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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR "GIFTS FOR JESUS"**

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

***"The special people God has placed in your life  
today are there for a reason. Treasure them  
moment by moment".***

***See Proverbs 17:17***

***1930-2016—86 Years of Spiritual Service***

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## CONGREGATIONAL REGISTER

No of Communicants on Roll = 577

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

“Suffer the Little Children to Come Unto Me”

20 Dec Grace Faulkner Green

### AT REST

“I am the Resurrection and the Life”

13th Dec Mr Ivan Edgar, Ardmory Place  
 23rd Dec Mrs Chris MacKenzie, King's Park Avenue  
 24th Dec Mrs Margaret McKinnon, Millbrae Gardens  
 18th Jan Mrs Allison McInnes, Curtis Avenue  
 20th Jan Mr Alan Haining, King's View

### **Prayer Focus**

Heavenly Father, we pray for all those who are members of our Church, especially those who have had a long or difficult journey; that they may experience a sense of peace and calm. We pray for those who have the desire to help others in need, either spiritually or in practical ways in order to spread your message into our community. We pray for the future of our Church and hope that through Pilot Light, our Minister and Kirk Session will produce a productive and forward looking plan, In Jesus' Name. Amen.



**FROM THE MANSE. . .**

Dear Friends,

A very Happy New Year to you all! I'm so glad God is in control, that He's got a plan not just for the world or even His church but each one of our lives, but Stopping, listening, hearing and understanding God's plan, well that's another thing!

Prayer is the key that holds our relationship with God and His plan for us together. If we don't listen, we don't know the right road to follow, the right decision to make. So I challenge all of us to make time for God in our busy lives. Where is God calling you to serve Him in 2016?

We have 5 new communicants wishing to profess their faith in Jesus Christ on 7<sup>th</sup> Feb and we have 8 members undertaking Eldership Training to investigate God's path for their lives, these being very important and life changing steps.

In February we are embarking on the Pilot Light project with Path of Renewal, which may involve rethinking how we do church entirely. This is an opportunity to reflect, dream and follow the vision God has for us here in King's Park. It will involve change, and no doubt turbulence and turmoil for a while. It will be exhausting and exasperating for all of us but after the storm comes calm!

If like me you want to see King's Park Church grow and develop why not pray about it and see if God is calling you to be part of our Path of Renewal Team?

The reality in the Church of Scotland today is that churches are linking, uniting and even closing due to dropping commitment and attendance. We in King's Park Church are proud of our achievements and hopefully just as eager and enthusiastic about trying out new and exciting ways of being church in the years to come.

We could all sit back and moan about changing or we could get involved and be part of God's plan for his church and being his servants we need to be willing, enthusiastic and eager to serve Him.

Wishing you health, happiness and all God's Blessings for 2016,

*Sandra*



Don't worry  
my child.  
I have a plan  
for you.  
~ God

### **Editor's Extras...**

Well, have the batteries been recharged after Christmas or are we still recovering from the organisation and change that the festive season brings. I hope you were able to attend some or all of the Services, including the Remembrance Service, over the last two months and we thank the Minister, Pastoral Assistant and Worship Team for all their efforts. But a new year dawns and with it the considerations of our Church's future. The five year review, when Presbytery Representatives visited us, highlighted these. Even though as a Church our various activities are thriving, our numbers are declining and we must plan ahead together in 2016.

See you in Church.

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### **ATTESTATION OF ACCOUNTS**

This important meeting will take place on **Wednesday 2nd March**. The financial content of King's Park Church must be of interest to all members of the congregation and any ramifications discussed and debated if necessary. All trustees (Elders and Board Members) are invited to attend.

If you would like to share in supper at 6.30pm before the start of business at 7.30pm please let Jacqueline Coleman know before Wednesday 24th February at the very latest (647 7443).

### **Church Magazine/Life & Work**

The annual subscription for the above magazines is now due and should be given to your District Visitor at your earliest convenience. The amount is as follows:

Church Magazine £2.00      Life & Work £21.36

### **Large Print Copy**

A reminder that if you require a large print copy of the Church Magazine you should contact your magazine visitor to let them know. They will pass the information to myself. Thank you,

*Ann McNeice, Magazine Convenor*

**CONGREGATIONAL FINANCE**  
*"We Give Thee But Thine Own"*  
**FINANCE REPORT - December 2015**

	£ <u>Dec</u>
<b><u>Income</u></b>	
Offerings	8,985
Last Year Offerings	12,303
Difference +/-%	-26.97%
YTD Difference +/-%	-9.56%
Regular Monthly Income	716
Donation	1,000
ABRSM	982
<b>Total Month's Income</b>	<b>11,683</b>
<b><u>Costs</u></b>	
Regularly Monthly Costs	23,711
One off Costs	1,580
<b>Total Month's Costs</b>	<b>25,291</b>
<b>Monthly Income vs (Costs)</b>	<b>-13,608</b>

**Comments**

One off costs in December included repairs in church £1,350 and £129, Christmas supplies £33 and £68 for a loft ladder in the Manse.

*The Finance Committee*

## **THE GUILD**

The Guild now enters the second half of our current session, and we would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our members a very Happy and Healthy New Year.

Looking back to November 25<sup>th</sup>, we had a visit from two police officers, Michelle and Ross, from the Rutherglen Police Station. They came along to replace PC Richard Samson, who had previously visited our Guild to advise us on Safety in the Community. Once again we received good advice on how to stay safe.

On December 2<sup>nd</sup> we had our Christmas Celebrations, when we were entertained by Mr Ian Walker. The ladies liked the entertainment so much that they have requested that we ask him to return at some future date. This was followed by a meal at the Glasgow Indoor Bowling, which everyone enjoyed. We then had a half day outing on 9<sup>th</sup> December to Dobbies Garden Centre at Bearsden, followed by a tour of the Christmas lights, after which we stopped for our Christmas and New Year break

The second half of our session began on January 6<sup>th</sup> with a visit from our own minister, Rev Sandra Boyd. Sandra came along to show Part 2 of her cruise holiday. She “took” us to Florence, Rome and Venice and showed us some beautiful buildings and also some priceless works of art. This was enjoyed by all who came along.

The Rev George Lind visited the Guild on 13<sup>th</sup> January with a most interesting presentation on Breaking the Cycle of FGM, which is one of our projects for this session. The Christian organisation “Feed the Minds” is working in a region of Kenya, where this cruel procedure is still carried out, despite a law which was passed in 2011 to make it illegal. As this occurs because of social and cultural reasons, the aim of “Feed the Minds” is to raise awareness of this, and to re-educate the people concerned so that this practice may be ended. Mr Lind then asked us to sign a petition against FGM, after which he took a photo of us all.

P.T.O.

We were visited on 20<sup>th</sup> January by Miss Morag Reid from Queen's Park Church, who told us the story of the courageous Church of Scotland missionary, Jane Haining. Jane was working in Budapest, as house mother to several Jewish girls, when the Nazis invaded. She refused to abandon the girls in her care, so she was arrested and taken with the children to Auschwitz concentration camp, where she died in 1944. There are 2 lovely stained glass windows dedicated to her memory in Queen's Park Church, where she was once a member.

Our Annual Guild Coffee Morning will be held on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March from 10am until 12 noon in the large hall, in aid of Guild funds. There will be various stalls and entry will be by donation, so please do come along and support us.

Finally, the syllabus for March is as follows:-

- March 2 2pm Mrs Marion Dickie – A South African Adventure
- “ 9 2pm VIP & Royal Security – Mr Ian Thomson
- “ 16 2pm AGM, followed by a Bring & Buy Sale
- “ 23 11am Half-day Outing to Cardwell Bay Garden Centre
- “ 30 7 30pm Daffodil Tea – The One Way Gospel Singers

Anyone wishing to come to any of our meetings or events will be made most welcome.

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.



## **Kirk Session**

The January meeting was relatively routine with worship proposals for Lent discussed along with regular reports and halls allocations. Points of note included a) The initiation of five new communicants who will profess their faith in February and b) Our Pilot Light scheme, important to the future of our Church will be put into action after an initial meeting in mid-February. The Session were also saddened to hear of the passing of one of their senior Elders, Mr Alan Haining.

## **Congregational Board**

The major financial/property points of discussion were that interviews were to be held for the post of Church Officer, increases to staff salaries, that the compilation and reporting system for the Church accounts has been resolved, the cost and methods for cleaning of all Church premises and replacement of the carpet in the pulpit.

## **Pondering Our Mission Statement**

Sharing God's Love:

- By Lifting up our Heads, Luke 21: 25-36
- A Call for Change, Luke 3:1-6
- Divine Opportunity - Communion, Luke 3:7-20
- Through Nativity, Isaiah 7:14
- Through Carols & Lessons, Isaiah 9:2-7, Luke 1:26-38, Luke 2:1-7, Luke 2:8-20, Matthew 2:1-12, John 1:1-14
- What are you Seeking? Isaiah 60:1-6, Matthew 2:1-12
- Through Redemption, Isaiah 43:1-7, Luke 3:15-17, 21-22
- Faith to make Miracles, Isaiah 62:1-5, John 2:1-11
- What is our Epiphany? Neh 6:1-10, Luke:14-21

### **CARPET BOWLS**

“Due to circumstances beyond my control” That sounds important ... it is. As after a lengthy stay in hospital my wife is now home and requires 24/7 company so I have been unable to attend games. Thanks to Colin McKinnon taking over and visiting a number of times, I have been kept up to date and hear the aggregate is progressing. At this time no draws for other competitions have been made.

Attendances have been quite good so if you are at a loose end any Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday come along and join me.

*J Riddell*

### **NEW FROM THE PRAYER GROUP**

The Prayer Group meets on Tuesday morning at 11am in the lounge and 6.30pm on the third Wednesday of the month before the Kirk Session Meeting. The prayer list at the front door is growing weekly with over 85 names and over 65 members so please put a first name on the list. We also pray for the Presbytery, the wider work in the parish and around the world. We welcomed a new member and Aileen Campbell joined us for our Elder's visit. We wish you healing, comfort and a warm welcome to new and previous members. God Bless from all in the Prayer Group.

### **Answers to Bazaar Quiz...**

#### Fruit & Vegetables

1. Swede 2. Mandarin 3. Date 4. Leek 5. Ugli 6. Pawpaw 7. Peach  
8. Spinach 9. Chilli 10. Rhubarb 11. Mangetout 12. Lychee 13. Prune  
14. Mango 15. Lemon 16. King Edward 17. Raspberry (18. Aubergine.  
This question is now not counted as auberge is not French for farmhouse – sorry for the time you spent trying to work it out!) 19. Bean 20. Apple  
21. Lime 22. Turnip 23. Broccoli 24. Plum 25. Onion

**Winner : Mrs Margaret Brough**

#### Old Money

1. Guinea £1-1-0 2. Pennyfarthing 1¼d 3. Crown 5s 4. Tanner 6d  
5. Shilling 1s 6. Two Bob 2s 7. Tenner £10 8. Penny 1d 9. 14 lbs £14  
10. Farthing ¼d 11. Sovereign £1 12. Tuppence 2d Total= £26-9-10½

**Winner : Mrs Lena Russell**

**Thanks . . .**



Thank you to Raymond Jenkins for delivery of a box of goodies at Christmastime. This was a well thought out box by people experienced in what can happen at that time of year. *Helen Riddell*

### **CHRISTMAS THANKS**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped in any way during this Advent, Christmas and New Year period. To the Worship Team, those who decorated the Church, the Sunday School Teachers and everyone who supported me throughout the season. Special thanks to Norah for organising our very successful pantomime outing.

May the Holy Spirit continue to work through all of us as we seek to encourage and lead others into the New Year.

Every Blessing, Sandra

### **SOCIAL & FUNDRAISING NEWS**

We had a very successful children's DVD afternoon just before Christmas where lots of excited children came along to watch a film on the big screen. A huge thank you to everyone who came along on the day to help out with special thanks to Alan Pratt.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our Christmas Star Appeal. The grand sum of £462.40 was raised, together with the Christmas Eve collection a total of £803.11 was sent to Embrace the Middle East.

The biggest thanks of all those who gave a "Gift for Jesus" this Christmastime, there was huge fun on Christmas morning opening all the gifts, the range of gifts can be seen in the photograph on the front page. We are reassured that the Church has enough toilet roll until the end of May! Although this makes us all smile, we must not lose sight of the fact that it was an incredibly important fundraiser for our Church and we'll hopefully see a difference in the expense report for Church sundries in the year ahead.

We are looking forward to our Burns Supper at the end of January, and of course more social and fundraising events throughout the year. Thank you for your continued support,

Lynda Young, on behalf of the Social & Fundraising Committee

## **BOTH SIDES NOW**

### **Sing out my Soul**

Much comment and discussion has been made recently about the future of our Church and the dwindling attendances. Actually this arose initially through the Presbytery Plan; and continued through Path of Renewal and now Pilot Light. In our five year review, when representatives from The Presbytery met with the Kirk Session to consider the state of our Church, the discussion was centred on our future and although appreciation was given to our current and past efforts, many of the questions and suggestions have already been made in this series of "Both Sides Now". The headings for contemplation revolved around Worship, Community, Belonging, Mission and Charity - all very laudable but a continuing congregation is required for all our "services" to be provided in the future and we therefore need an ingress of young people. Are we proud of our Church and our beliefs?

If so, we have to advertise this, to somehow communicate our life in the Church, concentrating on the items above. We can do this by example, as Christians; by word of mouth. By utilising our successful community events. We already have a magazine, a website, a facebook page, posters and leaflets telling the Parish what we do (Christmas, Easter, Christian Aid etc). Can we utilise our Churches Together bond? How do other, perhaps smaller, churches cope? Should we visit more Churches to find out?

There are many enthusiastic and dedicated people in our Church, to support an enthusiastic and dedicated Ministry team, who believe in a bright future. So, tell the world, sing out your soul.

We are all in the same Boat of Faith - let's not let it drift or we will sink.

## **King's Park Brass – Update**

The band's next performance is at St Andrew's in the Square on Sunday 20th March 2016. The concert will feature the music of Lanarkshire's Peter Graham - one of the modern brass band world's favourite composers. Check next month's magazine for full details of the concert.



## **WORLD MISSION UPDATE**

The World Mission team are looking forward to another active yea of world mission events. We will be supporting Christian Aid again this year, look out for updates on the activities in the coming months. But why not put on your trainers and start practising now for the Erskine Bridge Walk!

Are you missing the Red Box? The pillar box for your used stamps has been relocated to the vestibule at the front door of the halls. Please remember to recycle your old stamps and drop them in the box.

Do you think World Mission is beyond you? Did you know that you can support World Mission from the comfort of your own armchair? Please remember the wider work of the Church and its wider organisations in prayer.

Some of our partners produce prayer diaries. If you'd like to know more about this, please speak to Hilary Petrie.

## **NEWS FROM SAIDIANA WOMEN PROJECT (KENYA)**

Dear friends

The report has just arrived from Fridah and the Saidiana Women's Project in Kenya. It is interesting to see how the various parts of their work are developing to the benefit of lots of poor families. Also glad to see that Fridah will be in Britain in June.

Thank you to all who continue to support the work by your money and your prayers. You can contribute by donation into the ebank account HBOS, Mount Florida Branch, 9 Carmunnock Road, Glasgow G44 4U, Sort Code: 11-47-05, Account No: 00005903

The 2nd half of year report 2015 from Saidiana highlighted work in:

- marketing of finished goods, this activity would continue given that it is making a big difference in the lives of those at the service
- sewing and knitting, this line of production would continue
- micro-entrepreneurship, this will be moved higher in the activity area
- coach house alternatives
- water harvesting, plans to do more this year to enhance provision of clean drinking water and surplus to be used for irrigating vegetable fields
- HIV/AIDS care, support and care to victims continued
- Relief supplies. More relief work than before was given despite the economic constraints
- Visiting/welcoming a stranger, involvement with Homestart activities continued

### **Forthcoming Visit to Wales**

It is exciting to mention that Fridah will visit Wales in June 2016, thanks have been given to her host. This may be a good moment to share experiences so as to better the work of Saidiana in the future.

The management wish to congratulate all those who have enabled Saidiana initiative to success in touching the lives of many vulnerable groups positively.

*Mary Smith (33 Brent Road, East Kilbride G74 4RA)*

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### **FEBRUARY**

<b>Mon 1<sup>st</sup></b>	7pm–9pm God Tock
<b>Tue 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	7pm-9pm KP Chicks
<b>Wed 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	2pm The Guild
<b>Sat 6<sup>th</sup></b>	4pm-6pm – Messy Church All Families Welcome Frock Swap – 7pm-9pm in Large Hall
<b>Sun 7<sup>th</sup></b>	11am Morning Worship Profession of Faith & Re- Dedication Service 12 noon Bring & Buy Sale – Youth Groups in aid of Robin House 12.30pm Eldership Training in St. Mungo Hall 6.30pm Concert & Recital Jonathan Buchan Donations for Robin House
<b>Mon 8<sup>th</sup></b>	7pm-9pm God Tock
<b>Tue 9<sup>th</sup></b>	7pm Glasgow Presbytery
<b>Wed 10<sup>th</sup></b>	The Guild
<b>Sun 14<sup>th</sup></b>	11am Morning Worship 12.30pm Eldership Training in St. Mungo Hall 6.30pm Evening Service led by Worship Group including Communion
<b>Mon 15<sup>th</sup></b>	7pm-9pm Lent Study starts
<b>Wed 17<sup>th</sup></b>	2pm The Guild
<b>Sun 21<sup>st</sup></b>	9.45am Early Morning Worship 11am Morning Worship including Brownie Thinking Day Service
<b>Mon 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	7pm-9pm Lent Study
<b>Wed 24<sup>th</sup></b>	2pm The Guild
<b>Fri 26<sup>th</sup></b>	10.30am-12 – D-Cafe in St. Mungo Hall
<b>Sun 28<sup>th</sup></b>	9.45am Early Morning Worship 11am Morning Worship
<b>Mon 29<sup>th</sup></b>	7-9pm Lent Study
<b><u>MARCH</u></b>	
<b>Wed 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	6.30pm Trustees Supper – All Elders and Congregational Board Members 7.30-45pm Attestation of Accounts
<b>Sunday 6<sup>th</sup></b>	11am Morning Worship – Ordination of Elders
<b>Sunday 13<sup>th</sup></b>	Communion

**King's Park Church**  
**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> Feb, 5<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>**  
**March, 7<sup>th</sup> May & 4<sup>th</sup> June**

**Crafts**  
**Games**  
**Food**  
**Stories**



**4-6pm**

**For all the Family**

**Children must be accompanied by an adult**



**FLOWER FUND**

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