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**THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**  
**“Suffer the Little Children to Come Unto Me”**

26 January

Tycho Wallace

**AT REST**

**“I am the Resurrection and the Life”**

20 November

Marion McPhie

5 December

Janette Blair

18 January

John Stewart

***Prayer Focus..***

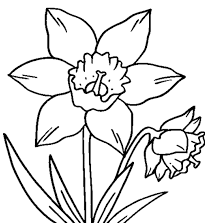
Dear Lord, as we look forward to our calendar of events we remember and give thanks for all the volunteers. As our community changes and develops help us to seek new ways of doing things. We remember our kirk session as they meet in February and March and prepare for Lent and Easter.

Hear our Prayer. Amen  
 gaerataylor@btinternet.com

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**

Our church is holding the world day of prayer on 7th March from 1.30pm to 2.30pm. There will be tea and coffee afterwards. Please join us, along with our friends from other churches in our area, all are welcome.

*Gaera Taylor*



**FLOWER FUND**

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

## Message 'fae' the Manse

Hello friends

One of the most popular TV shows in recent years has been the BBC production *The Traitors*. Contestants known as 'faithful' take part in a series of challenges hoping to share a substantial cash prize between those who are left at the end. There are, however, 'traitors' in their midst, who will do anything and everything they can to eliminate the faithful and claim the prize for themselves. It is an interesting concept, as we watch the two groups of people all trying to prove to the others that they are faithful, which most of them are, in order to stay in the game, and the deliberations the faithful go through in trying to identify a traitor who will lie to their faces claiming to be a faithful.

I wonder how good we would be at trying to uncover a traitor? Would we believe them when they promise us they are a faithful, or would we know that they were lying? Well, we may never end up on that TV programme, but as Christians, we may find ourselves in situations where we have to test whether or not something is from God and whether it will help or harm us. And it could be anything from something promised to us or a decision that we make in our spiritual journey with God.

So, how do we know if it is from God? Thankfully we don't need to make that decision ourselves. One of the gifts of the Holy Spirit, listed in 1 Corinthians 12, that we looked at recently is the ability to distinguish between spirits, to know if something is really from God. We are also told in 1 John 4 that we are to test the spirits, to see whether they are from God or from another source.

God really does want to bless us through his promises, however, we still need to be careful and check that what we think, or hope what is from him really is from him. God would never do anything to harm us, but the bible tells us that there are spirits that will try to deceive and trick us and that ultimately could cause us harm. So, if you aren't sure if something is from God or not, test it, and ask God for wisdom, discernment and guidance to help you know the truth.

Whilst we may never come face to face with a traitor, we can, through the leading of the Holy Spirit, continue on the path that God has laid out for us, confident that we are going the correct way and that he is right by our side.

Your friend in Christ  
Stuart

**CONGREGATIONAL FINANCE**  
*"We Give Thee But Thine Own"*  
**FINANCE REPORT - 2024**

	<u>NOV</u>	<u>DEC</u>
<b><u>INCOME</u></b>	<b>£</b>	
Offerings & Donations	12,747	8,824
Bazaar (including repayment of floats)	-	3,976
Hall Hire Income	750	885
Rental income	517	517
Magazine subscriptions	-	10
Charitable collections	60	606
Other regular Monthly Income	60	1,055
<b>Total Month's Income</b>	<b><u>14,134</u></b> =====	<b><u>15,873</u></b> =====
<b><u>EXPENDITURE</u></b>		
Regular Running Costs	14,240	13,429
Charitable Donations	60	874
Property maintenance & repairs	56	64
<b>Total Month's Payments</b>	<b><u>14,356</u></b> =====	<b><u>14,367</u></b> =====
<b>Monthly Receipts vs Payments Surplus</b>	<b>-222</b>	<b>1,506</b>

**CHURCH MAGAZINE and LIFE AND WORK**

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Please note if you receive Life and Work, this costs £3.50 per month, £42 per year. If further information is required, please contact Ann on 632 2951.

## **SOCIAL & FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE**

The social & fundraising committee has started up again.

The committee would like to welcome you to some new and exciting events that are happening soon. Please put the following dates in your diary so that you don't miss out on the fun. We are having a Ceilidh

Date: Friday 21st February 2025

Time: 7 pm - 9.30 pm

Place: large hall

Cost: £6.00

Food: Pie or Sausage Roll, tea/coffee & Shortbread

Tickets from the committee members, Tuesday coffee morning or on Sunday morning. Thank you for your continued support and look forward to seeing you on the 21st February.

We will also have a penguin drive 4th April 2025 more details to follow.

Can I take this opportunity to thank everyone for the kind donations to our Star Appeal for Crisis Scotland this year and to all those who donated to our 'Gifts for our Church', they were all very much appreciated.

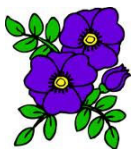
*Margaret Mills on behalf of the Social & Fundraising*

## **COMMUNITY CAROLS**

Not unexpectedly due to the time of year, the icy rain was pouring and the wind was howling, however, a few brave souls from King's Park and St Oswald's turned out to sing Christmas carols outside Hamptons while Santa paid a visit to the children. It was a lovely, if not cold, community event. Thank you to everyone who came along.



## Thank you...



We would like to thank Raymond for his visit and church flowers. Also thank you to Ian Tomney for his visit and support following Andy's sudden death .

*Janette , Gordon and Kenneth Ireland*

A huge thank you to everyone who helped at the Christmas Bazaar. To those who helped set up and clear away tables, to stall holders, tea pourers, home bakers and everyone in between. Thank you for donations and prizes, but most of all, thank you to everyone who came to support our church.

*Norah & Jonathan Buchan, Bazaar Convenors*

The church would like to thank Lesley and Andrew Tierney for their very kind donation of a wheelchair which is in excellent condition. We are grateful to be able to use this when required, in memory of Mary M Belch 1929-2024.

*Raymond*

## KIRK SESSION UPDATE

Over the next few weeks and months you may hear talk of the Local Church Review (LCR). This is where Glasgow Presbytery conduct a review of our congregation, usually every five years, and 2025 is our year! The purpose of the review is to support us in setting out our priorities and plans for at least the next five years, including completing and submitting paperwork outlining our five marks of mission and our statistical information. This will allow us to produce a realistic action plan for nurturing the congregation and reaching out to the community. It will include a visit by a team appointed by the Presbytery who will meet Stuart and me as well as Elders and members of the congregation. It is an exciting time and more updates will be provided from the pulpit and magazine, so watch this space.

Those eagle eyed among you may have noticed that the Annual General Meeting is not mentioned in this edition of the magazine, this will be held later in the year due to extended deadlines from the Church of Scotland and again, will be intimated from the pulpit and magazine.

We were thrilled to learn we have been awarded a 'Let Glasgow Flourish Award' by the Incorporation of Gardeners of Glasgow. There will be a presentation at the Trades Hall in February, more news in the next edition!

*Lynda, Session Clerk*

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY****FEBRUARY**

Sunday 2nd	11.00am	Morning Worship, Sunday School social
Sunday 9th	11.00am	Morning Worship, celebrating our 95th birthday
Sunday 16th	11.00am	Morning Worship
Saturday 21st	7.00pm	Ceilidh
Sunday 23rd	11.00am	Morning Worship
Wednesday 26th	7.00pm	Kirk Session in Lesser Hall

**MARCH**

Sunday 2nd	11.00am	Morning Worship
Friday 7th	1.30pm	World Day of Prayer
Sunday 9th	11.00am	Morning Worship celebrating the Sacrament of Holy Communion
Sunday 16th	11.00am	Morning Worship
Wednesday 19th	7.00pm	Kirk Session in Lesser Hall
Sunday 23rd	11.00am	Morning Worship
Sunday 30th	11.00am	Morning Worship

**BAZAAR QUIZ ANSWERS**

For those who took part in our Bazaar Quiz, the answers are below and well done to our winner, Laura Cameron!

1	In Church all day	KIRKCALDY
2	Saucy Harbour	PORTSOY
3	Mother and Baby okay	BOTHWELL
4	Shout!!	YELL
5	The Ned's favourite tippie	BUCKIE
6	Spanish Spirit	ELGIN
7	A chef on the cheap	PENICUIK
8	Talking about a part of the body	TONGUE
9	Transport for an aquatic animal	OTTER FERRY
10	Sounds like trouble far away in 1982	FALKLAND
11	Frank and Bancroft	ANNAN
12	Shoot new spouse in Lanarkshire	EAST KILBRIDE
13	A very hot, fine little village	FURNACE
14	A musical instrument	TYNDRUM
15	A place for young women	MAIDENS
16	Perhaps vehicles can get up these?	CARSTAIRS
17	Attractive crossing	BONNYBRIDGE
18	Handsome Richard	BRODICK
19	Heard on the battlefield	SHOTTS
20	Baby sound with a holiday sweet	GOUROCK
21	Bald folk may live here?	WIGTOWN
22	Whipping the young ovine	LAMLASH
23	A fine example down under	BUTE
24	People watching	LEUCHERS
25	Runner Farah has put on weight	MOFFAT