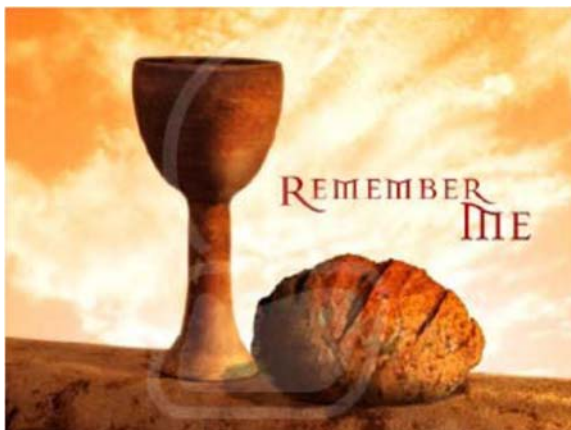


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*sharing God's love by reaching out to others.***

***"This is the day the Lord has made
Rejoice and be glad in it".***

Psalm 118:24

1930-2017—87 Years of Spiritual Service

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submitting an article and wish something not to appear online please
indicate this on submission.**

CONGREGATIONAL REGISTER

No of Communicants on Roll = 562

BAPTISM

“Suffer the Little Children to Come Unto Me”

6th Aug John Junior Roddy Macdonald, Garthamlock

BLESSING

13th Aug Emily Louise Williams, Newton Mearns

AT REST

“I am the Resurrection and the Life”

13th Aug Mrs Helen Riddell, Kingsacre Road

Please remember to inform the Church if you are changing your address. It's vital that our records are kept as up to date as possible. Thank you in advance.

FROM THE MANSE. . .



We're hear to LISTEN.

In the past few weeks I have come across a number of different illustrations of people who still want to serve God and have come up with some imaginative ways in which to do so. One lady would contact others who were housebound and talk to them over the phone and another offering tea in her house to students every day at 4pm. In society today many people are isolated from family and friends through no fault of their own. Some people are in their homes all day at times without anyone to talk to or visit them. They may find it difficult to talk to family about their problems and would rather talk to someone neutral. We at King's Park Church are very aware of this difficulty and would like to provide an Active Listening Service in our Community. We are proposing that on a Wednesday evening from 7-9pm anyone can drop into the St. Mungo Hall for a tea/ coffee and a chat. This can be either at a table with others or people can sign up for a half hour slot of one-to-one with someone who has some counselling skills. We are not here to solve the problems of the world, if only it was that easy! We provide a listening ear, without judgement, in a confidential manner. We are happy to listen and reflect and should the individual situation require, to point people to professionals in the relevant field who can help in specific cases.

We are a Christian group, believing that we are ALL God's children and want to help our brothers and sisters by offering to others what someone has offered to each of us.

The Church is looking for volunteers to make tea & coffee, drivers to collect people, to sit at tables and talk in a group or perhaps offer 1-to-1 listening with those who wish it. We will be offering training in Active Listening to anyone who would like to be involved. So if you are looking for a way to serve Jesus and you're good at listening and like people, you could offer to help once or twice a month then please speak to me.

Editor's Extras

September again - holidays over, maybe, and a fresh round of activities in this, our "Place of Faith". Hope you are feeling refreshed and looking forward to the new session, especially all leaders of organisations. Your work is essential in keeping the faith each year.

In our series - Places of the Bible - we are really illustrating the various types of faith manifested by people in the Bible.

- Faith that through God, battles will be won
- Faith that strength will be there at the right time
- Faith that our belief in Jesus is how we want to live

Every time the Church utilised its facilities - the Community Festival, the Jo Cox Legacy Great Get Together, Prayer Walks and Litter Picks and the upcoming holiday club and Harvest Thanksgiving - it is an act of faith that some response will ensue, and often, it does. Many thanks to all those who participated in these events over the summer. See you in Church.

Yours in Faith, WP

Note, there are no reports from the Kirk Session or Congregational Board as no main meetings have taken place. The next meeting will be on 20th September.

Prayer Focus

Dear Lord, WE return from our summer break and are ready for the new session. We pray that you will fill us with fresh ideas and inspirations. We give thanks for our dedicated teams of volunteers and hope you are able to join us in this work. Lord, you have given us talents; help the congregation to identify and encourage us all to use these gifts to your glory. Thank you Lord for the success of your summer events, as they were supported by the community especially the generosity of the local businesses who donated food and goods which added to this success. Hear our Prayers Lord. Amen



CONGREGATIONAL FINANCE
"We Give Thee But Thine Own"
FINANCE REPORT - 2017
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		<u>June</u>	<u>July</u>
<u>INCOME</u>			
Offerings		8,089	8,393
Last Year Offerings	9,081		8,029
Difference +/-%	-£992		+£364
YTD Difference +/-%	-5%		-4%
Regular Monthly Income		1,170	1,039
HMRC - Tax Refund/Gift Aid		4,949	-
Roof Fund - Donations & Fundraising		-	2,130
Summer Fete		779	-
Textile Collection		560	-
Hall Hire Income		813	4,612
Total Month's Income		<u>16,360</u> =====	<u>16,174</u> =====
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>			
Regularly Monthly Costs		14,674	16,555
Christian Aid (collections from May)		3,650	-
Church Bells works (from Designated Legacy)		-	1,410
Total Month's Costs		<u>18,324</u> =====	<u>17,965</u> =====
Monthly Income vs (Costs)		-1,964	-1,791

Comments

June - Shortfall in overall income after expenses was £1,964.

July - Shortfall in overall income after expenses was £1,791.

THE GUILD

Hello again everyone. I hope that you have all enjoyed your summer break, and are looking forward to our new session, which will begin on Wednesday 4th October at 2pm, when our guest will be Mr Bob Byiers, who will speak on the subject of Mozambique.

The Guild meets every Wednesday at 2pm, with the exception of our special events, i.e. the Charity Night, the Guest Night and the Daffodil Tea, all of which are held in the evening at 7.30pm.

We look forward to seeing all our regular members, and hopefully some new ones too. In the meantime, here is a preview of the syllabus for October and November.

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| October | 4 | 2pm – Mozambique – Bob Byiers |
| “ | 11 | 2pm – Nan’s Story “With my one Good Eye”
Liz MacIntyre Allan |
| “ | 18 | 2pm – Project – Caring for Mother Earth in Bolivia
(Christian Aid) – Speaker Mrs Mary Smith |
| “ | 25 | 2pm – David Atkins – Glasgow’s Bridges |
| November | 1 | 2pm – Gangs of Glasgow – Bob Jeffrey |
| “ | 8 | 7.30pm – CHARITY NIGHT – The Westertones |
| “ | 15 | 2pm – Soldiers of the Streets – Walter Hamilton |
| “ | 22 | 2pm – Nostalgia – Kevin Smith |
| “ | 29 | 2pm – Flower Arranging for Christmas by Adele |

Committee Members please note that there will be a Committee Meeting on Monday 11th September at 7pm in the St Ninian's Room.

See you all on Wednesday 4th October.

E Gillespie - Secretary

Pondering our Mission Statement

Sharing God's Love . . .

- Gaining the Harvest, Matthew 9:35-38, Mark 6:7-13
- Praise Him, Praise Him, Psalm 150
- Chosen to be Children of God, Ephesians 1: 1-14
- Tear down the walls, Ephesians 2: 11-22
- Where is your Pebble? Ephesians 4: 1-16
- Dress for Faithfulness, Ephesians 6: 10-20
- Be Still, Acts 2: 37-42
- Walk in the Newness of Life, Romans 6: 1-14

NEW MAGAZINE DATES

As already indicated in the past few magazines, and as agreed by the Kirk Session, after this edition our magazine, King's View will be published every 2 months. Please bear this in mind when you are submitting articles. We look forward to receiving your articles for October/November.

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.

WORLD MISSION

For those interested in the Church in the World, the World Mission magazine is available at various doors of the Church. Please take one. Recent issues have discussed the following topics - Celebrating the World Church, Women in the Church, Scottish Global Connections, Fairtrade for a Fairer World. The Church has taken responsibility to assist the wider work of Mission through Christian Aid and Fairtrade. These magazines show some of the results of our interest. *WP*



FLOWER FUND

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

THE LUNCH CLUB

The Lunch Club will return on the last Thursday of the month from September. It will run September, October, November and December, then again February, March, April and May. Looking forward to seeing you there. With God's Blessings.

Arlene and the Team



HARVEST THANKSGIVING

Our Harvest Thanksgiving Service will take place on Sunday 25th September. Due to the success, in recent years, of flowers being delivered to elderly and housebound members of our congregation, we would ask that donations of flowers be handed into church, either on Saturday 24th from 9 - 12noon, or just bring them with you to church on Harvest Sunday. Also, we will continue to collect packaged and tinned items for the Lodging House Mission - again drop them off on the Saturday or Sunday.

Many thanks for any contributions you are able to make.

Thanks . . .

A sincere thank you for the beautiful flowers we received, it was most kind and greatly appreciated.

Eunice & Bill Coubrough



We would like to thank the Reverend Sandra Boyd and Raymond for their visits, kindness and prayers when we lost Ian's mum after a short illness. Thank you also for the cards and flowers. Your thoughts and prayers were much appreciated.

Ian, Jacqui, Alice and Eleanor Watson

I would like to thank everyone for their generous contribution to Christian Blind Mission. The sum of £127 was raised at the Tuesday Coffee Morning for this worthy cause. They provide eye tests, glasses and magnifiers for people with poor sight and operate on both the young and old for conditions like cataract and trachoma (where the eyelashes grow inwards and scratch the eyes causing pain). The past 3 years in Eastern Uganda, 4,250 have been helped who suffered in this way.

Thank you again, *Margaret Atkins*

I would like to thank Sandra and Raymond for their visits and kindness to me on the loss of my husband. Thank you also for the beautiful flowers and cards.

Annie Robertson

BB NEWS

The Junior and Company Sections of the 118 Boys' Brigade Company will, by the time you read this, have started the first tentative steps into the 2017-18 session. The Junior Section have their enrolment night on Wednesday 6th September in the Iona Hall at 7.15pm when Stuart McKay and his staff will welcome current members and any new members in primary 4, 5 and 6 for the first night. Meanwhile the Company Section opened its doors on Friday 1st September at 8pm in the Large Hall to welcome old and new faces in Primary 7, Secondary 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5.

Ian Livingstone RO

271st GUIDE COMPANY

The Guides will start back on Thursday 7th September at 7.30pm. Girls aged 10 to 14 will be made very welcome.

Eileen Robertson (Captain)

MEN'S BOWLING

Welcome to the new Bowling Season 2017-18. If it is half as enjoyable as last year it will make for a pleasant few months. The Club starts on 5th September 2017 through to April 2018 as follows:

12 noon Tuesday, 1pm for practice games

1pm Tuesday for matches and competitions

The matches comprise 12 end and finish around 2.45pm. A tea break is followed by a further 6 ends if requested.

On Wednesday and Friday we start at 1pm.

Remember you will be made welcome even if you drop in once a week or once a month.

MINDFULNESS DROP-IN

This 8-week introduction to mindfulness course is especially suitable to those who are new to mindfulness and would like to explore the benefits of mindfulness in a safe and relaxed environment, through experiencing and practicing some guided meditations.

Please feel free to come along to any or all of the sessions, everybody is most welcome.

When: Every Tuesday from 12th September 2017, 7:30pm-9:00pm.

Where: Kings Park Church.

Cost: £4 per session.

Niki Kidd (07504 491 775)

PLACES OF THE BIBLE

Bethel In the last issue, the topic was a reduction in faith due to material gain. We now consider a "Place of Faith" -Bethel. The first verse of Hymn 268 (paraphrase 2) gives an apt description of its importance.

*O God of Bethel! By whose hand
Thy people still are fed
Who through this earthly pilgrimage
Hast all our fathers led*

Bethel or "House of God" was a place in Central Palestine, about 10 miles north of Jerusalem, at the head of the pass of Michmash and Ai. It was originally the Royal City of Luz. When Abraham entered Canaan he formed his second encampment between Bethel and Hai (Gen 12:8) and on his return from Egypt, he came back to it again and "called upon the name of the Lord". Here, Jacob on his way from Beersheba to Haran had a vision of angels ascending and descending on the ladder that reached to heaven (Gen 28: 10-19) and on his return he again visited the place "where God talked to him" (Gen 35: 1-15) and there he "built an altar to the Lord and called the place El "Bethel." Reference was also made to this in (Hosea 12: 4, 5). In troublesome times the people went to Bethel to ask the Counsel of God (Judges 20:18 and 21:2). Here the Ark of the Covenant was kept for a long time under the care of Phinehas, the grandson of Aaron (Judges 20: 26-23). Here also Samuel held, in rotation, his Court of Justice (1 Sam 7:16). Bethel was also included in Israel after the Kingdom was divided, and it became one of the Seats of Worship of the Golden Calf (1 Kings 12: 28-33 and 13:1). Hence the Prophets Amos and Hosea called it, in contempt, Beth-aven - "House of Idols". Bethel remained an abode of priests even after the Kingdom of Israel was desolated by the King of Assyria (2 Kings 17: 28,29). At length all traces of idolatries were extirpated by Josiah, King of Judah (2 Kings 23:15-18) and the place was still in existence after the captivity (Ezra 2:28). It has been identified with the ruins of Beitin, a small village amid extensive ruins some 9 miles south of Shiloh.

Where is our Place of Faith? Where can we go in troublesome times? Or to ask for Counsel and Worship? Is this Church our Bethel?

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - SEPTEMBER

- Sat 2nd 4pm-6pm Messy Church
 Sun 3rd 11am Morning Worship, Sunshine Corner, The Ark, 242
 and Big Breakfast resume
 Mon 4th 7pm-9pm God Tock
 Tues 5th 7pm-9pm KP Chicks, Yoga - please bring mat/pillow
 Thurs 7th 2pm Local Churches Together Meeting
 Sun 10th 11am Morning Worship including the Sacrament of
 Holy Communion
 6.30pm Evening Worship including the Sacrament of
 Holy Communion
 Mon 11th 7pm-9pm God Tock
 7pm Guild Committee Meeting
 7.30pm-9.00pm Mindfulness Drop-in
 Sun 17th 9.45am Early Morning Worship
 11am Morning Worship including Baptism
 Mon 18th 7pm-9pm God Tock
 Tues 19th 7.30pm-9.00pm Mindfulness Drop-in
 Wed 20th 2pm Communion Service at King's Park Mews
 Wed 20th 6.30pm Prayer Group
 7pm Kirk Session
 8.15pm Congregational Board
 Sun 24th 9.45am Early Morning Worship
 11am Morning Worship, HARVEST THANKSGIVING
 Mon 25th 7pm-9pm God Tock
 Tue 26th 7.30pm-9.00pm Mindfulness Drop-in
 Thurs 28th 12noon-2pm Lunch Club
 Frid 29th 10am-12noon D-Café
October
 Sun 1st 11am Morning Worship, BB Founders' Day Parade
 Mon 2nd 7pm-9pm God Tock
 Tue 3rd 7pm-9pm, KP Chicks, Community Police
 Tue 3rd 7.30pm-9.00pm Mindfulness Drop-in
 Wed 4th 2pm The Guild
 Sat 7th 4pm-6pm Messy Church

**Sunday 29th Oct—Whole Church Conference—1.15pm after
 soup and sandwich lunch**