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From the Editor:

The final date for receipt of items for the next edition is – **Sunday 6th May, 2018**. Articles can be placed in the box to the right of the Elders' pigeon holes in the passage between the Church and Hall, hand it to me personally or even e-mail it to me at the following –

k.walls123@btinternet.com.

It does not have to be typed, handwritten is just as acceptable. Articles should be no more than one page in length and in font size Arial 12.

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www.larbertwestparishchurch.org

Karen Walls



EDITOR'S RAMBLINGS

I've always been someone who enjoys all the seasons, and even quite enjoy the winter! But even I can find the long dark nights of January and February wearing. Heat and light seem distant memories, and yet the promise of their return still seems far off. So as the bulbs start to spring up, and the grass begins to grow, I'm feeling a bit of relief that winter is nearly over (although I'll change my tune with so much grass to cut at home!!) Spring is round the corner, if it's not already arrived.

Here in Larbert West we are looking ahead to the season of Easter, starting off with Palm Sunday.

Easter is a wonderful time of celebration when we relive the joy of resurrection... of new life with God. The darkness of that awful Friday is replaced by the glorious light of a Sunday when the world was turned upside down by a very different type of king.

Even though we know it's coming, we too can miss the signs, and miss the point. We can get bogged down in our own stories. We can struggle to see the buds and shoots of new life. We can forget why Jesus came.

There's a children's song that sums all of this up. Jesus could have been born in a palace, but he wasn't. He could have been friends with the rich and famous, but he wasn't. He could have been full of his own importance, but he wasn't. Instead, "....he wore a crown of thorns gave everything he had he gave his life that we might know the great love of his dad." ("Down to Earth," Stephen Fischbacher)

The Easter we celebrate is a "down to earth" king who brings new life and tells the greatest love story of them all. The promise is true for each of us. God loves each one of us more than we could ever imagine. That is the Easter story we celebrate and try to live our lives by.

Happy Easter to you all!

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SERVICES

**Sunday Morning Services
10.30 am.**

**Sunday Evening Communion Services
6.30 pm**

Evening Services are on Communion
Sundays held in September, December,
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These will be advertised in WestWords
and on your
invitation to attend Communion.

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PEW LEAFLETS

Items of church news for printing in the
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no later than 6.00 pm on Wednesday.

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CHURCH WEBSITE

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ORGANISATIONS WITHIN THE CHURCH

THE GUILD

Alternate Tuesdays at 7.30 pm

President Ms Anne Matthew 01324 562385

LARBERT MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

Various meetings (See WestWords or Pew Leaflet)

Contact Mr Joe Taylor 01324 554476

CHURCH CHOIR

Practice Thursdays at 7 pm

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CRECHE

Sundays at 10.30 am

Contact Mrs. Sara Brown 01324 558009

SUNDAY CLUB

Sundays at 10.30 am

Contact Ms. Miriam Brown 01324 563121

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QUEST

Sundays at 10.30 am

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BOYS' BRIGADE

Fridays - Anchor Boys, P1-P3 & Junior Section P4-P6 at 6.15 pm – 7.30pm

Company Section P7 - + at 7.45 pm

Captain Mr Owen Fleming 07891262077

GIRLS' BRIGADE

Mondays P1 –P7 at 6.15 pm. to 7.30pm S1 – S6 at 6.15pm to 8.00 pm.

Captain Miss. Sandra McLennan 01324 552051

PRAYER GROUP

Wednesdays at 1 pm in the Lesser Hall. (See Pew Leaflet)

BIBLE STUDY GROUPS

Contact Miss Beatrice Grant 01324 562385

TODDLERS AND 2'S GROUP

Toddlers & 2's Group - Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 9.30am

Contact Ms. Annette Johnstone ajohnst116@blueyonder.co.uk

THURSDAY MORNING BADMINTON CLUB

Thursdays at 10.00 am

Contact Mrs Wilma Johnston 01324 553413

More information on the above organisations can be obtained from articles in this edition of WestWords, the pew leaflet or from the above contacts.

Letter From Interim Moderator

Dear Friends,

It is hard to believe that it is 6 months already since I was appointed as Interim moderator of Larbert West Church. It also seems like it was only yesterday that we were preparing ourselves for Christmas and yet here we are heading towards Easter 2018. Over the last year or so a lot of changes have taken place within the Church both locally and nationally. Much of this momentum for change comes of course from Presbytery Planning which in some quarters is taken up with enthusiasm, while in others viewed with suspicion. No matter what we think about it, it is hard to ignore and everyone, it seems, couches reports and comments in “Presbytery Planning speak”. It would seem that it is the “in-vehicle” to propel the Church forward into the 21st Century. For some it is the vehicle to a radical revolution, for others it is the means of a quiet evolution as congregations gradually remodel themselves into the pattern of what is required of them to enable conforming to the Presbytery Plan for their area.

One of the things that the Church has had to struggle with over the past few years is its relationship with the world. Few can doubt that in Scotland we are now in a missionary situation. Now this is not something new but it is perhaps more apparent than it was before. Only 1 in 10 of our fellow-Scots attend worship. Those who love God and His Word are in a small minority and so we need to be missionary-focused in all that we do. However the Church report from a few years ago from the Panel of Doctrine on Baptism really did nothing to help rectify the situation. We are now in a situation where the number of infant baptisms are diminishing and so our response as a Church from that time, a response that continues to be upheld today, is to basically reduce the qualification for those who want baptism for their children. If they claim no profession of faith whatsoever then they can have a service of thanksgiving for their child.

No water, no vows, but a public ceremony to apparently thank God for the safe arrival of their new baby. This is perhaps the classic example of the muddle-headedness of many professing Christians and the Church establishment.

On a similar vein, with the declining ministerial numbers and financial constraints it has been proposed that the way forward is Team Ministry. A number of ministers would serve the area of Presbytery rather than individual congregations. Personally I would find this a retrograde step as the special tie between a congregation and its Minister, if not broken, would be more tenuous than at present.

This model of Ministry is more akin to a medical practice, where Ministers offer a “spiritual health service”, rather than the biblical model of a local congregation of believers learning together under the spiritual leadership of Minister and Elders.

It would seem that those who care for the Church are clutching at straws in an effort to breathe life into an ailing National Institution. In my view, most of our problems and the solutions suggested are the result of one thing – a failure to take the Bible seriously. Where the Bible is faithfully preached and explained, lives are changed, Churches begin to show spiritual life, givings increase and communities are transformed. Sadly in many parts of Scotland today, before we explore our Presbytery Planning perhaps we need to address a more fundamental issue “Planning Presbytery”.

INTERIM MODERATOR'S LETTER cont'd

It is God's Word, bathed in prayer, taken by the Holy Spirit, that changes lives and creates Christian communities and this must be supported by our General Assembly and our Presbyteries. Only then is the Church ready to go out with the Gospel.

In these days of searching for new ways, may God give us grace to hold on to the teaching of His Word in a way that shapes our Church and our lives.

The peace of Christ be with you.

Bill Thomson
Interim Moderator

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 2018

Our annual **Coffee Morning** will take place this year on Saturday 12th May from 10am in the Church Hall. (Check the Pew Leaflet nearer the time for information about tickets and donations of baking.)

The focus is on **Displacement** (there are 40 million internally displaced people in the world today) using stories from **the people of Haiti** who have struggled with repeated natural disasters. It illustrates the issue through the story of **Villia** whose home was destroyed in the Earthquake of 2010 when her mother and other family died.

Villia was displaced in her own land. But KORAL the local Partner to Christian Aid built her a new safe strong home, and this year when Hurricane Matthew hit, she was able to give shelter to 54 people while many other homes in the area were destroyed.



Haiti is one of the poorest countries in the world making it harder for the people to cope with relentless earthquakes storms and hurricanes .Eight years on from the devastating earthquake in Port-au-Prince **38,000 people are still displaced.**

The **Forth Bridge Cross** is on Saturday afternoon 28th April. If you would like to take part, or sponsor someone else who is energetic enough to walk it, get in touch with me (tel562039) or keep your eye on the Pew Leaflet for information about registration.

Please pray for the work of Christian Aid and in particular for the people of Haiti. Copies of a devotional with readings and prayers and pen pictures of individuals in Haiti will be available to pick up from in the vestibule after Easter.

Mae Marsden

ROLL CHANGES

Death

Mrs. Marion Muir, 10 Robertson Court, Stenhousemuir



Letter from Locum Minister

Dear Friends

The church is God's family on earth, and being a family is about being together, there for one another. Laughing together, crying together, working together and dreaming together.

The Bible teaches us that Christians are put together, joined together, built together, members together, heirs together, fitted together and held together. God puts a lot of work into building the church. As a result there's a lot of togetherness in God's family. Being the church means experiencing life in all its ups and downs together.

What do we do together? Well, there's a Bible phrase that answers that question—one another:

“Love one another” (John 13:34).

“Be devoted to one another in brotherly love” (Romans 12:10).

“Honour one another” (Romans 12:10).

“Live in harmony with one another” (Romans 12:16).

“Let us not judge one another” (Romans 14:13).

“Accept one another” (Romans 15:7).

“Greet one another with a holy kiss” (Romans 16:16).

“Teach one another” (Romans 15:14).

“Serve one another in love” (Galatians 5:13).

“Be kind and compassionate to one another” (Ephesians 4:32).

“Encourage one another” (Hebrews 10:25).

“Offer hospitality to one another” (2 Peter 4:9).

“Love one another” (1 John 3:23, 4:7, 4:11 and so many more).

These are just a selection of the things we do together and for one another. This is what we have and are building on in Larbert West. They can all be summed up in caring for one another.

Over the last few years Larbert West has gone through some difficult times. What is remarkable is the way in which we have held together as a congregation. As we build on this and develop what we already have we will know God's blessing in the future.

Rev Dr. Campbell Campbell Jack

*“Do not abandon yourselves to despair,
We are the Easter people and hallelujah is our song”
~Pope John Paul 11~*

“NEW HORIZONS”

Not every day the Clerk to the Congregational Board takes the opportunity to reach all our Members, or as many of them who do read ‘Westwords’, but I felt it now an opportune time. The Congregational Board is elected from Elders and Members to manage the Finances, Property and General Day to Day Running of the Church, as opposed to the Kirk Session who manage the Spiritual aspects and concern for the Members themselves.

Why now? Well we have been for the last couple of years or so been going through a ‘rough patch’ and whilst in ‘vacancy’ it may just have escaped your notice we have been far from ‘static’ and I want to bring to your attention just what we have been doing as a Board. Imagine if you will. That you are at the seaside and you see a crowd of people excitedly moving towards the quay where there is a ship waiting in full sail. Preparations have been made for departure and many of the crowd are going aboard. The captain arrives and they cast off with much cheering and waving. As the ship appears smaller and smaller and eventually disappears over the horizon those that are left return back to their houses wondering just what it might have been like to be aboard. For those aboard the excitement continues as they prepare to sail onwards to New Horizons and begin a new challenging life, taking forward with them the experience of their past existence into a new and rewarding fellowship.

What seems a long time ago now, our existence as a church here in Larbert was challenged and indeed Arbiters were appointed to rule on the situation. The result was that Larbert West was adjudged the preferred centre of worship and to cut a longer story short were allowed to call a Minister. That is just what we are in the process of doing but it can be a lengthy process due to the small number of ministers available. However, that has not prevented us preparing for this new voyage and making our ‘ship’ better ready to sail.

In case you have not noticed, or you may not have been at church as often as you might, I’ll help jog your memory, for things that change often become just part of the background scenery. Both our Halls have had new flooring put down and it’s much admired by users. The church sanctuary has had audio visual equipment installed to enhance worship with the ability to project images and words of hymns to illustrate whatever features of messages are being put across are deemed worthwhile. Yes our everyday acceptance of our viewing messages and having modern technology at our beck and call is moving within the church family too, for such technology has also been installed in both halls to enhance things for organisations, outside users and speakers. In the church we now also have new handrails to help ensure the well being of those using the steps on to the chancel. Have you notice the new lighting in the vestibule? It really is ten times brighter. Look up the next time you come (or better still next week).

Currently we are installing a new ramp off the main street to facilitate access for those less able to tackle the steps and for wheelchairs and prams. This work will be done in conjunction with mono-blocking our access and car park areas. (Did you even know we had a car park?)

All of this is to illustrate exactly what the arbiters indicated, that we are the preferred church for this community, ideally suited in the centre of things. We already attract many users from the area to use our premises and the halls are occupied every day and sometimes three times a day by an average of more than fifteen sets of users every week in addition to church meetings and a couple of children’s parties each month. But we still have room and we are looking at what needs would be beneficial for groups in the village, so watch this space.

NEW HORIZONS cont'd

To better attract a new minister we are in the process of obtaining a new modern manse with less ground to maintain and be easier to heat. This involves saying goodbye to our older manse which has served us so well since the 1920's. But we must trim our sails for the new voyage.

Other things which are necessary to better suit our arrival at new destinations are additional hall space, better kitchen facilities, more storage and meeting rooms and these have not been forgotten but have to be put in the context of our resources and budgets.

It may (or may not) have occurred to you that you have not been 'targeted' for money to finance these above very expensive outlays and that is because of the wisdom over the past forty or fifty years in explaining to you all the wisdom of keeping your offerings in line with changes in your income; just as you all promised when you joined the church. (Remember giving of your time, talents and money, etc?) Well it worked and we have been able to finance things from reserves which of course are now a bit depleted but I've no doubt this jog to your memory will have you think about it and see if you can again rise to the occasion by thinking when you last considered altering your weekly giving using the 'envelopes' or revised your standing order or indeed whether you can sign a 'gift aid' form and, if you pay tax, allow the church to reclaim the tax on what you offer (it's painless, honest!). Even consider leaving something to the church in your will does give the funds a boost from time to time and no, it does not put a jinx on anything by thinking of such matters!

Better still, if you have been absent more than you really intended we'd love you to come along and join the ship as we sail to New Horizons and not be left on the quay wondering what those aboard are experiencing as the voyage unfolds using their new charted route together.

Now you know why I don't write too often in the magazine, but if you have read it, please consider what I've said and become part of the crew on board. I'd be happy to see you to talk over anything I've said. I'm there most Sundays. I'm the one who does not smile a lot, rarely sports a jacket and often seen with a waistcoat instead!

Harry Johnston, Clerk to the Congregational Board
(Tel: 01324 553 413 email: stedfastfirstaid@hotmail.co.uk)

FELLOWSHIP TEAM



The next afternoon Communion Service will be Monday 19th March 2018.
This will be held at 2.30pm in the Church.

If you wish, please join us from 1.30pm in the small hall for a cup of tea and home baking. This is an opportunity for fellowship and a chat with friends old and new.

If you require transport or have not been before and would like more information, please phone me. Tel No 01324553466.

June Annan

1st LARBERT GIRLS' BRIGADE

We are still very busy in the Company with Badgework. We will be finished before Easter and then after the Easter holidays we will come back and have some 'Fun Nights', which this year will include a Birthday party for 125th Anniversary of the Girls Brigade. We will be incorporating 'The Place to Bee' into all our final and Fun nights. Our final night will be Monday 21st May 2018.



I thought it was about time I gave everybody an update on the puppies we sponsored last year. Our year long sponsor is now coming to an end.



This is Kallie now then and now



And this is Scrumpy then and now



We will wait until next session to make a decision on what sponsorship the girls wish to take on.

The Officers and myself are very grateful for all the support and help we receive from the Church and from all parents, grandparents and guardians of the girls throughout the year. We have lost a few girls this year but hope to get back to our normal numbers next session from August. We are open to any girl between P1 and S6 and meet every Monday night from 6.15pm. If you have any questions, or queries, please do not hesitate to contact myself at sandra.mclennan63@mail.com.

Sandra McLennan, Captain

Monday Nights P1 – P7 6.15pm to 7.30pm S1 – S6 6.15pm to 8.00pm

GUILD REPORT

The first three meetings of 2018 have been well attended, despite the weather and the various colds and flu that have been going round. Our first speaker of this year was Mr Martin Nicol who told us the story of a double agent during the war. At the end of his story we were left debating whether this man was a scoundrel or a saint as he managed to impress both the British and Germans. From both he was well rewarded and became a very rich man and lived to tell his tale.

For our second meeting we celebrated the Bard in a Burns tribute. Myrna Forbes and Nancy Clark provided a traditional burns supper of Haggis, neeps, and tatties which were enjoyed by all. The Haggis was saluted in the usual way with the recitation of "To the Haggis". Beatrice Grant gave an overview of Burns' life with readings and recitations from Molly Priestly and Nancy Jardine. Moira Nicol joined us to sing Burns songs.

We were joined for our third meeting by Val Brown from Christian Aid who told us about the work being done in Bolivia where solar ovens were being distributed to families. This allowed the women to have more time to devote to community matters as they no longer had to forage for fuel and spend hours cooking. The initiative was designed to help the problems of deforestation but had the added benefit for the women. This project is being supported by the Guild and is one of our chosen projects for this year.

Beatrice has been in touch with the Guild in ZoloZolo and we are in receipt of emails from their president. It would appear that the Guild there plays a significant role in the church with the members undertaking many of the pastoral duties. We look forward to continued dialogue with them.

For the remainder of this session we look forward to hearing from Sandy Falconer about his second journey to Nepal, a speaker talk about Comfort Ruanda and finally, Geoff Baillie about "Thingies?". Everyone is welcome to come to any of our meetings.

"Lord, in Christ you committed yourself again to all your creation.
By your grace enable us to commit ourselves to be responsible to you and for each other."
Amen

Anne Matthew

FLOWER ROTA – HELP REQUIRED



An organiser for the Flower Rota is urgently needed. The duty entails contacting those who donate and, if required, purchasing and arranging the flowers for Sunday (no special experience necessary). This would be on a monthly basis and three times over the period of a year. It is also part of the job to help to decorate the church for Easter, Harvest and Christmas.



Please contact Nicola MacDonald 01324 559738
or speak to Mae Marsden, Rebecca Litts
or Christine Smith.

STAMP COLLECTING

For many years the late Mrs Jessie Russell collected stamps for World Mission – a job which she did assiduously. Lots of you bring stamps from yourselves, friends and neighbours.

For the past couple of years I have taken over this responsibility and have enjoyed it immensely. Like many of you I used to have a stamp album in which I stuck stamps. My favourite one was purple and mauve picturing a queen of Portugal.

As I have been sorting the stamps you bring to church it strikes me that this is a job that would be suitable for someone who doesn't get to church very often, or maybe not at all and would like to help raise funds for World Mission. You would have to be able to check the stamps and discard the ones that were damaged and also to sort them into categories – Christmas, foreign, commemorative and everyday ones.

This year the stamp appeal will support the Griffin Institute of South Sudan which has relocated to a refugee camp in Kenya. The money raised will help to stock up its library for students.

Of course anyone could do this but if you couldn't get to church someone would bring them to you and collect them for delivery to World Mission. If you are interested please contact me on 01324 558678. Thanks.

Molly Priestly



LARBERT CHURCHES' YOUTH TRUST

Scottish Charity No: SC040524

As we move into a new calendar year with the Trust we look back and reflect on our progress, continue with our day to day works, and plan new projects. The Christmas assemblies in the high school went well, with a new structure, addressing each year group individually, proving to be very successful. Both bible study groups have started back for the new year and training for older students to lead one of the groups is ongoing. It is hoped that this will become a student-led group with guidance from Mike as needed.

We hope to launch a lunch time event on a Wednesday at Larbert East Church to support and care for the S1's and S2's.

This will possibly be known as the Larbert Chaplaincy Café or LCC for short. We will be looking for volunteers to staff and provide activities for the kids as they come along.

A number of children from Kinnaird and Ladeside Primaries attended the SU Forth Valley weekend at the end of January, showing the benefits of our SU groups in the schools. Bible Alive was delivered to pupils in Carronshore Primary last term and is currently being delivered in Larbert Village school. It is hoped that SU groups will become regular features in Stenhousemuir and Airth Primaries this term.

It is wonderful to see a real presence and response in each of the schools as we reach out to our young people. We aim to continue to build on this throughout 2018. We give thanks for the prayer and financial support we receive from supporters and congregations, and are looking for ways to enhance and improve our income and fundraising in the year to come.

Andrea Dunkin, Publicity Officer



Data Protection Act 1998

Retention of Membership Information Fair Collection Notice

The Kirk Session and Congregational Board of Larbert West Parish Church will use the personal details which members have provided to us for the purpose of administration in connection with their membership of the Church of Scotland in accordance with the decisions of Session or Board and within the constraints laid down by the Acts and Regulations of General Assembly. Such information will not be given to anyone outside the structures of the Church of Scotland.

The expression "members" includes past and present members together with those persons, not being full members, who have indicated their wish to be associated with the activities of this Congregation. Minimal information may also be included in respect of the immediate family of members.

These personal details include personal identifiers such as names, addresses, and telephone numbers, method and dates of adding to or removing from the Communion Roll, or any supplementary Roll, and may also include information regarding Givings. Some additional information may be held for the purposes of Child Protection legislation.

It is possible that some data held for pastoral purposes by the Minister or Elders falls into the category of sensitive data as defined in the Act and we will use this data only for the purpose of the Kirk Session's pastoral oversight of the members of the Congregation.

All information held by us is governed by the security, confidentiality and other Principles of Data Protection contained in the Act and members have the right under the Act to apply for a copy of their personal information (for which we may charge a fee) and to have any inaccuracies corrected.

On behalf of the Kirk Session,

Marianne McCafferty, Session Clerk

Note : This is an annual statement of the position, which does not represent any variation from previous years.



ON EASTER DAY

~ Celia Thaxter~

Easter Lilies! Can your hear
What they whisper, low and clear?
In dewy fragrance they unfold
their splendour sweet, their snow and gold.
Every beauty-breathing bell
News of Heaven has to tell.
Listen to their mystic voice,
Hear, oh mortal, and rejoice!
Hark, their soft and heavenly chime!
Christ is risen for all time!

Five Ways to Love



- ♥ Listen without interrupting
(Proverbs 18)
- ♥ Speak without accusing (James 1)
- ♥ Give without sparing (Proverbs 21)
- ♥ Trust without wavering
(Corinthians 13)
- ♥ Pray without ceasing (Colossians 1)

Congregational Noticeboard

The next Communion date is

17th June 2018



DEADLINE
FOR THE NEXT EDITION
OF

WestWords
Sunday 6th May, 2018



Larbert West Toddlers & 2's

Do you look after a child aged 5 or under?
If you do, or you know someone who does why not come along to
Larbert West Toddlers Group
for an enjoyable, social activity to brighten up your week

We offer a **FREE** taster session



The group runs on a

Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday
from 9.30 till 11.15 am

during school term times



Activities offered are suitable for babies and little ones up to 5 years old.
To find out more drop in with your little one and they can have fun
with the wide range of toys and play equipment
while you have a hot drink and a chat with the grown-ups

Larbert West Parish Church, Main Street, Larbert



See You Soon !

FALKIRK FOODBANK

RED boxes are available in the vestibule **EVERY SUNDAY** for the collection of suitable items for the Foodbank. Please bring these items along any Sunday in small or large amounts and we will arrange for them to be delivered to the Foodbank. The list is not exhaustive – the main issues are **NO** fresh, chilled or frozen food, and nothing with a “use by date” less than three months ahead.

A Very Happy Easter





FLOWER DONATIONS



Each Sunday, flowers are donated and these enhance the Sanctuary.
Grateful thanks to everyone who makes such a beautiful donation.

Date	Name	Tel. No.
APRIL	Organiser: Mrs. Rebecca Litts	570510
1 st	Mrs Helen. Burness	570534
8th	Mrs Christine McLay	553839
15 th	Mrs C. Mc Culloch	553290
22nd	Mrs Helen Henderson	555647
29 th	Mrs Ann Stewart	553395
MAY	Organiser: Tbc	
6 th	Mrs Pauline McAuslan	553892
13th	Mrs Margaret Blyth	554780
20 th	Mrs M Mc Cafferty	553642
27th	Miss Anne Matthew	562385
JUNE	Organiser: Mrs May Marsden	562039
3 rd	Mrs May Marsden	562039
10th	Mrs June Annan	553466
17 th	Mrs Moira Walls	554894
24th	Mrs Maureen Jordan	554598

FLOWER DELIVERIES

After morning service the flowers are delivered to those who are sick, bereaved or celebrating a special event.

Date	Name	Tel. No.
APRIL		
1 ST	Ms M. Brown	563121
8 th	Mrs G. Paton	628687
15 th	Mrs M. Taylor	554476
22 nd	Mrs M. Porteous	670918
29 th	Mrs C. Smith	554681
MAY		
6 th	Mrs M Nicol	551756
13 th	Mrs L. Marshall	553564
20 th	Mrs P. Mc Auslan	553892
27 th	Mrs C. Sergeant	554874
JUNE		
3 rd	Mrs N. MacDonald	559738
10 th	Mrs M Priestly	557142
17 th	Mrs M. Marsden	562039
24 th	Mrs G. Clark	563806

SUNDAY TEA/COFFEE ROTA: March – June 2018

Please note if you are unable to help on the days allocated you should exchange with someone else on the list. The tea, coffee, biscuits etc are now stored in a locked cupboard in the kitchen (top cupboard above the hand-washing sink, key kept in the vestry cupboard). I try to check every Sunday, but if you notice the stock is getting low, particularly if I am not at Church, I would appreciate a phone call so that I can arrange extra supplies.

Thank you for your help. It is much appreciated.

18 MARCH	Ann Stewart	553395
	Rebecca Litts	570510
	Margaret Blyth	554780
25 MARCH & 1 APRIL	Lynn Lawson	553240
	Christine Smith	554681
	Nancy Jardine	624778
	Bill Jardine	624778
8 & 15 APRIL	Moyra Rae	*****
	Mary Morrison	552293
	Helen Henderson	555647
	Gail Paton	628687
22 & 29 APRIL	Moira Edmonds	556863
	Eileen McKendrick	553389
	Marina Porteous	670918
6 & 13 MAY	Moira Nicol	551756
	Mae Marsden	562039
	Carole Gordon	556498
20 & 27 MAY	Ann Stewart	553395
	Rebecca Litts	570510
	Margaret Blyth	554780
3 & 10 JUNE	Lynn Lawson	553240
	Christine Smith	554681
	Nancy Jardine	624778
	Bill Jardine	624778
17 & 24 JUNE	Moyra Rae	+++++
	Mary Morrison	552293
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WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR THE TEA ROTA. If you would consider taking a turn on the tea/coffee rota please contact Helen Henderson on ☎ 01324 555647.

Many hands make light work, as they say!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY March – June 2018

Wednesday 21st March

7.30pm - Kirk Session Meeting

Sunday 25th March

10.30 a.m – Morning Worship:
Rev Dr Campbell Campbell-Jack

Sunday 1st April

10.30a.m – Morning Worship and
Sacrament of Holy Communion
Rev Dr Campbell Campbell-Jack

Wednesday 4th April

7.30 Congregational Board Meeting

Sunday 8th April

10.30 am – Morning Worship:
Rev Dr Campbell Campbell-Jack

Sunday 15th April

10.30 a.m – Morning Worship:
Rev Dr Campbell Campbell-Jack

Wednesday 18th April

7.30pm - Kirk Session Meeting

Sunday 22nd April

10.30 a.m – Morning Worship:
Rev Dr Campbell Campbell-Jack

Sunday 29th April

10.30 a.m – Morning Worship:
Rev Dr Campbell Campbell-Jack

Sunday 6th May

10.30 a.m – Morning Worship:
Rev Dr Campbell Campbell-Jack

Sunday 13th May

10.30 a.m – Morning Worship:
Rev Dr Campbell Campbell-Jack

Sunday 20th May

10.30 a.m – Morning Worship:
Rev Dr Campbell Campbell-Jack

Sunday 27th May

10.30 a.m – Morning Worship:
Rev Dr Campbell Campbell-Jack

Wednesday 30th May

7.30pm – Kirk Session Meeting

Sunday 3rd June

10.30 a.m – Morning Worship:
Rev Dr Campbell Campbell-Jack

Sunday 10th June

10.30 a.m – Morning Worship:
Rev Dr Campbell Campbell-Jack

Sunday 17th June

10.30 a.m – Morning Worship and Sacrament of
Holy Communion
Rev Dr Campbell Campbell-Jack

6.30 pm - Evening Worship and Sacrament
of Holy Communion

Rev Dr Campbell Campbell-Jack

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The Truth
JESUS
CHRIST CRUCIFIED

Light
The Lamb
The Alpha and the Omega
Immanuel
THE WAY

