

# King's View

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**THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR "GIFTS FOR JESUS"  
WHICH WERE OPENED ON CHRISTMAS MORNING!**

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

***"It's when the burden seems heaviest, the  
breakthrough is near. Hold on for it"***

***See Galatians 6:9***

***1930-2019—89 Years of Spiritual Service***

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submitting an article and wish something not to appear online please  
indicate this on submission.**

## CONGREGATIONAL REGISTER

No of Communicants on Roll = 517

### THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

“Suffer the Little Children to Come Unto Me”

20 Jan Sarah Cecilia Elizabeth Greer  
Alasdair Graeme Greer

### AT REST

“I am the Resurrection and the Life”

7 Dec Mrs Anne Montgomery  
7 Dec Mrs Effie Kerr  
14 Dec Mr Tom Hamilton  
6 Jan Mrs Alison Boyd  
8 Jan Mrs Charlotte Morrison  
16 Jan Miss Catherine Raeburn

### **Prayer Focus**

Dear Lord, we give thanks for answered Prayer. You give us healing, wholeness, peace, comfort and strength to carry on. Beside you, we are weak, but you want us to be strong. You make us strong and help us to see you as you are; as the Lord who loves us and wants to help us to help one another. In you we find our strength and celebrate all that is good and well in you. We place our trust in you. We know that you know us more than we know ourselves. Let our Prayers rise in you, open our hearts and minds to know and love you always. *Amen.*



***Please remember to inform the Church if you are changing your address. It's vital that our records are kept as up to date as possible. Thank you in advance.***

## ***FROM THE MANSE. . . God's Part***

As the days get just that little bit longer, although not any warmer, this week I have been very aware of snow drops springing up in many gardens, the promise of daffodil bulbs and crocus raising their heads above ground. A reminder that although winter isn't anywhere near over; spring is just around the corner, eager to burst forth. It hardly seems possible that those tiny green shoots are able to push their way through the hard and frosty ground towards the light and produce such beautiful tiny flowers.



In this alone, we see the demonstration of God's creative power, but we can apply this principle far more widely. So often, God works behind the scenes. In ways far beyond our imagining, though we cannot see it, let alone understand it, He takes the most unpromising of materials and situations and creates out of them something unrecognisable from that which He started. If life was determined solely by human hands, and our own destiny shaped entirely by our own efforts, what a sorry state of affairs it would be. If we had to tackle the problems we face without any assistance, or respond to God's call in our own strength, how bleak the prospect would seem. Thank God, in His sovereign power, He is able to work without any other assistance to fulfil His will and accomplish His purpose. So when life's challenges come our way, don't lose heart.

We each have a part to play in God's purpose, but ultimately the final victory is down to Jesus. We need to do our best and leave the rest in God's hands, confident that, though we may not see it, the seed God has sown is growing, and that the day will come when it will bear fruit. The seed is sown, the kingdom is growing, the harvest will come. Put your hand in His, follow Jesus, and trust in God, He knows the bigger plan. Wishing you all God Blessings, Love, *Sandra*.

### **Editor's Extras**

Would you believe it, another year!! Are you all back to "normal" yet? Being normal means another year with further challenges in addition to day to day living. I wish you all the best in realising your resolutions and meeting your individual goals. In February our Church will be 89 years old and our Pipe Organ will have been in Service for 50 years. These anniversaries have been recognised. The Church will have new challenges this year, not least the repair to the roof, and perhaps changes in organisational procedures. We will be looking back, considering our past and putting our exhibition together in the South Transept. There will be new Session Clerks in John and Eunice Black, who will take up their posts in April. These changes, on top of our regular catalogue of events, indicates that our "Living with the Bible" article, this month, on "Peace" has added piquancy. So, lets look forward, overcome our problems and peacefully enjoy our Church in 2019. Happy New Year.

### **Urgently Needed**

Could **YOU** be our next **Property Convenor**?

Please think very seriously if you have any relevant gifts and abilities or perhaps the gift of organisation in being able to contact the relevant person to carry out the job. There is a team of very qualified people; electricians, plumbers, general DIY etc in the congregation and it would be organising them to complete the work. If you are interested please contact Carol Moore.

### **Youth Co-ordinator**

Are you interested in young people and would like to help us keep in touch with our Youth Organisations, Guides, Brownies, BB Groups, etc. The Youth Co-Ordinator is the link between the Church and the young people keeping both informed of things happening in both areas, as well as a support and encourager. Please speak to the Minister.

**CONGREGATIONAL FINANCE**  
*"We Give Thee But Thine Own"*  
**FINANCE REPORT - 2018**

	<b>£</b>	
	<b><u>Nov</u></b>	<b><u>Dec</u></b>
<b><u>INCOME</u></b>		
Offerings & Donations	8,200	9,463
Gift Aid (July-Sept)	-	3,993
Roof Fund - Donations	10,132	1,860
Roof Fund—Gift Aid claimed	-	3,342
Regular Monthly Income	1,383	1,322
Charitable Donations	595	2,635
VAT Reclaimed	1,675	-
Hall Hire Income	989	223
Christmas Bazaar	3,427	-
<b>Total Month's Income</b>	<b>26,401</b>	<b>22,838</b>
	=====	=====
<b><u>EXPENDITURE</u></b>		
Regularly Monthly Costs	13,833	15,101
Minor Roof Repair	-	852
Donations for Defibrillator	1,000	-
Lapel Sound System	1,553	-
Charitable Donations	595	2,945
<b>Total Month's Costs</b>	<b>16,981</b>	<b>18,898</b>
	=====	=====
<b>Monthly Income vs Costs</b>	<b>9,420</b>	<b>3,940</b>

**Comments**

November:

Surplus of Receipts after payments for £9,420. Unrestricted Funds had a surplus of £1,792, Restricted and Designated Funds had a surplus of £7,628

December:

Surplus of Receipts after payments made was £3,940 Unrestricted Funds had a surplus of £1,887. Restricted and Designated Funds had a surplus of £2,053

## THE GUILD

We are now into the second half of our current session, and once again, the time seems to have flown in. We will have our Annual Guild Guest Night on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm in the large hall. This year the entertainment will be Loudon Friends Ceilidh Band. Tickets will be £4 each and everyone is welcome to come along. Our Annual Guild Coffee Morning will be held on Saturday 9th March from 10am until 12 noon in the large hall. There will be various stalls, and entry will be by donation, so do please come along and support us.

The syllabus for Feb/Mar is as follows:-

Feb 6	2pm – Rationing Fashion – Valerie Reilly
Feb13	7.30pm – GUILD GUEST NIGHT – Loudon Friends Ceilidh Band
Feb 20	2pm – Life and Work – Speaker – Tom
Feb 27	2pm – CHAS Hospice
Mar 6	2pm – Dr Robert Hamilton – Topic – Martin Luther King
Mar 13	2pm – Glasgow City Bus Tour (Film) – Alistair Whitelaw
Mar 20	2pm – AGM – Followed by Rev Jack Drummond
Mar 27	7.30pm – DAFFODIL TEA – “David & Izzy”

If anyone would like to come along to any of our meetings , they 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.

## **Pondering our Mission Statement**

### ***Sharing God's Love . . .***

- Looking inside yourself, Numbers 7: 1-13 and 21: 1-9
- Moses Birth - Drawing our Freedom and Hope, Exodus 1: 1-8 and 2: 1-10
- Miracle Birth of Samson, Judges 13: 2-14, 24
- Joy, Luke 1: 5-7, 11-25, 57-66
- Love - Nativity - our own miracle boy, Luke 2: 1-20
- Carol Service, Iasaiah 9: 2-7, Luke 2: 1-7, 8-18, 19:20, John 1: 1-14
- Light Comes, John 8: 12-20
- Who is Jesus? John 3: 22-36
- Producing Fruit of the Kingdom, Matthew 21: 33-46

## **KIRK SESSION REPORT**

The following report covers two meetings of the Kirk Session, apart from the routine business, including Halls Allocation, forthcoming events and correspondence, specifically or interest to Elders, the following topics were discussed.

Data Protection A Church of Scotland Film concerning the Data Protection conditions and policy has been shown, and will be again, if necessary, to ensure that all Trustees understand the parameters of this policy. Worship Thanks were conveyed to all who took part in any of the services over the festive period. The Presbytery has recently approved a scheme for the selection, training and authorisation of worship leaders. The intention is to support and equip members of congregations to lead public worship on occasions when the Minister or other recognised officiant is not present. The course will run for 6 weeks and volunteers should contact Alan Pratt. Eldership A Steering Group has been raised to consider the benefits or otherwise of creating a Unitarian Committee (combined Kirk Session and Board) in King's Park. The conclusions of the group will be discussed at next month's meetings. This is part of a "Review of Eldership" to improve structure and responsibilities in the Church. Stewardship This year it will be the talents of those in our Church to promote our Stewardship Campaign. This year a card will be distributed to the Parish with details of the activities within our Church.

Safeguarding This is being adhered to for children and adults. Three volunteers to lead the buttercups have been ratified. A National Safeguarding Officer is in place for consultation and advice.

## **CONGREGATIONAL BOARD REPORT**

The Financial Reports can be found elsewhere in this issue, with Gift Aid and Roof Fund donations included. The Annual Accounts are under preparation. Property with regard to the Roof Fund, application has been instituted for a grant and we await deliberations to discover if it has been successful. If so, work is likely to start in April 2019. We continue to appeal for support through the Roof Appeal Fund. Apart from the roof, routine maintenance to the toilets and Manse has been undertaken and the “dunny” cleared. Gardening the gardeners are having a break currently although consideration will be given to “refreshing” the flower beds. Work will recommence in March 2019 - can you help? Other Business Books and jigsaws keep appearing in the corridor behind the stage. Although these donations are, no doubt, given with the best of intentions, this is one area needing clearing. So, please stop as these items will be disposed of. Two new mikes have been purchased and our defibrillator has been registered with the Scottish Ambulance Service. Thanks for the donations received, and permission was granted to advertise and have a demonstration on the use of the equipment.

## **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 £30.60, increase of £3.24 per annum.

## **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



## Thanks . . .

I would like to express my thanks to Sandra and Raymond for the kindness, care and compassion they devoted to my sister during her final days, and bringing “a lost sheep” to God. I know that they visited her in Kirkcaldy several times on my behalf, and it shows the heartfelt concern they’ve given to myself and my family. My gratitude, once again, for their dedication. It made my loss a lot easier to bear.

*Bill Simpson & Family*

## BB NEWS

Both Junior and Company Sections are now busily involved in the second half of the 2018/19 Session. On the football side the two Junior Sections have been active in the Cathkin District Junior Section (7-a-side) league. At the moment the league is on its winter break (no sunshine training camps alas) before they resume on 23rd February.

The blue side (like their Senior Counter Parts) is topping the league with maximum points from their 4 matches and the black team are currently in fourth place with 5 points.

On the Company side, the Boys Iain Gibson and Matthew Hood will be attending the Glasgow Battalion Queens Badge Residential Completion Course on Saturday 23rd March and we wish them well in this important part of their Boy’s Brigade career. As this is the first of the 2019 reports the Junior and Company Sections extend the hope that each member of the Congregation will have a Happy and Peaceful 2019.

Please note that the Coffee Morning on Tuesday 19th February will be run by Margaret Paul and friends with all proceeds going to our Boys Brigade Company to help with their 90th Anniversary Celebrations.

*Ian Livingstone RO*

**ATTESTATION OF ACCOUNTS**

This meeting will take place on Wednesday 13th March at 7.45pm. The financial situation of King's Park Church must be of interest to all members of the congregation, ramifications discussed and debated as necessary. All trustees (Elders and Board Members) are invited to attend.

If you would like to share in supper at 7.00pm (price £5) before the start of business at 7.45pm please let Carol Moore know before Wednesday 6th March at the very latest (583 0708).

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

A reminder that the Annual General Meeting will take place as part of the morning service on Sunday 17th March when the financial affairs of the Church will be presented to the Congregation and Board Members can be appointed.

**COMPUTER CLASS**

Glasgow Life apologises, but due to a loss of staff and pressure of work, the class had to be cancelled. I would like to thank all who expressed interest and disappointment on my own behalf as well as theirs. *WP*

**WORLD MISSION**

Mary Smith sends her thanks on behalf of the Saidiana Women of Kenya for their donation of £309 raised at the reitral offering.

**SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING**

The Social and Fundraising committee have had a very busy Christmas and start to the new year. Huge thanks to everyone who made the children's DVD, the Christmas Star Appeal and the Gifts for Jesus appeals so successful. A grand total of £767 was raised during the Star Appeal for Shelter. A very special thanks to everyone who contributed and attended our Burns Supper this year. We will keep you up to date with this year's events in the intimations and magazine. *Lynda Young on behalf of the Social & Fundraising Committee*

**FLOWER FUND**

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

## LIVING WITH THE BIBLE

PEACE - A scarce commodity nowadays! Arguments continually rage regarding territory rights, trading practices, deals, selfishness on all levels. From Government to domestic differences. This can lead to abuse, killings and wars. Attitudes, God given some might say, are competitive and this is a requirement to allow personal affiliations and goals to progress. Everybody's Right! But surely this desire to achieve can be channelled to good works and peace in the world? (Although sometimes arguments arise over how the good works are to be handled).

As with all the items in this series, the Bible can only spark contemplation in nudging thought through excerpts. In "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" the couplet "peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled" seems to sum up the intention with regards to wars. Isaiah 2:4 gives a possibility of peace "they will make their swords into ploughs and their spears into pruning hooks; nations will no longer fight other nations nor will they train for war any more". What are the chances today? In Matthew 5:44 "But I say to you - love your enemies. Pray for those who hurt you". In John 14:23 "If people love me they will obey my teaching" said Jesus and verse 27 "I leave you my peace, my peace I give you". In Philippians 4: 8-9 "Brothers and sisters think about the things that are good and worthy of praise.

Think about the things that are true and honourable and right and pure and beautiful and respected. Do what you learned and received from me and what I told you and you saw me do. And the God who gives peace will be with you". This surely is the guidance and the result of the Bible itself. So to conclude, the "Priests' Blessing" from Numbers 6: 24-26

"May the Lord Bless you and Keep you  
May the Lord show you his kindness and have mercy on you  
May the Lord watch over you and give you peace".

Peace be with you!!

## Answers to Bazaar Quiz

### Buildings

1. Lighthouse	9. Station	18. Chateau
2. Cottage	10. Stable	19. Igloo
3. Hangar	11. Silo	20. Tavern
4. Flat	12. Kirk	21. Byre
5. Temple	13. Hut	22. Skyscraper
6. Manse	14. Bungalow	23. Observatory
7. Cabin	15. Villa or Manor	24. Bothy
8. Office	16. Barracks	25. Hostel
	17. Hospice	

**Winner : Andy Aitken**

## THANK YOU FOR THE MUSIC

On Sunday 3rd February at 630pm Jonathan Buchan will be giving a concert in aid of the Renal Unit at The Royal Hospital for Children. The concert will celebrate the 50th Birthday of the Organ, the works of Robert Burns and the greatest musicals ever written. Please come along for a great evening of music!!

## CHURCH CHOIR

On behalf of the Choir, I would like to invite anyone who likes to sing to come along and join us on a Thursday Evening in the Lesser Hall. We are short of voices in all sections. You can be assured of a warm welcome. The ability to read music is not essential. Why not come along some Thursday and sit in at a rehearsal and see what you think.

*Jonathan*

## **King's Park Brass - Update**

The band enjoyed our St Andrew's Night concert in Rutherglen Town Hall, and our Christmas Concert with the Youth Band in King's Park Church. At Christmas we also spent some time playing carols at local supermarkets and were delighted to make £2500 from this crucial annual fundraising effort.

Our first concert of 2019 will take us to Edinburgh on Saturday 30th March for a joint concert with the Edinburgh Brass Band - a return visit after our joint concert in St Andrew's in the Square last year.

Looking further ahead, we are making plans for our annual King's Park concert during the last week of June, and for a return to Rutherglen Town Hall at the end of November.

**Watch this space for more details!**

### **FROCK SWAP!**

**We are holding a Frock Swap on Saturday 23rd March 2019. Look out for further details in the intimations and on the website.**

**It's a 'bring your own bottle' evening, tickets £10, available from Lorraine Pratt or the Church Office. Tea & coffee will be served, and there will be a prize draw on the night.**

**If you have any good quality clothes, or accessories (no shoes), please hand them in to the church between 9am and 1pm any day. If you need any further information please call Lorraine Pratt 07799480786.**

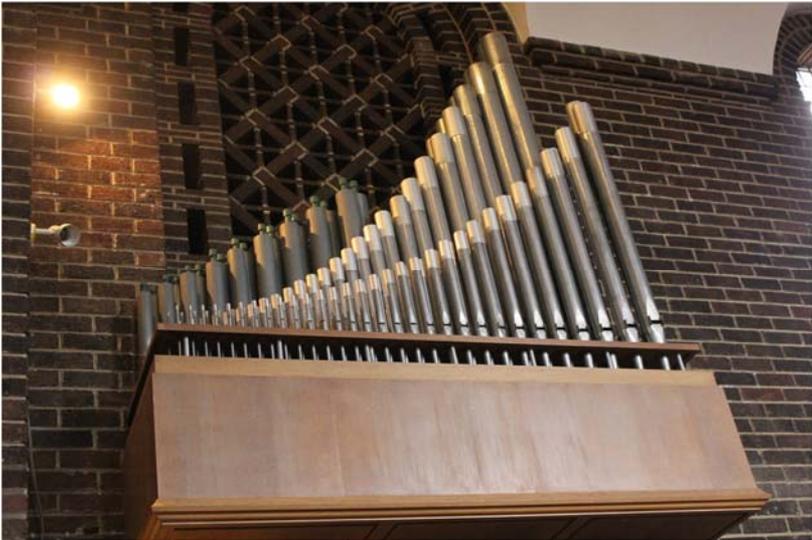
**Please come along and enjoy the night.**

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

- Sun 3 11am Morning Worship including re-dedication, followed by the  
242 Bring & Buy Sale  
6.30pm Concert in Aid of the Children's Renal Unit, in  
celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Church Organ
- Mon 4 7pm God Tock
- Tues 5 7pm KP Chicks Chair Yoga
- Sun 10 11am Morning Worship  
6.30pm Evening Worship including Sacrament of Communion
- Mon 11 7pm God Tock
- Wed 13 7.30pm Guild Guest Night
- Sun 17 9.45am Early Morning Worship  
11am Morning Worship
- Mon 18 7pm God Tock
- Wed 20 6.30pm Prayer Group  
7pm Kirk Session  
8.15pm Congregational Board
- Sun 24 9.45am Early Morning Worship  
11am Morning Worship including Brownie and Guide Thinking  
Day Parade
- Mon 25 7pm God Tock

**March**

- Sat 2 4pm-6pm Messy Church
- Sun 3 11am Morning Worship
- Mon 4 7pm God Tock – Lent Study Begins
- Sun 10 11am Morning Worship including Sacrament of Communion  
6.30pm Evening Worship including Sacrament of Communion
- Mon 11 7pm God Tock
- Wed 13 7pm Trustees' Supper  
7.45pm Attestation of Accounts
- Sun 17 9.45am Early Morning Worship  
11am Morning Worship including the Annual General Meeting
- Mon 18 7pm God Tock
- Sat 23 7.30pm Frock Swap
- Sun 24 9.45am Early Morning Worship  
11am Morning Worship
- Mon 25 7pm God Tock



**We are celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the installation of our Church organ in February. There will be special services to mark this event.**