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Dear friends,

Many of you will know by now that my time as your interim moderator is coming to an end, and that on 16th June Sheila Craggs will replace me. It has been a great privilege to work with you and to be involved in the life of St Andrew's congregation over the past two years, and I am grateful to so many who have assisted me in my tasks. Others I am particularly thinking of include those whom I have encountered in difficult times such as bereavement.

I have been moved and impressed by the enthusiasm and commitment of so many people within the congregation and by the team work which enables things to happen. It was especially good to be able to share in many of the events which took place during the congregation's 175th anniversary, events which often helped to enhance your links with the local community and were in themselves of real benefit to many local people. I know that you continue to long for your own minister and I pray that your search may be fruitful soon, but meantime I do want to offer you real encouragement. As I think I have mentioned before, one of the people mentioned in the New Testament whom I often reflect upon is Barnabas. His real name was Joseph and he came from Cyprus. However the other followers of Jesus took to calling him Barnabas, a name which meant "son of encouragement", or, as we might say, "the encourager"! Within the Church, and for that matter elsewhere in society, there is a lot of talk about love and caring for each other and many other very important aspects of life. But I don't think that enough emphasis is given to the importance of encouragement, "the action of giving someone support, confidence, or hope". For the early Christians there were some extraordinary obstacles and challenges and it was clearly especially important that people encouraged or exhorted each other in faith and in their work of sharing Jesus' Good News. Barnabas obviously gained a reputation of being especially effective in helping other people to be confident in the often very difficult circumstances in which they found themselves. It was actually through the work of Barnabas that Paul was accepted by the Christians in Jerusalem and it was also through Barnabas that Mark was given a second chance after an abject failure.

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Encouragement is something that takes place when other people notice that others are finding something difficult and they take opportunities to support those who are struggling and to give them confidence that they can do the task(s) ahead. I invite you to reflect upon different ways in which you can encourage each other in the days ahead and also hope that it is not too long before you have the opportunity to offer support and encouragement to your own minister. But as I leave you with this invitation may I remind you of something critically important to people like Paul and Barnabas. As they spoke words of encouragement to others within the church they knew that they could be confident because they knew that it was God himself who was enabling them. They were confident that through the Holy Spirit they would be given the strength which they needed. They knew that they weren't asked to work away in their own strength, but instead were called to lean on God's strength. It is with this fundamental reminder that I want to leave you with this message of encouragement.

With my love and prayers, Mary

News from the Congregational Board These are the key points from the meeting held on 9th May 2018:

Photocopier:

The photocopier in the Church Office will be replaced with a new one, under contract by a new company. This contract will reduce costs by around 50%.

Water:

In anticipation of a lovely summer, please be aware that during Sunday Services there is water available from the kitchen in the hall and also the small kitchen at the front of the Church. Please help yourselves.

Change of Address: We are often not informed when members move house. If you are moving or you know of a member who has, or is in the process of moving, or whose circumstances have changed, can you **please let the office know**? We would rather hear 10 times than not at all.

Visits: Please inform the office if you know of anyone who is in hospital or at home ill who would like a visit from the Minister.

As stated before, Congregational Board and Kirk Session Meetings are open meetings and **you are welcome to attend** to observe what happens. It is very rare for any part of a meeting to be in private. If you have any matters about Church Property, Finance or Social Issues you would like raised at the Board or you would be willing to serve on the Board please speak to or email me, the office or the Interim Minister.

Joyce Lawson, Clerk to the Congregational Board



Annual Outdoor Service at Kinkell Church

One of the oldest religious sites in the local area are the preserved ruins of the medieval Kinkell Church, near Inverurie. Dating from at least 1200, Kinkell was the Mither Church for smaller chapels at Dyce, Drumblade, Kemnay, Kinnellar, Kintore, and Skene. Within the church is the finely preserved monument of Gilbert de Greenlaw, killed at the battle of Harlaw in 1411.

Kinkell Church continues to be a site of special historical and spiritual significance. Each year we hold an outdoor service (followed by a picnic) at the church to celebrate our rich spiritual heritage that reaches back many centuries.

This year the service takes place at **2.00 pm, Sunday 24th June, 2018**, followed by a picnic

Everybody is welcome.

Please bring a seat or rug. If required, the service will be held undercover!

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World Cup Fever ... The former Liverpool Manager Bill Shankly famously said, ***‘Some people believe football is a matter of life and death, I am very disappointed with that attitude. I can assure you it is much, much more important than that!’***

This month sees the start of the World Cup in Russia; a truly global event watched by billions on television. Yet this competition illustrates some key points about the Christian life. As Paul writes: ***‘But one thing I do: forgetting what is behind and straining towards what is ahead, I press on towards the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenwards in Christ Jesus.’*** (Philippians 3:13b,14).

A prize to be won: The dream of every player in the competition is to be able to hold up the World Cup themselves. For us the prize is the eternal life, God’s gift of relationship with him for now and eternity through Jesus. But there’s an important difference between football and the Christian faith. To win the World Cup you have to be good enough, while Christ’s love for us is underserved and is not dependent on how well we’ve done. **Training to be undertaken:** If a team is going to win the World Cup, they have to train hard beforehand. Our training, as Christians, starts the moment we accept the gift of God’s life. On a daily basis, we train ourselves to say no to the wrong things in our lives. As we build up our *godly muscles* we are better able to choose to do what is right in God’s eyes. To enable us to do all this we need to engage in the spiritual disciplines of prayer, studying the Bible and being part of a church and small group. **How is your training going?**

“Word Search” - Can you find 30 books of the Bible hidden in this passage? - gave you the first one

This is (a **mos**)t remarkable puzzle. It was found by a gentleman in an airplane seat pocket, on a flight from Los Angeles to Honolulu, keeping him occupied for hours. He enjoyed it so much that he passed it on to some friends. One friend from Illinois worked on this while fishing from his John-boat. Another friend studied it while playing his banjo. Elaine Taylor, a columnist friend, was so intrigued by it, she mentioned it in her weekly newspaper column.

Another friend judges the job of solving this puzzle so involving that she brews a cup of tea to help her nerves. There will be some names that are really easy to spot. That's a fact. Some people, however, will soon find themselves in a jam, especially since the books are not necessarily capitalised. Truthfully from answers we get, we are forced to admit it usually takes a minister or scholar to see some of them at the worst. Research has shown that something in our genes is responsible for the difficulty we have in seeing the books in these paragraphs. During a recent fundraising event, which features this puzzle, the Alpha Delta Phil-Lemonade booth set a new sales record.

The local paper, the Chronicle, surveyed over 50 patrons who reported that this puzzle was one of the most difficult they had ever seen. As Daniel Humana humbly puts it, "the books are all right here in plain view, hidden from sight". Those able to find all of them will hear great lamentations from those who have to be shown. One revelation that may help is that books Timothy and Samuel appear without their numbers. Also, keep in mind, that punctuation and spaces in the middle are normal. A chipper attitude will help you compete really well against those who claim to know the answers. Remember, there is no need for a mass exodus, there really are 30 books of the Bible lurking somewhere in these paragraphs waiting to be found. **(Answers on Page 9).**



Vacancy at Loaves & Fishes - An enthusiastic person to manage Christian Coffee shop in Kemnay

A vacancy has arisen for a management position within a small Church of Scotland café in Kemnay. This paid position is for 20 hours per week and will be available from the end of August 2018.

The ideal candidate would have some

level of management experience, preferably with volunteers; they would be a good communicator; be computer literate and have good organisational skills.

For a full job description, application form or general enquiry please contact Kemnay Church Office on 01467 643883 or email loavesandfishes@kemnayparish.church. Closing date for applications is 30th June 2018

Kirk launches new official tartan ... The Church of Scotland has unveiled its own distinct tartan to celebrate its enduring role as the country's national Kirk.

Each of the five colours hold deep meaning for the Presbyterian denomination, which was established in 1560. Rev Iain Cunningham, convener of the World Mission Council which commissioned the tartan on behalf of the wider Church, said it was an “eye catching and well balanced” design. The five colours have deep significance for the Church of Scotland. He said that the idea was to make use of colours associated with the liturgical calendar, Christian tradition and links with the nation of Scotland.

- ♦ Purple symbolises royalty, the sovereignty of Jesus Christ as the head of the Church, divinity, the thistle and heather.
- ♦ Red represents the blood of Christ, Christian martyrs, the flames of Pentecost, the Holy Spirit, the Burning Bush from which God spoke to Moses and the Scottish Lion Rampant.
- ♦ Blue represents Mary, the mother of Christ, the sky, St Andrew, the patron saint of Scotland, and the Kirk itself.
- ♦ Green is for the earth, growth, glens, moors and mountains.
- ♦ White symbolises brightness, the purity of Christ, the cross in the official emblem of the Church of Scotland and the Saltire, the country's national flag.



The distinctive wool cloth, which has been entered in the Scottish Register of Tartans, will be used to make a wide range of products including kilts, scarves, ties and furniture upholstery. Some products will be for sale. The tartan was designed and woven by staff at leading textile manufacturer, Lochcarron of Scotland, in Selkirk in the Scottish Borders.

Mr Cunningham, who watched the tartan being made, said: “The Church of Scotland Guild has its own distinct tartan but some time

ago our council decided it would be an excellent idea to commission a special pattern for the Church as a whole.

Mr Cunningham said tartan ties and scarves would make ideal gifts for representatives of the Church, including the Moderator of the General Assembly, to give to people they meet at home and abroad on official engagements.

Peter Gerlam, operations manager at Lochcarron of Scotland, said: “It has been an interesting process working with the Church and getting the colours and design together was straight forward. “We are delighted to have the product ready for launch and sure that it will be a great success.”

http://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/news_and_events/news/2017/kirk_launches_new_official_tartan.

Ministry of Flowers

Church

Vestibule

JUNE

3rd Eleanor Douglas, Don Crescent

10th Anne & Jim Shand, Asson

Mr C Robertson, Inverurie
(IMO my mum Mrs Moira Robertson)

17th Sheena Yeats, Hay's Court

IMO Mr & Mr J A Ross

24th Jean Williams, Townhead Terrace

Yvonne & Charles Clark, Bennachie Aven.

JULY

1st Allan Duff, Middlepark (IMO my wife Jean & daughter Morag)

2018 Flower Calendar is in the Vestibule—Please add your preferred date by writing your name and contact telephone number in the space provided. A few weeks before your date, please put your donation into an envelope with your details and preferred colours, if any, and hand into the church office. If paying by cheque, please make payable to St Andrew's Church Flower Fund.

Every Sunday after the church service the flowers are distributed to members of the congregation who are ill or have suffered a bereavement. **Eileen Robertson**, Flower Convener



Door & Welcome

Offering & Count

JUNE

3rd	A Duff	M Conn	R Milne	K Pawson
10th	E Gale	I Greig	R Young	A Young
17th	R Green	S Hepburn	V Binnie	Joyce Bruce
24th	P Donaldson	A Kelly	M Vernal	Dr E Brew

JULY - SERVICES AT WEST CHURCH (ONLY 2 ELDERS REQUIRED)

1st	M Keith	J Lawson
8th	J Ingram	R Milne
15th	H Morrice	A Smith

If for any reason you are unable to manage any of the above dates, it is your responsibility to arrange a swap with someone else on the rota and then it is IMPORTANT to let our Church Administrator know of any changes. Thank you.

Sunday Services & Readings

JUNE

3rd	10.00 am Parish Worship "Time Out"	Minister:	Rev M Cranfield
		Reader:	Peter Donaldson
10th	10.00 am Parish Worship	Reader:	Mr David Smith
		Reader:	Bert Cadenhead
17th	10.00 am Parish Worship	Minister:	Rev S Craggs
		Reader:	Tom Dalglish
24th	10.00 am Parish Worship	Minister:	Rev S Craggs
		Reader:	Sarah Davidson

JULY

SERVICES IN WEST CHURCH

Some June Day

*We will drive there
some June day*

*To the furthest place
west where the shell
sand*

*Stretches in white miles
till it turns to sky.*

*You'll take off your
shoes and splash the shallows,*

*Joy in the flickering of fish, the
dance of crabs;*

*You'll take my hand and tell me
we should run*

*Fast as we can, fast till we lose our
breath. And I, believing,*



*Will run with you, will laugh too,
because of this --*

*The summer and the blue, the sud-
den lightness of the world*

*Upon our shoulders. Slowly we'll
come back, still out of breath,*

*Drive towards the village for wine
and shellfish --*

Soft salty lips of the Atlantic --

As a huge orange moon

Peels piece by piece across the sea.

By Kenneth Steven

Answers to Quiz - The Books of the Bible, as they appear in the Quiz, are as follows: **Amos, Mark, Luke, John, Joel, Judges, Job, Hebrews, Esther, Acts, James, Ruth, Romans, Titus, Matthew, Genesis, Philemon (spelt Phillemon in quiz), Chronicles, Daniel, Nahum, Hosea, Lamentations, Revelation, Timothy, Samuel, Numbers, Malachi, Peter, Exodus, Kings.**

Congregational Roll

ST ANDREW'S PARISH CHURCH CHANGES IN ROLL

25th April - 31st May 2018

Holy Baptism

Service Conducted

20th May 2018

Connor James Edmond

(son of Bruce & Nicola Edmond, Riverside Place)

Rev S Craggs

Recently Deceased

Mrs L Stott, Rosebank, North St

4/5/2018

Rev S Craggs

Miss M Middleton, Don House

5/5/2018

Rev S Craggs

Cadi Murison, Bennachie, Whiteford

21/5/2018

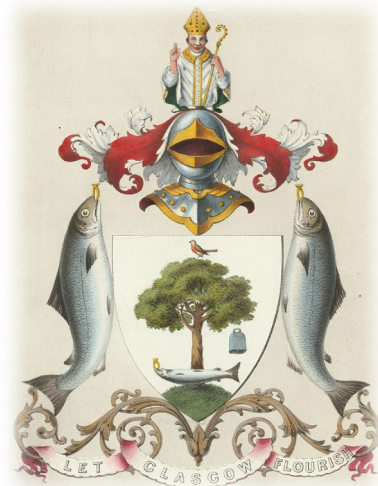
Rachel House

(Monica)

Time Out ... In May we learnt about St Mungo, the patron saint of Glasgow, who is believed to have been brought up in Fife. Mungo set up his church in Glasgow on the site which is now the site of Glasgow Cathedral. He is buried there. The coat of arms relates to the life and legend of St Mungo.

He is said to have performed 4 miracles referred to in a poem –

*Here is the bird that never flew
Here is the tree that never grew
Here is the bell that never rang
Here is the fish that never swam*



We completed a stained glass window depicting this, ate our feast, sang songs, coloured pictures, joined the congregation to tell them what we did and had a snack.

Our next sessions are on the 3rd June and 1st July. All young people welcome. We are also looking for helpers so come along to see if you'd like to help.

Time Out Team

Diary of Events - School Term

Mondays

10.00 to 11 .00 am	Zumba Class(Old Hall/Kitchen)
6.30 to 8.30 pm	Boys Brigade (New & Old Hall)
3.30 to 5.30 pm & 6.00 to 8.00 pm	Weight Watchers (Old Chapel/ Kitchen)

Tuesdays

8.00 am to 2.00 pm	Playgroup (New Hall)
4.00 to 5.30 pm	Rainbows (Old Hall/Kitchen)
5.15 to 6.45 pm	Scottish Slimmers(Old Chapel)
7.00 to 10.00 pm	Rock Choir (Old Hall)
6.30 to 8.30 pm	MSD (New Hall)

Wednesdays

8.00 am to 2.30 pm	Playgroup (New Hall)
9.30 am to 12.30 pm	Signing Class (Old Hall/ Kitchen)
7.00 to 8.00 pm	Pilates (Old Hall)

Thursdays

8.00 am to 1.30 pm	Playgroup (New Hall)
9.00 am to 2.00 pm	Pre-school Ballet classes (Old Hall)
1.30 to 3.30 pm	French Classes
6.00 to 7.00 pm	Dru Yoga (Old Hall/Kitchen)
7.00 to 9.00 pm	Guides (New Hall)
7.10 to 8.10 pm	MSD (Old Hall)

Fridays

8.00 am to 2.00 pm	Playgroup (New Hall)
9.30 am to 3.30 pm	Gordon Dementia Care (Old Chapel)
7.30 to 10.00 pm	Boys Brigade (Old Hall)

Saturdays

12.30 to 5.00 pm	MSD (New Hall)
2.30 to 5.00 pm	MSD (Old & New Hall)

OTHER EVENTS—JUNE

6th	6.30 to 9.00 pm	Playgroup Open Evening
9th	1.00 to 4.00 pm	Birthday Party (Old Hall/Kitchen)
12th	10.30 am	Monthly Count (New Chapel)
13th	7.30 pm	Kirk Session Meeting (New Chapel)
15th	7.30 to 9.30 pm	RCCG (Old Chapel)
16th	1.00 pm	Wedding Ceremony (Church)
17th	2.30 to 5.30 pm	Garioch Church (Old Hall/Old Chapel/ Kitchen)
20th	2.30 to 4.30 pm	Summers Nursery Graduation (Old Chapel/ Kitchen)
22nd	1.00 to 3.00 pm	Les Enfants Graduation (Church/Old Hall)
28th	9.30 am to 12.30 pm	Guide Dogs (Old Hall/Kitchen)
29th	9.45 to 11.15 am	Close & Calm (Old Hall/Kitchen)

FUNDRAISING : (MAY)

Teas: £127.79 Rag Bag: £72.40

Donation to Candles (Mrs B Reid) £25.00

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JULY 2018 SALTIRE ... Will be available for distribution from Sunday,
 1st July 2018. Please email material for the **July Saltire** to The Church
 Office by 20th June 2018.

St Andrew's Safeguarding Statement

*(Relating to the Protection of Children and Young People in the Church.
 Adopted by the General Assembly, May 1997.)*

The Church of Scotland has a deep concern for the wholeness and well-being of each individual. It seeks to safeguard the welfare of all people, regardless of age, who come into contact with the church and its organisations. It is the responsibility of each individual within the fellowship of the church to prevent the physical, sexual or emotional abuse of children and young people and the vulnerable. St Andrew's Parish Church has a Zero Tolerance Policy to any form of abuse.