

Church Register

Deaths:

“The Lord’s my shepherd I’ll not want”

October

Mrs Margaret Mackie ErskineHouse (formerly Victory Park)

Marriages:

“Love always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails. And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

19th October Kerri Mahood and Calum Gibson

20th October Heather McLeod and Hadyn Johnston

Church Office

Janette Robertson will be in the Office – Tuesday 10.00 am – 12 noon & Friday 9.00 am – 1.00 pm. All items for the Pew Leaflet should be given to Janette, or posted through the office door. Please note that articles for inclusion in the Sunday Pew Leaflet must be with Janette no later than 11.00 am on the preceding Friday.

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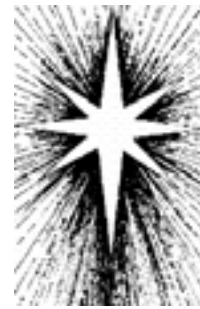
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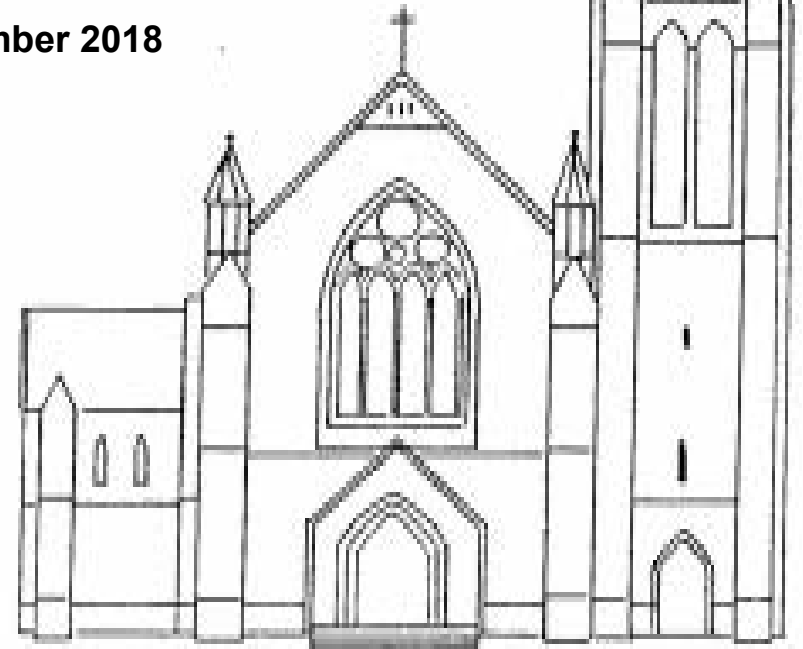
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Blythswood Care

We have resumed our collection for Blythswood, so please bring any of the following donations, and they will be taken up to their shop in Prestwick.

Please mark your boxes/bags with the following appropriate label(s):

**BRB = Bric-a-Brac C = Clothes D = Dishes F = Food
G = Glass items M = Medical T = Toys = Books**

Stamps

Please bring along used stamps and place them in the box in the vestibule at the church building.

They are sent to World Mission at '121' who benefit in the region of £2,000 + per annum.

Please leave about one quarter of an inch around the stamp when you cut it off the envelope.

Computer Inkjet Cartridges

Used computer inkjet cartridges continue to be handed in in good numbers in response to the Kirk Session's decision to collect used computer inkjet cartridges and send them off to either The Leprosy Mission (Scotland) or to CHAS. The Leprosy Mission (Scotland) can take only three particular makes but other makes can be sent via the Rotary Club of Girvan to CHAS.

The church will send off the ones to TLM (Scotland) while the rest will be taken to Rotary for them to send to CHAS.

A box will be found each Sunday in the vestibule of the church building into which you may place your used cartridges. Please keep them coming!

Greetings to you all.

Over the last few months a number of individuals, who have helped me grapple with my faith, have gone “home” to heaven to enjoy eternal life with God. So that led me to wonder what do we understand about going “home” and do people think that they are going there automatically or that they can buy their way into heaven.

The editors of WORTH MAGAZINE several years ago asked some of the wealthiest people, “How much would you pay for eternal life?” It was a question which the rich young ruler asked Jesus: “Good teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?” (Mark 10:17) We understand from the passage that outwardly, this young man had it all. Age was on his side, he was wealthy and powerful, yet he still wanted something more. We can surmise from his question, that inwardly, he was missing something because he was worried about his eternal destiny.

You might remember that the young man showed his respect for Jesus by kneeling before him and saying “Good Teacher.” However, before the man could continue, Jesus interrupted him and asked him why he called Him “good.” Now we need to understand that Jesus wasn’t being contentious, rather, He was leading the young man into spiritual introspection. Did he know Jesus was God? Is this why he called Him good, or was he just being polite?

There is no doubt he was searching for an answer, but the question Jesus asked him in response went straight to the reason why he was asking Jesus. Did he think Jesus was an answer, or did he know He is the answer? Did he think Jesus was good or did he know He is God?

You see the bible teaches about numerous issues we face on a daily basis, like what happens after we die. And what it tells us is that God is not a solution but the one who is the giver and author of life, the one to whom we are ultimately answerable, the one who overcame

death and so God wants us to come to the realization that we can trust in Him exclusively. The error the rich young ruler made, like so many others, was that he was trusting in his wealth rather than in Jesus Christ.

On average, the wealthy women, responding to Worth magazine’s survey would pay just over \$300,000.00. The men were a bit more generous, and would give a cool million. However, like the rich young ruler, they need to learn that money can’t reserve them a spot in heaven.

How do we go “home” to heaven? Paul tells us that salvation is available to all who will accept Jesus as their Saviour and as their Lord. He says in Romans 10:9–10 NASB “that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you shall be saved; [10] for with the heart man believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation.”

Have you done that?

Blessings and peace,

Pastor Richard

Outreach and Mission Team

An entertaining Social was arranged for our visitors from Malawi on 9th October. An excellent finger buffet was provided by team members and helpers. We were joined by friends from Ballantrae and Barrhill. Music was provided by Andy Jones with songs and stories from Ian McGregor. The evening finished with Auld Lang Syne and Andy playing the Malawi national anthem. An excellent night enjoyed by all. Thank you to all who supported us.

Answers to Hat Quiz

1 Medicine Container	Pill Box	16 A liquid measure	Ten Gallon
2 Cricket team member	Bowler	17 Worn by racers	Helmet
3 Found in garden	Cloche	18 Fairy	Pixie
4 Renfrewshire Village	Busby	19 This Wynette used to sing	Tammy
5 A canal	Panama	20 Found on a pram	Hood
6 Burns Character	Tam O' Shanter	21 Sounds like a soft fruit	Beret
7 Sounds like a valley	Veil	22 Found at butcher's.	Pork Pie
8 Part of a car	Bonnet	23 Five bob.	Crown
9 Crimean battle	Balaclava	24 THNIRAE (Anagram)	Hainet
10 Roofing material	Tile or Felt	25 STEFEMAYLTEH (Anagram)	Safety Helmet
11 Yachtsman	Boater	26 OBORMSER (Anagram)	Sombrero
12 Paddington's coat	Bearskin	27 RORTODABARM (Anagram)	Mortarboard
13 Joiner's corner	Mitre	28 DAERCAFHS (Anagram)	Headscarf
14 Not the north east	Sou'wester	29 ISTRNAOCAF (Anagram)	Fascinator
15 Lid	Cap or Top	30 SRELEKTREAD (Anagram)	Deerstalker
The winner was Sheila McMath, Darvel.			
Thanks to everyone who supported this fundraiser. Over £300 has been raised for church funds			

Pastoral Care Team Report

There was a full attendance of team members at our meeting on Thursday 18th October.

The Team are continuing with the following work:-

- 1 Visiting members of the congregation who have requested a visitor. The team have received 2 more requests.
- 2 Arranging dates and times of the minister's visits to members. Please phone and let us know of anyone wishing or needing a visit from Richard. Contact the Manse 713203 or Margaret Benson 713059.
- 3 Sending out cards and flowers to members who have suffered a bereavement, members ill at home or in hospital, and to members celebrating a special birthday or anniversary. Please send names to Una Jess 712881 or Margaret Benson 713059.
- 4 Organising the Car Service. At the moment all our cars are full on a Sunday morning. To extend this service to more members we need another 4 drivers to pick up members one Sunday per month. If you can help us please phone Margaret Murdoch 714515.
- 5 Updating the Book of Remembrance. The book can be viewed in the Memorial Chapel. If you would like the name of a loved one inscribed in the book, please contact Violet Connor 71 2144 Team members are June Allison, Janet Arthur, Margaret Benson, Violet Connor, Una Jess, Jimmy Lindsay, Myra McCutcheon, Joyce Mills, Margie Moffat, Jean Morris, Margaret Murdoch, Peter Noble, Sylvia Stewart. Also helping us are the flower arrangers and the drivers who deliver the flowers after church. The next Pastoral Care Team meeting will be on Tuesday 27th November at 7pm.

Church Calendar

Sunday	4 th November	Morning Worship	Rev. Richard Moffat
Sunday	11 th November	Remembrance Sunday 10.50 AM	Rev. Richard Moffat
Sunday	18 th November	Morning Worship	Rev. Richard Moffat
Sunday	25 th November	Morning Worship	Rev. Richard Moffat
Sunday	2 nd December	Morning Worship	Rev. Richard Moffat

[All services begin at 11.00 am unless indicated]

Saturday	17 th November	Christmas Fayre	10.00am -12 noon
Sunday	18 th November	Service at Kirkbrae	2.00 pm
Tuesday	27 th November	Pastoral Care Team Meeting	7.00 pm

Free Will Offering Envelopes

The 2019 F.W.O. envelopes will be delivered to those who donate to the church this method. During December, if there are any members who would like to make their contribution by using the weekly envelopes, please contact their Elder or Agnes Gibson, F.W.O. Convener on 479206.



CHRISTMAS FAYRE

in
Girvan North Parish Church

on

Saturday 17th November

10am – 12 noon

Tea, Coffee, Mince pies, shortbread

£2

Stalls

Baking, Handicrafts, Christmas Gifts, Books,

Bric a Brac



Ladies Afternoon Badminton Club

Our winter session started on Wednesday 12th September. We meet in the Church Hall on a Wednesday afternoon from 2.00 – 4.00 pm – with a short break for tea, coffee and biscuits.

Looking forward to some new faces. It's a fun afternoon of "not too strenuous" badminton. Why not come along and give it a try. (We have a few spare racquets.)

You will be given a warm welcome.

Nancy Stewart

CrossReach Christmas Catalogue

If you would like to order cards, gift wrap or calendars, please contact Jennifer Ramsay in church or by phone (01465 712200 or 07443427155). Some designs may sell out quickly, so it would be a good idea to get your order in as soon as possible. A copy of the 2018 calendar is available to view in the Lesser Hall.

Jars of Grace

The Jars of Grace lables are now available from the Vestibule table. As yet the Kirk Session has not decided on which charity will benefit this year, but this will be announced as soon as possible.

Crèche Rota

4 th November	Arlene McGarragle, Susan Brown
11 th November	Isla Johnston, Leslie Forbes
18 th November	Margaret Nicol, Rhona MacKinnon
25 th November	Yuna McLeod, Michelle Scobie
2 nd December	Wilma Armstrong, Fiona McCutcheon

It is essential that 2 people are on duty in the crèche at all times.

If you are unable to attend please arrange a substitute.

If anyone is interested in helping out on a Sunday morning, Diane, would be delighted to hear from you – contact details are given below.

We are grateful to those members of our fellowship who voluntarily give of their time to staff our Crèche on Sunday mornings. Please remember that if you cannot do your duty one Sunday it is vital that you arrange a replacement with somebody else who is already on the Crèche rota.

We wish to take this opportunity to remind members that the Crèche is available every Sunday for children under 3 years of age.

Diane Irvine is the Crèche co-coordinator, her contact details are:

5 Trowier Road, Girvan Tel: 710524 Wells1969@hotmail.co.uk

Worship Team

The Worship Team will conduct a service at Kirkbrae (Trust Housing) on Sunday 18th November at 2.00 pm. Your presence will greatly enhance the worship and delight the residents.

Fundraising, Activities & Communication Team

Over 60 People attended our Scotch Night on Thursday 11th October and enjoyed an excellent meal of haggis (or quiche) neeps and tatties, followed by trifle, tea and coffee. This evening was organised and meal prepared by our fundraising team. Following the meal, the audience was entertained by songs, stories and music by the Rural Revellers who had hands clapping and feet tapping. A wonderful evening was enjoyed by all and £368 raised for church funds.

Thanks to our fundraising team and friends who all worked so hard to prepare, cook and serve a delicious meal.

Soup & Sweet Lunch

After Church on Sunday 28th October, a delicious Soup and Sweet Lunch was provided in the hall. This was organised by the fundraising team. There was a varied choice of delicious soups and sweets, followed by cheese and biscuits, tea and coffee. Thanks to all those who provided food, served the food and prepared the hall and cleared up afterwards. The excellent sum of £290 was raised for church funds.

Likoma Appeal

From Sunday 13th May, we will be having a Buy a Brick campaign.

This is to help our partners on Likoma Island build a much needed Church. Cards cost £1.00 each and can be brought from any member of the Outreach and Mission Team. Thank you for your support.

Team Members:

Robert Bone

Jean Morris`

Findlay Mills

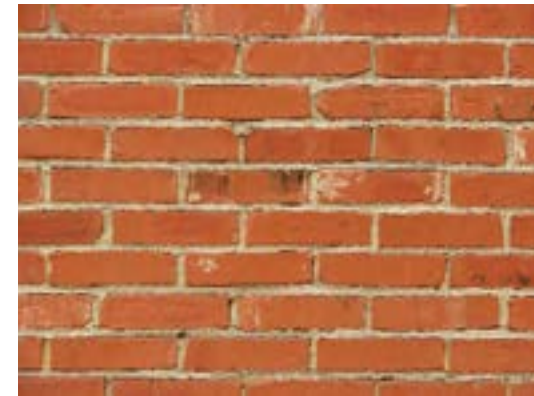
Mandy McGlaughlan

Jim Fairbairn

Sandra Smith

Hannah Laird

Anne Fisher



Choir

The Choir practices take place on a Thursday evening at 7.15 pm in the Memorial Chapel. Anyone wishing to join us will be very welcome.

Prayer Topics November 2018

1. The Leprosy Mission – Niger

Niger Republic frequently experiences security challenges due to terrorist attacks in neighbouring countries like Mal and Nigeria, food shortages due to climate change, and there are still many places in the country where Christ is least known and the gospel of the Kingdom is yet to reach. Please pray for peace in the country, good rain leading to a good harvest, and for the church to wake up to spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the nation.

2. Mission Aviation Fellowship – South Sudan

Give thanks for the growing number of pilots and the way this is enabling our Ufelina to meet the needs of many South Sudanese. Pray for wisdom as our team seeks to serve in challenging and sometimes volatile situations. Intercede for the people of South Sudan, many of whom are facing extreme levels of hunger. Our partner Mercy Corps is working to provide food, sanitation and better farming practices. Pray that their efforts will be successful.

3. Open Doors - India

Shanti trusted Jesus after he healed her from a mental health issue. Her family threw her out and her village has threatened to expel her unless she denies Jesus. She prays: "Lord, thank You for revealing Your salvation to me. I pray that You would save my daughter and son-in-law. I pray that You would provide a good place to live for me. I am struggling to find a home, but I trust You. Please help me stand strong in You." Please pray with her, and others in similar circumstances because of refusing to deny their faith in the Lord Jesus

4. Pray for the youth of today. With constantly changing ideas in society, pray that they may turn to God for guidance and stability and a purpose for their lives. Pray that we, in the church, may find a way to draw

them back to the fellowship of God's people. Especially remember our Sunday School and Brigaders, their leaders and members.

As we hear of so many vacant churches and lack of ministers, ask God to show us the way forward and the changes He would have us make. Ask, also, that He would call more young people into ministry. Give thanks for the challenges and encouragements we receive from Pastor Richard's ministry and pray that we may take each message preached, to ourselves and respond to it.

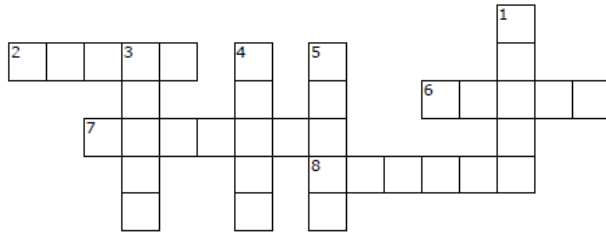
As meetings and committees proliferate along with all the other commitments a minister faces, keep Pastor Richard and Margie continually in your prayers. Ask that together God would enable us to be salt and light in this community and that our lives might be magnets to draw others to the Saviour.

Wednesday Break

Our mid-week service resumed in mid-September in the small hall at 10.30 am. The Worship team of Richard, Eric, Stuart and Anne, lead in turn an informal service – each bringing their own thoughts and ideas (with a lot of help from the Holy Spirit!) to a short Bible passage. Kathleen, as ever, picks the praise to accompany and enhance our worship.

Please come along and join us as we continue our journey through 1 Peter.

Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

2. Kind or compassionate treatment
6. Making little or no noise
7. Making an urgent plea; asking for charity
8. To be restored to health; cured

DOWN

1. Unable to see
3. To make happier or more joyful; a shout of encouragement
4. Confident belief in the truth
5. The ability to see

blind	mercy	cheer	healed
begging	quiet	faith	sight



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Children's Worship Bulletin

Healing Blind Bartimaeus

Mark 10:46-52

Word Search Puzzle

C I F J L E D I S C I P L E S
 Z R S O A X A X C X U P K F B
 K R S G L Z C I T Y Z H C L A
 D A I Q I L R U Q I U E H G R
 J B G W R F O O W U L A E X T
 S B H X A E D W A I I L E Y I
 B I T Y U C S I E D C E R N M
 F A I T H U O Y L D S D T R A
 L F E F S P C B Q Y N I O C E
 P T D E E R V M E H I H D Q U
 T T J K E E J V D G C S B E S
 D P M M V P T W B I G S N R R
 Y B L I N D O Y R H L I V T T
 S H O U T R S E H T Y W N A I
 B J J C C L J J U M P E D G E

Jericho	city	begging	cheer	faith
Jesus	blind	shout	jumped	healed
disciples	Bartimaeus	mercy	feet	sight
crowd	roadside	quiet	Rabbi	followed

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Coloring Page

ABC Order



Jesus Heals a Blind Man
Mark 10:46-51

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Write the words from the word bank at the bottom of the puzzle in the blanks in A B C order.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

disciples	greatest	arms	Jesus	children
servant	first	house	last	road

