

# November 2018





# The Link

Mure Memorial Church is the known name of Glasgow : Mure Memorial, Church of Scotland,

Hello my friends,

It is a privilege to be with you at Mure Memorial. On my first Sunday with you, it was great to see the wide range of ages in our church and to have so many young worshippers at the forefront showing a willingness to take part and participate in the worship. (From the young ones in the Sunday School to the 'youngster' reading the bible.)

I have often heard in church, at church meetings and discussions, much emphasis placed on the young in the church and the importance placed on them as the future of our church. Whilst that is true I always have believed that even those of us at the other end of the age scale are also just as important to the future of our church. The church is for the FAMILY of God where we all benefit from each other. The not so young can be inspired and fired by the enthusiasm and vigour of the young and the less young can in turn pass on the benefit of their own experience of life.

Although I have only been to two services with you I have a sense of a great spirit within Mure Memorial and I look forward to working with you for whatever time we have together. I still think of the first Sunday when Mary invited me a stranger outside to come into your church and that made me think what a special place you have here being ready and willing to invite strangers into your Family.

As I said on Sunday, sadly I will not be able to be at the door after services but I do intend to be in the church each Sunday from 9.15.

The advent season is just around the corner and we will all be busy in the run up to Christmas. Some people no doubt will moan that it is too commercialised and that the real meaning is lost and for many that may be true. However we are here to make sure that the real meaning of Christmas is never lost. The French writer and journalist Jean-Baptiste Karr wrote "The more things change, the more they stay the same"

(Except he wrote it in French "plus ça change, plus c'est la même chose") and that's true today for whatever the changes we have in our church and our circumstances our message and mission remains the same as that of the original disciples of Jesus – to bring His message to the world so that all can know what it is to be part of the FAMILY of God. In the time of the original disciples less than 1% of the world was Christian

today it is over 33% of the world and that percentage is still growing, yes despite what you may hear the church FAMILY of Christ is still growing, now that is good news to celebrate and keep in your thoughts in the coming months.

Blessings on us all

#### 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"

16<sup>th</sup> Oct

Robert White, husband of Madge and father of Jeanette and Alan



Lord, we pray for justice and peace in our world. We pray, too, that those who use violence as a weapon may be touched by the reaction of people who have been hurt by violence. Influence each of us, Lord, to bring justice and peace to our own part of the world this day.

Amen



Wed 7<sup>th</sup> Nov Kirk Session meeting

7.30pm

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> Nov Remembrance Sunday

10.45 am (Please note change of start time)

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> Nov Morning Worship - Guild

**Dedication Service** 

10.00 am

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> Nov Morning Worship 10.00 am

Thurs 29<sup>th</sup> Nov Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec

Board Meeting 7.30 pm Morning Worship 10.00 am

Switching on of the Baillieston Christmas

Lights 3.00pm

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> Dec

Communion Service

10.00 am

## Flower Calendar

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



Oct 7th	Ross McKendrick
Oct 14th	Mary Martin
Oct 21st	Janette & Jack Hunt
Oct 28th	Mamie Johnston

# **DOOR DUTY November BEADLE : R Getty**

Door & Collection

November 4th	November 11th
I Whitelaw	I Main
R McLellan	J McVittie
N Collins	A Nicol
P McLellan	S McKibbin
J Smith	M McLachlan

November 18th	November 25th
A Graham	A Hunter
C Rodgers	M Brown
B Graham	J Hunt
D Rodgers	A Kenyon
M Hutchison	A Miller

#### **DOOR DUTY December**

**BEADLE : G Leiper** 

Door & Collection

December 2nd	December 9th
A Telfer	
G McDonald	Kirk Session
Alex Wilson	
M McMillan	
A Tedeschi	

#### **Senior Citizens**



#### Calling All Seniors!

The Senior Citizens meet on Mondays at 2.15pm. We have a varied programme and all seniors are welcome to come along and join us.

Nov	5th	Taylor Fashions
	12th	Bingo
	19th	Outing to Garrion Bridge
	26th	Douglas Jenkinson –
		Singer
Dec	3rd	Fire Brigade

#### LINE DANCING



The line dancers meet every Tuesday 2.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. in the church hall. We are not experts but we all enjoy the exercise. If you would like to join us, you would be very welcome and it is good fun.

A little progress each day adds up to big results.

#### Switching on of Christmas Lights



Baillieson Churches Together have been invited to take part in the switching on of the Christmas Lights which will take place on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> December. There will be various stalls and activities from 3.00 pm onwards. Between 5.00 pm and 5.30 pm we have been asked to lead carol singing and give a Christmas Blessing which will take place round the Christmas Tree at the traffic lights. This will be followed by mulled wins and mince pies served in St Bridget's Parish centre.



The new session of The Guild is now well under way. Our programme for November and December is -

Nov.	6 <sup>th</sup> 13 <sup>th</sup>	Project (Boys Brigade) Octave (Fundraiser)
C	13 18 <sup>th</sup>	
Sun	- 0	Dedication Service
	$20^{th}$	Fire Service Safety
	$21^{st}$	Visit to Mure Guild (Irvine)
	$27^{th}$	'Glasgow Makes People'
		(Grace Franklin)
Dec	$4^{th}$	Senior Citizens Dinner
	$11^{\rm th}$	Carols by Candlelight

The meetings start at 7 30 p.m. and everyone will be made very welcome why not come along and see what an interesting and enjoyable programme we have plus a nice cup of tea.

## 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 November and December are as follows.

5<sup>th</sup> Nov - Robert Batty

12<sup>th</sup> Nov - Jim Rexter – A Child's view of

World War II

19<sup>th</sup> Nov - Ian Wishart – Police Humour

 $26^{th}$  Nov – George Aird – Country Music  $3^{rd}$  Dec - Peter Mortimer

10<sup>th</sup> Dec – Heather Willimott – Antarctica

## **World Mission Committee**





A very big thank you for all the donations that were given to support our Connected Church Project through our Harvest Collection the excellent sum of £420.10 was raised.



**Dear Friends** 

I am writing to acknowledge and thank your congregation at Mure Memorial for their generous Harvest donations to assist us in our work with the homeless and underprivileged in Glasgow. Be assured that these will help replenish our food store and enable us to continue feeding our service users throughout the coming winter.

At LHM, we seek to make a positive difference in the lives of our service users. The provision of vital sustenance 7 days a week, by way of healthy breakfasts and lunches, is often the gateway to supporting our service users in other ways too through the myriad of problems they face and our Day Centre offers them safe shelter where they know they will not be judged and can always find a friendly word.

We are very aware that we can only carry out the work we do at LHM thanks to the generosity of supporting churches such as your own. On behalf of everyone at LHM, especially our service users, please pass on our heartfelt thanks to your congregation for its loyal support.

May God bless you as you have blessed us.

Yours sincerely,

Gus Smeaton

Director & Trustee

"Every word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him."

Proverbs 30:5

#### CONTACT DETAILS FOR THE LINK

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