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

***"Never be afraid to trust an unknown future to a
known God"***

See Jeremiah 29:11

1930-2019—89 Years of Spiritual Service

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CONGREGATIONAL REGISTER

No of Communicants on Roll = 502

AT REST

“I am the Resurrection and the Life”

6th January	Mrs Alison Boyd
8th January	Mrs Charlotte Morrison
16th January	Mrs Catherine Raeburn
27th January	Mrs Helen Carlton
30th January	Mrs Jean Aitchison
16th February	Mrs Anne Kirkham
15th March	Mr Fyfe Wilson

Prayer Focus

Dear Lord, the clocks have moved forward and we see the new spring emerging as leaves and flowers begin to show us that the new season has arrived. This is a time of great change for our Church. Guide us as we go forward to a new way of organising how we encourage people to know their strengths and talents, there are great challenges ahead for King's Park Church. We pray that a new convenor of our buildings and property will be found. We give thanks for all the work Alan Pratt has achieved and that in the future God will guide him to the next stage of his Christian journey. We welcome John and Eunice Black as they start the next three years as Session Clerks. We pray for our Minister Sandra, may God lead her in her new journey. Hear our Prayer. *Amen.*



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. . . Who Me?!

Surely God can't use me? I wonder how many times we have said this when God has asked something of us? The response is all the louder when what God is asking involves sacrifice on our part. We have to measure what is being asked of us not against our own resources but against God's. We will still be left wondering why we have been chosen, but we have to let God use us as he sees fit.

When I was called to King's Park Church over 11 years ago it came in many different ways: through your Parish Profile, through my supervising Minister Jim McNeil, through your Interim Moderator Jack Drummond and many others. I was so sure that God would call me to an area I knew, I said to Jack that Glasgow wasn't where I was looking to go, as Lawson was working in Stirling High School and Laura was finishing sixth year at Wallace High School. Glasgow was too far for them to travel every day. That didn't deter the Nominating Committee, and meeting them changed my mind, they were such lovely people. God knew what He was doing and so in trusting Him, I have had the immense pleasure of serving Jesus Christ here in King's Park.

Then last year I received a postcard inviting me to come to a church in West Lothian which I threw away. Then out of the blue I started to hear the name Blackburn mentioned over and over in completely different situations, by different people. In my Daily Scripture notes God was challenging me, and He was pretty persistent. God was telling me He had more people for me to minister to in Blackburn and Seafield.

Initially I felt like Jonah, wanting to run away in the opposite direction, but Samuel was now ringing true and as God's servant, I knew that God was asking me to follow Him.

I'm in no way special or unique in being called by God. God has a plan for each and every one of us and He asks us, using the words of one of our favourite hymns, Whom shall I send? With The help of The Holy Spirit and many hours of prayerfully listening to Jesus' way, trusting in God, we can reply, I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

God wants to use all of us in the work of His building His kingdom. Don't look at our weakness but at God's power through Jesus Christ.

Who, me?! We may say - but we need to respond to God's call with the quiet trust of Mary when she was asked to be the mother of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is a response that resounds across the centuries, speaking loud and clear today: 'Yes, you!'

Put your hand in God's hand, follow Jesus, and trust in him, He knows the bigger plan.

Wishing you all God's Blessings, Love, Sandra.

Editor's Extras

"Hullo... I've not been well". However, when this happens you need a good deal of support and I've had this from family and friends, so I'll just have to wait, attend the hospital and see how things develop. Due to the recent news of our Minister moving to pastures new much support will be needed within the Church as we progress over the next few months. What do we want? In our business deliberations let us remember St Patrick's Prayer, apt since I am writing this on the 17th of March.

*Christ be with me
 Christ be within me
 Christ behind me
 Christ before me
 Christ beside me
 Christ to win me
 Christ to comfort and restore me
 Christ beneath me
 Christ above me
 Christ in quiet
 Christ in Danger
 Christ in hearts of all that love me
 Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.*

So let's hope we can both go forward in strength and purpose and have faith to attain our desired goal.

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CONGREGATIONAL FINANCE
"We Give Thee But Thine Own"
FINANCE REPORT - 2019

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	<u>Jan</u>	<u>Feb</u>
<u>INCOME</u>		
Offerings & Donations	7,569	7,731
Hall Hire Income	3,661	955
Roof Fund - Donations	1,306	1,250
Other Donations	460	320
Regular Monthly Income	586	1,116
Charitable Donations	2,187	733
Accrual at year end	-	3,981
Total Month's Income	<u>15,769</u>	<u>16,086</u>
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<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		
Regularly Monthly Costs	13,418	13,337
Charitable Donations	2,217	696
Total Month's Costs	<u>15,635</u>	<u>14,033</u>
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Monthly Income vs Costs	134	2,053

Comments

January - Surplus of receipts after payments made was £134, unrestricted funds had a surplus of £592 and restricted funds had a shortfall of £458.

February - Surplus of receipts after payments made was £2,053, unrestricted funds had a shortfall of £1,321 and restricted funds had a surplus of £3,321.

THE GUILD

By the time this letter reaches the April/May edition of the magazine, our Guild will have ended.

The Guild has been in existence in King's Park Church since the Church was built in 1930, but, over the past two years, our numbers have been dwindling. We have also lost a few ladies due to illness and death, and the majority of our members are now either in homes, or housebound.

As we have been unable to find anyone to take over the positions of President and Secretary, we have had no option but to close down. Our final meeting will be the Daffodil Tea on Wednesday 27 March in the large hall.

The President, Margaret McCulloch, and I, as Secretary, would like to thank our Treasurer, Mairi Aitken, all the members of the Guild Committee, and, of course, the ladies of the Guild for all their hard work and support throughout the years.

On Wednesday 3 April at 2pm, we will hold a Farewell Party for the Guild in the large hall, with Mr David Atkins showing part 2 of his film, Budapest to Bucharest.

Although the Guild will have ended, we are still members of the Church, and will continue to serve God and our congregation in any way we can.

Wishing you every blessing.

E Gillespie - Secretary

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.

Pondering our Mission Statement
Sharing God's Love . . .

- 50th Anniversary of Organ, Psalm 71: 17-24
- Ask, Seek, Knock, Luke 11: 1-13
- John 6: 22-59
- Decisions, Decisions! John 7: 1-31
- News too good to tell, Luke 9: 28-36
- Communion, John 13: 31-38
- AGM, Luke 5: 17-26
- Why go to Church? 1st Corinthians 12: 12-27, Luke 4: 14-12

KIRK SESSION REPORT

Apart from the routine business, including halls allocation, forthcoming events and correspondence, specifically of interest to Elders, the following topics were raised.

We are invited to celebrate the launch of Christian Aid Week on Saturday 11th May with the Erskine Bridge Cross. It is hoped that a team from King's Park will attend. A renewal of Try Praying will appear in the next two months, could you be part of this?

Constitutional Matters involved a change to the "Unitary" style where both Kirk Session and Congregational Board would meet together to consider the business of the Church, The Steering Group's first task was to create a template of "teams" which would operate under the auspices of the Kirk Session, similar to a recent presentation given to the Trustees. A draft template has been circulated.

Discussions centred round pastoral visits - completed by pastoral teams and whether Board members would become Elders - not automatic but they, along with members of the Congregation would be free to be co-opted on to any new teams. Debate to be revisited in April. For details of our Accounts, the Attestation of Accounts and Annual General Meeting was held on Sunday 17th March.

News from the Prayer Group

We have given a donation to Try Praying, this will help them to go into every University and College in Scotland. They have a bus touring Scotland spreading the power of prayer. Churches without Walls is the way forward, we pray that our Church will grow. Few members attend the Sunday Prayer Group but despite this we are seeing our prayers answered. The prayer cards are still well received.

BB News

As the days get longer so the sun begins to go down on the current Session of the Junior and Company Sections. On the football side the Junior Section Blue Team are firmly in control of the Cathkin District 7-a-side League with maximum points from their seven matches, while the Black team remain in fourth position with ten points.

The Company Section continue to pursue the various District and Battalion Programmes and two boys Iain Gibson and Matthew Hood have completed their Queen's Badge course and will receive their Badge at the City Chambers Ceremony in May.

The next dates to look forward to are Sunday April 28th when both sections will hold their end of session Parade and Friday 3rd May when the Company Section hold their Parent's Night.

Finally Stuart McKay and the rest of the Junior Section staff wish to thank all who contributed to the £140 raised for their funds. Also thanks to Margaret Paul whose coffee morning for the two sections raised £122.

Ian Livingstone RO

SOCIAL & FUNDRAISING NEWS

We are preparing for our annual Christian Aid events, please come along to our Christian Aid Quiz at 7.30pm on Sunday 12th May which will mark the start of Christian Aid week. To end the week there will be fellowship in the large hall with a soup and sandwich lunch on Sunday 19th May after morning worship. Please do come out and support these important events, there will be an opportunity at both to donate to Christian Aid. Our Annual Strawberry Fayre will take place on the morning of Saturday 1st June, further details will follow in the intimations. In the meantime thank you all for your continued support.

Lynda Young of behalf of the Social & Fundraising Committee



Thanks . . .

Many thanks to everyone who supported our recent coffee morning, the sum of £122 was raised which will go towards the 118 Boys Brigade's 90th birthday celebrations.

Margaret Paul and friends

Many thanks to everyone who supported the gardening team on our Tuesday coffee mornings. We raised £1781.62 to support the Church gardens and hope it can also be used to replace roses. Many thanks again.

Bob Packer on behalf of the Church Gardening Team

Thanks from the Frock Swap Team

A big thankyou to all who donated clothes, rails, hangers, nibbles, traybakes, raffle prizes, glasses and mirrors. A bigger thankyou to all who served as "swishers" or helped in any way on the night (including our men), but the biggest thankyou goes to all the ladies and one man who came along and took part and helped raise the fantastic sum of £1,900. See you next time!

Lorraine Pratt

CHRISTIAN AID – ERSKINE BRIDGE CROSS CHALLENGE Saturday 11th May 2019, 2pm – 5pm

For the 32st year we take to the Erskine Bridge to walk in unity to fight poverty. Last year's walk was really worthwhile with the KP participants (all two of them!) raising just short of £1,000! **Can we do better in 2019 by raising more money, or, more importantly, having more volunteers taking part?**

Come and join the KP team for a fun time – it's a great afternoon out for all ages and the weather always seems to be kind. Transport to Old Kilpatrick (the starting point) is available, so don't let that put you off.

Please let Alan Pratt know, as soon as possible, if you would like to take part – call 07776 328914

A fundraiser...

Our daughter, Alison is going to America on a Bible Study Course for a year from August 2019. She is organising a few fundraising events and would love you to come and support her. She is having a fundraising quiz at Croftfoot Church on Saturday 27th April at 7pm and on Saturday 18th May at 7pm at King's Park Church. Thank you in anticipation for your continued support

Love Margaret and Dougie Mills

ART CLUB

We are holding our Exhibition on 25th May from 10am until 12noon in the Iona Hall. There will be a Tea Room in the St Mungo Hall in aid of Erskine. Lots of home baking will be provided. We look forward to seeing you there.

LUNCH CLUB VOLUNTEERS

Hi Friends, we are looking for helpers for the Community Lunch Club, if you are free every last Thursday in the months of Sept til Dec, then Feb til May from 10am until 2pm please contact Arlene on 07787 536785.

PRAISE COMMITTEE

The Praise Committee seeks new members from within the Congregation to join them. We only meet 4 times per year. Please consider joining us and if you are interested please speak to me.

J Buchan

CHOIR

As we are approaching the end of another Session I would like to thank the Choir for their support during the year and Eunice Black for joining the ranks! There is always room for you in the Choir, please have a think about it.

We are performing "Palm Praise" on the evening of the 14th April. We will be joined by friends to bolster numbers, so please do come along and support us.

J Buchan



FLOWER FUND

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

THANK YOU AND FAREWELL

Four years ago, we moved house to Uddingston but we continued to attend Kings Park Church because it is the Church I've attended my whole life with my family, we got married at KP and our children were baptised there.

For about eighteen months, we have been attending our local Park Church in Uddingston and we have found this to be the Church we want to call home. We wish to say a fond farewell to Kings Park. Special thanks to my lovely parents,

Robert and Jacqueline Coleman, for bringing me up in the Christian faith at Kings Park. Special thanks to our elder, Dr Hellen Conn, for always sending cards for our children's birthdays.

There are many folk who have meant a lot to us over the years, so thank you. We have lots of happy memories of Kings Park and we wish you all God's blessing in our journey of faith.

Best wishes from David, Yvonne, Jacob & Rebecca McKegney x



BEFORE NOON TEA

Because we think three tiers of treats shouldn't just be for the afternoon. **Saturday 18th May, 10am until 12noon**, entry by donation. Join us for a delicious selection of warm breakfast rolls, scones and home bakes as we raise funds for the **Pathfinders** and the Church Roof Fund. Donations of home baking will be gratefully received from 8.30am on Saturday 18th. We look forward to seeing you there.

Gordon Wilson

**CHRISTIAN AID WEEK
12 - 18 MAY 2019**

After many years doing the CAW house-to-house collection in the parish, we decided last year to try something different.



This year we'll continue in the same way, but swap things around a bit! This year we will launch the week with the famous KP Christian Aid Quiz, although, in actual fact this will be the third "launch" event to take place that weekend.

Firstly, the Erskine Bridge Challenge sponsored walk kicks things off on Saturday 11 May (see more detail elsewhere in this mag), then, Christian Aid Week will be spiritually launched at the 11am service on Sunday 12th, followed in the evening by the aforementioned KPCAQ – work that out! We're inviting teams from church clubs and organisations to come along to the large hall at 7.30pm on Sunday 12 May, after the evening service and compete for some "terrific" prizes. Or you're welcome to grab some friends or family members together to make up a team and see if you can beat the resident masterminds!

To finish off the week on Sunday 19 May we'll enjoy our second "Souper Sunday". Join us in the large hall after the morning service and have a plate of soup and some fellowship to celebrate what has always been a very important part of our church's world mission commitment.

Keep an eye on the Sunday intimations for any updates to the above.



SANDRA BOYD – Farewell!

As you will all know, our minister for the past 11 and a half years is leaving us for pastures fresh and new, namely Blackburn and Seafield Church in West Lothian. She will preach her last service on the morning of Sunday 5th May.

We, as individual members of King's Park will of course be taking moments from now until then to thank Sandra personally, for her service here in our midst, but it would be good to get together as a congregation to do that very same thing. Accordingly, we will be marking Sandra's forthcoming departure by meeting in the large hall after her last service on Sunday 5th May.

We will join in fellowship together, with a presentation to Sandra and most importantly, get a chance to say farewell to her and Lawson with a smile and a hug!

If you would like to contribute to the cost of purchasing a gift from the congregation – something that will remind Sandra of King's Park, please put your donation in an envelope marked "Sandra-Presentation" in the offering or hand into the office up until Sunday 28 April. Many thanks.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**April**

- Sun 7th 11am Morning Worship
 Mon 8th 7pm God Tock
 Wed 10th 6.30pm Prayer Group
 7pm Kirk Session
 8.15pm Congregational Board
 Sun 14th 11am Morning Worship - Palm Sunday – Mounting Pressure
 6.30pm Palm Praise Service with Choir
 Mon 15th 7.30pm Holy Week Service – Walk in the Light
 Tues 16th 7.30pm Holy Week Service – The True Vine with KP Brass Band
 Wed 17th 10.30am Bankhead Primary Easter Service Kings Park **Church**
 1.30pm King's Park Primary Easter service Kings Park **School**
 7.30pm Holy Week Service – The Hour is Coming
 Thur 18th 7.30pm Holy Week Service with COMMUNION at Toryglen Church
 Fri 19th 1pm Walk of Witness starting at Croftfoot UF Church
 7.30pm Good Friday Service
 Sat 20th 4pm - 6pm Easter Messy Church
 Sun 21st 8.00am Early Morning Worship at the Park @ Menock Road
 Entrance - bring your boiled eggs to roll. Hot rolls served at the
 Church after this Service.
 11am Easter Morning service – Love Wins
 Sun 28th 9.45am Early Morning Worship
 11am Morning Worship with Boys Brigade Parade
 Mon 29th 7pm God Tock
- MAY**
 Sat 4th 4pm - 6pm Messy Church
 Sun 5th 11am Morning Worship – **Sandra's final morning service**
12 noon - Sandra's Presentation in the Large Hall
 Mon 6th 7pm God Tock
 Sun 12th 11am Morning Worship—Start of Christian Aid Week
 6.30pm Evening Worship with informal Communion
 7.30pm Christian Aid Quiz Evening
 Mon 13th 7pm God Tock
 Wed 15th 6.30pm Prayer Group
 7pm Kirk Session
 8.15pm Congregational Board
 Sat 18th 10am -12 noon Before noon Tea by The Pathfinders
 Sun 19th 9.45am Early Morning Worship
 11am Morning Worship
 12 noon soup and sandwich lunch for Christian Aid
 Mon 20th 7pm God Tock
 Sun 26th 9.45am Early Morning Worship
 11am Morning Worship - Celebration of Youth Service
 Mon 27th 7pm God Tock



CHURCH GARDENS

Hello everyone. The Congregational Board has agreed to changes in the Church Gardens to reduce the work load on the gardening team. This would require the purchase of at least 20 roses for various beds - 4 beds with 3 roses and 2 beds with 4 roses as a minimum.

If you would like the opportunity to make a donation towards these roses which would be approximately £15 each or a donation of any value would be welcomed. Please mark for this use and hand in to the Church.

The intention is to have beds with pink, red and yellow and white roses so that each preference is covered, please do not purchase roses as we need to keep each bed all the same.

Many thanks in anticipation

Bob Packer on behalf of the Gardening Team