



February 2019



# Mure Memorial Church



# The Link

Mure Memorial Church is the known name of Glasgow : Mure Memorial,  
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Hello my friends,

There is a lot that goes on at Mure Memorial and I haven't yet had time to get to know in detail much of it. The continuing work for the kingdom is a testament to you the members.

When I was in training, a while ago now, my minister at the time told me, as he had told the Kirk Session that his role was not to know or do or direct everything that was happening in the church, that was the duty and calling of the members called by Christ to be the church. He said that when he retired or moved on there should be very little disturbance to the life of the church because the members are the church and are responsible for the ongoing work the church does. Many members at the time thought this was wrong and he was trying to get an easy life. How wrong they were and how right he was.

Our previous minister of 23 years, a great man and minister had been the kingpin and powerhouse of our church and when he left after many wonderful years with us our church was in many ways lost and the members were unsure about what to do and how to move forward. The words of his successor mentioned above, was a wake up call for us and indeed because of what he said and did we became a stronger church.

When I came to you back in October, and looked around it took me only a very short time to see for myself that this church of ours at Mure Memorial is indeed a church where the members are strong in their faith and their commitment to building the Kingdom is alive and well.

Whatever the future throws at us here your church will be a force for good and for the community in the times ahead.

I know that recent times have been unsettling but this church of ours is strong in faith and commitment and is a shining beacon that we should be proud of.

If you need an indicator to show how good Mure Memorial is, and it is only one of many, then the way your youngsters are cared for and the way they participate shows that the love we get from God and Christ is truly alive and well and being shared.

Face the future strong in your faith and together.

God's Blessings on all of us

George

For arrangements for funerals or for any pastoral matters our Locum, Mr George Grant can be contacted on **07921068057**.

**FUNERALS** *"God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes - Rev 21"*

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| December | <b>Margaret Gordon:</b> Mother of Irene and Peter                             |
| January  | <b>John Forsyth:</b> Husband of Catherine and father of Campbell and Alasdair |

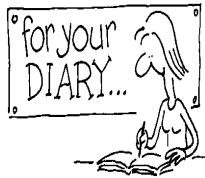


God our Father, the Bible reminds us that your love for each of us is great and that you are faithful for ever, never letting us down or forgetting your promises to us.

Inspire us to value friendship and loyalty, that we may be faithful to those who love and trust us.

We pray that we may live in such a way that we may make others feel welcome and secure.

Amen.



Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> Feb Morning Worship  
10.00 am led by Joan  
Kilpatrick

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> Morning Worship  
10.00 am

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> Guild Soup & Sandwich  
Lunch

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Feb Morning Worship  
10.00 am

Friday 1st Mar World Day of Prayer  
Service at 7.30 pm

Sunday 3rd Mar Morning Worship  
10.00 am

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> Mar Communion Sunday  
Service at 10.00 am.

February 17th	February 24th
I Whitelaw	I Main
R McLellan	J McVittie
N Collins	M McLachlan
J Smith	A Nicol
P McLellan	S McKibbin

### **DOOR DUTY March**

**BEADLE: M Scott**

Door & Collection

March 3th	March 10th
A Graham	
C Rodgers	
B Graham	Kirk Session
D Rodgers	
M Hutchison	

### **Flower Calendar**



Thank you to everyone who has donated flowers for our Sunday services during December and January.

<b>December 2nd</b>	<b>Margaret Hutchison</b>
<b>December 9th</b>	<b>Betty Graham</b>
<b>December 16th</b>	<b>Aileen and Derek Miller</b>
<b>December 23rd</b>	<b>Cath Scotland &amp; Mary Martin</b>
<b>December 30th</b>	<b>Agnes Nicol</b>

<b>January 6th</b>	
<b>January 13th</b>	<b>Alex Wilson</b>
<b>January 20th</b>	<b>J Duncan &amp; Family</b>
<b>January 27th</b>	<b>Graham Family</b>

### **DOOR DUTY February**

**BEADLE:**

Door & Collection

February 3rd	February 10th
R Colquhoun	A Pollock
I Malcolm	C Turnbull
S Blackwood	J Davidson
M McEwan	A Borthwick
E Colquhoun	J Crawford



Our syllabus for February and March is -

Feb 5 Project – Working with Malawi  
Fruits

12 Mure Memorial Choir (Fund  
Raiser)

23 (Sat) Soup and Sandwich Lunch  
26 Denise Winton (Scarves)

Mar 1 (Friday) World Day of Prayer  
5 Revival Radio  
12 Rev. Jim Benton-Evans  
19 Guest Night – Ian Walker  
26 A.G.M.

Tickets are now on sale for the popular Soup and Sandwich Lunch price £5.00 There will be a cake and candy stall, a bottle stall and the usual big raffle so be sure and get your ticket.

Meetings start at 7 30 pm and you can be sure of a warm welcome, an enjoyable evening and a nice cup of tea.

## Senior Citizens



*Calling All Seniors!*

The Senior Citizens meet on Mondays at 2.15 pm. We have a varied and entertaining programme. All are very welcome.

Our programme for February and March is

Feb	4	Chas
	11	St Valentine's Tea and Quiz
	18	Bring and Buy
	25	Rev Jim Evans – Benton Music
Mar.	4	Erin's Way Irish Band
	11	Outing to Largs
	18	Deaf Blind Slides – Suzanne
	25	A.G.M.

## Guild Soup and Sandwich Lunch



Don't forget to get your ticket for the now famous Guild Soup and Sandwich Lunch on Saturday 23rd February from 11.30 am till 2.00 pm, with a Bottle Stall, a Cake and Candy stall and a big raffle. Tickets are priced £5.00.

## LINE DANCING



The line dancing is back in full swing on Tuesday afternoons 2.00 pm to 3.00 pm. Why don't you come and join us and enjoy the company and the exercise?

## Mure Memorial Men's Fellowship



Why not come along on a Monday evening at 7.45 pm and join us in the Guild Room? You will be made very welcome.

Our meetings for February and March are:

4 <sup>th</sup>	David Walker –	Glasgow's Hidden Treasure
11 <sup>th</sup> Feb		Annual Burns Evening
18 <sup>th</sup> Feb	John Coutts –	A Box of Surprises: Poetry and Story Telling
25 <sup>th</sup> Feb	John Harkness-	World War I
4 <sup>th</sup> March	Peter Malcolm –	Scottish Video and Music
11 <sup>th</sup> March	Irene Birkett –	Glickman's
18 <sup>th</sup> March	Douglas McBay –	Church Organist
25 <sup>th</sup> March		AGM



May I together with my family offer my enormous thanks to all at Mure Memorial who supported and comforted us at the darkest time in our lives. I have been overwhelmed by the amount of love and care offered to us. John and I shared 52 years together and for that I give thanks to the Lord.

Yours in faith  
Helen Graham

## Job Vacancy



After many years of editing and printing the Link magazine, the remaining members of the original team have decided that it is time to retire.

If this is something which you are interested in doing and are willing to take on, please give it your consideration.

Hello, as you will now be aware, I have left my post as Children, Young People and Family Worker at Baillieston Mure Memorial and Baillieston St Andrew's Churches. This was a decision taken by Ministries Council of the Church of Scotland based on advice from Glasgow Presbytery. It was in no way a reflection on me, and more to do with the circumstances of the two churches just now.

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank all of you for all the support, encouragement and prayers you have offered over the past three and a half years that I have been here. Whether helping at JaM Club, Youth Fellowship, Boys' Brigade, Girls' Brigade, schools work, particularly with Scripture Union Groups and when the school was in at the end of term for their services, Holiday Club or All Age Talks on a Sunday morning, your support, endeavour and prayers have been invaluable. Thank you also for the two cards the congregation sent me, both for Christmas and as a show of support when I was off sick.

It does sadden me to leave Baillieston and all the many good people across both churches. I have now started to settle into a temporary post in Govan and Linthouse Parish, offering them the benefit of my experience and hoping to gain some new experiences with them. What the longer term future holds for me is only in the hands of God, and we must all cling to His eternal plan. As is written Jeremiah in Jeremiah 29:11, "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.'" I know over the past period those are words I have clung to. I wish all at Baillieston Mure Memorial and Baillieston St Andrew's well going forward, and we part with you all in my prayers. And who knows with God's perfect plan, we may well have our paths cross again at some stage in the future!

Best wishes and thanks again for the memories, experiences, support and prayers

Douglas



On behalf of Campbell, Alasdair and myself, thank you for the lovely flowers we received and cards of condolence, after the recent bereavement of John Forsyth.

Isobel Archibald