

November 2015





The Link

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Scottish Charity No SC002220

Dear Friends,

I am writing this on the 24th October which is the anniversary of the death of Gene Roddenberry, the creator of the Sci-Fi series "Star Trek". In one of the episodes in the series, "Star Trek: The Next Generation", the spaceship Enterprise is dispatched to deal with a potential war between the residents of two moons. With the help of an ambassador they persuade the leaders on each side to change places and see things from the other's perspective. They both grow in their understanding of the other side. War is averted and they agree to live in peace.

In America, the great Sioux Indian nation, whenever its leaders were invited to meet with other tribal chiefs, individuals would pray, "Great Spirit, help me never to judge another person without having walked in their moccasins for two weeks."

Why do we find it so easy to criticise, or pass comment (usually negative) on other people? People we see at the shops or walking along the street we usually find something wrong with their clothes or hairstyle or how they're looking after their children. Let's try and catch ourselves when we do this and instead of criticising, let's see if we can turn our thoughts into a prayer for the person.

Our prayers would be helped immensely if we could try and understand life from the perspective of the person for whom we are praying. This is easier perhaps if you know something of the history of the person, but if all else fails, ask yourself, "What would I like a total stranger to pray for me?" then use it on the person in front of you. You would

probably be surprised by how much you have, or have had in common.

"Lord, lead me not to be hasty in jumping to conclusions about people.

Influence me not to stereo-type individuals or make sweeping generalisations.

Free me from prejudices which leave noone free.

Inspire me to grow in the ability to understand others, and think as generously of them as I would like them to think of me. Amen"

Yours in Christ, Malcolm

VESTRY TIMES

Monday 6.30pm – 7.30pm Mure Memorial Tuesday 10.00am-11.00am Mure Memorial (Thrift Shop and Café available at same time) Wednesday 6.30pm – 7.30pm St. Andrew's Saturday 10.00am – 11.00am St. Andrew's (Pop-In Café available at same time)

No specific appointment is necessary. Other times can be made available by arrangement, as can home visits. The minister's phone number is **07740868181**. Please feel free to pass the times and phone number to anyone who may request them.



Rev Malcolm Cuthbertson

Our Assistant Minister, Rev Alex Stuart's phone number is **07901802967**

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

29th Sept Margaret Kerr: We remember

nephew David and the family in

our prayers.

1st October Helen Heggie: We remember

husband Colin, son Gordon and daughter Lorraine in our

prayers

WEDDINGS "So they are no longer two, but one – Matthew 19"

24th October Gary Crawford & Ashley

Greer: We wish the couple every blessing for the future.

BAPTISMS "Jesus took the children in his arms, placed his hands on each of them, and blessed them – Mark 10"

25th October Jayden Graeme Thompson

Willock: We ask God's Blessing for parents Graeme and Cheryl



We place ourselves into your hands, God our Father, knowing that whatever difficulties we face, we can never be losers because nothing can ever separate us from your love. May we live in your peace.

Amen



Tuesday 3rd Nov Acting Up – Guild

Fundraiser 7.30 pm

Sunday 8th Nov Remembrance Sunday

Service 10.45 am. Please note different

start time

Monday 9th Nov Mass in St Bridget's

followed by a buffet to mark the retirement of Monsigner John

Monsignor John McIntyre 7.00pm

Wed 11th Nov Kirk Session meeting

7.45 pm

Sunday 15th Nov Morning Worship

10.00 am Guild Week

Sunday 22nd Nov Morning Worship

10.00 am

Tearfund Project Fundraiser. An afternoon of music with Bill Russell

2.30 pm

Sunday 29th Nov Morning Worship

10.00 am followed by 90th Birthday Celebrations and Launch Lunch for

MAP appeal

Sunday 6th Dec

Morning Worship

Lisa Porter

10.00am Gift Service Sunday 13th Dec Communion Sunday with services at 10.00 am and 2.00 pm

To The Members of Mure Memorial Church

Margot Kerr and my parents (Sid and Sylvia Stamell) shared a wonderful friendship since 1967. Margot made many trips to the U.S. to spend time with our family. Her visits were anticipated and planned for weeks before she actually arrived. Margot became a member not only of our family, but of our small community as well. Everyone who knew her is saddened by her death, but grateful to have known her. My parents are both gone now, but my four siblings and I wanted to honour Margot's memory in some way. We decided that her beloved church would be a nice place to send our sympathies and make a donation in Margot's name. In loving memory of Margot.

The above letter contained a cheque for \$300 (Approx £200)

Flower Calendar

Thank you to everyone who has donated flowers for services during October



Oct 4th	Ross McKendrick
Oct 11th	Alison Strachan
Oct 18th	Margaret Murray
Oct 25th	June Crawford

Mrs Margaret Murray, who donated the flowers on 18th October is the Granddaughter of the Rev John White who was the first Minister of the congregation of Mure Memorial from its founding in 1875 to 1877. Mrs Murray was celebrating her 90th birthday on the 18th and had hoped to travel through from Edinburgh to be with us on the day, but unfortunately the lady who has brought her through in the past was on holiday.

The 2016 Flower Calendar will be available on the first Sunday in December. Anyone wishing special dates should choose them then. Thank you for your generosity.

Agnes Nicol

DOOR DUTY NOVEMBER

BEADLE: R McKendrick

Door & Collection

November 8th	November 15th
Jack Hunt	A Telfer
E Clark	G McDonald
M Brown	Alex Wilson
Jeanette Hunt	M McMillan
S Brown	P McDonald
A Kenyon	A Forrester

November 22nd	November 29th
R Colquhoun	A Pollock
I Malcolm	C Scotland
S Blackwood	J Davidson
M McEwan	A Borthwick
E Colquhoun	J Crawford
J McLaren	C Turnbull

BEADLE: M Scott

Door & Collection

December 6th	December 13th
I Whitelaw	
R McLellan	
N Collins	Kirk Session
A Miller	
P McLellan	
J Smith	

Senior Citizens



Calling All Seniors!

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

Our programme for November is

2nd Harry Benn – Singer

9th CHAS – Children's Charity

16th Outing to Sandyholmes with lunch

23rd Senior Citizens' Orchestra

This will be held in the church and

is an open meeting

30th West Tones Singing Group

Musical Afternoon

Bill Russell will be playing a selection of Organ and Piano music in the church on the afternoon of Sunday 22nd November at 2.30 pm. Afternoon tea will be served at the interval. All proceeds will go to our Tearfund Connected Church project to support the work of Women's Self Help Groups through the Kale Heywet Church in Ethiopia. Please come along and give this Wold Mission Committee Fundraiser your support.

Men's Fellowship

Our group meets on Mondays at 7.45 pm. We meet in the Guild Room. We invite men from our congregation to consider joining us at our weekly meeting- if however you are not available every week we are happy to welcome visitors.

Our meetings for November and December are as follows:

2nd Nov Eleanor Kelly – Story and Song 9th Nov Donald Murray – The Women who flew Spitfires

16th Nov Bill Russell

23rd Nov David Atkins – Glasgow Video

30th Dec Evelyn McKechnie – Ecosse

Battlefields

7th Dec John Phillips – The Happiest

Days of my Life

14th Dec Clyde Gateway – "The Olympia"





Our meetings for November are:

3rd Nov. Acting-up Puppets
(This is our fund raiser and tickets are on sale £5 or pay at the door and includes tea and home baking)

10th Nov. War Graves – Elspeth Carss

17th Nov. Alex

18th Nov. (afternoon) Visit to Mure,

Irvine

24th Nov. Life & Times of Robert

Service – Bard of Yukon Alaska -David Vennard

1st Dec. Ian Walker

8th Dec. Senior Citizen's Christmas

Dinner

-Musical Christmas Card

15th Dec. Carols by Candlelight

Our meetings start at 7. 30 p.m. and usually finish about 9.00 p.m. If you are looking for something to do on a Tuesday evening why not come and join us you can be sure of a warm welcome, an interesting and enjoyable evening and a good cup of tea

Take Time For Ten Things

- 1. Take time to work, it is the price of success.
- 2. Take time to think, it is the source of power.
- 3. Take time to play, it is the secret of youth.
- 4. Take time to read, it is the foundation of knowledge.
- 5. Take time to worship, it is the highway of reverence and washes the dust of earth from our eyes.
- 6. Take time to help and enjoy friends, it is the source of happiness.
- 7. Take time to love, it is the one sacrament of life.
- 8. Take time to dream, it hitches the soul to the starts.
- 9. Take time to laugh, it is the singing that helps with life's load.
- 10. Take time to plan, it is the secret of being able to have the time to take time for the first nine things.

Drive carefully, it isn't only cars that can be recalled by their maker.

Presbytery Report

The Strategic Planning Committee reported on the planned Union of the High Carntyne and South Carntyne congregations and noted that the service of Union will take place on 7th January 2016, when they will become Carntyne Parish Church.

They also reported that, following their review of Gartcosh linked with Glenboig, the congregations should be moved from restricted to unrestricted tenure. This was approved

The Convener of the World Mission Committee spoke about a Church of Scotland initiative working in partnership with the United Mission Nepal in one of the regions which was worst hit by the recent earthquake. Since the catastrophe in April, United Mission Nepal has assisted over 12,000 households in remote areas with basic foodstuffs, building tools and seeds to help reconstruction. United Mission Nepal hopes to train stonemasons locally and build earthquake resistant homes for over 7,000 families. Each house will cost around £500 and work will commence as soon as possible after the monsoon season. The World Mission Council has challenged every Presbytery in Scotland to raise money for at least one house. The committee recognises there are many demands on congregations, but requests that congregations respond to this need.

The Stewardship and Finance Committee reported that Presbytery has been assigned a figure of £6,222,444 for its 2016 Ministries and Mission Contributions, The figure that we at Mure have to pay is £58,435. They also reminded us of the duties of Trustees.

The Mission Committee is keen to create a database of mission resources within Presbytery in order to offer support to churches undergoing Local Church Reviews. Resources might include such things as Messy Church, Missional Communities, Back to Church Sunday, etc. and congregations were asked to email details of one useful mission resource they have used to the Convener.

The Ecumenical relations and Interfaith
Matters Committee gave notice of forthcoming
Glasgow Churches Together events;
10th Nov 10am - Schools Cantata, Wellington
Church, University Ave
2nd Dec 6.30pm - Blessing of the Crib
Wednesday, City Chambers
13th Dec 3pm - Carols for Peace, City
Chambers
31st Dec 11pm - Hogmanay Watchnight
Service, St Mungo's Cathedral

The Community Responsibility Committee reported that the Lodging House Mission is the new venue for the official Glasgow Winter Night Shelter from 1st December 2015 until the end of March 2016. Both male and female accommodation will be provided.

Janet Park

Mure Access Project

By the time you are reading this, we will hopefully have been granted permission by Presbytery to go ahead with our new Project. The committee who worked to raise the funding for our windows has been charged with the task of taking our next project forward and at this stage we are looking for your support, financially, with any fundraising suggestions and also with your prayers. We will be having our Launch Lunch on Sunday 29th November and there will be lots more information to come.



CONTACT DETAILS FOR THE LINK

If you have an article, news item or announcement for the Link please either email details to link@mure.org or place a copy of the information in Post Box 35 in the Session Room

Deadline for the next issue is Wednesday 25th November