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

***"Not everything that is faced can be changed,
But nothing can be changed until it is faced".***

James Baldwin

See Philippians 4:13

1930-2016—86 Years of Spiritual Service

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CONGREGATIONAL REGISTER

ADMISSION BY PROFESSION OF FAITH

Ms Gift Osawaru Cedar Street

DISJUNCTIONS BY DEATH

Mrs Ella Campbell, The Mews

Mr Allan Haining, Kings View

Mrs Alison McInnes, Curtis Avenue

No of Communicants on Roll (as at 31st Jan) = 575

AT REST

“I am the Resurrection and the Life”

26th Jan Mrs Ella Campbell, King’s Park Mews

5th Feb Mr Jim Hendry, King’s Park Avenue

9th Feb Ms Ellen Manson, Montford Avenue

Prayer Focus

Heavenly Father, We pray for peace throughout the world and pray that all in poverty will be given all that is necessary for hunger and shelter. We pray that our congregation will be blessed and protected in this year of decision and renewal and that all Churches in our Presbytery and beyond overcome the vagaries or constraints they encounter. We pray that each one of us receives love, joy, peace and fulfilment in the coming months. In Jesus’ Name, Amen.



FROM THE MANSE. . . The Foundations of our Faith

Dear Friends,

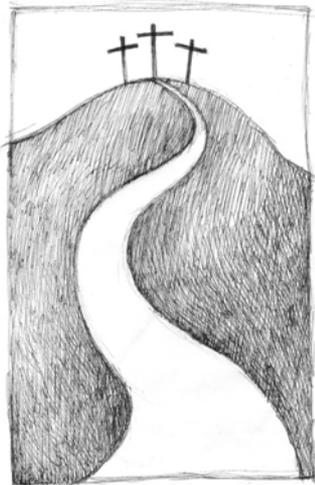
On Tuesday 16th February I met with the other 7 ministers who are embarking upon Path of Renewal Pilot Light. It was a very interesting and information filled day and I would like to share a few things with you all as we embark on this journey together.

Graham Duffin who is leading the pilot was telling us that many people viewed the Church of Scotland as going through a terrible storm at the moment. He suggested to us that it wasn't just a storm we were facing but a hurricane, even a tsunami! A storm would leave us battered and bruised but still intact. What we are facing is sheer devastation, where the Church is swept away and only the basic foundations of our faith remain. I wonder for you what are the foundations of your faith?

Who or **What** do you cling to when everything around you is falling apart?

That same week I found myself confronted with Brownie Thinking Day and the Scripture Passage John 3:1-17.

This is how much God loved the world: He gave His Son, His one and only Son. And this is why: so that no one need be destroyed; by believing in Him, anyone can have a whole and lasting life. God didn't go to all the trouble of sending his Son merely to point an accusing finger, telling the world how bad it was. He came to help, to put the world right again.



God does work in mysterious ways pointing us to the things we need at the right time. John 3:16 is not only central to this passage it's crucial to our faith and life. If we know no other scripture passage than this then we have at least made a good start. This Lent and Easter Time we need to consider the very foundations, the cornerstone, the rock upon which our faith and life are rooted.

The Path of Renewal, the Journey to the Cross takes a lifetime, and is something we are travelling towards. We have not arrived but every day we can grow in discipleship, build the Kingdom by praying, listening, reading our Bible and living God's love, establishing a close a personal relationship with Jesus Christ our Saviour and Lord who died that we might live for Him!

God Bless you and your family this Easter.

Love Sandra

Editor's Extras...

Church folk have proved once again that they are kind and charitable! On 7th February, the 242 Sunday School had a "Bring and Buy" Sale and Jonathan Buchan, our organist, a concert and recital - both in aid of Robin House - a Children's Hospice in Balloch. I highlight this as only one of the many good causes to which the people of this Church donate every year. Just ask the Guild or the Fundraising Committee! It is good to concentrate on the happier times in the Church when we have sadly lost two senior Elders; Mr Allan Haining and Mr Jim Hendry recently; and are in discussion with Presbytery regarding future numbers - see "Both Sides Now". Easter is almost upon us, and during Lent we have Churches Together Meetings on Mondays, discussing the Last Words of Christ - please join us! Notification of the various services during Holy Week and Easter can be found in "Dates for your Diary". Togetherness through Charity - togetherness through Faith and Worship - lets get together.

WP

P.S. There have been no main meetings of the Kirk Session and Congregational Board this Month - only an update on recent discussions.

Pondering Our Mission Statement

Sharing God's Love:

- Without Love there is nothing, Psalm 71:1-6, 1st Cor 13:1-13
- Through the Ultimate Mountain Top Experience, (Re-Dedication), Luke 9:28-36
- Would you take the Crown without the Cross? Luke 4:1-13
- Born of the Spirit, John 3: 1-17

CONGREGATIONAL FINANCE
"We Give Thee But Thine Own"
FINANCE REPORT - January 2016

		£
		<u>January</u>
<u>INCOME</u>		
Offerings		8,514
Last Year Offerings	8,094	
Difference +/-%	5%	
YTD Difference +/-%	5%	
Regular Monthly Income		1,367
Donations - Funerals		600
Donation—Defibrillator		400
Total Month's Income		10,881
		=====
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		
Regularly Monthly Costs		14,314
One off Costs		181
Total Month's Costs		14,495
		=====
Monthly Income vs (Costs)		-3,614

Comments

Offerings show a 5% increase on last year. 2016 January is a "5 Sunday month" against a "4 Sunday month" in 2015. One off costs in January included small repairs in Church £42 and advert costs re: Church Officer Vacancy £139.

**FLOWER FUND**

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

THE GUILD

We are now half-way through the second half of our current session, which continues to progress well. We had our Annual Guild Guest Night on January 27, the entertainment being The Comrie Singers. This was very much enjoyed by all who were able to attend, and the Guild would like to thank all who helped out in any way, not forgetting our band of "willing helpers" who helped to clear up afterwards.

On 3 February, we were visited by Dr Robert Hamilton, senior lecturer on history at Glasgow University. He gave a presentation on the life of Ronald Reagan, from his days as a film actor until he became President of the United States. This was most interesting and enjoyed by all who came along.

There was no Guild meeting on February 10, due to the funeral of our friend and fellow Guild member, Ella Campbell taking place. Ella will be greatly missed by all the members of the Guild.

Our speaker on Wednesday 17 February was Mrs Susan Bulleid from Canine Partners. She was accompanied by a lady named Val and a lovely golden Labrador named Heston. Susan did a presentation first of all to show how the dogs are trained to assist people who are disabled. Val and Heston then gave a demonstration on how to help people to remove hats, coats and gloves. This was enjoyed by all.

Just to remind you that our Guild Coffee Morning will be held on Saturday 5 March between 10am and 12 noon in the large hall, entry by donation, and our Daffodil Tea will take place on Wednesday 30 March at 7.30pm in the large hall. Tickets will be £3.50 each and the entertainment will be the One Way Gospel Singers. Everyone is welcome to come along to both of these events.

As always, a warm welcome will be given to anyone wishing to come to any of our meetings or special events.

E Gillespie - Secretary

ALLAN P. HAINING
27.4.33 – 20.1.16

Allan filled his 82 years of life with rich and interesting things and these always focused around his family and his strong faith in Jesus Christ.

Allan was born on 27th April 1933 at home in Bankhead Road, to parents Abraham



and Jean Haining, being their only child. He attended Bankhead Primary school and then Rutherglen Academy. Allan's passion for football started when he was only 7 years old. Allan started his working life in 1949 at the age of 16 at Schrader, Mitchell and Weir's, leather factors. Unfortunately the firm closed and he moved to the United Co-operative Bakeries Society in 1951, doing accounting and clerical work.

It was during this time that Allan met Jean at King's Park Youth Fellowship. They loved going to the Barrowlands Ballroom Dancing when they were courting, with Allan proposing to Jean on her 21st Birthday.

Allan and Jean married in June 1964 at King's Park Church, starting married life staying with Allan's mother in Bankhead Road. It was in Bankhead Road that they were blessed with a beautiful daughter Lynn who was born on the 14th September 1968.

The Church always played a large part in Allan's life and he was a member of the Young Worshippers League, taught in the Junior Sunday School, and was Ordained as an Elder in King's Park Church on 23rd June 1969, a role to which he was very committed.

When Lynn was 6 months the family moved to King's Park Avenue. Allan and Jean were further blessed with a son Gordon on 3rd November 1971. Allan and Jean were extremely proud of both of them.

Allan took Gordon to watch Clyde Football Team, or to see Partick Thistle against Aberdeen, or when Aberdeen played at Hampden.

Allan enjoyed playing golf with his 3 friends at King's Park or the Linn Park courses every Thursday night for many years. Allan also joined Kingswood Bowling Club and was a member for a few years but decided that carpet bowls were easier and you didn't get soaked.

Holidays were special times in the Haining family and their favourite resorts were the Isle of Wight and Scarborough. They would drop in on Lynn who lived in Fareham for a visit, loved playing with grandchildren Emma, Andrew, Robert and Lewis, and then pop over to the Isle of Wight for a holiday.

For many years, Allan and Jean loved socialising at home, and loved nothing better than Canasta nights. Myra and Bill, Betty and Jim, Jean and Allan, had some wonderful evenings in the front room. Lynn and Gordon watched the TV in the back room and on occasions Allan had the audacity to come through to the back room and turn down the TV, when at times the laughter and noise were so loud that Lynn and Gordon couldn't hear the TV.

They also enjoyed a party at New Year and other times when their neighbours Margaret Cowden and Anne Michie would come through and play a duet on the piano. Jean played too, very often for shows in the Church.

Allan went on to receive a long Service certificate from the Church of Scotland in 2002 having dedicated 33 years to serving his Districts well and eventually serving 47 years as an Elder. Allan was the Hall's Allocation Convenor and a faithful member of the King's Park Men's Carpet Bowls Club where he served on the committee.

To say Allan was devastated when eventually Jean was admitted to Roger Park Care Home was an understatement— it was a really difficult decision and Allan never really came to terms with the disease, although he did understand it. He went along to the Dementia Café at King's Park Church and helped many other carers with his wise words of advice.

Allan's Grandchildren, Emma, Andrew, Robert and Lewis were very special to him and he loved nothing better than taking them to the play park or taking them to feed the ducks, playing games, hide and seek or doing the Sunday Post quiz with them. Gordon also took Aaran to see Allan regularly, where Allan treated him lovingly and delicately. Allan had a huge smile on his face when Gordon presented him with a picture of Aaron, which he put on the sideboard, saying that he had the complete set of Grandchildren.

Allan lived his life following Jesus commands to the letter – loving God with all his heart, soul, mind and strength and loving his neighbour as himself. Allan will be greatly missed by all those who were touched by his life, his life finding its completion with his Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

SOCIAL & FUNDRAISING NEWS

We had an extremely busy start to the new year with our Burns Supper and the Frock Swap event. Our Burns Supper went very well with over 75 people packed into the large hall celebrating the life and work of Burns. A huge thank you to everyone who took part on the night, from our Piper and speakers to our potato peelers and cook (especially to our cook!). However the biggest thanks goes to those who took the time to buy a ticket and come along to the first social event of the year. It really was a time of great fellowship and the feedback that we received has ensured that this will become a regular event in our calendar.

Thanks too to everyone who came along to the Charity Frock Swap evening and grateful thanks to Lorraine Pratt and Lyndsie Jenkins who co-ordinated the whole evening resulting in over £2,000 being raised for our Church, Alzheimer Scotland and Children 1st.

You can find some photographs of our events on the back cover of this magazine.

We look forward to another year of successful social and fundraising events. And remember, if you have a special "social request" please do not hesitate to let one of the committee know.

Lynda Young, on behalf of the Social & Fundraising Committee

BB NEWS

Congratulations go to the Junior Section's Blue Team who won the Cathkin District Football 7-a-side on goal difference from the 195 Company. The black team also put in a fine performance finishing in 4th place.

Unfortunately at the indoor 5-a-side Competition The 118 teams did a Scotland International performance with none of them qualifying from the group stages.

Ian Livingstone RO

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.

KING'S PARK BRASS - Sunday Night Brass

The band returns to St Andrew's in the Square on Sunday 20th March to present an evening of music from the pen of Scottish composer Peter Graham. The major works of the concert include **Northern Landscapes**, a pictorial description of the industries of Northern Ireland, and **The Journal of Phileas Fogg**, following our intrepid hero round the world in 80 days.



The band will also feature two soloists - Rosie Sillitoe on tenor horn playing Burns' **Ae Fond Kiss**, and Jennifer Aitken on trombone playing the Gershwin-influenced **Catnap**.

Tickets for the concert, starting at 7:30pm, are available from Alan Pratt, priced £7/£6.

Easter and Greetings Cards

There will be Easter and Greetings cards for sale at the Easter Café after Holy Week Services. It is 20 years since I started making and selling cards. You have raised over £10,000, which has bought Bibles, Hymn Books, Tables and many other things. The general fund has also benefitted. Thanks for all your support.
Gaera Taylor

CHURCH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Stated Annual Meeting of the Church will take place during the morning Service on 6th March 2016. The Treasurer will present the Financial Statement of Accounts for 2015, on behalf of the Congregational Board. There will be an opportunity for new members to be appointed to the Board.

Thanks . . .

We would like to sincerely thank all of the kind-hearted mourners at the Funeral Services for their father, and Church Elder, Allan P Haining, at King's Park Church and The Linn Crematorium at the beginning of last month. The £430 raised has been donated to Alzheimer Scotland's Charity. This was a fantastic donation and we also thank everyone at The Church for their friendship and their support - before and after the Funeral. Thank You.

Gordon, Lynn, and the Haining Family

I would like to thank the Prayer Group and Church members for all their care and concern after my recent heart attack and hospital stay. Thank you and God Bless.

Josephine Bryson

I would like to thank Reverend Sandra Boyd, Raymond Jenkins, Alan Pratt, Guild members, friends, neighbours and the whole Church family. We, the family of Ella Campbell can only say a heartfelt thank you for all the love, cards, flowers and calls received when we lost our beloved Mum, Gran and Nana. So many titles for such a little lady! She was the centre of our lives and will be sorely missed by us all.

Dot Tracy

We express gratitude to Reverend Sandra Boyd and Raymond Jenkins for visits to Alison at home and at ICU at QEUH. Many thanks to friends who attended the Linn Crematorium where Raymond gave a most comforting summation of Alison's life of 53 years. Sincere appreciation for cards, flowers, telephone calls and visits, and caring thoughts from the Prayer Group, members and friends in the Choir.

Mary Belch and Family

I would like to thank Reverend Sandra Boyd for the beautiful Church flowers on the passing of my sister, these were very much appreciated at a time of much sadness.

Catherine MacKenzie

BOTH SIDES NOW

Go Forth and Multiply

How much do we want the Church? This comment takes into consideration that the Church is people and not a building, although the building is becoming more important. So many folks are reliant on the Church for social and spiritual reasons. This includes the Community as well as Members. (The principles of the Church must still mean something.) But as members reduce then fewer people have to “carry” others. In the longer term these “foundations” may crumble and the whole structure will fall. Thus the need for Pilot Light (Path of Renewal) to increase the base and ensure ongoing support. At the time of writing, the target and methods used have still to be determined. What, therefore, is the starting points in King’s Park that can be built upon?

Is it that we lack an enthusiastic Ministry? Certainly not!! Our Minister and Pastoral Assistant are constantly there for comfort and support, they have introduced many groups (both worship and social) into our Church and these are available for attendance. They see the Church as part of the Community and work hard to provide events becoming personally involved in all, or many, of them. All this cannot be carried out by our Ministry alone but enormous encouragement is given to committees and convenors involved.

Are our Facilities Utilised? Of course! Fellowship is paramount in any Church. The halls are used by many groups - both spiritual and temporal - and are kept maintained for the various activities that participate.

Is there a lack of Flexibility in Worship? No! There is a Worship Team who are allowed to take services on their own account and participation in Children’s Addresses and Readings are encouraged. Different styles of music and singing have been attempted. Individuals may have personal preferences, which can, no doubt, be aired during “Pilot Light”. So, in the main, the framework within our Church is in place, although a Mission of Faith is required to try and attract more members. Let us advertise our “wares” to the folks in the Community and most of all support our Ministry team and Office Bearers so that we show a united front on the venture for the year ahead, to secure a future. WP

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - MARCH

- Sun 6th** 11am Morning Worship including Annual General Meeting and ordination of new Elders
- Mon 7th** 7pm-9pm Local Churches Together Lent Study,
Wed 9th 2pm Guild
- Sun 13th** 11am Morning Worship including the Sacrament of Holy Communion
6.30pm Evening Worship including the Sacrament of Holy Communion
- Mon 14th** 7pm-9pm Local Churches Together Lent Study at Kings Park Church.
- Wed 16th** 2pm Guild
6.30pm The Prayer Group
7pm The Kirk Session
8pm The Congregational Board
- Sun 20th** 9.45am Early Morning Worship
11am Morning Worship—PALM SUNDAY
7.30pm Palm Praise led by the Choir
- Wed 23rd** 11am Guild Outing
- Thur 24th** 10.15am Bankhead Primary Easter Service in the Church
1.30pm King's Park Easter Service at King's Park Primary School
- Fri 25th** 10.30am-12noon Dementia Café, St Mungo Hall
- Fri 25th** **1.00pm WALK OF FAITH starting at Croftfoot United Free Church**

HOLY WEEK: A TIME FOR REFLECTION

The Church Sanctuary will be open every day from 10.00am – 12.00noon 21st –26th March offering an opportunity for prayer and quiet reflection.

7.30pm HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Monday 21st March at Toryglen Parish Church followed by Local Churches Together Lent Study

Tuesday 22nd March at King's Park including the Brass Band

Wednesday 23rd March at Croftfoot Parish Church

Thursday 24th March at Croftfoot United Free Church including the Sacrament of Holy Communion

Friday 25th March at King's Park Church

Saturday 26th March 4-6pm Messy Church Service at King's Park Church

Sun 27th 8am Early Easter Service in King's Park, rolls and sausage served in the Large Hall after this service.

11am All Age Easter Morning Service. Tea and Coffee after the Service with Easter Eggs for the Children

Wed 30th 7.30pm Guild Daffodil Tea - The One Way Gospel Singers

April

Sun 3rd 11am Morning Worship

Thanks from the Frock Swap Team. . .

A big **thankyou** to all who donated clothes, rails, hangers, nibbles, traybakes, prizes, hat stands and mirrors. A bigger **thankyou** to all who served as "swishers" or helped in any way on the night, and the biggest **thankyou** to all the ladies who came along and took part and helped raise the fantastic sum of £2171.31.

See you next time!

ROBIN HOUSE

Grateful thanks to those who contributed to the 242 Bring & Buy Sale and the Musical Concert on the 7th of February. The wonderful sum of £780.51 was raised. Thank you too for the extra donations from the Ark and the 271st Guides.

Jonathan Buchan

271st GUIDES

On the 11th of February the 271st Guides celebrated their 85th birthday. The guides enjoyed various party games and food. The birthday cake was cut by the eldest guide Jennifer McGlone and the youngest Guide Jane Tartaglia. A great night was had by all.



Some of our recent Social events.

