drills in the morning for our younger users and we are now planning for our evening users. Guidance will be provided to each group prior to these Drills.

Disruption will be kept to an absolute minimum and your co-operation and understanding will be greatly appreciated.

Donald Armour
Health & Safety

Recycle for Profit



Ink Cartridges. I'm pleased to report that, post-covid, we had a backlog surge that when processed raised just over £100 for church funds. A most welcome addition, indeed.

The value of recycled ink cartridges fluctuates and changes regularly. Currently, for certain ranges of HP cartridges, a princely sum of £1 per cartridge is being offered. So if you have a home printer that uses HP or Canon cartridges then please bring along the "empties" to church - where they can, and will, be used for the benefit of church funds.



Books. I have mentioned before that I am an adherent of the legacy of Guttenberg. That is, I know that electronic books will be "standard issue" for the generations coming through behind me - but to the end I will remain loyal to the printed word as ink on paper within a bound book. So - when I launched an appeal for second-hand books, I was absolutely delighted that we were inundated with tomes of every known category and genre. Once again, the good folk of Springfield Cambridge Church surpassed themselves in their giving!

So far, over £120 has been raised for church funds. But - there is a lot more to come. I have been slow to process this time and there is still a veritable mountain of books that I still need to check and process. I have allocated set times over September to apply myself to reducing the "mountain" to a "mole hill". My target is that for the next issue of our church magazine, I will be reporting good financial gains from this recycling initiative.

In conclusion, the red basket for book contributions is still located in the Hall of Fellowship. All donations, single or multiple, will be very gratefully received

James Robertson

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