

# King's View

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***"Don't be afraid, I know you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here! For he has been resurrected, just as He said. He is Risen!"***

***See Matthew 28***

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

***"1930-2021 - 91 Years of Spiritual Service"***

Dear Friends,

It has been a long winter. To snow and ice, and wet and windy days, has been added the restrictions imposed on us by COVID-19. But now the vaccination programme has begun to take effect and there is the prospect that the lockdown which we've all had to thole this past year will be eased. Spring is in the air and round the corner Easter beckons. So may I wish you all a Happy Easter!

There is something pure and simple about that wish. As yet, Easter hasn't quite succumbed to the commercial exploitation which has been the fate of Christmas. So the celebration of Easter remains focused. The message centres on an empty tomb. Christ is risen! Hallelujah!

The miracle of the resurrection is reflected in the annual miracle of spring, the signs of which we may now see all around us. As out of winter comes spring, so out of Good Friday comes Easter Sunday. Here is how the German reformer, Martin Luther (1483-1546) put it:

*Go to the cherry tree at Christmas. Feel its little twigs and you will not find one little green leaf, neither sap nor life. You will find only a dry, bare stem which has nothing but bare wood. But if you come again after Easter, the cherry tree is beginning to live once more, the wood is full of sap, and the little twigs are acquiring little eyes and knots. Therefore...open your eyes, look at the cherry tree, and let it teach you of the resurrection.*

The renewal of nature at springtime speaks of that spiritual renewal which the Holy Spirit effects in our lives when we believe in Christ. He brings us from death to life. We become new people. The past is finished and gone. A new life begins. The Easter hymn expresses this truth beautifully:

*When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain  
Thy touch can bring us back to life again  
Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been.*

This life-giving and restoring power at work in our lives as Christians is, the apostle Paul tells us, the same power which raised Jesus from the dead. So his prayer for those to whom he wrote was that they might know Christ and the power of his resurrection. (See Ephesians 1.16-20). That should also be our prayer for ourselves as a congregation at this Easter season.

We are not left to follow Christ as best we can. We are promised power – power to live, power to serve God and those around us, and power to share the good news of Jesus with others. “You shall receive power” was Jesus’ promise to his disciples. They did at Pentecost. And so we also may receive the power of the Holy Spirit through faith in Christ. The power of the risen Christ is there for us to draw on.

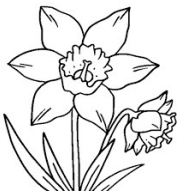
When that power pulses through the church, resurrection is the consequence. Life comes out of death, victory out of defeat, and hope out of despair. The old gives place to the new.

In wishing one another a Happy Easter, may we also pray that we may know, in fresh measure, the power of the risen Christ at work among us, bringing life out of death. Nothing less than the resurrections which his Spirit can bring about in our own lives and in our life together can equip us to rise to the challenges we face as a congregation at this time.

Wishing you the joy and hope which resurrection brings

*David, Locum Minister*

**TORYGLEN PARISH CHURCH** will go through a ‘Church Replant’ soon. The worshipping life of the congregation will come to an end on Easter Sunday. We keep them all in our prayers during this time of transition.



## **FLOWER FUND**

**Thanks are due to all who contribute to the flower fund, especially in these difficult times.**

**AT REST**

"I am the Resurrection and the Life"

4 Jan	Miss Elizabeth Anderson, Arcadia Gdns Care Home
3 Feb	Mrs Irene Smith, King's Park Avenue
4 Feb	Mr Donald Munro, Kingscourt Avenue
10 Feb	Mr Norman McKinnon, Edinbeg Avenue

While we could not attend a funeral service for our dear friends during this time, we can take time to remember them all now. May the Lord bless them and keep them. Amen.

When the time is right, and we can gather together in church once again, a fitting memorial service is planned to remember and celebrate the lives of all those who were lost in these difficult days.  
*Raymond.*

***Prayer Focus..***

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of your Son Jesus at this Easter time. The virus has plunged our world into darkness, but you will always be our beacon of light and our hope for the future. We give thanks for the vaccine and that our Government are supporting the poorer countries. Help us to learn from these times that we are living in, to be kind to one another and to change the way we do things. We pray for the people who are struggling financially, physically and mentally. We look forward to meeting in church to worship with you and enjoy fellowship with our friends. Hear our Prayer. Amen



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## **SAIDIANA WOMEN'S PROJECT**

Further to the last edition of the magazine, please note there was an error in the sort code, the correct code is 11-47-05

The account number was correct as 00005903.

Apologies for any inconvenience.

## **GOD TOCK**

God Tock, our bible discussion group, is glad to announce that its Monday night meetings are up and running again and new members are always welcome. For details of how to join the zoom meetings at 7.30pm each week, contact Raymond Jenkins ray\_jenkins@hotmail.com or Tel: 07753 808968

## **NEWS FROM THE PRAYER GROUP**

We feed the hungry and help the destitute but we are not so good at bringing them to faith. I give thanks to John Black for emailing the prayer list to members of the prayer group. If you did not receive it, you can contact me on 07407 038224. If you wish to add a name to the prayer list, let me know on the above number. I post prayers on the church Facebook page. There are also copies of the CrossReach prayer diary available. I would like to receive some feedback on a zoom Prayer meeting and how we should move forward with the group. [gaerataylor@btinternet.com](mailto:gaerataylor@btinternet.com)

## **ONLINE WORSHIP**

Online worship looks like being part of our Church life for some time. Our thanks go to all those who contribute, and to those who put the work in to make it happen. The worship team would like to invite you to consider getting involved, e.g. doing readings, prayers, children's addresses. As you know, readings and prayers are done via audio, so no need to be seen. We are sure that anyone who has been involved so far would be happy to speak with you about how they have found the experience. It is a great opportunity to be part of our worship in these difficult times – even just the once! If you are interested please contact Gordon Wilson on 07500 836721.

If you are unable to access our online worship, we are pleased to advise that a DVD or CD of recorded online services is now available. If you would like a copy or know of someone who might appreciate this, please contact Gordon or email

[office@kingsparkchurch.co.uk](mailto:office@kingsparkchurch.co.uk)

**CONGREGATIONAL FINANCE**  
*"We Give Thee But Thine Own"*  
**FINANCE REPORT - 2021**

<b><u>INCOME</u></b>	<b><u>Jan</u></b>	<b><u>Feb</u></b>
	£	
Offerings & Donations	11,033	6,134
Gift Aid Accruals	4,135	2,465
Gift Aid Income	-	1,807
HMRC Furlough salary contribution	-	1,053
Hall Hire Income	-	-
Rental Income	517	517
Charitable collections	13	-
Other regular Monthly Income	-	124
<b>Total Month's Income</b>	<b><u>15,698</u></b> =====	<b><u>12,100</u></b> =====
<b><u>EXPENDITURE</u></b>		
Regular Monthly Costs	9,383	12,602
Charitable Donations	-	150
Fabric maintenance & repairs	56	56
<b>Total Month's Payments</b>	<b><u>9,439</u></b> =====	<b><u>12,808</u></b> =====
<b>Monthly payments vs Costs</b>	<b>6,259</b>	<b>-708</b>

**Comments**

Jan - Surplus of receipts after payments made was £6,259.  
 Unrestricted funds had a surplus of £3,794 and Restricted Funds had a surplus of £2,465.

Feb - Deficit of receipts after payments made was £708.  
 Unrestricted funds had a deficit of £1,418 and Restricted Funds had a surplus of £710

***Thank You...***

Thank you so much to Raymond for the Church Flowers on my mother's anniversary. It was so kind and very much appreciated.

*Jean Vail*



Many thanks to Raymond and everyone in the Church for the beautiful flowers you delivered to me following my operation. It was a lovely surprise and very thoughtful of you. Wishing you all the best, take care and stay safe.

*Isobel Paterson*

May Davidson recently celebrated her 100th birthday. Here she is receiving flowers from the Church on her special day. She would like to thank Raymond and everyone for all their kind wishes.



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Regarding the 'opening' of live worship, as Government restrictions start to ease, we specifically await the lifting of current local authority travel restrictions, planned for 26th April 2021, giving us the opportunity to re-open the church for worship (limited to a maximum of 45 people) on Sunday 2nd May 2021. As before, if you wish to attend, contact Alan Pratt on 07776 328914 by 9pm on the preceding Thursday evening.

We will keep you updated on our website and all of our social media platforms if our plans change in any way. In the meantime, our online services continue on our Facebook and YouTube channels as normal.

### **April**

Sat 3rd            4pm-5pm Online Messy Easter  
 Sun 4th            11am Online Worship - celebrating Easter Day with  
                           online communion  
 Sun 11th          11am Online Worship  
 Sun 18th          11am Online Worship  
 Sun 25th          11am Online Worship

### **May**

Sun 2nd            11am Morning & Online Worship  
 Sun 9th            11am Morning & Online Worship - Christian Aid Week launch  
 Sun 16th          11am Morning & Online Worship  
 Sun 23rd          11am Morning & Online Worship  
 Sun 30th          11am Morning & Online Worship

### **VACANCY UPDATE**

We have been granted approval to proceed with the current protocol which allows congregations to continue to seek a minister. Therefore, in due course, members and adherents will receive further information about this, along with the opportunity to ask questions. *Eunice and John, Session Clerks*

### **POPPY APPEAL**

To date no-one has come forward to take over from Kenny Blair to ensure that everything is in place for Remembrance Sunday, and all that is connected with that time of year.

Please could you think about whether you could take on this role. Kenny is more than happy to talk anyone through what is involved.

Without someone to look after this, I feel our time of Remembrance as a church family will suffer. *John Black*





**CHRISTIAN AID WEK ETC.**, this year is 10 – 16 May. If you're lucky enough to be someone who follows "social media", look out for posts on the church's Facebook page reminding us about Christian Aid and how to offer financial support during it's most important annual fundraising event, by

donating online, directly to Christian Aid.

Due to the circumstances we still find ourselves in, we are unable to deliver CA envelopes to the parish, although, hopefully there will be some church collection envelopes available to those attending 'in person' worship in the church on Sunday 9 May, the CAW launch. If you're not "on-line" and can't get to that service, for whatever reason, you can still donate to Christian Aid by sending a cheque, made payable to "Christian Aid", at the church address (on the front page of this magazine) and mark it for the attention of Alan Pratt. In addition, if you are a UK taxpayer, please confirm this on the back of the cheque with a note of your name and address - this will allow Christian Aid to reclaim tax from the Government, thereby increasing your donation by 25%.

**What about the "ETC"** - One of the regular and familiar CA annual events is the Erskine Bridge Walk, always attended enthusiastically by King's Park volunteers. Unfortunately, this popular and financially successful fundraiser was, due to COVID restrictions, cancelled in 2020 and, indeed, has been abandoned this year too. To alleviate this loss, Christian Aid is recommending volunteers take part in the Virtual Kilt Walk 2021, where any money raised for a charity will have 50% added by the Hunter Foundation.

To take advantage of this generous opportunity, our own kilted Alan Pratt is carrying out his own "bridge walk" by visiting all of Glasgow's 21 Clyde bridges, on Sunday 25 April. You can support him by going to his JustGiving page at <https://virtual.thekiltwalk.co.uk/fundraising/ScotlandsVirtualKiltwalk2021-AlanPratt>

Alternatively, send a cheque, made payable to King's Park Church, to the church address, marked 'Kilt Walk' by Sunday 25 April, or call Alan on 07776 328914 to arrange a more suitable way to donate. All donations will be transferred to Christian Aid via Alan's JustGiving page and will therefore benefit from the 50% uplift.

Christian Aid supports projects all over the world – predominantly in countries where the effect of the Coronavirus pandemic is and has been significantly worse than it is here. Please give generously.

## **DATA PROTECTION**

In order to comply with GDPR we are required to publish the Privacy Notice below. This notice explains how we will use the personal information you have given us, and importantly, that we will protect this information. You will have seen and accepted documents like this from other organisations that hold your information. There will also be copies of this notice on our noticeboards in the church buildings and on the church website. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this please don't hesitate to contact me either directly or via [office@kingsparkchurch.co.uk](mailto:office@kingsparkchurch.co.uk) *Hilary Petrie*

KING'S PARK CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, GLASGOW Charity No SC017040 (the "Congregation")

### **Purpose of this Notice**

This Privacy Notice outlines the way in which the Congregation will use personal information provided to us. Personal information includes any information that identifies you personally, such as your name, address, email address or telephone number.

The Congregation recognises the importance of your privacy and personal information and we have therefore outlined below how we use, disclose and protect this information. The Congregation, jointly with the Presbytery of Glasgow, is the data controller, because we decide how your data are processed and for what purpose. Contact details for us are provided below.

### **How we use information**

We use the information you give to us:

- to administer membership records, including a Communion Roll and Supplementary Roll;
- for pastoral care purposes;
- in relation to participation in Congregational activities ;
- to provide you with information about news, events, and activities within the Congregation or the wider Church of Scotland;
- to provide the services of a parish church to the local community;
- to fulfill contractual or other legal obligations;
- to manage our employees;
- to further our charitable aims, for example through fundraising activities;
- to maintain our accounts and records (including the processing of Gift Aid applications);
- if CCTV is in place, for the prevention and detection of crime.

### **Disclosure of information**

The Congregation will only share your personal information where this is necessary for the purposes set out above. Information will not be shared with any third party outwith the Church of Scotland without your consent unless we are obliged or permitted to do so by law.

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The Congregation processes your information in the course of its legitimate activities, with appropriate safeguards in place, as a not-for-profit body with a religious aim and on the basis that our processing relates solely to members, former members or people who have regular contact with us, and that this information is not disclosed to any third party without your consent.

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**Contact us**

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**The Moderator of the General Assembly is inviting everyone to join him in taking part in this year's Thy Kingdom Come prayer initiative.** Thy Kingdom Come is a global ecumenical prayer movement which will run from Ascension Day on the 13th of May until Pentecost Sunday on the 23rd of May.

This year we are all encouraged to pray for five people that they might come to know the love and blessings of God.

“It’s about praying for our churches, our communities and our countries. It calls on us to pray for those who as yet know little or nothing of Christ, so is decidedly evangelistic in tone as well as ecumenical.” Congregations are encouraged to use and adapt the materials available free of charge on the Thy Kingdom Come website. <https://www.thykingdomcome.global/>

These include a Prayer Journal written by the Archbishop of York, Stephen Cottrell, a family adventure map and fun videos for children as well as inspiring videos for young adults. You don't need any of this to take part however, as all that is needed is a personal commitment to pray.

Dr Fair says “I warmly commend Thy Kingdom Come 2021 to the whole Church and encourage you to put it in your diaries now and begin to explore the superb range of resources that will be available to you.”

‘If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray...’ (2 Chronicles 7: 14)

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