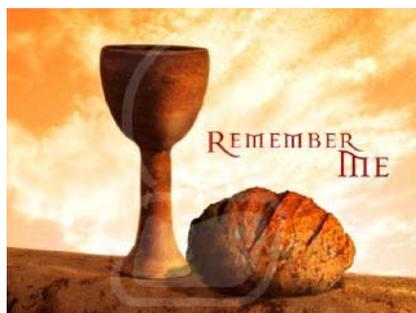


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"Refuse to allow tomorrow's lagoon of worries to drain into today's lake; if not you end up flooded."

See Matt 6:25-33

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CONGREGATIONAL REGISTER

No of Communicants on Roll = 576

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

“Suffer the Little Children to Come Unto Me”

24th July Grayson Scott Lawson Boyd, Cumbernauld

AT REST

“I am the Resurrection and the Life”

27 June	Mr George Kelly, Kingshurst Avenue
12 July	Mrs Sheila Watt, Kings Park Avenue
24 July	Mr Bill Parker, Kingscourt Avenue
16 Aug	Mrs Hester Ross, Kingsheath Avenue
19 Aug	Mr James Riddell, Kingsacre Road

Prayer Focus

Dear Lord you alone are our salvation and we thank you for the sacrifice. Help us to strive to be more like you. Lord when so many people and organisations have come to value targets rather than to target values we bring before you those qualities and values which have held us and all people together in times past and without which every person of every nation is impoverished. We pray for Leadership which is deep and genuine and based on service. Help all those in elected office to realise that very often in leadership it is not a matter of doing things right but of doing the right thing. Lord hear our prayer. Amen



FROM THE MANSE. . . Rio Olympics!

Dear Friends,

I wonder how many of us are feeling just a wee bit weary these days, having stayed up late at least a couple of times over the past couple of weeks watching the excitement of the Olympics unfold. After all the controversy of state sponsored drug programmes and protests about the cost of the games, both of which are issues to be addressed on another day, it was thrilling to watch as four years of preparation came to fulfilment for every one of the 10,500 athletes taking part from 206 countries around the world. Many of us wondered when team GB announced their target of 48 medals, to follow up their success in London 2016.

But behind that impressive haul of medals, that puts us second only to the USA, lies a whole lot of blood sweat and, I'm sure, tears as well. Not just for the athletes, but for the unseen faces of the teams that support them. The physios, the trainers, the nutritionists, the sports psychologists, not to mention family and friends, who are there to ensure that each of the competitors can fulfil their true potential as individuals, and as an integral part of team GB.

Nowhere was this more obvious than in the Velodrome, as team GB swept the boards, and where for every Jason Kenny or Laura Trott, there was an army of engineers, mechanics, technicians, making sure that everything was geared to success. From the costumes they wore, the bikes they rode and even the fixings on their pedals, nothing was left to chance. But no matter the planning, no matter the preparation, no matter the determination, as well as all the successes there can be set backs too. Like Jason Kenny there can be false starts, when, even for a moment, everything can seem lost and somehow we have to find a way to put them behind us and to come back stronger.

Not everyone could win a coveted medal, of course, but for me there were so many winners who didn't quite make the podium. Like the radiant smiles of the two young athletes from North and South Korea as they posed together for a "selfie", the bitter conflict between their two countries forgotten, if only for that moment.

Whether in the velodrome, on the track, in the gym, on the court or on the field, every one of those taking part was determined to play their part, however small, however obscure – proud to be part of the team, proud to be an Olympian.

As we approach a new session, I trust each of us will find a part to play in the on-going work of God's church here in King's Park – proud to be part of Team KP, proud to be a disciple, a servant and part of our Lord's chosen people!

With Every blessing, Love Sandra



Editor's Extras...

September again - it doesn't seem like fifteen years since I started all this; and Lynda I'm sure feels the same with more than twenty years of typing our magazine. Our Ministry of Magazine has covered two ministers and a vacancy so there has been plenty to report. I mention Ministries as we go into a new term of activity as most of us will have a Ministry of some sort to donate to our church. One Church magazine I read recently analysed their articles into Ministry of Flowers, Ministry of Mirth, Ministry of Music etc, and this approach gives a handle to the various services we provide to the Church. The summer Ministries included a successful Summer Fete, Community Festival, Holiday Club, Prayer Walk and Litter Pick.

We continue to provide a platform for Church and Community, organisations, clubs and events. The "Aspects of Church" this month covers Harvest.

There is no Kirk Session or Congregational Board report this month as no meetings took place over the summer. On this "Anniversary" I would like to thank all those who were involved in ensuring that you received your magazine - the proof readers, printers, distributors and especially Lynda for her enthusiasm and support.
Happy *Ministry*, WP

Pondering Our Mission Statement, Sharing God's Love:

- Making a Commitment, Luke 9:51-62
- Good, Better, Best, Micah 6: 6-8, Luke 10:25-37
- Teach us to Pray, Luke 11:1-13
- Full Barns - Empty Souls, Psalm 49:1-12, Luke 12: 13-21
- Stay Awake, Psalm 33:12-22
- Fire to the World, Hebrews 11:29-12:2, Luke 12:49-56
- Sabotaging the Sabbath, Luke 13:10-17

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

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	<u>June</u>
<u>INCOME</u>	
Offerings	9,082
Last Year Offerings	8,900
Difference +/-%	2% up
YTD Difference +/-%	-1%
<i>Regular Monthly Income</i>	
HMRC - Gift Aid	5,125
Hall Hires	685
Rental of Church Officer's House	517
Fete Income	1,992
Charitable Offerings	4,631
Donations	609
Total Month's Income	<u>22,641</u>
	=====
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	
Regularly Monthly Costs	13,139
Charitable Offerings & Donations	3,909
Fete costs	241
Total Month's Costs	<u>17,289</u>
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Monthly Income vs (Costs)	<u>-5,352</u>

Comments

Offerings show a 2% increase on June last year, however are 1% down on last year as at end of May. Hall Hire income received during the month was £685. The surplus of income over expenditure for the calendar month was £5,352. First rental income for Church Officer's house of £517 received. Net income from fete was £1,406 (after costs and cash float used which was in May figures). Christian Aid collections raised £2,863 and sponsored Bridge Walk also raised £1,406

THE GUILD

Hello again, everyone. I hope that you have all enjoyed your summer break. This is just to let you know that the new session of the Guild will begin on Wednesday 5th October at 2pm, when we will be entertained by "The Hi-Lites Group."

The Guild meets every Wednesday at 2pm, with the exception of our special events, i.e. the Charity Night, the Guest Night and the Daffodil Tea, all of which are held in the evenings at 7.30pm.

We look forward to seeing all our regular members, and hopefully some new ones too. Meantime, here is a preview of the syllabus for October.

October 5 2pm – The Hi-Lites Group – Jan Cranston

“ 12 2pm - Mr Raymond Jenkins – Visit to Australia

“ 19 2pm - Erskine Hospital

“ 26 2pm - Mr David Atkins – Parks of Glasgow

Once again, the Guild will hold a Coffee Morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Care. This will be held on Tuesday 18th October in the Iona Hall from 10am – 12 noon, entry by donation. Everyone is welcome, so please do come along and support this very worthy cause.

Committee members please note that there will be a Committee Meeting on Monday 5th September at 7pm in the St Ninian's Room. See you all on Wednesday 5th October.

E Gillespie - Secretary

MEN'S CARPET BOWLS

The men's carpet bowls starts on Tuesday 6th September at 1.30pm. New and old members will be made very welcome. Come along and try the bowls and enjoy this fellowship.

BANKHEAD LADIES' CARPET BOWLING CLUB

Our new session starts on Thursday, 6th October, 2016 at 1.30pm. We look forward to seeing members for our usual fun afternoon. This year's winner of the aggregate was Joyce Speirs and runner up was Myra Law.

If anyone is interested in joining us please speak to Marjorie Smith or Myra Law.

ML.

THE CHOIR

On Thursday 8th September the Choir will start rehearsing at 7.30pm for the new session and we would welcome all our members to come along with their voices all tuned ready for a good night of singing. We would also be happy to welcome new members. You don't need to be able to read music as long as you can hold a tune. We are a very happy group and we enjoy our Thursday nights especially at the interval when we have time to speak to each while enjoying a cup of tea. We would like to think you will all pray about this, for as you see each week our choir is very small and we all do our best but a few more voices would be a great help.

M McC

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.

MINDFULNESS TASTER COURSE

“Be happy in the moment, that's enough.

Each moment is all we need, not more.” (Mother Teresa)

When: 1st session Tuesday 20th September 2016, 7:30pm – 9:00pm, for four weeks;

Where: Kings Park Church

Cost: Free – but donations welcome, all proceeds to charity;

Feel free to turn up but it would be great if we could have a rough idea of numbers prior to the course starting so if possible either speak to Niki (Kidd) or leave your name on the sheet at the front door of the church. Please bring a cushion too!

Many Thanks, Niki (Kidd)

.A New Session. . .

- You will remember that on Sunday 6 June, we were blessed with the ordination of nine new elders. In addition, Kirk Session minutes in March confirmed our welcome to another ordained elder, Bill Simpson, formerly of Rutherglen West and Wardlawhill, who now brings his experience to KP.
- All of these “new faces” have now been allocated tasks and districts to allow them to serve us as elders should. Over the last year we’ve sadly lost a number of conscientious and caring district elders, and, after much deliberation, these posts have now been filled. We’ve also extended our coverage of the extended “parish” to include members resident in far-off Cambuslang & East Kilbride, formerly served by what’s called the postal district. Thanks go to Hellen Conn for corresponding with these members up until now and for continuing to keep in touch with those folk who live really far away!
- Elders and Congregational Board members should be aware that session and board meetings start on Wednesday 21 September – the session at 7pm, and the board at 8.15pm

Please note:

In the April edition of King’s View Magazine it was intimated that Mr Hugh McKinnon had tendered his resignation as Elder and Property Convenor for personal reasons. Unfortunately, the term “personal reasons” was misconstrued by some members as alluding to illness within Mr McKinnon’s family, rather than making it clear that Mr McKinnon shared a difference of opinion with regard to baptism and the recruitment of personnel. The Minister and Session Clerk regret any distress this caused and once again thank Mr McKinnon for his years of faithful service and take this opportunity to wish Hugh and his family every blessing in the future.



FLOWER FUND

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

SAIDIANA WOMENS PROJECT (KENYA)

Dear Friends, here is the latest report from Fridah. It is encouraging to see how their activities are developing, especially going round schools to take orders for uniforms. Fridah had been hoping to be here in Wales and Iona in June but has not received a visa. Thank you for all who support the work by your money and your prayers. You can contribute either by a cheque to Mary Smith at 33 Brent Road, East Kilbride G74 4RA, or directly into the bank account HBOS, Sort Code 11-47-05, a/c no: 00005903. Please let me know if any large sums are deposited so that I can acknowledge them properly.

Yours sincerely
Mary Smith (Treasurer)

Work continues apace in Marketing of Finished Goods, Sewing and Knitting, Micro-Entrepreneurship (buying and selling of farm and kitchen garden products) and Coach House alternatives (literacy and health). Water Harvesting continues with the schemes already commissioned being monitored as to sustainability. Families are continuing to receive support through HIV/Aids care.

The relief in the last six months included but was not limited to - food supplies, medication, clothing and education. Overall seven families and four students benefited from the above services. It is sometimes overwhelming to choose who should receive our relief given the high vulnerability among many families. Indeed, the situation is complex as far as relief resources are concerned among rural families with minimal support to Government and non-Government agencies that would otherwise help. Saidiana Women's Project believes in the power of education both formal and informal at all levels and it is really life changing.

A copy of the full report including the finance report is with the World Mission Committee.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING

Our Harvest Thanksgiving Service will take place on Sunday 25th September. Due to the success, in recent years, of flowers being delivered to elderly and housebound members of our congregation, we would ask that donations of flowers be handed into church, either on Saturday 24th from 9 - 12noon, or just bring them with you to church on Harvest Sunday.



Also, we will continue to collect packaged and tinned items for the Lodging House Mission - again drop them off on the Saturday or Sunday.

Many thanks for any contributions you are able to make.

FIDDLER ON THE ROOF

Glasgow Light Opera Club is presenting Fiddler on the Roof at the Kings Theatre the first week in November. A coach will be leaving from Kings Park Church on Thursday 3/11/16 at 6.30pm. Cost will be £20. If interested, please contact Andrew or Mairi.

Mairi Aitken – 569 7083

PRAYER BREAKFAST

The next Prayer Breakfast will be at Clincarthill Church, 1220 Cathcart Road on the 10th of September. The time will be announced in the intimations. If you wish to attend please let me know by the 3rd of September. What you may ask is a Prayer Breakfast? It is a group of Churches who meet and share fellowship over breakfast and pray for world and local church projects and concerns. I hope you will join me on the 10th.

Gaera Taylor

WEEKLY PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES

As our session gets fully underway a full programme of weekly activities appears on a daily basis in the calendar section of our website, www.kingsparkchurch.co.uk If you are in an organisation and would like your page updated and/or a page added with information please email or speak to Lynda Young (lyndayoung@ntlworld.com) and she will update it for you.



50 Glorious Years

Our warmest congratulations go to
Mr & Mrs David and Margaret Atkins
who celebrated their Golden Wedding
Anniversary on 8th July

also to

Mr & Mrs Ann & Jackie Phillips
who celebrated their Golden Wedding
Anniversary on 13th August
We wish them all every Blessing.

BB NEWS

By the time you read this both Junior and Company Sections will have taken the first tentative steps in the 2016/2017 session. The Junior Section will resume on Wednesday 7th September when boys in Primary 4-6 will be made most welcome. The Company Section also resuming this month will be pleased to welcome boys in Primary 7 to Secondary 6.

SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

The long awaited Quiz Night will take place at 7.30pm on Sunday 11th September. £5 per team, all money to Christian Aid. This is a good time for organisations to come together at the start of a new session. However even if you're not in an organisation please come along with a few friends and make up a team. We look forward to seeing you there.

ASPECTS OF OUR CHURCH Harvest

Harvest Thanksgiving Festival is an annual celebration giving thanks to God for the harvest, the safe reaping and gathering of grain and other crops grown. In Britain it is both a Church festival and a more secular festival remembered in schools.

The practice of consecrating first-fruits to God is not a distinctly Jewish one. It seems to have sprung up naturally among agricultural peoples from the belief that the first — hence the best — yield of the earth is due to God as an acknowledgment of His gifts. "God served first", then the whole crop becomes lawful food. The offering of the first-fruits was, in Israel, regulated by laws enshrined in different parts of the Mosaic books. In Deuteronomy 18:4-5 it says "*You are to give them the first fruits of your grain, new wine and olive oil, and the first wool from the shearing of your sheep...*" Numbers 15:20-21 "*Present a loaf from the first of your ground meal and present it as an offering from the threshing floor. Throughout the generations to come you are to give this offering to the LORD from the first of your ground meal.*"

Thanks have been given for successful harvests since pagan times, traditionally held on the Sunday near or of the Harvest Moon. People were encouraged to bring in produce from their garden, the allotment or farm. The food was often distributed among the poor and senior citizens of the local community, or used to raise funds for the church, or charity.

The modern British tradition of celebrating Harvest Festival in churches began in 1843. Hymns such as "We plough the fields and scatter", "Come ye thankful people, come" and "All things bright and beautiful" helping to popularize this idea and spread the annual custom of decorating churches with home-grown produce for the Harvest Service.

As British people have come to rely less heavily on home-grown produce and due to an increase in dietary requirements, there has been a shift in emphasis in many Harvest Festival celebrations. Increasingly, churches have linked Harvest with an awareness of and concern for people in the developing world for whom growing crops of sufficient quality and quantity remains a struggle, showing their concern for those in need across the globe.

This Harvest Thanksgiving in King's Park you can help by supporting Christian Aid with money or The Lodging House Mission with food stuffs or by giving flowers, which are distributed to the housebound and others within the Parish for them to enjoy.

Thanks . . .

Editor's Note: Last month's magazine intimated an anonymous thank you, apologies, it should have read:



Sincere thanks to everyone who phoned and sent cards following my recent operation; particularly thanks to Aileen Campbell for her help on my discharge from hospital. Thanks to Reverend Sandra Boyd and my elder, Irene Liggat, for their visits, and for the kind thoughts from the Prayer Group, the Guild and the 271st Company of the Girl Guides. I am making good progress and becoming more active and independent each day.

Thank you and God Bless.

Hellen Conn

Many thanks to Sandra Boyd and Raymond Jenkins for hospital visits, to the Prayer Group and all of our Church family for all your thoughts and prayers for Alison during her hospital stay and illness. She is recovering slowly and hopes to be back to her full self soon. It is very much appreciated.

Love from Margaret & Dougie Mills and family

I would like to thank everyone (too numerous to mention by name and scared I might forget anyone) who has helped during the last six weeks when I have been struggling to get around. Glad to say the operation has been a total success and the heels are back on (great!)

Margaret McCulloch

Thank you all for the cards and flowers I received and to those who attended my son Gordon's funeral. Thank you to Raymond Jenkins for the beautiful services.

Lorna King and Family

Many thanks to Sandra for the beautiful Church flowers we received for our Golden Wedding Anniversary. These were very much appreciated. Also, thank you to the Guild and friends for their lovely cards.

Margaret & David Atkins

Thank you so much to everyone at King's park for making Grayson's baptism so special.

Love Charlotte, Ali & Grayson

A most sincere thank you to all those friends who sent cards, flowers and phoned their sympathy after Sydney's passing. It was very comforting. Thank you also to Raymond whose spiritual and practical help during those sad months was of great support.

With every Blessing,
Beryl Hall and family

Many thanks to all who attended and supported the summer Tuesday coffee mornings. The amount raised for Church Funds is close to £500 over the summer months. Thanks again,

Millie McCabe

Many thanks must go to Millie herself for all the baking and organising of most of these coffee mornings.

WP

I would like to thank Sandra and the congregation for the beautiful flowers which my wife and I received on the occasion of our Diamond Wedding Anniversary. These were much appreciated.

Allan Thomson

271st GUIDE COMPANY

Congratulations to Caitlin Fullwood on gaining her Baden Powell Challenge Award which is the highest award in the Guide Section. The Guides will start back on Thursday 1st September at 7.30pm. Girls aged 10-14 will be made very welcome.

Eileen Robertson (Captain)

LUNCH CLUB VOLUNTEERS

Our popular Lunch Club will start again in October this year, if you are able to help in any way with this, e.g. preparing, serving, tidying up please contact Arlene Bryson, Tel: 07787536785. Many thanks in advance.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - SEPTEMBER

Sat 3rd	4-6pm Messy Church
Sun 4th	11am Morning Worship Sunshine Corner, the Ark and 242 will resume
Monday 5th	7pm-9pm God Tock
Tues 6th	7pm-9pm KP Chicks – Pot Luck Supper
Sun 11th	11am Morning Worship including the Sacrament of Holy Communion 6.30pm Evening Worship including the Sacrament of Holy Communion 7.30pm Quiz Night in aid of Christian Aid
Mon 12th	7pm-9pm God Tock
Sun 18th	9.45am Early Morning Worship 11am Morning Worship
Tues 20th	7.30pm - 9pm Introduction to Mindfulness
Wed 21st	6.30pm Prayer Group 7pm Kirk Session 8.15pm Congregation Board (Note New time)
Sun 25th	9.45 am Early Morning Worship 11am Morning Worship, Harvest Thanksgiving
Mon 26th	7pm-9pm God Tock
Tues 27th	7.30pm - 9pm Introduction to Mindfulness
Fri 30th	10.30am - 12 noon Dementia Café in St Mungo Hall

OCTOBER

Sat 1st	4-6pm Messy Church
Sun 2nd	11am Morning Worship—BB Founders' Day Service
Mon 3rd	7pm-9pm Bible Study in St Mungo Hall
Tues 4th	7pm-9pm KP Chicks