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"He is Risen!"

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

"1930-2023 - 93 Years of Spiritual Service"

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CONGREGATIONAL REGISTER
ADMISSION BY RESOLUTION OF THE KIRK SESSION

We welcome two new communicants, Mrs Jacqueline Cumming and Mr Jim McIntyre into King's Park Church. May they find the peace and grace of the Lord within our midst.

AT REST

"I am the Resurrection and the Life"

15 Feb	Miss Isabelle Mason, The Mews, Castlemilk Road
21 Feb	Mr Robert Grubb, Curtis Avenue
23 Feb	Mrs Nancy Tomney, Kingslynn Drive
15 Mar	Mrs Margaret McCulloch, Kingsknowe Drive

Prayer Focus..

Father God

We did not ask Jesus to spend forty days in the wilderness, but he did it for us. We did not ask Jesus to hang on the cross, but he did it for us. We did not ask Jesus to suffer and die, but he did it for us. Gracious God, we give thanks that your Son died so we will have everlasting life. You do not want us to suffer, surrounding us with your ever loving arms, bringing comfort and peace. Let us celebrate Easter with a glad heart. We do this for you Lord.

Hear our Prayer. Amen

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Please note: there will be no prayer group on Easter Monday, 10th April.

CHURCH MAGAZINE

The annual subscription for the magazine is now due. Please note, if you receive the magazine via email, there is no cost. However, during these difficult times, if you receive the magazine by post, to meet costs, we would be grateful if you could either send a cheque for £7 payable to King's Park Church, to Ms Ann McNeice, 21 Ardmay Crescent, Glasgow G44 4PU or transfer £7 to King's Park Bank Account, sort code: 82-63-31, account number: 50335056 quoting reference: KP Magazine. Please note if you receive Life and Work, this costs £3 per month, £36 per year.

If further information is required, please contact Ann on 632 2951.

Dear Friends

I'm so appreciating the opportunity to get to know some of the King's Park congregation a wee bit better during my time with you. I've really enjoyed the welcome I've received, and the time to see some of the ways that you live out your faith in a spirit of generosity and inclusion.

As I write, we're close to the Glasgow Presbytery Plan being finalised and sent to Edinburgh for agreement. As things stand, when that all happens, we'll be able to begin the process of finding a minister for King's Park over the next few years at least while closer links are developed with the congregation of Croftfoot. I look forward to helping with that, and to seeing the congregation develop its witness in the community as I know you are seeking to do.

When that is all in place, I'll have a little more time to tend my garden. Sadly in January, on icy roads, two cars ploughed through my fence and created havoc, and I'm still waiting for the insurers to sort it out, so repairs and renewals can get me back on track. Realistically, it will take some months to get things back as they should be, as the shed and garden studio suffered fatal damage. Of course, the important thing is that no-one was hurt, especially as one of the drivers was in an advanced state of pregnancy, and had to have a reassuring scan. And if I can't get everything as I would want this year, God is still trying to teach me patience, presumably because I need it!

It's an inconvenience, rather than a crisis, and I am well aware that people, including some in the congregation, will be encountering challenges far more pressing and severe. Please be assured that your church cares about what is going on for you, and will help in any way it can - so don't hesitate to ask.

Meanwhile, as the days lengthen and hopefully some warmth will follow, may you enjoy the light of God's creation in the weeks and months ahead.

Rev Ian Galloway (Interim Moderator and Locum)

CONGREGATIONAL FINANCE*"We Give Thee But Thine Own"***FINANCE REPORT - 2023**

	<u>JAN</u>	<u>FEB</u>
<u>INCOME</u>	£	
Offerings & Donations	7,888	6,653
Gift Aid Income	3,944	-
Hall Hire Income	95	1,050
Rental income	517	517
Charitable collections	911	947
Other regular Monthly Income	445	2,811
Total Month's Income	<u>13,800</u> =====	<u>11,978</u> =====
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		
Regular Monthly Costs	10,846	11,324
Charitable Donations	762	1,301
Property maintenance & repairs	2,149	78
Total Month's Payments	<u>13,757</u> =====	<u>12,703</u> =====
Monthly Income vs Expenditure	43	-725

Thank you ...

We would like to thank all of our friends in the congregation for their cards, calls, prayers and support following Nancy's death. Thanks to Raymond for conducting the funeral and to all those who attended; the whole family were touched by the large number of people who joined us on the day. The retiral offerings on the day raised an outstanding £866 for Alzheimer Scotland.



Ian, Hilary and Andrew Tomney

BLAST FROM THE PAST - A RESPONSE

Hellen Conn!



King's Park Percussion Band

The article on the above subject, in the last issue of the magazine, brough back happy recollections. I was a member of The Band for four years (1944-48); as I recall, at that time, the weekly meetings were held in the Infants' Classroom in King's Park Senior Secondary School, and, later, transferred to the 'wooden hall' at King's Park Church.

Each year, a concert was held in the Couper Institute (later, moving to King's Park Church Hall). Of course, all friends, grandparents, aunties etc were expected to buy tickets.

Apart from the musical pieces played by the band, various members sang solo pieces, duets etc plus poetry recitations, usually by those who had attended elocution lessons! There was an 'outing' to Ayr each year which seems, in retrospect, to have been quite a brave venture on John Govan's part (with 30+ children) although his sister and her family accompanied us on some occasions - long term memories can be deceptive!

Nonetheless, the memories were of a happy childhood experience with our friends in the Band!

Hellen Conn

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK, this year is 14 – 20 May. If you're lucky enough to be someone who follows "social media", look out for posts on the church's Facebook page reminding us about Christian Aid and how to offer financial support during its most important annual fundraising event, by donating online, directly to Christian Aid.



This year, we will be delivering 'delivery – only' CA envelopes to the parish, so will be looking for volunteers to get these out, to give folks in our parish the opportunity to donate to Christian Aid. We will also have some church collection envelopes available to those attending worship in the church on Sunday 14 May, the CAW launch.

If you're not "on-line" and can't get to that service, for whatever reason, you can still donate to Christian Aid by sending a cheque, made payable to "Christian Aid", at the church address (on the front page of this magazine) and mark it for the attention of Alan Pratt. In addition, if you are a UK taxpayer, please confirm this on the back of the cheque with a note of your name and address - this will allow Christian Aid to reclaim tax from the Government, thereby increasing your donation by 25%.

What about the "ETC" - One of the regular and familiar CA annual events is the Erskine Bridge Walk, always attended enthusiastically by King's Park volunteers. Unfortunately, this popular and financially successful fundraiser has again been abandoned this year, but to alleviate this loss, our intrepid 'steppers', old Raymond & young Alan, are challenging each other to take 300,000 steps during the month of May. If you would like to support this challenge, you can go to their JustGiving page at [Alan Pratt is fundraising for Christian Aid \(justgiving.com\)](http://AlanPratt.is.fundraising.for.Christian.Aid.justgiving.com) - www.justgiving.com/page/alan-pratt5 or add your details and monetary pledge to the hard copy sponsor forms in the church office and at the church doors, or send a cheque, made payable to King's Park Church, to the church address, marked 'STEPS', by the end of May. **All proceeds will be added to the church's Christian Aid Week donations.**

Your gifts this Christian Aid Week could help farmers in Malawi plant better seeds, secure a fairer price for their crops, and build happier futures for their children.

Please give generously.



AN EVENING OF PRAISE AND WORSHIP

Led by Jonathan Buchan and an
augmented Choir here in the Church
On SUNDAY 30TH APRIL 2023

At 6.30pm

There will be a retiring collection split equally between Glasgow
Children's Hospital Charity and Baby Loss Retreat

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

APRIL

Sun 2nd	11am Morning Worship, Palm Sunday
Thur 6th	7.30pm Maundy Thursday Worship with Communion
Fri 7th	7.30pm Good Friday Worship
Sat 8th	4pm Messy Easter
Sun 9th	8am, Easter Morning Service in Kings Park
Sun 9th	11am Easter Sunday Worship
Sun 16th	11am Morning Worship
Sun 23rd	11am Morning Worship
Sun 30th	11am Morning Worship
Sun 30th	6.30pm 'Sing for Joy' Evening of Praise and Worship

MAY

Sun 7th	11am Morning Worship
Sun 14th	11am Morning Worship, start of Christian Aid Week
Sun 21st	11am Morning Worship
Sun 28th	11am Morning Worship