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SEPTEMBER 2022



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GreenbankParish
CHURCH

Parish Register

DEATHS

26/6/22 Mr Gordon McIntyre, 7 Hillend Crescent, Clarkston
27/6/22 Mrs Jean Neilson, 4A Kirkton Court, Gilmour Road, Eaglesham
6/7/22 Mrs Bethia Tait, 35 Hillend Road, Clarkston
27/7/22 Mrs Violet McIntosh, 31 Shaw Court, Broomhill Gardens, Newton Mearns

"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 N.I.V.

WEDDING

2/7/22 Gemma Galbraith and Aaron Van Slyke, Yew Street, Vancouver, BC, Canada

"[Love] always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails."
Corinthians 13: 7 N.I.V.

BAPTISMS

19/6/22 Oliver Scott Ritchie, Carolside Avenue, Clarkston
19/6/22 Matthew William Ritchie, Carolside Avenue, Clarkston
24/7/22 Eve Karen Harvie, Broom Road East, Newton Mearns
24/7/22 Murray Wallace Macphee, Airdale Avenue, Giffnock
31/7/22 Archie James Fulton, Clarkston Road, Netherlee
7/8/22 Harrison John Stanton, Woodbank Crescent, Clarkston

"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 N.I.V

NEW MEMBERS

23/5/22 Mr Graham Short, 42 Stamperland Gardens, Clarkston
7/6/22 Mrs Pauline Campbell, 55 Craighlaw Avenue, Waterfoot

PULPIT DIARY– SEPTEMBER

4 th Sept	10.30am	Sacrament of Holy Baptism & Sunday Club
11 th Sept	10.30am	Worship & Sunday Club
18 th Sept	10.30am	Worship & Sunday Club
25 th Sept	10.30am	Family Worship

LIVE STREAMING OF WORSHIP

The technical equipment in the Church Sanctuary allows streaming via You Tube on Sunday Mornings.

Anyone wishing to view the service should click on the link, which is emailed to the congregation each week from the church office. The service can also be found by searching on You Tube. Once in 'You Tube' simply type in 'Greenbank Church Morning Service' and select the correct service.

Please note that with live streaming there is about a minutes delay before the service is transmitted from the church to people at home. Please be patient if it is a little later than 10.30am before the service starts.

Those attending worship in the Church Sanctuary on Sundays are also asked to note that services are being streamed. The camera being used to transmit images is downstairs, just in front of the balcony area. The cameras will film the pews directly in front of it, the side pews at the front and the chancel area of the church. Members of the congregation who do not wish to be 'caught on camera' are asked to select their seats appropriately.

ACCESSING SUNDAY WORSHIP LIVE BY TELEPHONE OR AS A RECORDING

For those who do not have a computer and are unable to attend church there is an option of using their telephone to listen to the service. Simply dial 0141 815 1166 at 10.30am if you wish to listen to the service live; alternatively you can listen to a recording of the most recent service from the Monday until the Saturday of the following week. When you dial to hear the most recent recording you will firstly hear a message from Jeanne and then some music. Please wait until the music stops and then, when asked to do so, press 1 on you telephone keypad.

Dear Friends,

Last week I joined the Presbytery pilgrimage to Lindisfarne, the Holy Island given by King Oswald of Lindisfarne to the Irish monk St Aidan so that he could establish a monastery there in 635 AD. Aidan received his religious training on Iona and the Lindisfarne monastery that he established became a renowned centre of religious education. St Cuthbert was born the same year in which Aidan founded the monastery on Lindisfarne.

Cuthbert's life changed when he was about 17 years old as he gazed into a night sky when he saw a light descend to Earth and then return, escorting, he believed, a human soul to heaven. The date was August 31st 651AD - the night that Aidan died. This was Cuthbert's moment of decision and after his novice training and service as a monk at Melrose Abbey, Cuthbert returned to Lindisfarne to be the prior there. By all account Cuthbert was an outgoing, cheerful and compassionate. He died in 689AD and was subsequently highly acclaimed and the subject of an enormously popular following.

A narrow road was built to Lindisfarne in 1954 but until then long vertical poles marking a 3-mile crossing place were the only indication of the safest way to reach the island. Over the years many thousands of pilgrims have followed those poles across the seabed. They have walked in the footsteps of their Christian ancestors listening to the unusual singing all around them, from the thousands of seals who lie basking on sandbars between Lindisfarne and the mainland.

Thus, I found myself silently walking to Lindisfarne last week across the sand and mud, listening to nature and reflecting on the many thousands of Christians who had walked this route before me. Without the poles guiding the way it would have been very difficult. The sight of a wellington boot stuck in quicksand, presumably unable to be retrieved its owner, amidst the mud and deep pools of water seemed very symbolic of my own faith journey. Just as I needed those poles to guide me safely across the seabed I reflected on how I had needed God to not only safely guide me through many of life's circumstances but also how this guidance had most often come through those who had walked in faith before me and with me.

The tradition of canonizing saints like Aidan and Cuthbert from Lindisfarne has a long church history but it is rooted in the experience of people who recognized the Christ like qualities of those who made the love of God real to them in special ways. Such people are often hidden among the ordinary and the foolish; the gentle and the disturbing; the forgotten and the unforgettable and may even at times appear in an occasional glance in the mirror. How we remember those who came before us in faith; the biblical characters, the saints of the church, the ordinary men and woman, both known and unknown to us, make us and our church what we are today and what we will be in the future.

So, may God continue to guide all of us on the journey that we have embarked on, as a church and as individuals, in the name and for the sake of Jesus Christ, that those to come may remember us as beloved ancestors in faith.

Yours,



SATURDAY BOOK CLUB

Saturday Book Club will be looking at a new book called "Who Moved My Cheese?" written by Spencer Johnson. The book looks at how to deal with change in your work and in your life. We will be reading the whole book, which is fairly short, in order to discuss this at our meeting on Saturday the 3rd September at 8.45am in Room A. If you have any questions you can contact Ronnie McNeill on 0141 577 6503. We would be happy to see you so please come along. Bring a cup and we'll supply tea/coffee.

Prayer Diary

The warmth of summer has not yet slipped away
I am touched by the subtle heat throughout the day
But a chill has replaced what once was a breeze
And the green is fading out from each of the leaves.

People return to their work and schooling
Distracted at a moment when nature's drooling
Beauty and decay begin to unfold
Wildlife prepares for the approaching cold
Daylight gradually starts to retire sooner
But the dark hovers a minute before turning lunar
All life is moulting in the early autumn haze
And the earth relaxes in the September days.

('September Days', Eden Elliott)

Well the summer brought us heat and sunshine. Not always, but in that we're fortunate. When other countries and other parts of the UK started to bake and frazzle, we had some cloud and showers. My own garden has grown in spurts. Some things seemed to shoot up again as soon as my back was turned. One shower and off they went.

I don't think anyone can now deny the changes in our natural world. Please direct your prayers to everyone who is investigating and putting into place, new and less harmful ways of doing things. There are many crises in the world but pray that focus on the environment by all governments is not lost, and that ordinary people do as much as they can to ensure we leave a sustainable future for generations to come. Please also pray for everyone directly affected by flooding or by drought, whose livelihoods or entire ways of life have been devastated.

A hundred years ago we had 'the war to end all wars', and yet here we are with wars still being fought across the globe. Please pray that mankind will learn to subdue its violent nature, its greed and its selfishness.

Please also keep our church in your prayers. The Church of Scotland as a whole as we seek to reorganise to make ourselves more sustainable; that the plans put in place will make us stronger going forward. And also Greenbank: Ask that everyone in our congregation feels part of the whole. Pray for the people who are ill or are struggling with problems either physical or emotional. Say thank you for everyone who has felt able to come back to church in person; and that those who don't feel able can still feel connected by technology. Pray for our Sunday Club and other organisations, that their numbers will grow again, and they will enjoy the fellowship that coming together brings.

We seem to be surrounded by doom and gloom - war in Ukraine, the climate crisis, soaring prices - especially in fuel, and gas and electricity. Please ask that each person finds at least one small bright spark in each day - a ray of hope or gladness.

'May God, the source of hope, fill you with joy and peace by means of your faith in him, so that your hope will continue to grow by the power of the Holy Spirit.' (Romans 15:13)

Gillian Foy, Prayer Promoter [0141 638 6245]

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you need prayer for yourself, a loved one or a friend requests can be sent to our Minister, Rev. Jeanne Roddick at JRoddick@churchofscotland.org.uk or the Church Secretary at office@greenbankglasgow.org.uk Alternatively, you can phone our Prayer Promoter, Gillian Foy. Those for whom prayers have been requested will be prayed for throughout the following month by members of the Prayer Group. Gillian Foy, Prayer Promoter [0141 638 6245]

SOCIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE

Greenbank was delighted to welcome approximately 200 members of the community to June's Jubilee Picnic. It was lovely to see so many people of all generations coming together for such a special celebration. We were very fortunate with the weather and a big cheer rang out when the sun appeared. The Social Committee would like to thank all the volunteers who served cakes, refreshments and ice cream. Also a big thank you to all the home bakers, face painters, people who helped to erect the tea tents and the local Co-operative for their generous donations. The wonderful profit of £535.69 was raised and has been donated to Greenbank's Legacy Fund.

Lindy Dallas

What's On

THE GUILD

The Guild hope to resume meetings on Wednesday, 5th October at 2pm when we look forward to welcoming former members – and hopefully new members – once again. We have been informed that we can use the Fraser Hall until the end of the year. Remember to please bring your own cup. Details of the syllabus for the first half of the session are given below. Any further details will be given in the October Good Neighbour.

5th October Rev Jeanne Roddick: Rededication

12th October Luckenbooth: Musical afternoon

19th October Vivienne Macdonald: The Silk Road

26th October Guild Project: The Vine Trust – Robert Alexander

2nd November Liz Allan: Isabella Elder – Frist Lady of Glasgow

9th November Dr Maureen Park: The Art of the First World War

16th November Craig Mains: Runnin' Roon in Circles

23rd November Ian Thomson: No Strings Attached

30th November The Zigueneres – Musical Afternoon

7th December Christmas Lunch

14th December Christmas Meeting

Enid Dron

TIME OUT

We've enjoyed our summer meetings, in the garden, weather permitting. It's hard to believe we are now approaching the start of our new session. As usual we start off with our Cheese & Wine on September 8th, and invite new members to come along and join us in the Church Halls at 8pm.

We have a varied syllabus this year, ranging from Scottish standing stones to bees!!! Craft nights and quizzes also feature. We meet every other Thursday at 8pm.

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1ST CLARKSTON GUIDES

1st Clarkston are looking forward to a new term and it's a special one. We are celebrating 100 years this year! To celebrate our centenary we are interested to hear from former members to create a memory scrapbook.

Former members or their families can send us memories here: <https://forms.gle/K1maykEbuoD1CsVX7>

or email us on 1stclarkstonguides@gmail.com

We are also accepting new members this term and although we have a waiting list we may have some additional spaces this year so if folks have a girl aged 10-14 that interested please do drop us an email at the above address.

Many thanks, Emma and all at 1st Clarkston Guides

CLARKSTON COMMUNITY CHOIR

The choir will return to regularly weekly rehearsals on Wednesday 17th August, 7:30pm-9:30pm in the church halls. They will be rehearsing towards their concerts in December, with performances in Greenbank, Langside and a bit of carolling in Braehead Shopping Centre. The choir are a fun and inclusive group open to all, without any requirement to read music or audition - anyone is welcome to just come along and join in! The first rehearsal is free, and thereafter there is a £3 subscription per week. For more information please email: richard.scholfield@yahoo.com

LADIES BADMINTON

Greenbank Ladies Badminton will resume the next session on the first Monday in September in Busby parish church 10am till 11.30am. We are a friendly group; no experience necessary to have a morning of fun. Contact Margaret on 07806434321 for more information.



Saying Goodbye (part of the Mariposa Trust) are delighted to be coming to Scotland in September with four baby loss remembrance and support services (part of a Nationwide chain of events).

The Mariposa Trust's core objective is to support people who have lost babies at any stage of pregnancy, at birth, or in infancy. It was founded in 2012, by Zoe and Andy Clark-Coates, who saw a critical lack of support for people like them, who had gone through baby loss. With over 258,000 babies being lost yearly in the UK alone, the charity needed to be able to offer not only a comprehensive package of befriending and support but also national baby loss remembrance services (called Saying Goodbye Services), for people to join together and remember the children they had lost. 6 years on, over 130 services have taken place at Cathedrals and Minsters across the UK, US, and France, and 2022 will see 20 services across England, Wales, Scotland and Ireland.

The service dates and times in Scotland are as follows:

<u>11/09/2022</u>	<u>3:00pm</u>	SG Service at Dunblane Cathedral, Dunblane
<u>14/09/2022</u>	<u>7:30pm</u>	SG Service at St Andrew's Cathedral, Inverness
<u>17/09/2022</u>	<u>11:00am</u>	SG Service at Glasgow Cathedral, Glasgow
<u>17/09/2022</u>	<u>6:00pm</u>	SG Service at St Giles Cathedral, Edinburgh

So who is the service for?

Anyone who has either personally lost a baby at any stage of pregnancy, at birth, or in early years, or who has been affected by family members or friends' loss. Whether the loss was recent or 80 years ago, everyone is welcome to attend. We have also extended the services, and gladly welcome anyone who is grieving the fact that they haven't had children. This may be due to circumstance, infertility, or for other reasons - but all are welcome. Babies and children are also invited to come with their families, as the Saying Goodbye service is truly a family event for all.

We know that as 1 in 4 women suffer miscarriage and baby loss, you will have contact with a significant number of people who have either personally suffered baby loss, or who have a partner or family member that has, so we wanted to ask if you would help promote the service.

To read more on the charity, please see the Saying Goodbye website, which you can find at: www.sayinggoodbye.org

BUSHIDO KARATE CLUB

Just before the Summer break we had the Association Black Belt (DAN) Grading when we enjoyed our most successful night ever for our Greenbank Club. We had students who achieved their 3rd Dan Black belt (SANDAN) were Adrian Hudson, Derek Frame, Steven Spencer. 2nd Dan Black Belts(NIDAN) were awarded to Hilary Carswell, Douglas Carswell, Iain Cherry, Roddy Wilson while Ewan Heron Senior gained 1st Dan (SHODAN). Huge congratulations should go to all of them who not only did themselves but also our club proud. They all showed great skill during their grading through their hard work and commitment to the art.

The Belt System

In the Kyu (coloured belts) system the beginner grades start with a higher numbered kyū (e.g., 9th Kyū - orange) and progress toward a lower numbered kyū (e.g. 1st Kyu - Brown & White). The Dan (Black Belt) progression continues from 1st Dan (Shodan, or 'beginning Dan') to the higher Dan grades where the highest Dan Grade in our Association is 7th Dan.

Why do people do Karate? Karate training will improve your stamina, strength, speed and flexibility. The intensity of the training will improve your overall fitness and body awareness and strengthen and develop almost every muscle in your body. Karate is a great activity for improving your mental health.

Our Club at Greenbank continues to grow and we have recovered from the pandemic where we are now bigger in size than before.

Best wishes

John Elliott, Bushido Karate Association Chairman



AUTUMN'S ON ITS WAY

Did you have a good summer? There is still a month to go before autumn arrives according to the calendar but we will soon begin to recognise the signs that it is on its way like the carpet of bright red leaves in this photo in Eaglesham. So, have you ever wondered how bright green can change to bright orange, yellow or red? Here's how!

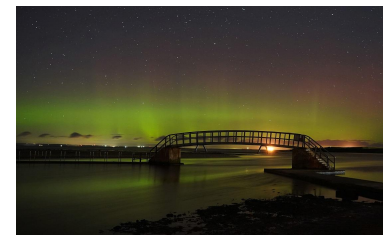
...ng produced by the leaf. They help the leaf collect food. The three pigments that colour leaves are (reds and pinks). How strong the colour is depends a lot on the weather. Cold nights destroy the green pigment so the leaf fades to yellow. but if temperatures stay above freezing, there is more red pigment increases and the leaves take on a red colour. They also become more red if the weather is dry and sunny.

Trees look lovely with all their leaves on them but in autumn as you can see from the photo they fall off. When trees shed their leaves, it helps keep the moisture in their branches and trunk, instead of drying out and dying. A tree without leaves is really asleep and needs less energy to stay alive. Leafless trees are also better able to stand winter storms as strong winds can move through the branches more easily.

So, think back to summer weather. How red do you think the autumn leaves will be this year?

NORTHERN LIGHTS SEASON

Did you know that September/October is the best time to see an Aurora Borealis? The best conditions to view the lights are when the sky is dark and clear of any clouds. Cloud cover blocks the view of the light. The best chance of viewing one is as far away from man-made light as possible in areas away from towns and cities, facing towards the north. The northern lights are most active March/April and September/October and the further north you are the better but this photo was taken in the middle of August over the town of Dunbar, which is a wee bit less north than Clarkston.



STRANGE BUT TRUE

Did you know nothing whatsoever happened in British history between 3 and 13 September 1752? It all happened because of a change in the way the calendar was calculated.

The Gregorian calendar

The Gregorian calendar is the one most used nowadays. It is named after Pope Gregory XIII who introduced it in 1582. It has a leap year every four years (or more precisely, 97 leap years every 400 years). This means that the year matches closely with what is called the astronomical year which is 365.24219 days so that it is just one day out every 3,300 years. (How on earth did they work that out?)

The Julian Calendar

Up until 1753, the calendar we used in Britain was the Julian Calendar. It was based on the time it takes for the Earth to rotate around the Sun, and so was less accurate than the Gregorian Calendar. The Julian Calendar was 365.25 days long, which was a wee bit too long, and so over time the calendar fell out of line with the seasons.

All change !

In 1752 Britain decided to correct this by not using the Julian calendar any longer and adopting the Gregorian calendar. By doing so, **3rd September instantly became 14th September** - and as a result, nothing whatsoever happened in British history between 3 and 13 September 1752! Imagine how disappointed someone would have been if they had had a birthday between those dates that year!

AND TALKING OF BIRTHDAYS ...

A very happy birthday to everyone who has birthday in September. Hope it is just what you want it to be!



Hi everyone,

Hope you all enjoyed the summer holidays, and the sunshine – it did get very hot, didn't it?
I hope you were able to have picnics and BBQs and some good days out.

Sunday Club started again on August 21st and I know all the leaders were really looking forward to seeing you all again and hearing all your news about the summer holidays. They've been very busy getting games, crafts and other fun activities ready for you. You could even bring a friend along too!

Lynn and Sharon were looking forward to welcoming back Trailblazers from last year, and also some new members. Luke Gow, Finlay Mallon and Jessica Paul are now in Sunday Squad, and Sheena and Lorna are looking forward to getting to know them better. Harris Simpson is now in JAM and Susan is looking forward to having Harris as part of the group. If you have been able to come along, we hope you all enjoy being in your new sections, and I'm sure your leaders will have made you feel very welcome. If you haven't managed along yet – you'll be made very welcome any time you can be there.

I'm sorry I can't be at church for the first few weeks of Sunday Club, but I can't wait to see you all again in September.

Helen

Dates for September are:

Sundays 4th, 11th, 18th September – Sunday Club as usual

Sunday 25th September – Family worship in church (Sunday Club on holiday)

Sunday 2nd October – Harvest Thanksgiving – Sunday Club as usual



A GOOD BOOK FOR AUTUMN EVENINGS THE LAST BEAR by Hannah Gold

There are no polar bears left on Bear Island. At least, that's what April's father tells her when his scientific research takes them to this remote Arctic outpost for six months. But one endless summer night, April meets one. He is starving, lonely and a long way from home. Determined to save him, April begins the most important journey of her life...

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Imagine making friends with a polar bear... **The Last Bear** is perfect for readers of 8+, beautifully illustrated throughout

ELF AND FAERY FESTIVAL

23rd Sep 2022 to 26th Sep 2022

10am - 4pm

Greenbank House and Garden Greenbank Garden Flenders Road, Clarkston G768RB

There's lots of fun themed activities. On arrival your little elf or faery will be given a challenge sheet with all activities listed to tick off on completion. Discover your faery/elf name and then begin at any activity you choose. These include a faery trail in the garden, make a magic wand, make some elf & faery slime, and go foraging in the woodland for all the things you need to make an elf & faery tea party! This event runs from 10am–4pm and you can arrive at any time. All activities are outside (some are under cover in the courtyard) so make sure you come dressed for the weather! The woodland can be muddy – wellies are advised.

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News and Updates

BEST WISHES ON SPECIAL ANNIVERSARIES!



Belated Diamond Wedding Anniversary Congratulations to Anne and Cunningham Dykes. Anne and Cunningham were married in Bourrock Church in Barrhead on 25th July 1962.

They celebrated their diamond wedding anniversary with their daughters, son in laws and grandchildren at Seamill Hydro. On the day itself they had an afternoon tea at the Redhurst Hotel with wider family and friends.

Belated Golden Wedding Anniversary Congratulations are also due to Alex and June Howie who married on the 17th June 1972 in Kings Park Parish Church. Alex mentioned that it poured on the day and that they try not to take holidays on the date as it frequently rains on it, reminding them of their wedding day weather! They had their reception in the Sherbrooke Castle Hotel where they had another very enjoyable family gathering to celebrate their Golden Wedding. They honeymooned in Paguera on Majorca, where they returned to celebrate their 50th, but to a much better hotel!



THANK YOU

A huge thank you to all the Church and Guild members who sent cards and gifts for my recent 90th birthday . . . It seems I'm two days older than David Margetts!
Yvonne Neville



THANK YOU

Thank you to all the many friends for the lovely cards and get well messages during my recent illness and for the beautiful flowers I received from the church, they were all very much appreciated and I am happy to say I am now well on the road to recovery. I was very moved when I got home from hospital to read all your messages.

God bless you all,
Ronnie McNeill.

ARTICLES FOR THE OCTOBER ISSUE OF GOOD NEIGHBOUR SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO THE CHURCH OFFICE AND COPIED TO liddell.jill@gmail.com BY SUNDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER PLEASE

GREENBANK SUNDAY CLUB

Sunday Club started again on Sunday 21st August. The leaders were really looking forward to seeing all the children and young people again and hearing all their news. If you have a child or young person in your family between age 3 and S4, or you know a family who does, we'd be delighted to have them come along and join us. They'll be made very welcome and will have lots of fun.

Our Sunday Club sections are:

Trailblazers (led by Sharon Leckie and Lynn Armstrong) – for 3-year-olds to P4

Sunday Squad (led by Sheena Hamilton and Lorna Preece) – for children in P5 to P7

JAM (led by Susan Johnston) – for young people in S1 upwards

All children and young people who would like to join us will be made very welcome. If you'd like any more information, you can ask any of the leaders or speak to myself.

Helen Howard (585 7909) h.howard@ntlworld.com or greenbanksundayclub@gmail.com

Sunday Club Superintendent

GOOD NEIGHBOUR DISTRIBUTION

The Kirk Session agreed that we should re-start email distribution of the magazine from this issue. This is mainly for environmental and cost reasons. This will mean changes for recipients, district visitors and elders.

Members of the congregation

Those who have not given an email address to the office will still have a copy delivered. Anyone else who requires a paper copy will still be able to get one, either delivered or picked up from the Church. Please get in touch with me or the office if you would like a paper copy. Even if you're picking it up from church, Jane still needs to know how many to print.

Circumstances change so if your eyesight deteriorates or your computer fails, do get in touch and I'll put you back on the paper list. For those who don't want to give the church your email but regularly use the internet, remember that the magazine is on the church web site.

District Visitors

Visitors will have a greatly reduced number of magazines to deliver and some may find all their members have email. You may have someone in your district who you know looks forward to the visit. Let me know and we'll continue with the visits. At the time of writing this I'm hoping to contact all district visitors before the magazine is due for distribution but if I haven't been in touch, please be patient. (Covid-19, complete bathroom reconstruction and a cataract operation have all rather curbed my style during August.)

Some visitors have been doing this service for the church for many years. Eight times a year, in all weathers they have chapped on doors, enquired about the health and wellbeing of the families and kept the minister, elders and office up to date with the news. Thank you all very much.

District Elders

One of the reasons we can move to emailing the magazine is that communications have changed out of all recognition since the district visitor system was introduced. Now that you don't have a liaison through the visitor, it is even more important that you contact your members regularly. Remember, members have been used to seeing a friendly face from the church 8 times a year so it's vital that we don't lose touch. You'll know yourselves whether phone, email, WhatsApp/Messenger group, chat at the church or a personal visit is appropriate. Quite a few elders have already taken the role of visitor to their own district and that seems to work well.

Liz Allan

In person - I sing in the choir and am at church most Sundays; by telephone - 0141 644 1725

by e-mail - lizabeth.allan3@ntlworld.com

LEGACY FUND

Thank you again to all those who continue to contribute to our Legacy Fund.

Pledges can be, and have been, made for any amount of money you can afford, and spread over a few years by standing order if that suits you better. Alternatively a one-off payment by bank transfer or cheque can be made, and you can also donate to the project online by logging on to our church website, following the link to the Legacy Project and clicking the red "Donate Online" button.

Spare pledge and bank standing order forms are available from myself or the Church Secretary, should you require any.

Please remember that **every donation**, of whatever size, is both needed and warmly welcome.

Alistair Smith, Treasurer, Tel: 0141 571 2676 Email: alistairsmith@ntlworld.com

OFFERINGS

Dear Friends,

Since lockdown many members have continued to remit funds to the church, and I would like to thank them all for doing this. It is a great help to our church's finances.

The best way to maintain your freewill offerings to the church, if possible, is to make a direct payment into the Church's bank account, putting your freewill offering number in the payment reference box. For those wishing to do this, please email me at: alistairsmith@ntlworld.com and I will supply you with the church's bank account details. Alternatively, you can send a cheque made out to Greenbank Parish Church with your freewill offering number, and I will lodge it with other cheques received.

My address is 26 Stewart Drive, Clarkston G76 7EZ.

Thank you for your support. Alistair Smith, Treasurer

STAMPS

Recently, over a cuppa and a chat in Duncan and Sheila's flat, the continuation of collecting used postage stamps was agreed. Duncan will continue to liaise

with the Church of Scotland Stamp Charity Collector for the foreseeable future. I will continue to collect stamps from the Guild and from the box in the Church vestibule.

ALL USED POSTAGE STAMPS SHOULD NOW BE KEPT

The new stamps, now becoming available, have a QR strip which should not be detached. Existing 1st and 2nd class stamps will cease to be useable sometime during January 2023

Elizabeth McKenzie
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CHURCH FLOWERS

The Flower Committee would like to thank the following people for donating flowers for the Communion Table in Church since June: Sheena Boyd, Anne Stewart, Jan Christie, the Howard Family, Christine Baird, Tom Gray, Anne Margetts, Aileen McKinlay, Liz Smith, Derek Christie and Christine Britton.

The Flower Lists can be found on the transept windowsill. 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 during the week prior to this date.

Flower List for September 2022

	<u>Communion Table</u>	<u>Centenary Chapel</u>	<u>Side Windows</u>
4 th September	Anna Martin	Moir Innes	
11 th September	Helen Cochrane		
18 th September	Doreen Cunningham		
25 th September	Jane Livingston	Odette McClenaghan	

GLASGOW NORTH EAST FOODBANK

Glasgow North East Foodbank is looking for a person with financial expertise to join its board of trustees to ensure financial governance of the charity and the board would be pleased if any member of the congregation would like to help in this role. Also, if any member with other experience of charity board work that could benefit the board would like to volunteer to join the board it would like to hear from you. Please contact Alex Howie on 0141 638 5169 or 079230 899022 for more information.

Opening Doors to a brighter future for Glasgow's Homeless



LODGING HOUSE MISSION

Donations for the LHM can be left on the trolley in the Link building on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 9am-12noon and on Sundays 9.45am-11.30am. UHT milk and sugar are particularly requested. Spare plastic bags would also be appreciated to use for take-out meals. Clothing is not required at the moment.

Envelopes are also available for donations of money. Please complete your details on the envelope (so that Gift Aid can be claimed if relevant and your donation can be acknowledged) and either hand to me, place in an offering bag during the service or post in the letterbox at the entrance to the church halls. Please do not leave these envelopes on the trolley with the other donations. All donations are very much appreciated.

Volunteering to help Greenbank help LHM

We still need volunteers to join the rota to deliver the donated items to the LHM on a suitable day during the week. If you would like to help on a rota basis, please email the church secretary at office@greenbankglasgow.org.uk or call 0141 644 1841 and leave a message on the church office answering machine.

Thank you,
Liz Smith [0141 571 2676]
LHM Representative

HARVEST THANKSGIVING-SUNDAY 2 OCTOBER

The Harvest Thanksgiving Service will take place this year on Sunday 2 October when you will be invited to donate to the Lodging House Mission. The LHM has compiled a list of items which they would greatly appreciate for their kitchen and a list of items which are not required at the moment. Please see the lists below. Foodstuffs can be left on the trolley in the Link Building.

REQUIRED LIST		
Cereal	Tinned Fruit	Tinned Meat/Fish
Cornflakes/Crunchy Nuts	Peaches	Tuna/Salmon
Weetabix	Pears	Corned Beef
Rice Crispies	Pineapple	Ham
Sugar Puffs	Mandarins	
Frosties	Fruit Cocktail	

Coco Pops	Rice	
Cheerios	Custard	
Jars/Pastes	Other	Other
Pasta bake sauces	Full fat UHT milk	Brown sauce
Curry sauce/paste	Coconut milk	Vinegar
Tomato Paste	Small juice cartons	Tomato sauce
	Diluting/fresh juice	Porridge oats
Dried Goods	Coffee	Dried peas
Mixed herbs	Biscuits	Lentils
Garlic powder	Crisps	Olive oil
Ground turmeric		Vegetable oil
Chilli powder		Bisto
Crushed chillies		Veg stock cubes/bouillon
Ground coriander		Broth mix
Salt and black pepper		Jam
		Sugar
		Jelly

NOT REQUIRED LIST		
Pasta	Shredded wheat cereal	Grapefruit
Pearl Barley	Muesli	Prunes
Marmalade	Alpen	Long grain rice
Salad cream/mayonnaise	Red kidney beans	Chickpeas

OTHER WAYS TO DONATE TO THE LHM:

Envelopes are available on the trolley in the Link Building for cash donations. Please put donations in the offering bag or they can be handed to me. Donations can also be made **online** using the following bank details of the LHM.

Sortcode 82 64 31

Account no 300 60 385

Reference Greenbank Harvest

Aldi Gift Cards can be purchased online. Please use the following link: <https://vouchers.aldi.co.uk/products/orange-voucher> This would allow the LHM to purchase fresh produce and eliminate waste.

Your donations over the summer months, as always, have been really appreciated.

Liz Smith

LHM Representative



HALL HIRE

Greenbank church Halls are available to hire for children's parties. There is plenty of space to run around, play games and have fun. For further information, contact the Church Office on office@greenbankglasgow.org.uk or leave a message at the church office on 0141 644 1841.

Thinking About Joining the Church?

If you are considering, or wish to know more about, joining the church here at Greenbank please speak to Jeanne or contact her at jroddick@churchofscotland.org.uk or

Coffee & Chat is back!



Greenbank Parish
CHURCH

Meet up with friends and make new ones
on
Saturday, 3rd September
10am to 12noon
in Greenbank Church Halls

(Tea & biscuits also available)



GOOD NEIGHBOUR CONTACTS

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