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Mission Statement: *King's Park Church sharing God's love by reaching out to others.*

"Be the change you want to see in the world, there's no better place to begin with than yourself".

***See Psalms 51:10
1930-2016—86 Years of Spiritual Service***

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indicate this on submission.**

CONGREGATIONAL REGISTER

No of Communicants on Roll = 576

THE HOLY RITE OF MATRIMONY

“Whom God Hath Joined Together”

11th June Mr David Templeton & Miss Robyn Walker

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

“Suffer the Little Children to Come Unto Me”

8th May Olivia Georgia Hardie, Carntyne

26th June Wallace Alexander William Currie, East Kilbride
Jackson James Kelly, Bowhouse Drive

BLESSING

6th June Liam James O'Connor, Cambuslang

19th June Skyler Lara Johnston, Montford Avenue

AT REST

“I am the Resurrection and the Life”

5th May Mrs Fay Rankine, Kerrycroy Avenue

20th May Mr Sydney Hall, Kings Park Road

31st May Mr Roy Lickrish, Kingsacre Road

8th June Mrs Dorothy Clunie, Kings Park Avenue

15th June Mrs Georgie Wilson, Greenlaw Grove, Newton Mearns

Prayer Focus

Pray for everyone who is returning from holiday. We hope they are well rested and ready for the new session in September. The Church will be busy over the holidays, cleaning, painting and repairs. Pray for Angus Law who has taken over as our new property convener. We pray for Michael and thank him for all his hard work, as our buildings look wonderful we pray for him and Lorraine as our new permanent members of staff. Keep all the children safe and we hope they will have a happy time at Summer Sunday School and the Holiday Club. Remember the God Tock Group as they go around the streets praying for the people of our Parish, Amen.



FROM THE MANSE. . . Sabbath Rest!

Dear Friends,

Today saw the last of the Primary School Summer services in King's Park Church and I'm reminded that summer holidays are almost upon us. I'm really looking forward to having a break this summer. Things just seem to go and keep going, with something else always to be done so I was gladly reminded that the Bible commands holidays.

Right at the beginning of the Bible, in the Book of Genesis, it says this: "*So the creation of the heavens and the earth and everything in them was completed. On the seventh day God had finished His work of creation, so He rested from all his work. And God*



blessed the seventh day and declared it holy, because it was the day when He rested from all His work of creation." (Genesis 2:1-2). Built into the very idea of Creation itself is work and rest. God himself makes the whole universe (hard work) and then He rests. And that old story was told to tell the Jewish People that they too must not always work. Indeed they were told also to take at least a day off, every week. When God gave His ten commandments to Moses, He said: "*work six days and do everything you need to do. But the seventh day is a Sabbath to God, your God. Don't do any work—not you, nor your son, nor your daughter, nor your servant, nor your maid, nor your animals, not even the foreign guest visiting in your town. For in six days God made Heaven, Earth, and sea, and everything in them; He rested on the seventh day.*" (Exodus 20:8).

Everyone ought to rest one day a week. There are special festival days, holy-days (where we get our word holidays from) that God gave us to rest. God cares for His people – and He cares that we rest. And, in the New Testament, as Jesus was rushing around, teaching, helping, healing, and traveling – the Bible also tells us He took the time to rest. How can we argue with God's command or Jesus' example! (I'm talking to the preacher too!). Have a holy-day or two, rest, recharge your batteries and come back refreshed to serve God and others with all that you have. I hope that your summer if showered with God's blessings, love and grace

Love *Sandra*

Editor's Extras...

Summertime - when everything seems to be measured in twos; two monthly magazines; two Kirk Session and Congregational Board reports and two months to meditate on our Church - its activities and our part in it and its future. During this summer we have our Annual Community Festival on 23rd July to look forward to along with Prayer Walks and "litter picks". Dates will be intimated later. To show the work of the Church in this issue we have a General Assembly report, an "Aspects of Church" article in addition to our ongoing committee work and regular contributions. We also have an article on a "Men's Shed" initiated by St Oswald's Church but is a community venture and is another way to bring Church and community together. All these, and the tremendous work of our ministry team and leaders of organisations and our Trustees made me think of a hymn we sang at a recent evening service.

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life
That's what Jesus said
I am the Way, the Truth and the Life
That's what Jesus said
Without the Way there is no going
Without the Truth there is no knowing
Without the Life there is no living
I am the Way, the Truth and the Life
That's what Jesus said

I think we can all agree with this philosophy - see you in Church.
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Pondering Our Mission Statement, Sharing God's Love:

- BB Founders' Day, 1 Tim 6:13-16, Matt 20:25-28
- Stewardship of Time, Ecc 3: 1-8, Luke 10: 38-42
- Stewardship of Time, Matt 14: 22-32
- Christian Aid, John 14: 8-17, 25-27
- Adoration, 1 Kings 18:20-21, 30-39, Luke 7: 1-10
- Rising above discouragement, Psalm 30, Luke 7: 11-17
- Forgiveness, Luke 7: 36-50
- Alternative Routes, Luke 8: 26-39

CONGREGATIONAL FINANCE
"We Give Thee But Thine Own"
FINANCE REPORT - April & May 2016

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	<u>April</u>	<u>May</u>
<u>INCOME</u>		
Offerings	8,360	9,057
Last Year Offerings	8,681	8,766
Difference +/-%	-4%	3% up
YTD Difference +/-%	-3%	-2%
Regular Monthly Income	563	1,259
HMRC - Gift Aid	32	-
Hall Hires	709	1,678
Legacy - A Brown (Restricted to use for Bell Tower)	-	9,904
Charitable Offerings	-	325
Total Month's Income	<u>9,664</u>	<u>22,223</u>
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<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		
Regularly Monthly Costs	18,223	15,544
Presbytery Dues	-	3,174
Charitable Offerings & Donations	60	570
Donation to Cambuslang & R'Glen Reach Out Trust	-	1,000
Annual donation to youth organisations	1,175	-
Total Month's Costs	<u>19,458</u>	<u>20,288</u>
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Monthly Income vs (Costs)	<u>-9,794</u>	<u>-1,935</u>

Comments

April - Offerings show an 4% decrease on last year, and are 3% (£1,023) down on last year as at end of month. Hall Hire income received was £709. The shortfall in income over expenditure for the calendar month was £9,794. May - Offerings show an 3% increase on last year, however are 2% down on last year as at end of month. Hall Hire income received was £1,678. The surplus of income over expenditure for the calendar month was £1,935, however income of £9,904 was from a legacy (restricted).

REPORT FROM THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

How many of us, I wonder, knew that People of the Way was “the UK’s number one on line Christian store” but much more importantly how many of us were aware that People of the Way was the theme of this years General Assembly with the newly installed Moderator, Rt Rev Dr Russell Barr inviting us each day to join with him on the way, as he journeyed with his various companions in his daily reflections.

Can there be a better way to begin each day of the Assembly, which this year ran from 21st – 27th May, than joining together as the Assembly Hall resounded each day to the sound of the Psalms and the voices of 854 commissioners united in worship?

The business sessions too, shed a light on the works of the Church’s various committees as we discussed such diverse topics as climate change, corporal punishment, fossil fuels and fuel poverty Youth and Children with a very insightful address by the moderator of the Youth Assembly, as well as a celebration of the 50th anniversary of the ordination of women elders, inevitably sexuality and there was even an endorsement of the European Union.

History was made as the Most Revd and Rt Hon Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury became the first leader of the Church of England to take part in a debate on the floor of the Assembly which approved the Columba Declaration seeking to work more closely together in furthering God’s Kingdom. Reminding us how irrelevant our denominational differences really are, the Archbishop quoted the words of the Pope’s personal preacher, who had earlier addressed the General Synod: “When they kill us they don’t ask if we are Anglicans, Catholics, Presbyterians, whatever. So if our enemies see us as united, why don’t we? “

There was much to celebrate, much to challenge, and much to contemplate as the Moderator sent us out at the end of an historic Assembly to truly be People of the Way.

Raymond Jenkins

KIRK SESSION REPORT

Items discussed at the Kirk Session over the last two months included Christian Aid in the district; the "Try Praying" campaign (banner outside Church); the lunch club resuming in October; the cessation of the Karate Club; Raymond and Sandra's attendance at the General Assembly (perhaps you saw them on TV); Sandra's holidays in July. Cover for these absences has been arranged with the Worship Team supporting Alan Pratt, John Black and Raymond Jenkins during Sandra's holiday. Mission outreach and the excellent work of the Reach Out Trust which gives tremendous support to Churches in Schools, was reported (not only at Session but during one of the services in May). The intention for the Path of Renewal Campaign is to get Back to Basics by creating an under 50's group to promote Pilot Light. On the Presbytery front, there has been a Church Review involving King's Park to consider sharing challenges and successes. At the last meeting of Presbytery, Communion was served, followed by a report from the Lodging House Mission on helping the homeless and another relating to learning difficulties in the community. Also put forward was the use of Church premises for people of non-Christian faith, as was intra-communication (sharing work of committees). Safeguarding training will take place through the auspices of Presbytery.

CONGREGATIONAL BOARD REPORT

Reports for the last two months include:

Finance: The main current concern was a downward trend in offerings.

Property: From an inspection of Church premises certain repairs were advocated. These mainly apply to roof repairs and will be phased over the next few years. Quotations are currently being sought for the likely costs involved. Extractor fans are to be installed in the kitchen and bathroom of the "Church Officer's House". Various summertime maintenance and refurbishments are being undertaken - if anyone can help! Mr Angus Law has agreed to become Property Convenor and the Church Officer and Church Cleaner are to be offered permanent positions (this was also reported to Session).

Gift Aid: A report on the status of Gift Aid was given and everything deemed satisfactory. Anyone who wishes to participate in this useful scheme would be made welcome.

Gardening: Apart from maintaining magnificent Church gardens, the team are also maintaining the gardens at the "Church Officer's House".

Health and Safety: Various repairs, signage, risk assessment forms and fire-extinguisher checks were to be undertaken and cupboard space discussed.

DIET AND FITNESS CLASS - (ROSEMARY SEDGWICK)

There is a diet and fitness class in the Large Hall on a Tuesday morning 10am - 11.30am - cost £5.00 per class. No strict diet, just practical nutritional advice, optional weigh-in, fun workout and lots of motivation. Come along, this service is for you.

Call Rosemary on 639 7477 or simply drop in.

WORLD MISSION

The Christian Aid collections are now complete and the result shown elsewhere. Thanks are due not only to Alan Pratt and Barbara Drummond, mainly, but to the Committee members for their support. The Used Stamp Appeal raised £3511 in 2014/15 for the Church of Scotland HIV programme - thank you to all contributors. The appeal in 2016 is for the Church of South India (CSI) who recently opened the Othara Eco-Spirituality where people can learn about climate change and the conservation of the earth God has given us. Further details will be provided later so keep posting your used stamps in the box in the foyer to the halls.

Change of Address: Mrs Lily Hendry has moved to
3 Bridges Care Home, 108 Carmunnock Rd, Glasgow G44 4UN



FLOWER FUND

**Thanks are due to all who contribute to the
flower fund, beautifying our worship
week by week.**

ASPECTS OF CHURCH - Marriage . . .



Weddings are opportunities for families and friends to gather together, in God's name, to support couples as they take this very important step in life.

It is very important for many to be in the presence of God as they take their vows to give themselves to each other in Christian marriage. After all, God is love and those who live in love, live in union with Him, and He lives in union with them. Marriage for many continues to be honorable and holy. It is founded in the loving nature of God. Man and woman have been created in the image of God, and we only find peace when we reflect that loving nature, when we are true to ourselves and the Spirit of God within us.

Within marriage there is the opportunity to reflect God's image, and find peace and support, within a bonding of trust, security and intimate knowledge. Every marriage is unique and is to be entered upon thoughtfully and reverently, and with a deep awareness of its sacred and enduring nature.

Marriage in the Church of Scotland is not a Sacrament, unlike the Roman Catholic tradition and therefore does not require one or either of the couple to be professing members of the church of Jesus Christ. This however must be an important element of their thinking.

Marriage can happen on any day now, even a Sunday, where in the past you needed a special license to have this done, usually being reserved for those in the Armed Forces.

My first wedding was very special as I married my sister and brother-in-law in her own Church in Livingston Village. But every service is special as two people make a loving and lasting commitment to each other, supported and encouraged by those present. Marriage is a journeying together along life's chequered path with someone you love. Finding common values and principles, as well as allowing the other to grow. A good marriage must be created. It is standing together and facing the world. It is having the capacity to forgive and forget. It is not only marrying the right person, it is being the right partner. We don't have many weddings in the church these days so it makes those we do celebrate even more special.

Fiddler on the Roof - A date for your diary . . .

Glasgow Light Opera Club is presenting Fiddler on the Roof at the Kings Theatre the first week in November. A coach will be leaving from King's Park Church on Thursday 3rd November at 6.30pm. Cost will be £20. Please let me know if you would like to attend. If anyone would also like a lift from their home to the Church and taken home afterwards I am happy to arrange this.

Mairi Aitken—569 7083

Prayer Walk around King's Park



Following the success of last year's Prayer Walk we will be continuing it this year, again around the streets of our Parish area. If you would like to join us, we will be meeting at the Church at 7pm and walk for about an hour, at a sedate pace, stopping regularly at corners of the streets to pray for those in these streets. This was a great opportunity to get to know folks in our neighbourhood and meet some of our young people. We will be doing this on the evenings of **Monday 1st and Monday 8th August**. Everyone in the Parish is welcome to join us.

Children's Holiday Club

For ALL P1 - P7 Children.
Monday 22nd August to Friday 26th August from 6.30pm—8.30pm Lots of fun, games, songs, arts and crafts, challenges and drama. Juice and biscuits. 50p per child per night.





CHRISTIAN AID 2016 - UPDATE

King's Park has again been busy raising money for Christian Aid. **£1046.60** was raised by our Erskine Bridge walkers – so, huge thanks go to Margaret & Dougie Mills, Carol McKenzie, Wilson Paterson and Alan Pratt for raising this fantastic sum!

This year's Christian Aid Week house to house collection achieved a total sum of **£2412.84** – thanks to all collectors – well done! Millie's Tuesday Coffee Morning raised **£64** – Thanks Millie!

In addition to the above, the King's Park family contributed a further £446.28 resulting in a total sum for Christian Aid Week 2016 of **£2923.12** **A great achievement – thank you!**

60 Glorious Years

Our warmest congratulations go to
Mr and Mrs Allan Thomson
who celebrated their Diamond Wedding
Anniversary on 18th June.

A presentation of flowers from the
Church family was presented to Allan
during the service on 19th to wish
them both every Blessing.

TRANSPORT TO CHURCH

Anyone willing to “give a lift” to the Church to those unable to attend otherwise, please contact Mr Alan Pratt or Mrs Joan Dudley. Thanks to those who are already providing this service.

IT CLASS

The IT computer class closes its lids at the end of June 2016 although a “drop in” centre is available at Castlemilk Library from July. Our thanks go to our tutor, Mr William Taylor for his expertise, forbearance and patience and to those who attended over the last two years. To those people remember - P.L.C.!!

YOUTH CO-ORDINATORS

As all the youth groups finish for the summer, we would like to wish them a happy and healthy summer holiday. These groups will resume in September along with all the Sunday Schools.

If the children would like to tell their friends about all the fun they have at these groups and bring a friend with them to enjoy the fun, they would be made most welcome.

Look forward to seeing you all in September.

Margaret and Faye

CARPET BOWLS

The last tie has been played. This was the singles final between Bill Todd and Jim Riddell. After thirteen ends the players were all square so another end had to be played and was won by Jim Riddell. Our AGM was held on 4th May 2016, the prizes being presented by Raymond Jenkins. After the AGM we had a few ends of bowls when some fun was had, the main culprit being Raymond (he tells the magazine he was outstanding). Being perfect gents we allowed his deliveries. We open again in September when all will be welcome.

Jim Riddell/Editor

GIFT AID

Once again, a very big thank you is due to everyone who contributes through Gift Aid. Last tax year we were able to reclaim £18,600 of your tax from the government.

This method of generating income is vital to us and the more people who sign up to the scheme, the better. Anyone who pays Income Tax or Capital Gains Tax and who gives their offering through Freewill Envelopes or by Bank Standing Order (so that the Church has a record of givings) can sign a Gift Aid Declaration. There is no need to promise to give a particular amount and no need to sign another one when you review your givings.

As the years pass it is inevitable that some of our "Gift Aiders" have to withdraw from the scheme as they no longer pay any tax so we can always do with some of you taking their place. It is becoming increasingly important that we maximise our givings with Gift Aid.

£100 becomes £120
£4000 becomes £5000

So if you're a taxpayer and you haven't yet signed up to Gift Aid then see me about getting a form and encourage others to do the same. Those of you who are already in the scheme might consider increasing your givings.

An **extra £1 a week** in your offering would mean an **extra £65 a year for the church**.

If you want more information about the scheme or require a Gift Aid Declaration form, please do not hesitate to contact me (569-7083).

I look forward to hearing from you.

Andrew Aitken
(Gift Aid Convenor)

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MEN'S SHED

What is Men's Shed?

- A free community workshop, where men can work on their own projects or work together on bigger projects
- A workshop with a kitchen and social area where people can relax and chat
- An informal place to pass time, make things and make friends (the most important tool in a Men's Shed is the kettle)

What is this project?

St Oswalds has a bit of unused land. We want to put it to good use. Our vision is for a Men's Shed which will become a lively, friendly, supportive place where good things happen. We know that there are many isolated men in our community who want something meaningful to do. We want to create a Men's Shed which will be used by all men, including those who have extra learning needs.

Selection of Ideas

- Gardening
- Woodwork
- Copperwork/Sheet Metal
- Car Mechanics
- Arts & Crafts - enamelling, jewellery
- IT, Computers and Broadband

What is happening?

This is just an idea at the moment. It can take a year or more to create a new Men's Shed. To make it happen we need to know if local people really want a Men's Shed. We are a listening Church and we want to know what you think and what ideas you have. Please get in touch if you want to know more.

Contact:

Call Willie, our Development Worker on 07597 564149

Email at ozzymensshed@gmail.com

Find us on Facebook: "Ozzy Men's Shed"

Thanks . . .

Many thanks for the beautiful Church flowers I received. I would also like to thank Sandra and Raymond for their hospital visits. They were very much appreciated.

Dorothy Hurrell



I would like to thank Sandra very much for the lovely Church flowers, also to Sandra and Raymond for their many hospital visits.

Helen Riddell

Many thanks to Joan Dudley and Raymond Jenkins for their visits to me after my traumatic fall. Thanks all for phone-calls and the beautiful flowers I received from the Church. Much appreciated.

Sadie Stevenson

Sincere thanks to everyone who phoned and sent cards following my recent operation; particularly thanks to Aileen Campbell for her help on my discharge from hospital. Thanks to Reverend Sandra Boyd and my elder, Irene Liggat, for their visits, and for the kind thoughts from the Prayer Group, the Guild and the 271st Company of the Girl Guides. I am making good progress and becoming more active and independent each day. Thank you and God Bless.

We would like to thank Raymond for his support and encouragement during Ken's recent stay in hospital and also Sandra for the flowers and the Prayer Group and many friends for cards and good wishes. Ken is now recovering well.

Ken and Marie Stewart

Try Praying. . .

By now you will have seen the banner on the railings outside our Church. There are 7 day prayer booklets at the doors. Please take one. Part of Try Praying is use it and lose it so when you have finished with it pass it on to someone. We hope this will form an ongoing link within the Parish. If you wish to know more about any of this new prayer awareness, speak to Gaera Taylor.

BB NEWS



Both Junior and Company Sections held very successful Parents' Nights and the Principal Award Winners in both sections were gained by the following:

Junior Section:

Best First Year Boy:	Scott Hood
2nd Year: (Iain Robson Trophy):	Duncan Murray
3rd Year (Bennie Cup):	Roshaun Singh
Best Drilled Boy (Catherine Shearer Cup):	Harrison Cairns

The Inspecting Officer was Ian McLeod, a former O/C of the Junior Section.

Company Section:

Best Squad: Frazer Hood, Aaron Downie, Iain Gibson, Shaun McKenzie, James Murray

Bible Knowledge:

1st Year	Alexander Gibson
2nd Year	Shaun McKenzie & Jamie Bamford
3rd Year	Matthew Hood
4th Year	Stewart McFadden
Senior	Adam McLeish
Day Trophy	Alexander Gibson

Best Boy:

1st Year:	Alexander Gibson
2nd Year:	Stephen McFadden
Intermediate:	Iain Gibson
Senior:	Frazer Hood

President's Badge	Stuart McFadden Aaron Downie
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Queen's Badge	Frazer Hood Austin Newall
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Both Sections are now on their summer break. With the Junior Section 2016/17 Session registration night at 7.15pm on Wednesday 31st August and the Company Section on Friday 2nd September.

King's Park Community Festival Saturday 23rd July 2016



King's Park Church 12noon-2pm

**As a Legacy to the Queen's Baton Party
celebrating the Commonwealth Games.**

**Bouncy Castle, games, face painting, crafts, Beat the
Goalie, Coconut Shy, Jelly & Ice-cream, Hot Dogs and
Hamburgers, Chocolate Fountain.**



**Everything FREE.
Hope to see YOU there!**



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY—JULY & AUGUST**JULY**

- Sun 3rd** 11am Morning Worship & Summer Sunday School
Sun 10th 11am Morning Worship & Summer Sunday School
Sun 17th 11am Morning Worship & Summer Sunday School
Sat 23rd King's Park Community Festival - from 12 noon
Sun 24th 11am Morning Worship & Summer Sunday School
 including Sacrament of Baptism
Sun 31st 11am Morning Worship & Summer Sunday School

AUGUST

- Mon 1st** Prayer Walk and Litter Pick 7pm at Kings Park Church
Sun 7th 11am Morning Worship & Summer Sunday School
Mon 8th Prayer Walk and Litter Pick 7pm at Kings Park Church
Sun 14th 11am Morning Worship & Summer Sunday School
Sun 21st 11am Morning Worship & Summer Sunday School

CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY CLUB 22ND—26TH AUG 6.30-8.30PM

- Sun 28th** 11am Morning Worship & Summer Sunday School

Sunshine Corner, The Ark and 242 will resume on
**Sunday 4th September. Communion will take place on
 Sunday 11th September.**

SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING NEWS

A big thank you to everyone who donated to our spring textile collection, we raised £273.60 Our winter collection will be October/November time, look out for the dates in the intimations and magazine. A huge thank you to everyone who volunteered to help at our Summer Fete this year. It was a beautiful sunny morning and we raised the grand sum of £1,600 so thank you if you came along and supported us. We are planning a Christian Aid Quiz in September so look out for details in the next magazine. We are now taking a well earned rest over the summer, I would like to take this opportunity to express my heartfelt thanks to the whole team for their dedication throughout the year, for their support to me and their infectious enthusiasm for everything that we organise. This committee wouldn't work without you, so thank you to Sandra Anderson, Arlene Bryson, Margaret Key, Laura Kirkwood, John McCabe, Sandra McCutcheon, Margaret Mills and Janet Troop. Enjoy your break!

Lynda Young, on behalf of the Social & Fundraising Committee



Our very own Frazer Hood (*left*) and Austin Newall (*right*) took part in this year's Queen's Badge Parade and Certificate Presentation at the City Chambers, showcasing the work that our young people are involved in as part of the Boys' Brigade. They received their Queen's Badge from the Chief Guest, Lord Haughey OBE.

We are all extremely proud of the huge achievement of our "King's Park" Queen's Men and wish them both, on behalf of everyone at King's Park, our warmest congratulations.

The photographs on the front of the magazine are some of our Guides and BB Boys taking part in their respective displays.