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October 2019



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GreenbankParish
CHURCH

Parish Register

NEW MEMBERS

September 2019 Mrs Jemma Copeland, Beechlands Drive, Clarkston

Jemma Copeland is not really a new member; she's an old member who's come back! She joined Greenbank many years ago and her husband, Harry McMurray, was the treasurer at the church. When Harry passed away, tragically, at a very young age, Jemma went back to work part time in the bank. This was a job she managed to do while still looking after her two children, Jim and Eileen. Jim was a member of Greenbank B.B. and Eileen helped run the Brownies. Jemma later remarried and had many happy years with John. She has five grandchildren and three great grandsons. Jemma loves music and used to enjoy playing the piano.

Tom Gray, who was listed as a new member in last month's magazine, is also a returning member. Tom first attended Greenbank when he joined the B.B. at the age of 11, way back in 1947! He was married in Greenbank to Moira who sadly died a few years ago. When Tom and Moira moved to Giffnock they joined Park church where he held the posts of treasurer, Session Clerk and Clerk to the Board. Tom has three sons, eight grandchildren and one great grandchild. His hobbies include golf and football; he was a referee.

Tom enjoys holidaying in Carradale and in the USA. He is delighted to be rejoining Greenbank and says it's like coming home.

Welcome back Tom and Jemma

BAPTISM

1/9/19 Jessica Rose McGeoch, Cleuch Gardens, Clarkston

Jessica was born on 22nd June 2019 at 11.33am. She weighed 7lb 15oz. Jessica was born at the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital. Her Full name is Jessica Rose McGeoch. Her big brother is Matthew. Her godparents are her dad's sister, Ruth McGeoch and her mum's brother, Alan McKay. After the church service, family and friends went back to the paternal grandparents' house, which was greatly enjoyed by all. Neil and Kirsty commented that they won't forget Jessica screaming down the microphone as Jeanne baptised her but that the best of all was having all of their family and friends at the service.

"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the Kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these"
Matthew 19:14 NIV

DEATHS

30/8/19 Mrs Elizabeth Brash, Mearns House, 1 Aldton Court, Newton Mearns

14/9/19 Mr David Ronaldson, 3 Bridges Care Home, 108 Carmunnock Road, Glasgow

"My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you?" John 14:2 NIV

*On the noticeboard situated in the halls' corridor are Orders of Service of those whose funerals our minister has recently conducted. After a few weeks the orders are taken down but will still be available in the church office.

PULPIT DIARY

4 th October	4.00pm	Messy Church
6 th October	10.30am	Worship & Sunday Club
	6.30pm	Prayers for Healing Service
13 th October	10.30am	Family Worship (led by the Worship Group)
20 th October	10.30am	Worship (led by Rev Jim Whyte) and Sunday Club
27 th October	10.30am	Youth Service



Dear Friends,

Harvest is still commemorated annually by a church service here at Greenbank despite the fact that the days when communities came together to bring in the harvest have long since disappeared. Most produce is available in shops throughout the year, so the society we live in has lost the concept of a 'harvest season'. Yet, as Christians we should never take all the good things we have in our lives for granted. A spirit of thanksgiving to God ought to be our response for everything we have been given, alongside a deep concern for those whose lives are under threat because they have so little.

Our 2019 Harvest Thanksgiving took place on the 22nd September and, as in previous years at this Service, everyone was invited to support the work of the Lodging House Mission through the donation of foods and money. Thank you to everyone who gave so generously to ensure that the stockrooms and bank balance of those who care for the homeless people in our city were well resourced for the winter months ahead.

This Harvest Thanksgiving, Greenbank also took part in the 90kg rice challenge to give a helping hand to Malawian farmers and their families. Malawi is one of the world's poorest countries and less than 1 in 4 children are able to attend secondary school. The 90kg rice challenge was inspired by the fact that, if farmers can sell just 90 x 1kg of Kilombero rice at a fair price, they will be able to send a child to Secondary School for a year. By taking part in the challenge Greenbank showed that by simply making changes to the way we buy food, we can help to transform the lives of some of the world's poorest people. Amazingly, every single bag of rice was sold after the service and I want to thank everyone who purchased it, hopefully this is something that we might do again in the future.

Harvest Thanksgiving is a reminder that this world is not as God intends it to be and that, within creation, there is more than enough for everyone if people would only share from the plenty that they enjoy. This year, we made a very small beginning, by sharing from our plenty to try and bring justice and hope to the vulnerable homeless in Glasgow and to farmers and their families in Malawi. Perhaps at mealtimes when we sit down together, we might remember them and give thanks, not only for what we have, but also ask God to make us aware of more ways we can give from our plenty, to try and ensure a safer tomorrow for everyone. So may we be counted among those people who tried to ensure a good future for generations to come and as the Apostle Paul reminds us, *"not become tired of doing good; for if we do not give up, the time will come when we will reap the harvest."* (Galatians 6:9)

Yours,

STEVEN OWENS – MINISTRY STUDENT

Steven Owens will begin his first placement as a candidate for full time ministry at Greenbank on 6th October and will be here until Sunday, 31st May 2020. Currently serving as an elder in Stamperland/Netherlee Church, he lives in Stamperland with his wife Marie and daughters, Rebecca and Lauren.

Steven has a background working in the voluntary sector with 20 years' experience supporting both children and adults on the autism spectrum. He has held senior level positions in both service delivery and training and consultancy roles. For the last two years, he has worked as Congregational Facilitator for the Presbytery of Irvine and Kilmarnock, engaging in Presbytery Planning, Local Church Review and training lay Worship Leaders. Steven is really excited about spending the next few months here at Greenbank.



SATURDAY MORNING BOOK CLUB

The Club meets in room A of the church halls, on the first Saturday of each month. The next meeting takes place on **Saturday, 5th October**, when we will continue reading 'The Books of the Bible – The Prophets', which is a fresh, yet ancient, presentation of Scripture, using the full NIV text with an 8 month reading plan.

In 'The Books of the Bible - The Prophets', readers will read about God's messengers proclaiming hope and truth by reading the Hebrew prophets in an historical order. The Bible books included are, Jonah, Amos, Hosea, Micah, Isaiah, Zephaniah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Jeremiah, Obadiah, Ezekiel, Haggai, Zechariah, Joel and Malachi.

Meetings last one hour and breakfast refreshments are served from 8.45am for a 9am start. All welcome.

Prayer Diary

In spring when maple buds are red,
We turn the clock an hour ahead;
Which means each April that arrives,
We lose an hour out of our lives.

Who cares? When autumn birds in flocks
Fly southward, back we turn the clocks,
And so regain a lovely thing.
That missing hour we lost in spring.

('Daylight Savings Time' - Phyllis McGinley)

Summer seemed to end quite abruptly at the start of last month. One minute it was sunshine and showers, and the next I couldn't get the grass dry enough to cut and the sky was permanently grey. And yet, the late bloomers in the garden carried on regardless, little spots of bright cheeriness. And now as the nights start to get chillier the youngsters (and the young at heart) can start to look forward to the fun of halloween and bonfire night.

- Say a little prayer for all those dealing with upheaval -changes good or bad- which upset our normal routines and make us out of sorts.
- We're also out of sorts as the never-ending Brexit wrangle lingers on. Pray that a good way forward is found that allows people to get on with their lives without the constant unrest.
- Say thank you for the huge amount of work done by the Legacy Group over the last few years, as they have hunted down as much information as they could, so that we have the information that we need to find our own way ahead.
- And say thank you for the one hundred and thirty five years that have seen a church community in this place. The way that people have worshipped will have changed greatly in that time, but the under-pinning faith is the same.
- Keep in your prayers the church family the world over, especially those who are not free to worship openly, and people of all faiths who are persecuted for their beliefs.

'All of us should eat and drink and enjoy what we have worked for. It is God's gift.'
Ecclesiastes 3:13

PRAYER REQUESTS & PRAYERS FOR HEALING

If you need prayer for yourself, a loved one or a friend please use the Greenbank Church Card [see reverse side] which can be found at the end of the church pews, and place it in the box at the front door of the church. Alternatively, prayer requests can be given to our Minister, Rev. Jeanne Roddick. Those for whom prayers have been requested will be prayed for at the monthly Prayers for Healing Service and throughout the month by members of the Prayer Group.

A Prayers for Healing service takes place on the 2nd Sunday of every month in the church at 6.30pm. (Enter by Link building). Everyone is welcome to attend.

Gillian Foy (638 6245)

FLOWER LIST FOR OCTOBER 2019

	Communion Table	Centenary Chapel	Side Windows
6th October			
13th October	Anne Dykes	Barbara Low	
20th October	A. Gray	Elaine Carr	
27th October			

Please note:

The Flower Lists for 2019 are on the transept windows and you are invited to put your name and telephone number on the list at the date of your choice. A member of the flower committee will contact you in the week prior to this date.

Elizabeth Cross (638 5162)

What's On

THE GUILD

Diary

Wednesday	25 th September	2.15pm	<i>Luckenbooth</i> - Musical Entertainment
	2 nd October	2.15pm	<i>Rededication</i> – Rev. Jeanne Roddick
	9 th October	2.15pm	<i>Franklin's Legs</i> – Liz McIntyre
	16 th October	2.15pm	<i>Round the World with Music</i> – Vivienne Macdonald
	23 rd October	7.30pm	<i>Piggery Brae</i> – Guest Night
	30 th October	2.15pm	<i>Women Pilots of WW2</i> – Roy Johnstone

The Guild recommenced their meetings on Wednesday, 25th September. We have an interesting syllabus arranged for this coming session, details of which are on the noticeboard in the halls' corridor and will be posted each week on the TV screen in the Hall of Friendship.

Our Guest Night is on 23rd October when we are greatly looking forward to welcoming back *Piggery Brae* – a very popular group. We also look forward to members of other local Guilds joining us for this annual event.

Sunshine bags will be collected during October. Although we did not have a very sunny summer, we are sure the bags will still be well filled. If your bag has not been collected by the end of October, please leave it with a member of the duty team on a Sunday morning and it will be passed on to the Guild. Thank you for your generous support.

Enid Dron, Secretary

THE LUNCH CLUB

Lunch Club will meet on Friday 25th October from 12noon till 1.15pm. We serve soup, filled rolls, tea, coffee and biscuits. We would love to welcome you there for friendship and chat.

Subsequent dates are 29th November, 31st January, 28th February, 27th March, 24th April and 29th May.

If you would like to know more about the Lunch Club, or would like transport to join us, please phone Jan on 258 4959 or Maureen on 639 5114

TIME OUT

October is a busy month with three meetings for Time Out, as follows:-

October 3 rd	Visit to Ceramic Experience
17 th	Mountain Rescue Speaker
31 st	A talk on "Insight to an NHS Pathology Dept."

Also our first meeting in November is:

Nov 14 th	A visit from the Dogs' Trust
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As always everyone is welcome.

The talks are in the Church Hall at 8pm. For further details contact Moira McAldine at busymoira@aol.com or Sharon Mitchell at sharonemitchell@hotmail.co.uk

CLARKSTON COMMUNITY CHOIR

The choir rehearses every Wednesday at 7.30pm and are currently working towards their annual Christmas concert which will be accompanied by a fabulous orchestra of musicians from the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland. The choir sing from word sheets only, so there is no prior musical training required - everyone is welcome to join, and within a week or two you'll be singing like a choir of angels! New members go free on the first rehearsal, thereafter £3 subs are paid weekly on the door. Members are also welcome to attend rehearsals without committing to singing in concerts, as sometimes it can take a while to build up the confidence to do so. Richard Scholfield

FRIENDSHIP CAFE

The first meeting of the Friendship Cafe is at 10.00am on Friday, 4th October. We were fairly small in number at the close of last session but big in spirit and welcome. Give us a shot and join us for tea/coffee and a blether. (No mention of Brexit – promise!) If you would like to give a hand contact Blair Miller at 0141 577 5449.

TUESDAY NIGHT WALKING GROUP

We meet on Tuesdays at 7pm prompt (weather permitting) and walk around the local area chatting all the way. Our walks usually last an hour. Feel free to join us on any Tuesday. Evelyn Clelland (07762 065507)

LADIES BADMINTON

Our ladies badminton resumed on the first Thursday in September starting at 1.15pm - all welcome to join our friendly group for fun and games. Come along and get smashed!!

Telephone: Margaret Kennedy 07806434321 for more information.

SNAP COMMUNITY YOUTH CLUB

Any new members from P7 to S3 are very welcome to come along SNAP runs every Saturday (term time) from 7pm till 9pm. If you're P7-S3, come along for some Saturday night action packed fun and meet new friends - all are welcome. The SNAP team is looking forward to more games, crafts, baking and sports. Please feel free to register on the night or email: SNAP@greenbankglasgow.org.uk for more information.

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT - COFFEE MORNING

Glasgow Presbytery Office staff are having a Coffee morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support at Garthamlock and Craigend Parish Church on 22nd November and would welcome any donations of knitted items for one of their stalls. Any knitted items can be left at Greenbank's church office.

CHRISTIAN AID

The annual sponsored swim for Christian Aid will take place on Saturday, 5th October from 6pm-7.30pm at Eastwood swimming pool. Sponsor forms are available from Mark Allan or Ron Livingston or from the table in the Hall of Friendship. Last year all of the Greenbank participants managed the maximum of 20 lengths and enjoyed a well-earned refreshment after their efforts. Tea, coffee, juice, crisps and biscuits will be available for those taking part this year too. Please consider 'taking the plunge', or lend your support by sponsoring any of our swimmers; your donation will be greatly appreciated and will support the work of Christian Aid.

Mark Allan

GREENBANK CHURCH FILM SOCIETY

The next gathering of the Film Society takes place on the 14th October

Send Me No Flowers is a 1964 · Drama/Romance, starring Doris Day and Rock Hudson.

After eavesdropping on his doctors as they discuss another patient, George (Rock Hudson), a middle-aged hypochondriac, leaves a hospital visit believing he's terminally ill. Assuming he'll soon be dead, George enlists his friend, Arnold (Tony Randall), to help him find a new husband for his wife, Judy (Doris Day). They eventually settle on Bert (Clint Walker), a successful businessman. But George's odd behavior makes Judy suspect he's covering up an affair.

Director: Norman Jewison

Based on: Send Me No Flowers; 1960 play; by Norman Barasch; Carroll Moore

Please find below details of all the films being shown this Session.

SEPTEMBER-DECEMBER 2019

9th September *Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid (1969)*

Starring: Paul Newman & Robert Redford

Director: George Roy Hill

14th October *Send Me No Flowers (1964)*

Starring: Doris Day & Rock Hudson

Director: Norman Jewison

4th November *Le Boucher (1969)*

Starring: Stéphane Audrun & Jean Yanne

Director: Claude Chabrol

9th December *On Golden Pond (1981)*

Henry Fonda, Katharine Hepburn & Jane Fonda

Director: Mark Rvdell

JANUARY-APRIL 2020

6th January *Puzzle (2018)*

Starring: Kelly Macdonald, David Denman & Irrfan Kahn. Director: Marc Turtletaub

3rd February *The Man Who Knew Too Much (1956)*

Starring: James Stewart & Doris Day

Director: Alfred Hitchcock

2nd March *Blue Jasmine (2013)*

Starring: Cate Blanchett & Alec Baldwin

Director: Woody Allen

tba April *Calamity Jane (1953)*

Starring: Doris Day & Howard Keel

Director: David Butler

The Society meets monthly on Monday evenings at 7.30pm from September to April in the Session House.

Jim Guy

Young People's Page

Hi Guys,

Did you know that October is National Pizza month? (National Pizza Day in February.) No I didn't either. To me you can eat pizza any month of the year!

The pizza was first "invented" in 1889, the same year as our church first opened its doors. It is commonly believed that pizza originally came from Italy. The word 'pizza' is Italian for pie. It was made for King Umberto and Queen Margherita (hence the name of the most popular pizza) on a visit to Naples. A pizza maker made the dish and decorated it with tomatoes cheese and basil to represent the red, yellow and green in the Italian flag. Pepperoni is the most popular pizza topping in the UK and Oxford is the city which consumes the most pizza. In 2006, a Romanian, Cristian Dumitru, ate 200 pounds of pizza in a single week – that's more than his entire body weight - and New Zealander, Josh Anderson. He devoured a 12-incher in just one minute and 45 seconds. Skills. Pizza artist Domenico Crolla, from Glasgow creates incredible portraits of celebrities from the Mona Lisa to Justin Bieber, using only dough, tomato sauce and cheese. Five billion pizzas are sold worldwide every year and around three billion of these are in the US. That's a lot of slices!!

Al the Ed



FIND THE WORDS

Mushroom tomato ham pineapple cheese
peppers onion umberto margherita pizza
Italy slices

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Homemade Pizza

1 hour 15 min **Serves: 2** 250g plain flour
1 teaspoon dried active baking yeast
pinch salt
300ml water
1 tablespoon olive oil

Toppings - tomato puree, mozzarella cheese, sliced or grated ham, mushrooms, peppers, onions, pepperoni, pineapple, sweetcorn

Method

Prep:30min > Cook:15min > Extra time:30min
resting > Ready in:1hr15min

Whisk together the flour, yeast and salt. Stir in the water and olive oil, adding more flour a little at a time if the dough is too sticky. Form the dough into a ball, cover and let the dough rest for 15 minutes.

Preheat the oven to 200 C / Gas 6. Spread the dough onto a generously floured baking tray. Spread the tomato puree over the pizza base, layer on the mozzarella cheese and add other ingredients as desired.

Bake in the preheated oven until the pizza base is puffed and golden, about 15 minutes.

What a great selection of food you brought to our Harvest service - thank you so much. The people at the Lodging House Mission were delighted with it!

It's been the September weekend holiday and it's nearly the October holiday week. Whatever you do, whether you go away somewhere or not, I hope you get to do things you enjoy on your time off school - there's usually plenty of interesting activities on during the holidays!!

Helen

Sunday 6th October

Sunday 13th October

Sunday 20th October

Sunday 27th October

Sunday 3rd November

Sunday Club as usual

Family worship in church

Combined Sunday Club, Sunday Squad & JAM

Sunday Club as usual

Communion Sunday - Sunday Club meet in halls as usual, then children come into church for Communion



Happy birthday to Emily Lord, Ethan Geldard, Euan Armstrong and Harris Simpson who celebrate their birthdays in October. Have loads of fun guys!

ABOMINABLE JOKES!

Q. What kind of money do yetis use?

A. Iced lolly.

Q. What do you get if you cross a yeti with a kangaroo?

A. A fur coat with big pockets.

Q. What do you get if you cross an elephant with the abominable snowman?

A. A jumbo yeti!



New film this month, *Abominable*, takes us on an epic 2,000-mile adventure from the streets of Shanghai to the breathtaking snowscapes of the Himalayas.

When teenage Yi encounters a young Yeti on the roof of her apartment building in Shanghai, she and her mischievous friends, Jin and Peng, name him 'Everest' and embark on an epic quest to reunite the magical creature with his family at the highest point on Earth. However, the trio of friends will have to stay one-step ahead of Burnish, a wealthy man intent on capturing a Yeti, and zoologist Dr. Zara to help Everest get home.

Halloween is a fun night
With lots of strange
creatures to see.
There are black cats,
And giant bats,
Let's meet some more, shall
we?

Witch

A witch flies past on
her broomstick,
Over the roof of your
house.

It would be better
Not to upset her,
She'd turn you into a
mouse.

Skeleton

Skeletons walk
about the town.
They have no skin,
just bone.

Sometimes for fun
they play their ribs
Just like a
xylophone





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News and updates

ED LINES

Hi Folks,

Recently, I delivered the church magazine to some members in Strawhill Court. I rang the door bell of one of the ladies and when she answered, she was wearing her raincoat. "Come away in," she said. "I'm just back." It reminded me of a story the late, great, Joyce McMeeking told me. Her grandmother always answered the door wearing her hat. Then, when she saw who was on the other side of the door she could decide whether she was just coming in, or just going out!!

Greenbank Church first opened its doors 135 years ago. The foundation stone was laid in 1884 and the church was completed in 1889. Throughout that time we have seen many people pass through our doors. We have welcomed them through times of triumph and times of tragedy. We have welcomed them through times of celebration and commiseration. We have been there through two World Wars and have offered shelter, solace, support and sympathy.

Things have changed during the last 135 years. Things have come, things have gone, but still we remain.

Last month we welcomed folk to our Community Fun Day. In October our Social Events Committee plan to welcome friends new and old, old and young, to an evening of fun, entertainment and celebration to mark our 135th anniversary. We welcome people through our doors, not just on a Sunday but every day of the week. Everyone is welcome here. They have been for the last 135 years and they will be for the next 135 years, whether we wear our hats or not!

Alison

**ARTICLES FOR THE NOVEMBER ISSUE OF GOOD NEIGHBOUR SHOULD BE SUBMITTED BY
SUNDAY 13TH OCTOBER PLEASE**

90KG RICE CHALLENGE

Please support the 90kg Rice Challenge! Greenbank is joining hundreds of schools and faith groups who have been participating in this challenge for a number of years. We have 90kg of fairly traded, Kilombero rice, hand sown and grown in the rich soils of Northern Malawi, to sell to our congregation, families, and friends. 90kg is significant as a Malawian farmer has to sell 90kg of rice in order to pay for secondary education for one child for one year. Climate change means that there are now seasons when the rice harvest fails and therefore raising enough money to pay for education is increasingly difficult. In light of this, it is more vital than ever to get behind the farmers in some of the poorest communities in the world and show them our support in enabling them to reap a good harvest, feed their families, and create food security.

Kilombero rice has won a Great Taste award and is the most ethical rice on the market according to Ethical Consumer magazine. I have used the rice to prepare sweet and savoury dishes, and can confirm that it is easy to cook and tastes delicious!

Rice will be sold most Sundays after church until we have completed the challenge and all of the rice has been sold!

Rice (brown or white) is priced at £3.75 for a 1kg bag. Please buy a bag (or two!) and remember - A bag of rice can change a life!

Thank you,

Alison Allan

DISTRICT ELDER AND VISITOR CHANGES

District Elders

Jane Blanchflower is the new District Elder for district 60 (Daleview Drive and Grove).

Bobby Bisset is the new District Elder for district 71 which includes some members in Castleton Drive, Castle Court, Shaw Court, Rosegarth Drive and Mearns Road.

Stephen Bisset is the new District Elder for a new district (69) which incorporates some members from districts 68, 71, and 79, namely, those members who live in Tiree Place, Colonsay Drive, Newton Grove and Court, Brodick Place and Craig Place.

District Visitors

Juliet Gow is the new District Visitor for district 79 which includes members in Buchanan Drive, Craigend Gardens, Worsley Crescent, Ryatt Drive, Lomond Drive, Gordon Crescent and Wellmeadow Lodge.

Eleanor Johnstone is the new District Visitor for district 40 which includes some members in Eastwoodmains Road, Broomley Drive, Linwood Avenue, Kensington Drive, Drumby Drive and Crescent, Evan Drive and Benview Road.

Evelyn Clelland is the new District Visitor for district 46a, Mayfield Avenue.

KIRK SESSION – WHAT DO THEY TALK ABOUT?

The Kirk Session met on 3rd September with 57 members attending and they discussed a wide range of issues.

Worship: The Kirk Session noted the busy schedule of September Services and activities including the Worship group leading the service on 8th September, Harvest Thanksgiving Service on 22nd September, Saturday Morning Book Club, Messy Church, and the resumption of choir practices on the 5th September.

Outreach: Reports were received from Glasgow North East Foodbank; Christian Aid, whose sponsored swim takes place on 5th October; Lodging House Mission, where £975 was raised by Greenbank participants in a Sponsored Cycle; and Clarkston Community Choir which restarts on 18th September. The minutes of the Kwenderana Partnership meeting were noted and the Kirk Session approved a new Covenant/ Partnership Agreement between the Ekwendeni Congregation in Malawi and the four Church of Scotland Congregations of Busby, Giffnock South, Greenbank and Williamwood.

Finance: The Financial Position was updated and it was noted that Offering Income had decreased by 3.2% for the 33 weeks to 18th August which was a slight improvement on the May position. Fabric expenditure for the current year totalled £17,476. Since the last report contributions have been received from the Friendship Café, Lunch Club and Bible Study Group. External organisations who use our halls continue to generate useful income towards the upkeep of our halls and enquires for new lets are received regularly. The retiring collection for Crossreach totalled £369 and we received a Church of Scotland Youth Grant of £250.

Fabric: The Kirk Session approved additional unbudgeted electrical safety work of £1,336 and additional work to treat damp in the manse costing £2,784. During July the painting work in the Fraser Hall, Cowley Hall and Hall of Friendship was completed.

Fellowship: The Kirk Session received reports on the successful Community Fun Day in August which raised over £400. Church organisations are now resuming after the summer break; including The Guild, which has good numbers and an interesting new syllabus; Time Out which continued to meet over the summer; the Lunch Club which resumes on 27th September, the Friendship Café, and Cosy Café for schoolchildren; and Snap Youth Club, which is still looking for a paid leader. There are a number of social events in the forthcoming months: Saturday 5th October – 135th Celebration Night, Saturday 16th November – Clarkston Christmas Extravaganza, and Saturday 23rd November – Greenbank Christmas Fair.

Liaison Report

The Kirk Session received a very comprehensive report on the 31 church and user organisations visited by the Kirk Session. Jeanette Mackay, the new Liaison Convenor, was warmly thanked for her hard work in organising this important task.

Legacy: The Kirk Session received an update on the legacy project and approved continuing work on the option of redeveloping the current site. Subsequent to the meeting an update letter has been sent to all members of the congregation.

Other Matters: The Kirk Session dealt with a number of administrative matters including the following:

New members, transfer of members who have not forwarded change of addresses to the supplementary roll, November Communion arrangements.

The resignations of Jim Harvey and Neil and Val Scholfield from the Kirk Session were accepted, as they were all moving away from the district. The Moderator warmly thanked them, not only for their faithful years of service as elders, but also for the other tasks they had carried out in Greenbank.

The Kirk Session approved asking members for their e-mail addresses to add to the database to speed up communications and reduce postage costs. **Please email the Church Office with your email address: greenbank.office@tiscali.co.uk**

(Please speak to your elder if you would like further information on any of the above.)

MEMBERS' EMAIL ADDRESSES

The Kirk Session, at the September meeting, agreed to ask members to add their email addresses to the roll records held by the church. This will allow faster communications with members and save on postage.

The data will not be disclosed to third parties.

Could you please send an email to the church office at greenbank.office@tiscali.co.uk along with your name and address to allow us to add your email to our records.

Derek Christie
Session Clerk

223rd GREENBANK BOYS' BRIGADE COMPANY – 95TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER

Arrangements are now well advanced for our 95th anniversary reunion dinner to be held at the Redhurst Hotel, Williamwood on Saturday 26th October 2019. There will also be the customary football match to be held in the morning at a local football pitch. The date has been chosen to link up with the youth service the next day at Greenbank which celebrates Founder's Day and at which our current BB company will be on parade. All ex-members are encouraged to attend the Founder's Day service and march past with the boys. We have decided to make this dinner a bit more informal than previous dinners to give all those attending more time to socialise afterwards. Our guest speaker will be Andrew McKinlay who will be well known to many Greenbankers and who came through the company in the 1980's. We have set ourselves a very ambitious target for attendees at the dinner and to achieve this we need to reach out to as many of our ex-members as possible wherever they may now be. So if you know of any relative or friend who was in the 223rd Greenbank BB company please pass their details to John Meek (john.meek@ntlworld.com) so we can add them to our mailing list. All 223rd BB ex- members are warmly invited to attend the dinner and hopefully catch up with former friends and colleagues from the Company.

Chris Adam

Chairman, 223rd BB Company Ex-members Association

MESSY CHURCH

The next Messy of the Session takes place on 4th October starting at 4pm in the church halls.

If anyone would like to be added to the WhatsApp group or to be kept informed of what's happening at this and future Messys, please send your mobile number and name to me at 07970192541.

The other Messy Church dates for this year are as follows: 1st November, 6th December, 31st January, 28th February, 24th April and 5th June.

Lorna Preece

LODGING HOUSE MISSION

Saturday opening at Lodging House Mission continues. There are now 21 churches on a rota to facilitate this. The next date for Greenbank is Saturday, 23rd November, when our team will be Douglas Carswell, David Dowell, Lynn Thomson and Ian Thomson.

Christmas cards are coming soon - they will be on sale after church from around mid-October.

Alison Allan

THE WALKING GROUP

REMAINING WALKS THIS YEAR:

Our last walk of this year is to in Strathaven. We leave from the Church at the times shown. New members are warmly welcomed. Come along and enjoy good company and plenty of fresh air and maybe a wee cup of tea afterwards.

Saturday 19th October Strathaven 9.30am

For further details contact Allan McLaren (639 5848) or Douglas Paterson (638 6350)

PRINCE & PRINCESS OF WALES HOSPICE COFFEE MORNING – 9TH NOVEMBER

The Southside Friends of the Prince & Princess of Wales Hospice are holding a Coffee Morning in the Giffnock Scout Hall, Arthurlie Drive, G46 6UP on Saturday 9th November from 10am till 12noon. Tickets £1 include tea/coffee and homebaking. Stalls - home baking, gifts, books, £1 bags & Raffle. All welcome.

WHO DO YOU THINK THEY ARE? (The Social Events Committee)

Name? Stephen Blanchflower
 Over 21 And the rest!
 Fav food Steak
 Fav TV Documentaries
 Fav actor Sean Connery
 Fav film James Bond
 Fav music Heavy Rock
 Fav joke What is black and white and goes round and round? A penguin in a tumble dryer.



Name? Eleanor Johnstone
 Over 21 No (fibber)
 Fav food Italian
 Fav TV Cruising with Jane MacDonald
 Fav actor Richard Gere
 Fav film Pretty Woman
 Fav Music Beatles
 Fav joke What's green and goes up and down? A gooseberry in a lift!!



Name? Anna Martin
 Over 21 Just
 Fav food Cakes
 Fav TV Period dramas
 Fav Actor Poldark
 Fav Film Greatest Showman
 Fav Music Easy Listening
 Fav Joke How do you make toast in the jungle? Put it under a Grilla.



Name? Anna Maclure
 Over 21 Ha Ha Ha
 Fav food Steak
 Fav TV Repair Shop
 Fav actor Tom Hanks
 Fav film Wonderful Life
 Fav Music Mike Hall (piano)
 Fav Joke A man was taken to hospital after eating daffodil bulbs. Doctors say he's recovering and he'll be out in the spring.



DO YOU RECEIVE YOUR GOOD NEIGHBOUR BY POST?

If so please consider if any of the options listed below would be a suitable alternative way for you to receive your Good Neighbour:

By email - send your email address to the church office (greenbank.office@tiscali.co.uk) and you will receive your magazine by email each month.

View it on our website at www.greenbankglasgow.org.uk

Pick up a copy from the transept window sill when you are in church.

Of course, you can also opt to continue to have Good Neighbour sent by post.

Please contact the church secretary at greenbank.office@tiscali.co.uk or call her on 0141 644 1841 to let her know which is your preferred option. If you call out with office hours you can leave a message.

BUSHIDO KARATE CLUB

Sensei Stephen Kwiatkowski, who has been instructing at Greenbank from the beginning, is sadly leaving to take up a new job down South. Stephen has guided many students on their Karate journey over the years and we all owe him a huge debt of gratitude for his teachings.

As an instructor, and an individual, he truly sums up the famous Karate saying by Gichin Funakoshi - "No matter how you may excel in the art of Karate, and in your scholastic endeavours, nothing is more important than your behaviour and your humanity as observed in daily life". Stephen is a truly decent individual. We send our best wishes to Stephen and his wife Geraldine on this new chapter in their life and look forward to them popping into the club in the future.

A recent article in the Wall Street Journal, reported on a recent study conducted by Rush University Medical Center in Chicago, and presented at the World Parkinson Congress in Japan in June, which showed that Parkinson's patients who did karate for one hour twice a week for 10 weeks performed better in several areas, including frequency of falls, quality of life and overall well-being.

Best wishes,

John Elliot (Bushido Karate Association Chairman)

Social Events

GREENBANK'S 135th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION EVENING SATURDAY 5TH OCTOBER FROM 6.30PM

Tickets for Saturday 5th October @ 6.30pm are now on sale priced at £12. It is a BYOB and includes a fizz reception, fish supper tea, shopping stalls, fun and games. 'For One Night Only', after a successful performance at a Greenbank Ladies Night, Stephen Blanchflower's troupe will also make a return appearance - which will be worth the ticket money in itself!'

The Runway Theatre Company, which has an enviable reputation for high quality productions from the world of musical theatre will bring the evening to a close with some songs from their repertoire.

Tickets are available from the Church Office or from members of Greenbank's Social Committee i.e. Lindy Dallas, Jill Liddell, Susan Johnston, Eleanor Johnston, Anna Martin, Jan Millar, Anna Maclure, Stella Inglis, Stephen Blanchflower or Graham Vance.

CHRISTMAS FAIR - SATURDAY, 23RD NOVEMBER 10AM TO 1PM

Plans for Greenbank's annual Christmas Fair which is on Saturday 23rd November are now well advanced. Tickets costing £ 2 for adults and £1 for children are now available.

Anna and myself will be speaking to those who have volunteered to organise/run stalls to check they are still able to assist us on the day.

Of course the success of the Fair would not be the same if it were not for members of Greenbank donating items for the various stalls, a full list of which is given below. A box has been placed in the Hall of Friendship in which any donations may be placed. Donations may also be brought to the hall on the eve of the Fair and timings will follow in next month's Good Neighbour.

List of Stalls

Home baking

Bottle Stall

Book Stall

Bric a Brac

Christmas Bags - a small gift to the value of £2 should be placed in a gift bag

Unwanted gifts

Christmas Stall

Toiletries/Jewellery

Toy Stall

Christmas Hamper raffle along with a general raffle

Chocolate tombola

Christmas bulbs

In addition it is hoped to have 'Guess the Weight of the Cake', Human Fruit Machine, Guess the Birthday and of course the Christmas Tea Room. (Donations of mince pies and shortbread would be appreciated nearer the time). We also hope to have Christmas Cards on sale and Bert McCrum will be checking/ cleaning rings.

There will also be the Kid's Zone with lots of fun for children. It is also hoped that Santa may be able to visit between 11am and 12noon.

Any additional helpers would be appreciated and if you are interested please telephone either Anna or Eleanor

It is hoped that once again the Fair will be a great success and we look forward to your continued support which is very much appreciated.

Anna Martin (644 0972)

Eleanor Johnstone (577 0335)



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