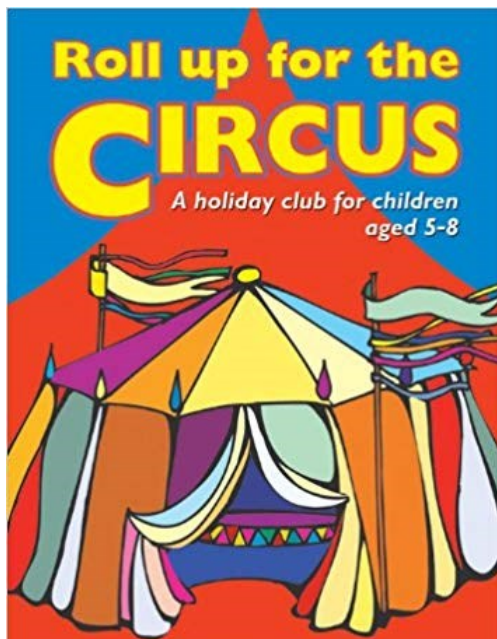


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CONGREGATIONAL REGISTER

No of Communicants on Roll = 502

AT REST

“I am the Resurrection and the Life”

25 May	Mr Robert Lees
5 Jun	Miss Irene Tweedie
7 Jul	Mr Alan Hannah
22 Jul	Mrs Isobel Burgess

Prayer Focus

Lord, we give thanks for the success of the global prayer initiative Thy Kingdom Come. It was inspiring to be part of something bigger than our small Prayer group. I Pray for the Kings Park Group and that the Kirk Session will come up with a new way of promoting prayer in our Church and more people attend. We are challenged with changes as we begin our search for a Minister, guide us to the one you have chosen for us and give us patience over the coming months.



Pray for the summer clubs as we share God's love with the children. September sees the start of all our activities and we hope that the leaders are well rested and prepared for the new session, we give thanks for their dedication of service over many years. Inspire us to reach out to the community by sharing God's love by reaching out to others. Let this be a year of evangelism. Give us all the courage to invite someone to a service or encourage someone who has not been for a while to join us.

Hear our Prayer Lord, Amen.

Pastoral Letter ...

Dear Friends

May I in my first contribution to King's View thank you for your welcome since I came to serve as locum at King's Park at the beginning of June.

A conversation I recently had with another minister turned to the problems we face in the Church today. He belonged to the gloom and doom brigade and while his observations were largely true, the note of hope was sadly missing. After we parted, I recalled a meeting of office-bearers in my first charge which was in Port Glasgow.

The Church was a new building and we had the free offer of trees to plant in the large grounds surrounding the Church. The offer was met with enthusiasm and everyone agreed to accept it. Then came the questions. Someone pointed out that the young trees would have to be staked. Who would supply the stakes and how much would they cost? Someone else asked where we would plant the trees - along the perimeter fence or in clumps around the grounds? If the latter, then we would no longer be able to bring in a tractor to cut the grass. Other snags, real and imagined were pointed out. Then came the final *coup de grace*. Had we seen what had happened to other trees which had been planted in streets around the church? Many of them had been uprooted by vandals. Would our trees fare any better? Heads nodded. Our tree planting project which had been received so enthusiastically a few moments before was now stone dead.

Then someone asked if we were not in danger of losing sight of the wood for the trees! Did we or did we not want the trees? They would cost us nothing and given care and protection would make the Church grounds more attractive, after a few moments, everyone agreed that, yes, we should

after all accept the offer and two dozen trees were ordered. They were planted, and staked and in the event survived the attention of the vandals.

I share the story with you because we all tend to be more taken up with the problems which face us in the Church than the opportunities. We are problem-centred rather than God-centred. We focus on the problems which beset the Church (and, make no mistake, they are real enough) and forget to look to the Lord of the Church.

The present vacancy at King's Park, when questions about the future shape of the Church in our area of the city hang in the air, brings home to us that these are uncertain times for us all in the Church of Scotland. The problems which face us can't be denied. Nevertheless, now is the time to look to the future in a spirit of hope, while making sure that we are faithful in coming together for worship, attentive to what God is saying to us at this time through His Word, prayerful, and diligent in our service of Christ, of the congregation, of one another, and of the community in which we are placed. It would be easy to look at the past through rose-tinted spectacles, or to deplore the present, but what is required of us all is that we move forward in faith, knowing that God has a plan for us. As the apostle Paul puts it: "What no eye has seen, or ear heard, or the human heart conceived, God has prepared for those who love him". (*1 Corinthians 2:9*)

For my part, I look forward to accompanying you on the journey.

Yours sincerely,
David Easton
Locum Minister

Wilson Paterson - 14.6.40 – 21.5.19

Wilson was born on the 14th June 1940 in the Maternity Home in Kilmarnock. He was the eldest and only son to parents Robert and Helen Paterson, growing up with much loved sisters Liz and Anne. The family moved to Gourock in 1944 where Wilson went to Primary school. In 1950 the family were on the move again, this time to King's Park Church, with Rev Robert Paterson building King's Park up to having more than 3,000 members, being the 2nd biggest church in Scotland after St. Giles in Edinburgh. Wilson was 10 when they moved, going on to attend King's Park Secondary school where he was good with figures and also played the clarinet. On leaving school Wilson started working at the Co-Operative in the cash office, whilst studying for an HND in Accountancy.

Wilson regularly went dancing travelling around all the local Scout Dances in Clarkston and Whitecraigs, at one of these dances he met Nancy Neilly, and in the fullness of time the rest is history. Their wedding was a real family affair. They were married on the 22nd August 1964 in King's Park Church by the Rev Robert Paterson, Wilson's Dad. They enjoyed 48 very happy years together. They moved a year after they married to Kilmorie Drive where they were blessed with their first son David on the 1st October 1965, followed by Wilson in September 1966, then Stuart in December 1967. The family were on the move again, this time to Menock Road in 1969. Wilson didn't work very long at the Co-op before moving onto British steel in Ravenscraig, where he worked his way up to being an accountant.

The family then moved round the corner to King's Park Avenue where Alistair was born in 1973. Wilson's work in the steel industry then took them south, near Sheffield in Derbyshire in 1976 where there was a very hot summer and a terrible winter.

In 1979 they returned to Scotland to Southern Avenue which became the final family home.

Holidays were a special time in the Paterson family, usually in Balloch or Prestwick, wherever Wilson's parents were at the time.

In 1988 the whole family's life was turned upside down when Stuart had his accident. Nancy gave up work as a nurse and dedicated her life to caring for Stuart. The whole family's life changed. The Nursing staff in the Mansion House Unit where Nancy had worked, organised a night out and raised enough money to buy Stuart a wheel chair. Wilson and Nancy bought a time share in Aviemore primarily to allow all the family to enjoy short breaks together.

Wilson and Nancy loved to go to London to see the shows, particularly Les Miserables, Phantom of the Opera, The Lion King and Cats. Wilson and Nancy worked hard at raising money in many ways for Stuart and the Head Injuries Trust. Wilson talked often about his life with Stuart and freely admitted how much prayer really got him through those difficult times, and how the good folk of King's Park rallied around him and Nancy to support them too.

King's Park Church played a huge part in Wilson's life. First and foremost Wilson was a Godly man. A faithful, committed and loyal servant to Jesus Christ here in King's Park, with everything he did or said having his faith absolutely at the centre of his life. Wilson was ordained as an elder in 1969 and took his responsibilities very seriously. He would have celebrated 50 years as an Elder this year.

He also made his mark on the church family through the Church Shows. The first show at King's Park Church that Wilson produced was called "First Edition", the money raised from this also supported the Head Injuries Trust. Wilson resurrected the Church Shows in the late 1980's, which had evolved from David Davidson's Youth Fellowship Shows. Wilson was so talented: he came up with the ideas, wrote the sketches, even a few songs, produced and directed the shows, and famously starred in a few, one memorable sketch included Wilson and Stewart Smith, with Stewart playing the Rev I.Am Jolly.

Wilson was the Presbytery Elder for a number of years and the Kirk Session always enjoyed his reports because he always finished with a joke, perhaps Presbytery could adopt that policy too! He was Church Treasurer for a few years, the Convenor of the World Mission Team, the Quiz Master at God Tock and Editor of the Church Magazine for the last 18 years. He helped at Messy Church, Easter Code and Christmas Unwrapped with the Primary school, he and Raymond were Little & Large at the Tuesday Coffee Mornings – we never did find out who was who! He was a regularly attendee at the weekly Prayer Group, he came on all our Prayer Walks and helped with Litter Picks. He was a faithful member of the Worship Team, leading evening worship for the last time on the 18th November focusing on Psalm 84. He led worship during Holy Week. He always volunteered to lead the Hogmanay service too. He was brilliant at the Annual Church Burns Supper providing the Toast to the Lassies and the Immortal Memory.

Wilson lived his life following Jesus commands to the letter, loving God with all his heart, mind and strength and loving his neighbour as himself, being a very dedicated, committed, loyal and faithful servant of Jesus Christ.

Wilson 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, being re-united with Nancy and Stuart in heaven. May God's peace and God's strength be with us all at this time As we treasure the stories and memories in our heart, of the life of a unique and special Gentleman, Wilson Paterson.

May the Lord Bless him and Keep him,
May the Lord make his face to shine upon him,
and be gracious unto him,
The Lord lift up his countenance upon him, and give him peace.

Amen and thanks be to God.

CONGREGATIONAL FINANCE
"We Give Thee But Thine Own"
FINANCE REPORT - 2019

	£	
	<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>
<u>INCOME</u>		
Offerings & Donations	7,430	7,897
Hall Hire Income	532	772
Roof Fund - Donations	425	1,523
Other Donations	600	685
Regular other Monthly Income	1,387	391
Charitable Donations	20	1,953
Total Month's Income	<u>10,394</u> =====	<u>13,221</u> =====
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		
Regularly Monthly Costs	12,673	14,145
Fabric Repairs	1,692	142
Roof Repairs	186	-
Charitable Donations	-	1,852
Total Month's Costs	<u>14,551</u> =====	<u>16,139</u> =====
Monthly Income vs Costs	-4,157	-2,918

Comments

May - Shortfall of Receipts after payments made was £4,157
 > Unrestricted Funds had a shortfall of £2,682
 > Restricted Funds had a surplus of £1,475

June - Shortfall of Receipts after payments made was £2,981
 > Unrestricted Funds had a shortfall of £2,853
 > Restricted Funds had a surplus of £65

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.

LUNCH CLUB VOLUNTEERS

Hi Friends, we are looking for helpers for the Community Lunch Club, if you are free every or any last Thursday in the months of Sept til Dec, then Feb til May from 10am until 2pm please contact Arlene on 07787 536785. There has been a poor response so far which has been disappointing, please do let Arlene know if you can help.

NEWS FROM THE PRAYER GROUP...

I have thought about a 10am start for the prayer group but this would clash with the early morning service, I have tried to encourage the congregation to take part in the district Prayer Breakfast but there was no response. Suggested prayer request post cards to be delivered to every house which could be handed into the Church or collected on a second visit, meaning a lot of people getting involved and would be a way of promoting the Church. I was part of Thy Kingdom Come Global Prayer and our start was placed on the map. I tried to introduce a memorial prayer list but it was pointed out that the numbers would be over whelming and this is covered by the memorial service in December. Sunday Prayer meeting is still poorly attended. Try Praying was a success, the prayer survey had a poor response and the prayer cards are a big success. There are 82 members and 186 friends on our prayer group. All suggestions welcome, thank you for your support.

Gaera Taylor, Elder for the promotion of Prayer Life in our Church

CHOIR

New Choir Members would be made very welcome at their first practice on Thursday 5th September at 7.30pm in the Lesser Hall. Why not come along and give it a try? The ability to read music is not essential but a love of singing is!! I hope to see you there.

J Buchan

CHURCH GARDENS

Due to various reasons, ill health etc., the Gardening Team are no longer able to maintain all of the Church Gardens. We need additional members who can participate on any days or evenings of the week, the tools are always available in the Church. If you feel you can participate in any way please speak to anyone on the team about what you can do or phone Bob Packer on 0141 647 5022. In the meantime we will try to keep the front of the Church grounds tidy, some of the back areas will be left. Many thanks for the money donated towards roses, around £400 was raised. Eleven roses have been planted during the summer. Looking forward in anticipation.

Regards, *Bob Packer, for Gardening Team*

LADIES CARPET BOWLS

The Ladies Carpet Bowls will start back on 5th September, 1pm for 1.30pm. Anyone who would like to come would be made most welcome.

Millie

COMPUTER CLASS

There is the possibility of running another computer course - 10 weeks starting around October. Having your own laptop is preferred. This will be held in the Church, if you are interested please give your name to John or Eunice Black or Raymond Jenkins.

ALL ELDERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

John and I felt this would be a good time to update personal details such as email addresses and phone numbers. If you have made any changes to these, could you please let us know. Many thanks,
Eunice Black

NEWS FROM THE SOCIAL & FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

A huge thank you to everyone who came along and supported the Strawberry Fayre, a total of £816.79 was raised for the roof fund.

Lynda Young on behalf of the committee.

BB NEWS

Both Junior and Company Sections are at time of writing enjoying the summer break but as the days pass, the onset of Session 2019/20 moves inexorably closer. Meanwhile to delve into the past Session the Junior Section had their Display in May and the Principal Awards were gained by the following:

New Recruit:	Alex Parker
2nd Year Best Boy (Iain Robson Cup):	Jack Johnston
Best Drilled Boy (Cathy Shearer Cup):	Rory Martin
3rd Year Best Boy (Bennie Cup):	Oliver Murray

The New Session starts with enrolment night on Wednesday 4th September. The Company Section will hold their enrolment night on Friday 6th September from 8pm in the Large Hall.

As the new Session starts, the 118 Celebrates its 90th Anniversary and it is hoped the Founders day Parade will be a Celebration Day with as many ex-Members in attendance as possible with a short celebration and reunion after the Service. More details will follow nearer the time.

Ian Livingstone RO

HELP REQUIRED!

As your Property Convener, I talk a "good game". I know about property, fabric, building construction, but, I am no expert at do-it-yourself, nor have I the time to do all the outstanding jobs on my own. We were extremely fortunate to have Lawson Boyd, as my predecessor, who could turn his skilful hand to most things. That is, most definitely, not the case with me.

Accordingly, I'm seeking to put together a group of volunteers, who would be prepared to help in all sorts of ways, depending on the task to be undertaken. I plan to inspect our accommodation and put together a maintenance plan for the coming year, but I am already aware that the main tasks to be ticked off are the painting of our fencing and the completion of the Session House refurbishment. There may be other, more technical things needing done as well, so please let me know if you have special skills that we can put to good use. If you have the time and inclination to become part of what, I'm sure, will be an enthusiastic group, please let me know. Call / text on 07776 328914 or speak to me anytime.

Many thanks
Alan Pratt

Thanks ...

Just a little update from the Tuesday Coffee Mornings. Over June and July we have raised £520 for the roof fund. During this time we also had a coffee morning for Breast Cancer and raised the great sum of £215.



Why don't you come along on a Tuesday morning from 10am until 12 noon and enjoy the chat and the lovely home baking. You will be made most welcome.

Millie

I would like to say a big thank you to all who helped me get around when I was walking with the crutches after my operation on my foot, not forgetting my friends in the Choir who help me each Sunday up and down the Chancel steps, and also the ladies who carry my hymn books in for me.

Margaret McCulloch

Thanks to everyone who supported the recent 'Songs at Sundown Concert'. The money raised will be going to the Roof Fund. The final amount will be given in the weekly Intimations.

Jonathan

We would like to thank all Church friends for their prayers and support during Jonathan's parents recent ill health. It means a lot to us.

Norah & Jonathan

We would like to thank you all for a lovely day to remember on the recent occasion of celebrating our Golden Wedding Anniversary when we visited the Church for morning worship on Sunday 9th June. We have a lot of happy memories of the day, thank you all for your welcome and special thanks for the Church Flowers.

Barbara & Robert

Thank you all very much for your very kind donations, they are all very much appreciated. I have so far raised over £1,300 which Digby Brown will double!! Thanks again.

Joanne (Paul)

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 2019 - The Final Story

As an update to the update in June/July's magazine, we can confirm that the total amount raised was **£1342.37** Just to recap: CA Coffee morning - £85; Souper Sunday - £254.40; CA Quiz night - £140.02; Church envelopes and paper quiz - £862.95 **Thanks to all who contributed in any way!** In connection with the "paper quiz", we can hereby announce that the winners, drawn from the six complete and wholly correct entries received, are Margaret & David Cochrane. Wine and chocolate have been despatched to the Cochrane household! For those interested, the quiz sought book titles. The answers are as follows:-

1. Snag two little ducks – **Catch 22**
2. Baby dropped off – **Kidnapped**
3. Eliminate American singer – **To Kill a Mockingbird**
4. It's a picnic – **A Moveable Feast**
5. Prime minister's point – **East of Eden**
6. She lost her husband – **The Woman in Black**
7. Girl loses me in eagle's nest – **Jane Eyre**
8. 'L' of a lot of monochrome blinds – **Fifty Shades of Grey**
9. Cherish man – **Treasure Island**
10. Value of dog's home – **Kenilworth**
11. Band in an awesome place – **Alice in Wonderland**
12. Moscow blows a kiss – **From Russia with Love**
13. Tweets – **Birdsong**
14. Stateless senior gents – **No Country for Old Men**
15. Part of a cooker piece – **The Hobbit**
16. Retail premises fatal to cats – **The Old Curiosity Shop**
17. Traveller moving on – **The Pilgrim's Progress**
18. He gives thumbs up to lead to chocolate – **The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy**
19. David's son digging deep – **King Solomon's Mines**
20. Miles from the hustle and bustle – **Far from the Madding Crowd**
21. French pennypinchers – **Les Miserables**
22. Went back to where the veil was – **Brideshead Revisited**
23. Breeze through the trees – **The Wind in the Willows**
24. He's in charge of theatre storage – **Lord of the Flies**
25. T.A.R.D.I.S – **The Time Machine**
26. Wind up colour – **A Clockwork Orange**
27. Sounds like Oscar's place – **Call of the Wild**
28. Maybe touch feelings – **Sense and Sensibility**
29. Grind atop cleaner – **The Mill on the Floss**
30. Baseball player in Whisky – **The Catcher in the Rye**

THE ROOF FUND – FINAL UPDATE

By the time you read this short article, the roof upgrade work on our 1950s suite of halls will be complete. The life of the project has had its “ups & downs”.

We had to change contractor, as our original roofer was concerned about the asbestos roof deck, structurally, and in connection with fibre disturbance. We very quickly found another contractor, Braedale Roofing of Wishaw, who was fully confident in the roof's physical and structural make up and was happy to proceed at much the same cost as the original quote (give or take £5,000). Our acceptance of the new quote and proposal was ratified by the Trustees, and works commenced mid - June.

Time-wise, this unfortunately corresponded with an intensely busy time in the halls, with the ABRSM practical and theory music exams taking place. We were fortunate to have patient Examiners in place, who graciously put up with the occasional noise from above! It has to be pointed out that Braedale have accommodated, without question, all our requests for the work practices to be altered for events scheduled to take place in the halls, from the Pauline Quirke Academy's weekly Summer School and production of Annie, to our own Community Festival, successfully held on the 23rd July, in glorious sunshine and without a roll of roofing felt in sight.

Our heartfelt thanks go to Stevie & John O'Mara, the directors of Braedale, and their team for the care and professionalism shown throughout the job. The project would have fallen at the very first fence if not for J P Hughes of Soprema, the roofing manufacturer, who has provided the church with invaluable advices and acted as a wise and enthusiastic link between our property team and the contractor. On the financial side, the total cost is £76,666.43 including VAT. Over £43,000 came from the generosity of the congregation and friends through the roof fund, launched at the September Communion last year; £20,000 was funded by Viridor and the rest withdrawn from the General Trustees Consolidated Fabric Fund, as originally envisaged.

The roof coverings replaced lasted for nearly 70 years – we look forward to another 70 years of “bucket-less” use of the large hall, the lesser hall, the kitchen and all associated rooms and corridors. Finally, should anyone have any questions about the project, physically or financially, please don't hesitate to speak to Alan Pratt.

Dates for your Diary

August

Sun 4th 11am Morning Worship
 Mon 5th 7pm Litter Pick
 Sun 11th 11am Morning Worship
 Mon 12th 7pm Litter Pick
 Sun 18th 11am Morning Worship
 Mon 19th 7pm Litter Pick
 Wed 21st 7pm Kirk Session Meeting Only
 Sun 25th 11am Morning Worship, final Summer Sunday School
 Mon 26th 7pm Litter Pick
 Monday 26th until Friday 30th August 6.30pm until 8pm - Holiday Club for Children P1-P7

September

Sun 1st 11am Morning Worship, Sunday Schools resume
 Mon 2nd 7pm God Tock
 Sat 7th 4pm-6pm Messy Church
 Sun 8th 11am Morning Worship with Sacrament of Communion
 6.30pm Evening Worship with Sacrament of Communion
 Mon 9th 7pm God Tock
 Sun 15th 11am Morning Worship
 Mon 16th 7pm God Tock
 Wed 18th 6.30pm Prayer Group
 7pm Kirk Session Meeting
 8.15pm Congregational Board
 Sun 22nd 11am Morning Worship
 Mon 23rd 7pm God Tock
 Sun 29th 11am Morning Worship with Harvest Thanksgiving
 Mon 30th 7pm God Tock

HARVEST THANKSGIVING

Our Harvest Thanksgiving Service will take place on Sunday 29th 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 the church, either on Saturday 28th 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.

