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

"Just quiet things - time to yourself at dusk or at the hush of the early morning – can fill the soul with deep contentment and peace"
See Isaiah 32:18

1930-2014—84 Years of Spiritual Service

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ANY ARTICLES RECEIVED AFTER THIS DEADLINE WILL BE
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FLOWER FUND

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

CONGREGATIONAL REGISTER

No of Communicants on Roll = 629

AT REST

"I am the Resurrection and the Life"

27 August	Mrs Marion Bett, Rodgerpark Care Home
28 August	Mr Ian Weaver, Victoria Road
31 August	Mrs Catherine Vine, Raithburn Grove, Castlemilk
12 September	Mr David Gordon, Strawhill Road
14 September	Mr George Fitzpatrick, Rodgerpark Care Home

Pondering Our Mission Statement

Sharing God's Love:

- Resolving Conflict, Matt 18: 15-20
- How to forgive (Communion), Matt 18:21-35
- Eat, Drink, and be Merry (Harvest), Luke 12:16-30, Psalm 65



Prayer Focus

Heavenly Father, remember those in times of stress, hardship and pain and let those who offer comfort be blessed with God's guidance and take strength from knowing that they do His work, bringing hope to those in despair, charity to those in need and show love to all they meet.

Let us also ask for God's forgiveness and blessing and give thanks for His son Jesus who saved us. Amen

DEDICATION OF REMEMBRANCE GARDEN

The dedication of our Remembrance Garden will take place immediately after the morning service on Sunday 2nd November.

FROM THE MANSE... Moderator calls for unity



The Moderator of the General Assembly is calling for unity among the Scottish people following the record 84.6% turnout in the referendum vote. The Right Rev John Chalmers hopes people will come together to celebrate the success of the democratic process. In the coming days, he is calling on Scots to pledge to work with one another and move the discussion on from "US and "THEM" to only "US".

Speaking after the result of the poll the Moderator said: "Today I particularly care about those who feel as if they are on the wrong side of this outcome. So, I expect those on the winning side to go out of their way to avoid triumphalism and to be inclusive in their plans for Scotland's future, and to take the time to assure those who are anxious, disappointed and down that they understand how they must feel."

"Let's take heart from the fact that the people of Scotland have shown in overwhelming numbers they are ready to discuss their future aspirations. Let's keep it that way and not hand the game back to the professional politicians to do it all for us." We stand at an important moment in the life of our nation; individuals with contrasting feelings: some will be elated and some will be desperately disappointed. The result is a triumph for some and a defeat for others, and it will take a force of magnanimity and graciousness to find a way of harnessing the energy of opposing sides and bringing it to bear on a shared future.

There is, however, an extraordinary opportunity here; for, when the parties to any dispute decide that it's time to move on; and particularly when those who have been opponents decide to pool their resources and work together - then something extremely powerful can happen.

In the Bible there is a potent story about twin boys named Jacob and Esau; early in the story the first born, Esau, sells his birth-right to Jacob for some bread and soup and then some years later Jacob snatches his father's blessing from under his brother's nose. When Esau finds out he is described as "seething with anger against his brother". But Jacob is warned by his mother that Esau is out for vengeance, and so he flees. These two brothers begin a life of distant estrangement.

There is little in the story that follows to prepare you for what happens next; for while we may be familiar with the parting of the ways of Jacob and Esau, we are less familiar with the story of their reconciliation.

Fate was to bring the two of them back together. Now, in anticipation of their meeting Jacob was deeply fearful; but when the meeting with Esau actually took place, Jacob discovers a magnanimity which allows difference to be set aside and a grace that puts vengeance away; remarkably - Esau runs to meet him, throws his arms around his neck and they weep.

And then - Esau says, "Let us journey on our way, and I will go alongside you".

There may be very little in the story of this campaign to prepare us for the idea that opponents might now agree to travel alongside one another, but I sincerely believe that fellow Scots to fellow Scots will offer such grace to one another. The untold energy of people who love Scotland and care about its future has been used on both sides of this debate. Neither side promised 'utopia' or 'unity' but now that it has been settled we have to find a way of harnessing all that energy. And, make no mistake about it, such magnanimity will release enormous creativity and Scotland's future will be safe.

Wishing you all God's Blessings, *Sandra*

Editor's Extras...

Here we go again! The organisations have started their new term and the holidays are all but over. In addition to all the very successful events mentioned in the September issue a new Youth Club is underway. So, more and more events and clubs "outside" the Church are being held in the halls - a good community link. However, the Church itself must continue if we wish to be a centre of activity.

Therefore, each year is important to us financially and with regard to Stewardship of our facilities. Let us take a look at any "bullet points" the Church may highlight taking an interest in its progress. Have faith, take heart, take part. Thanks!

CONGREGATIONAL FINANCE
"We Give Thee But Thine Own"
INCOME & EXPENDITURE REPORT (August 2014)

<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	<u>Aug</u>	<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	<u>Aug</u>
Offerings	10,700	Salaries and Wages	4,081
<i>Last year offering</i>	<i>8,945</i>	Ministries & Mission	7,433
Difference +/- %	-19.62%	Relief Organist	120
YTD Difference +/- %	-2.40%	BT - Manse	55
Queens Baton Grant/Party	250	Phone - Office	141
Zumba	45	Business Stream - Water	342
Funeral Donation	340	GCC Council Tax	379
Baptism Donation	40	Queens Baton Relay Grant	500
Stewardship Initiative	1712	CofS Insurance	468
Printing	15	Scottish Hydro Elec - Gas	142
Coffee Morning - Sunday	123	GCC Refuse Sacks	150
		Cleaning Supplies	73
<u>Soc & Fund Committee</u>		Presbytery Dues	1,644
Bookstall	20	Edit Websites	13
		CCLI (Music License)	686
		Christie Lamp	194
		FWO Donation Envelopes	288
		<u>Fabric Fund</u>	
		British Gas - Boiler Service	20
TOTAL INCOME	<u>13,245</u>	TOTAL EXPEND	<u>16,729</u>
Unrestricted Funds Def	3,484	<i>Unrestricted Funds Surplus</i>	-
<i>Restricted Funds Def</i>	-	<i>Restricted Funds Surplus</i>	-
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Money coming into the Church during August was £13,245 whereas money paid out was £16,729. One off annual costs in August include CCLI fees £686 and the FWO donation envelopes £288. Also four monthly costs for Presbytery Dues of £1,644. Stewardship Initiative unused funds for £1,590 were returned to the bank account.

The Finance Committee

Kirk Session & Congregational Board

For the first time, the meeting of Session and Board was held on the same night. This is to allow business to be transacted without any delay. It was a successful trial, completed to time and sets the scene for the immediate future. After the Kirk Session had rededicated itself for a further year, the main topic for discussion was the intention to hold a Congregational Convention, for all ages, using the history of the Church as a guide to benefit the future.

The Congregational Board welcomed two new members, Faye Walker and Kath Graham. We wish them both every blessing as they continue on their journey of faith in Kings Park. The Board discussed the financial and property aspects of the Church. The former can be found in the magazine elsewhere. The latter was mainly concerned with security, refurbishment and repairs within the Church environment with value for money being the main criterion. It was also agreed that a new computer for the office be sourced, this would be appropriately financed from Isabel McPhedran's legacy money.

TEXTILE COLLECTION

Our twice yearly textile collection will take place from the morning of **Sunday 19th October** until the evening of **Thursday 23rd October** inclusive. All donations of clothing, bedding, curtains etc. will be gratefully received at the Church any time during this period. There will be collection bags available at the Church, however, if you have textiles already in bin bags then we will be happy to take them as they are. The Church will be open weekdays as usual from 9am until 12 noon and from 6.30pm until 9pm. If you have a donation and would find it difficult to get it to the Church please contact me on 647 4447 and we will be happy to collect it from you. A donation by weight of collection will be made to the Church so every item, no matter how worn you think it is will be extremely valuable to us!

Lynda Young, Social & Fundraising Committee

Ian Thomas McDonald McCulloch
18.11.32 – 14.7.14

He was a true gentleman, loving, kind and caring. He was easy going and gentle. He would help anyone and was loved by everyone. Ian's smile just lit up a room, being happy and contented with life.

Ian was born on the 18th November 1932 in Rotten Row Maternity Hospital here in Glasgow, to Mark and Helen McCulloch. He was the youngest of 5 sons, growing up with elder brothers Duncan, Robert, Mark and David. They lived in Ibrox and used to peep over the wall to watch the then Mighty Rangers play.

Tragedy struck the family when Ian was only 7 years old, with both his parents dying within 6 months of each other. David and Ian went to live in Quarrier's Home in Bridge-of-Weir. Quarrier's, Edith Christian made a big impression on Ian, teaching Ian to bake and clean the cooker after him. Ian was very proud of being Dux Medallist of Quarrier's school. At Christmas, Easter and Hallowe'en, Ian would return to Cottage 33 in Quarrier's, to help arrange any party by the Old Boys, their wives and family, treating the children who were living in Quarrier's to fireworks, sweets and presents. In fact it was one of the first places Ian took Margaret to visit when they started going out, explaining who the house parents were and who lived in each cottage.

At 16, Ian left Quarrier's to go to Drumbreck Road, and from there he got his own house in Carnarvon Street. Ian started working with Harland and Wolfe in the shipyards as an apprentice electrician. Whilst at an open air Gospel Meeting in Sauchiehall Street, Ian met a young lady dressed from head to toe in green, including a green feather in her hat. Ian walked Margaret all the way from Sauchiehall Street to Rutherglen and as he had missed the last tram back had to walk all the way back into town too. Ian and Margaret got married on the 17th July 1953, in Woodlands Road Church of Scotland. Ian and Margaret enjoyed 60 very happy years of married life together. They went overseas on honeymoon ... to Rothesay! and then set up home in Carnarvon Street. In 1952/53 Ian went to do National Service, stationed firstly in Colchester and then to Cyprus being a Royal Signal Man.

Ian and Margaret were blessed with a beautiful daughter, Marion in March 1955, of whom they are very proud. Ian qualified as an electrician but when Marion was 5 Ian was paid off and got a job with the Prudential Insurance, where he was an agent for a few years. When the shipyard's strikes hit, Margaret went out to work as a cashier in McLachlan's the Butchers. As Margaret worked on a Saturday Ian and Marion would have the day out, travelling to Rothesay, Ayr and all over.

For Ian and Margaret's 25th wedding anniversary the family had a gathering in Stewarton and Ian and Margaret went to visit Ian's elder brother and sister-in-law in Canada, which was a fantastic holiday. They also enjoyed umpteen holidays abroad, travelling to Spain, Greece, Italy, Sicily, Malta and New Zealand.

The family then did a house exchange to Princess Street and then to Fernhill in Rutherglen. They bought their first house in Barrhead in 1967. They then bought a farm cottage in Stewarton, having a dog called Flash which Margaret got at a Tupperware Party! From here they moved to Paisley then Cambuslang before settling in Kingsknowe Drive in 1995.

Professionally Ian moved back to the shipyards to Alexander Steven's and then onto Yarrow's in Scotstoun, before taking early retirement.

Ian's faith has always been central to his life, becoming an elder in King's Park on 21st February 1999 being faithful and committed in his district in Curtis Avenue and Bankhead Road. He has been an active member of the choir for 12 years, a member and secretary of the Men's Carpet Bowls, the 4M Club as well as helping Alan Thomson photocopying the Church Magazine.

He also managed to fit in being a member of Overtoun Bowling Club and was a past Master of St John's Lodge 347.

For Ian and Margaret's Golden Wedding Anniversary they renewed their vows on the Bridge of a Ship with the Captain in the Mediterranean. Their Diamond Wedding last year was arranged by Marion, Bob, Craig and Gail, in Old Meldrum. They then enjoyed two days at the Hilton in Dunkeld with Marion and Bob.

Ian will be greatly missed by all those who were touched by his life, especially his many girlfriends, his life finding its completion with his Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE GUILD



At this time of writing, our new session has not yet begun, but I would just like to mention some of our forthcoming events. Our Annual Guild Dedication Service will take place on Sunday 12th October at 11am, and it would be really good if all the Guild members could sit together near the front of the Church for this special service. The Guild will once again hold a special Tuesday Coffee Morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Care. This will be held on Tuesday 14th October from 10am until 12 noon in the Iona Hall, entry by donation. All are welcome, so please come along and support this very worthy cause. Our Annual Charity Night will take place on Wednesday 12th November at 7.30pm in the Large Hall. This time, the entertainment will be the Close Shave Barber Shop Chorus, which, I am told, is an excellent choir. Tickets will be available nearer the time, and will be priced at £3.50 each. The proceeds will go to our two chosen projects, which are Crossreach Heart for Art and Mary's Meals. Please do come along and enjoy the entertainment.

The Syllabus for November is as follows:

Nov 5 2pm Project - Crossreach Heart for Art - Paula Pinda
 Nov 12 7.30pm Charity Night - Close Shave Barber Shop Chorus
 Nov 19 2pm Women at War - Mr David Wright
 Nov 26 2pm The Alhambra Theatre, Glasgow - Graeme Smith
 As always, a warm welcome will be extended to anyone who wishes to come along to any of our meetings.

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, this service is for you. Call Rosemary on 639 7477 or simply drop in.

CHURCH HOUSE – AUTUMN UPDATE

The Commonwealth Games was the highlight of our summer this year. Our location, just down the road from the “Emirates,” gave us a bird’s eye view of all the preparations, excitement and enjoyment of all that went on. The sun shone and the atmosphere around us was electric.

We had, through More Than Gold, a mission team made up of people from America, Canada, England, Australia and Singapore and we had themed activities of arts ‘n’ crafts, games, cooking and sports. Between the young people, the mission team and our volunteers, we had a great time - thanks to all who helped.

We are delighted to report that one of our families participated in a joint residential holiday on Iona. This was organised by the Priority Areas and families from various similar areas to ours were invited to share together in this fantastic opportunity. Feedback from our own family was that everyone had a great time and new friendships were made.

Our parent and toddler group is now beginning to grow with new parents joining us. The parents have been involved in planning their own programme, leading themselves and also working in partnership with other organisations e.g. NHS and Transformation Team. Thanks to the parents for continuing to support this group.

We are also delighted to report that, thanks to the Church of Scotland’s “Go for It” fund, we secured a grant to employ a Project Manager to work with us in moving towards our future plans of an Integrated Family Support Centre. Her name is Angela Molloy and she began in late August. All at Church House welcome her and wish her every blessing and every success.

Please remember us in your prayers and if you’re interested in volunteering just give Margaret or Angela a call on 0141 554 8045



BB NEWS

Both Junior and Company Sections are making their way slowly into the 2014-15 session. This month sees the Junior Section Footballers getting ready for the Cathkin District 7-a-side League and their progress will be reported on throughout the season. Meanwhile the Company Section will be preparing for the various District and Battalion Badge Awards which lie in the future. Both sections are still in a position to welcome any boy in the 8-11 years for the Junior Section and boys 11-17 years in the Company Section.

Ian Livingstone RO

CARPET BOWLS

The 2014-15 games are well under way and even with the good weather some of our outdoor players have turned up and two of our players who were hospitalised last season arrived, one played a game and the other has played a number of times. Glad to see them back. During October the aggregate will start and the draws for the singles and pairs will be made so there is time to join and take part or play the bounce games.

Jim Riddell

“FROCK SWAP” CHARITY EVENING!

Date for your Diary ... We are hosting a charity fundraising evening in February 2015 in King's Park Church. Entry fee will be £10 on the night and it will be B.Y.O.B. Prior to the event, donations of good quality new/pre-loved clothes, shoes, bags, hats or jewellery all gratefully accepted. You can hand them in at the church in the New Year – dates to follow...

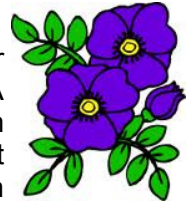
THE ART CLUB

The Art Club starts back on Saturday 4th October 9am –12noon. New members welcome. We are holding an exhibition and sale on 25th October 10am-12 noon. Entry Free! There will be tea, coffee and home baking available, where a donation to Erskine Hospital would be welcome. Come and see what we get up to on a Saturday morning. *M.R.*

Thanks . . .

I would like to thank the Reverend Sandra Boyd for her kind words and prayers when my husband Jim died. A special thank you to Raymond Jenkins who visited Jim so often while he was in hospital and was such a great comfort to me and my family. Thank you to Ian Livingstone, friends and neighbours for their cards of sympathy and flowers.

Marjorie Smith & Family



We would like to thank everyone who supported us in “Nancy and Ian’s One Pound Challenge”. Nancy successfully completed the three mile Alzheimer Scotland Memory Walk in Pollok Estate on a glorious Indian Summer’s day on 21st September. Ian, with kind help from Ann McNeice, met his part of the challenge by getting well over the 100 sponsors sought. As at 21st September we have raised just over £300 for Alzheimer Scotland. When the final amount is known a note of the total will be displayed on the noticeboard at the slope leading to the office and vestry. Thanks again to everyone for their wonderful and touching support.

Nancy & Ian Tomney

Our Harvest Thanksgiving Service took place on Sunday 21st September. A huge thank you to everyone who donated flowers, those who delivered the flowers and those who made our Church so beautiful on the day. Thank you to our Session Clerk, Alan Pratt for all his organising.

I wish to thank everybody for their interest in My Book of Poems to date and their donations. As I started this later than other “investors” and to avoid disappointment I am happy to take any orders from interested parties at £5 a copy.

With Hope, Wilson

The Macmillan Coffee Morning on Monday 22nd September raised the sum of £659.92, and over the year, the fantastic total amounted to £1,787.38. Many thanks to those who helped raise this sum and attended the Coffee Morning.

The Mews Residents

WOMEN OF THE BIBLE

Ruth

Unlike Esther who was a woman of great power, Ruth was a more ordinary person who followed God even though the nation of Israel was abandoning God. Her story took place during the period of the Judges when Israel faced moral decline, foreign attacks and national chaos.

Ruth (a friend) was a Moabitess, the wife of Mahlon, whose father Elimelech, had settled in the land of Moab. On the death of Elimelech and Mahlon, Naomi came with Ruth, her daughter-in-law, who refused to leave her, to Bethlehem, the old home from which Elimelech had emigrated. There, she had a rich relative, Boaz, to whom Ruth was eventually married. She became the mother of Obed, the Grandfather of David. Thus Ruth, a Gentile, is among the maternal Progenitors of our Lord (Matt 1:5). The story of "the gleaner Ruth" illustrates the friendly relationship between Boaz and his reapers, the Jewish land system, the method of transferring property from one person to another, the working of the Mosaic Law for the relief of distressed and ruined families; but, above all, handing down the unselfishness, the brave love, the unshaken trustfulness who, though not of the chosen race, was, like the Canaanitess Tamar (Gen 38:29; Matt 1:3) and Rahab (Matt 1:5), privileged to become the ancestors of David and the son of "Great David's Greater Son" (Ruth 4:18-22).

Book of Ruth

This book was originally a part of the Book of Judges, but it now forms one of the twenty-four separate books of the Hebrew Bible. The history it contains refers to a period perhaps one hundred and twenty six years before the birth of David. It gives (1) an account of Naomi's going to Moab with her husband Elimelech and of her subsequent return to Bethlehem with her daughter-in-law; (2) the marriage of Boaz and Ruth; and (3) the birth of Obed, from who David sprang.

The author of this book was probably Samuel, according to Jewish tradition. "Brief as this book is, and simple as is its story, it is remarkably rich in examples of faith, patience, industry and kindness, nor less so in indications of the care God takes in the trust of those who put their trust in Him". Worth a read.



50 Glorious Years

Our warmest congratulations go to
Mr and Mrs Kathleen & Douglas Smith
who celebrated their Golden Wedding
Anniversary on 3rd August 2014
We wish them both every Blessing.



50 Glorious Years

Our warmest congratulations go to
Mr and Mrs Iain & Patricia MacDougal
who celebrated their Golden Wedding
Anniversary on 22nd August 2014
We wish them both every Blessing.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

OCTOBER

Sat 4 th	4-6pm Messy Church
Sun 5 th	11am Morning Worship 6.30pm Evening Worship with Praise Band
Mon 6 th	7pm-9pm Bible Study, Chapters 8&9 <i>The Shack</i>
Tue 7 th	7pm-9pm KP Chicks with the St Andrew's Ambulance in Lesser Hall
Sun 12 th	11am Morning Worship with Guild Dedication 6.30pm Evening Worship
Mon 13 th	7pm-9pm Bible Study, Chapters 10&11 <i>The Shack</i>
Wed 15 th	6.30pm Prayer Group in Lounge 7pm - Kirk Session 8pm - Congregational Board
Sun 19 th	9.45am Early Morning Worship 11am Morning Worship

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Mon 20 th	7pm-9pm Bible Study, Chapters 12&13 <i>The Shack</i>
Sun 26 th	9.45am Early Morning Worship 11am Morning Worship including the Sacrament of Baptism
Mon 27 th	7pm-9pm Bible Study in St Mungo Hall
Tue 28 th	7.30pm Local Churches Together Meeting Toryglen Church
Thur 30 th	12noon—2pm Lunch Club
Fri 31 st	10.30am Dementia Cafe

NOVEMBER

Sat 1 st	4-6pm Messy Church
Sun 2 nd	11am Morning Worship with BB Founders' Day Parade. Garden of Remembrance Dedication after the Service 7pm Local Churches Together Pie, Peas & Pictures Night Tickets £5 " <i>The Hiding Place</i> " – <i>With the WWII Nazi invasion of Holland, the ten Boom family joins the underground resistance to help save persecuted Jewish Families. But when they are arrested and imprisoned in concentration camps themselves, they're left with nothing to cling to but their faith.</i>