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(Church of Scotland),
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**The Interim Moderator, Rev. Sheila Craggs, may be contacted
for pastoral care by contacting her on 01358 723055**

Dear Friends, **Time to Remember.** The summer is gone but we can look back and remember the beautiful warm sunny days, the beauty of God's creation in the flowers and the trees, in the birds singing and in fields yielding their crops and the animals reproducing new life. Now autumn has enriched the countryside with its wonderful colours. Yes, the trees displaying the different shades are shedding their leaves, but we can look with wonder at the beauty and remember it is God's creation.

Did you remember to put your clock back? A sign that winter is approaching. The year is slipping by, but we can look back and remember all that has happened over the months at the happy times and for some maybe sad times. November is a time to remember as the children get excited about November 5th Guy Fawkes night and the bonfires being lit and the fireworks creating wonderful scenes as they shoot up into the night sky. But significantly this year we will commemorate the Centenary of the ending of World War 1 on the eleventh day of the eleventh month. World War 1 where so many sacrificed their lives to bring us freedom and an end to wars but sadly, that was not to be, as World War 2 broke out, followed by many other conflicts and again many lives were lost.

As we remember, we offer our thanks to those who willingly went to serve their country but did not come back. As we remember, we offer our thanks for those who returned suffering the effects of war but ensuring that by all their efforts we can live in freedom. A month to remember, but then we can look forward to the season of Advent and the coming of the Christ child, God's Son, born in a humble stable, who took on this earthly life, but sacrificed it on a cross that we might know a better life.

Remember those who lived and died throughout wars and conflict. Remember Christ who came for each one of us and died for us, but look forward with faith and hope as God's people on this earth sharing and caring for those around us and beyond. Look forward with faith and hope as the congregation of St Andrew's Church, working together for the church and the wider community. God never leaves us nor forsakes us. He is there for us each and every day so remember him.

Look forward in faith

All time is in God's hand.

Walk humbly with him

And trust his future plan.

God has wisely led

His people by his power.

Look forward in hope,

And give us each new hour

God bless you all. **Sheila**

News from the Kirk Session These are the key points from the meeting held on 10th October 2018 -

- The Presbytery of Gordon will hold a Focus meeting with St Andrew's in February 2019. To prepare for this meeting Presbytery will visit St Andrew's in December 2019 to meet with the Congregation after morning worship. This meeting will take place over lunch.
- **The Armistice service will take place in St Andrew's on 11 November 2018 at the earlier time of 09:45hrs.**
- It was agreed that the Christmas services would be joint services with the West Church.
- The Time Out Team reported that all is well and at their last session they had invited the parents of two of the children to join them as helpers and this has worked very well.
- The Boys' Brigade will hold a Dedication Service in November 2018 in the church.
- **It was agreed that a retiring collection would be made at the end of two of the morning services to give the congregation the opportunity to contribute to the Gordon Presbytery Appeal to help with transport costs for sending the boxes of knitting to Malawi. A Donations Box is situated in the church.**
- The Kirk Session requires to appoint a Data Protection Officer to comply with the new Data Protection Regulations. Mr Tom Craggs has agreed to look after Data Retention.
- The Safeguarding Coordinator still requires someone to help her in the role and act as a joint coordinator. Any member of the congregation who thinks they may be able to help with the safeguarding role is asked to contact the church office for more information.
- David and Rebecca Morton are returning from their Ministry in Malawi and will be visiting the Presbytery of Gordon in November 2018.
- The Interim Moderator has carried out one home communion and asked to be made aware of any person who would like a visit to celebrate communion in their home.

Ken Tuach, Session Clerk

Headstones *by Nigel Beeton*

The rows of headstones silent stand
Their message clear, though mute;
That we, in Britain's peaceful land
Must silently salute.

Our peace was bought at dreadful price
Through rain and fear and mud –
World conflict fought not once but twice
So twice the cost in blood.

Each headstone bears a single name
A single husband, son,
Who, when the call to duty came
They did what must be done.

So, think upon
those rows of
stones

Be silent, still as they
Remind us of those silent homes
From when they went away.

Yes, spare a while to think of them
It's just two minutes' time;
And say aloud, just once again
That well-remembered rhyme:

*They grow not old as we grow old,
Nor do the years condemn;
But as the days and nights unfold,
We will remember them.*



News From The “Bean Counter” ... I’ve been trying since 2007 to retire, (dis)gracefully perhaps, but seems like something else just pops along so here I am as your Treasurer. A surprise to me but it’s a pleasure to help St. Andrew’s achieve a positive and rewarding future.

As 2018 all too rapidly comes to a close, it’s time to take a wee peek at where we are and the challenges ahead.

This year has seen a number of modest successes including completion of all our submissions to OSCR (the Scottish Charities Regulator) and formation of St. Andrew’s Finance Committee comprising (in alphabetical order):-

Vera Binnie	Tom Craggs	Alan Duff
Ralph Green	Moira Keith	Elaine Roebuck
Alastair Smith	Diane Stuart	

This is a terrific group of people who will provide a wealth of knowledge and experience to help us all manage the financial wellbeing of St. Andrew’s (and keep me on the straight and narrow).

The Social Committee (led by Molly Conn), Flowers’ Team (led by Eileen Robertson) and all their volunteers are implementing a range of fundraising events over the coming year. The recent Harvest Soup & Sweet raised an amazing £887.55 including very generous contributions from stallholders. Keep visiting our Facebook page and Website for details of forthcoming events and we encourage you to come along and join in - the Treasurer and family had a great time at the Harvest Soup & Sweet.

Looking after our staff and properties remain very important to us. A modest number of repairs/improvements have been spearheaded by Peter Donaldson (Fabric Convener) to the Manse and Church buildings. With support from local businesses and trades, Peter has managed to contain costs within our affordable budget whilst getting value for money. This is greatly appreciated as it helps us manage our costs.

The Budget for 2019 is in preparation for discussion with the Finance Committee and the Board. However a significant factor is the Ministry & Mission payments to which St. Andrew’s contributes and for which we await notification from the Presbytery of Gordon. As soon as we know the figures we’ll keep you informed. Together with other potential ongoing repairs/maintenance/improvements we will have to make some choices on what we do in 2019.

It’s great to see a congregation coming together to move our financial health forward and, from me, many thanks to everyone for being so welcoming as I settle in to the role.

Tom

Fabric Report ...

There is not a great deal to report this month, but there **is** something of importance! More of that a little later.

The Board and our new Finance Committee approved that the rotten windows in the New Hall be repaired. Hopefully this work will have been completed by the time you read this.

Estimates are also being obtained for the repair of the wall adjacent to the New Hall as it's potentially a hazard for the playgroup children. If finance can be made available, work will then proceed.

There appears to be signs of water ingress from the roof edge above the balcony in the main Church building. Expert advice is being sought and will be reported in due course to the Congregational Board.

Those of you with sharp eyes may have noticed a blue and white box on the ingo of the right hand side window on the front elevation of the Church. This box, installed on 17th

October by Hosie Electrical, is part of a Panic Alarm for the Church Office. This alarm has been installed following a recent unfortunate incident which could have endangered a member of staff. The Congregational Board and the Finance Committee agreed this was a necessary provision to protect occupants of the office.

The alarm will be tested at agreed times and the Congregation will be advised of these dates and times in due course.

The alarm, when set off, makes a very, very loud warbling noise both inside and outside the Church and a strobe light on the external box flashes. If you are in the vicinity please offer assistance to the staff member in the office. If that is not possible please phone 999 and advise the Police.

Peter Donaldson
(Fabric Convener
18th October 2018)



Boys' Brigade News The BB are very grateful for the continued support from the Church and from members of the Congregation. As a result of the recent sale of Spree Books, members of the Congregation who bought books contributed to the £80 raised.

Even more amazing, two ex BB church members have made donations totalling £350 to assist in buying equipment and general funds – truly overwhelming generosity for which we are so grateful. Many thanks to all who give support financially and also time – in which regard, **we are still needing Officers and helpers to continue the good work.**

Alastair Smith

Sunday Services & Readings

NOVEMBER

4th	10 am Parish Worship “Time Out”	Minister: Rev. S Craggs Reader: Moira Keith
11th	9.45 am Parish Worship “REMEMBRANCE DAY”	Minister: Rev. S Craggs Reader: Peter Donaldson
18th	10 am Parish Worship	Minister: Rev. S Craggs Reader: Stuart Watson
25th	10 am Parish Worship	Minister: Rev. S Craggs Reader: Bert Cadenhead

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2nd	10 am Parish Worship “Time Out”	Minister: Rev. S Craggs Reader: Tom Dalgleish
9th	10 am Parish Worship	Minister: Rev. S Craggs Reader: Sarah Davidson



Door & Welcome

Offering & Count

NOVEMBER

4th	J Lawson	D Stuart	C Clark	Y Clark
11th	R Milne	P Wink	Y Deacon	A Duff
18th	A Smith	M Vernal	S Davidson	I Fraser

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2nd	R Young	P Wink	E Gale	S Hepburn
9th	A Young	Jill Bruce	J Ingram	A Kelly
16th	Dr E Brew	H Christie	J Lawson	H Morrice

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.

FUNDRAISING (Sept/Oct): Teas £135.94 Rag Bag: £73.20

Note: During November/December there will be a Sales Table set up for you to browse over while having your tea/coffee. Your support is appreciated.

Congregational Roll

ST ANDREW'S PARISH CHURCH CHANGES IN ROLL 27th September - 31st October 2018

Recently Deceased

Mrs P Angus, Garioch Care Home	2/10/2018
Mr H Robb, 53 Harlaw Road	6/10/2018
Mrs A Massie, Meral, Gatehouse Lane	9/10/2018
Mr P Mathers, Pitmurchie Care Home	14/10/2018

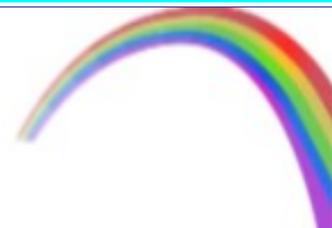
Service Conducted by

Rev. S Craggs
Rev. S Craggs
Rev. S Craggs
Rev. R Cathcart

Change of Address

Mrs J Lobban, Kimberley, 131 High St now at 1 Highgrove, Cuninghill Avenue

TIME OUT ... We went in to church near the start of the service because Carl Irvine (in Sheila Craggs' absence) told the children a wonderful story while folding a blank sheet of paper. Lastly, he ripped the paper and unfolded a beautiful cross! Back in the new small chapel, as Time Out was on Harvest Thanksgiving Sunday, we had fun making our harvest table which is now at the back of the church for all to see. After a story, our prayer and "feast", the children coloured harvest pictures and made collages from leaves and dried flowers before returning to church to show the congregation what they had made. We all brought "treats" for the food bank to give to the children.



Mo Vernal



Soup & Sweet

On Saturday 6th October we had our most successful Soup & Sweet to date. Just over 100 folk enjoyed a delicious lunch. Apologies to those of you who had to queue but all said it was well worth the wait. With support like this we may have to look at a larger venue for our next one!

Huge thanks to all who attended, gave donations, made soups & puddings, helped in the kitchen, served food and, by no means least, the wonderful musicians - Molly Conn &

Murray Cowie in the chapel and Bob Knight in the hall. Thanks also go to "The Crafters" who displayed a large variety of items for sale.

The church was open for all to see - how beautifully it was decorated for our Harvest Thanksgiving Service the following day - thanks to Eileen Robertson and her team.

Donations for this display added to our **grand total of £887.55** for church funds.

Mo Vernal



Eileen and the Flower Team

are holding a

Xmas Workshop

*(in aid of St Andrew's Church
General Fund)*

in

St Andrew's Church

(Old Hall)

Thursday, 20th December 2018

2.00- 4.00pm

£32 per person includes all materials and, as usual,
an "affa fine" fly cup.

***Come along and create a gorgeous festive
arrangement and have fun.***

Suitable for beginners as well as experienced
flower arrangers.

***Please ring and secure a space by phoning
Eileen Robertson (Flower Convener) 01467 625895***

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LIFE & WORK - Orders for 2019

It's time to order Life & Work for 2019. The discounted price for the year is £30.60. Please let me know if you want to continue or place an order.

I need to know numbers by 11th November 2018. Payment of £30.60 should be paid to me by 31 December 2018.

This can be handed in through the offering plate in a clearly marked envelope. Thank you.

Vera Binnie, 12 Howieson Place, Inverurie AB51 4ZX (Tel 622275)

Ministry of Flowers

NOVEMBER

Church

- 4th Mo & Hamish Vernal, Beverley Rd
(IMO John & Joan Durward)
- 11th Moira & Alan Thomson, Westfield Gdns
- 18th George & Betty Ross, Duncairn
- 25th Isobel Greig, Blythewood Cres

Vestibule

- Mrs Cassie & Lorna
- Mrs Edna Angus, Charles Pl
- Mr C Robertson, Keithhall Rd
(IMO of Mr & Mrs Robertson)

DECEMBER

- 2nd June & Mike Hay, Dalury, High St
- Moira Keith, Nursery Gdns



I would like to thank all the Flower Team for their creative ideas which transformed the church on the Harvest Thanksgiving weekend. Thanks to Audrey Paterson, Hazel Gauld, Moira Thomson, Eunice Naysmith, Maisie Rogers and Moira Keith. Great Team!

Eileen Robertson.

Flower Convener.

Fun, Food & Fellowship

(in aid of St Andrew's Church Funds) - Here is an idea which I

hope the congregation will consider as a way of raising funds for our church. The idea is that a host/hostess will invite a few friends to their home to share fun, food and fellowship in the form of a simple coffee morning, a soup and sandwich lunch, or an afternoon tea (plain or fancy)! There is no set charge, simply ask your guests to make a donation.

Each host/hostess will receive a free

175th Anniversary tea towel and, more importantly, will know that their efforts are helping the church, not only financially, but also by encouraging a happy and welcoming community spirit. Do not worry if you feel you are unable to host an event just now ... the idea is that these may be held during November/December and throughout 2019.

Please pick up your host/hostess pack after church on a Sunday or during the week from the church office.

Eileen Robertson



St Andrew's Church, Inverurie

**CHRISTMAS
VICTORIAN TEA
& CRAFT FAIR**

Saturday, 24th November 2018

11.00 am—2.00 pm

Coffees and Teas

Savoury and Sweet Homebakes

£6.00 per person

pay at the door on the day

**Also, stalls with homebakes, produce and
festive goods to tempt everyone!**

Free entry to stall area in the Old Hall

For further information please contact

Molly Conn (Tel No. 01467 620612)

Diary of Events - School Term

Mondays		7.00 to 8.00 pm	Pilates (Old Hall)
10.00 to 11 .00 am	Zumba Class(Old Hall/Kitchen)	7.00 to 7.45 pm	Rock with Us (Old Chapel)
2.00 to 5.45 pm	Pre-school Ballet (Old Hall)	Thursdays	
6.45 to 7.45 pm	Anchor Boys (New & Old Hall)	8.00 am to 1.30 pm	Playgroup (New Hall)
6.45 to 8.45 pm	Junior Section (New & Old Hall)	9.30 to 10.00 am	Pre-school Ballet classes(Old Hall)
3.30 to 5.30 pm	Weight Watchers (Old Chapel/	1.30 to 3.30 pm	French Classes
& 6.00 to 8.00 pm	Kitchen)	7.00 to 9.00 pm	Guides (New Hall)
Tuesdays		7.10 to 8.10 pm	MSD (Old Hall)
8.00 am to 2.00 pm	Playgroup (New Hall)	Fridays	
4.00 to 5.30 pm	Rainbows (Old Hall/Kitchen)	8.00 am to 2.00 pm	Playgroup (New Hall)
5.15 to 6.45 pm	Scottish Slimmers(Old Chapel)	9.30 am to 3.30 pm	Gordon Dementia Care (Old Chapel)
7.00 to 10.00 pm	Rock Choir (Old Hall)	7.15 to 9.30 pm	Company Section BB (Old Hall)
Wednesdays		Saturdays	
8.00 am to 2.30 pm	Playgroup (New Hall)	12.30 to 5.00 pm	MSD (New Hall)
10.30 to 11.30 am	Signing Class (Old Hall/		
11.45 am to 12.45 pm	Kitchen)		

OTHER EVENTS—NOVEMBER

3rd	9.00 am - 2.00 pm	Girl Guiding Event (Old Hall/Old Chapel/Kitchen)
4th	2.30 - 5.30 pm	Garioch Church (Old Hall/New Hall/Old Chapel/Kitchen)
6th	7.00 - 9.00 pm	Playgroup Meeting (New Hall)
7th	7.30 - 9.45 pm	Inverurie Concert Band (New Hall)
10th	9.00 - 11.00 am	Balance Bikes (Old Hall/Kitchen)
13th	10.30 am	Monthly Count (New Chapel)
14th	7.30 - 9.45 pm	Inverurie Concert Band (New Hall)
14th	7.30 pm	Congregational Board (New Chapel)
16th	7.30 - 9.30 pm	RCCG (Old Chapel)
17th	9.00 - 11.00 am	Balance Bikes (Old Hall/Kitchen)
18th	2.30 - 5.30 pm	Garioch Church (Old Hall/Old Chapel/Kitchen)
21st	7.30 - 9.45 pm	Inverurie Concert Band (New Hall)
24th	11.00 am - 3 pm	Christmas Victorian Tea & Craft Fair
28th	7.30 - 9.45 pm	Inverurie Concert Band (New Hall)
29th	9.30 am - 12.30 pm	Guide Dogs (Old Hall/Kitchen)
30th	1.00 - 3.00 pm	Close & Calm (Old Hall/Kitchen)



Letter from Aberdeenshire North Foodbank (15 October 2018)

Dear All, On behalf of the Aberdeenshire North Foodbank, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your very generous donation of 106.06 kg of food following your Harvest Thanksgiving. We are most grateful for your support and can assure you that all donations make a huge difference to the Foodbank which helps local families and individuals in need.

Since January until the end of August this year, we have fed 2,022 people. This is all possible because of the generosity of people like yourselves.

Doreen Adams, Foodbank Administrator

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DECEMBER 2018 SALTIRE ... Will be available for distribution from Sunday, 2nd December 2018. Please email material for the November Saltire to The Church Office by 16th November 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.