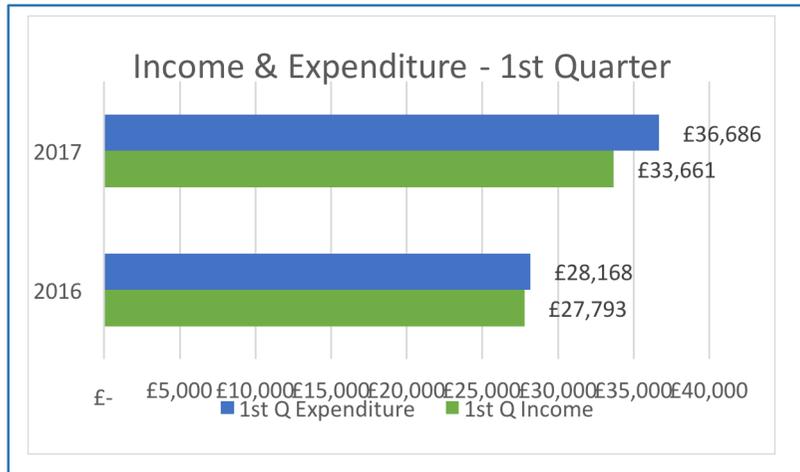


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## *Monkton & Prestwick North Church Magazine*

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*'I am the vine; you are the branches' John 15:5*

## From the Minister...

I was over in Edinburgh at the Heart and Soul event in Princes Street Gardens. It has become an annual event on the Sunday of the General Assembly and is a great opportunity to share the many different ways the church is involved in communities all over Scotland. Three comments struck me as inea:



Firstly: I met a colleague who had trained at the same time as me and she asked me how my move had gone. Despite my protestations she was convinced that I had moved away from Prestwick, only relenting when I suggested that if anyone would know if I had moved it would be me. It is easy to pick up information, get it slightly wrong and then share it with others. Sometimes we find it difficult to accept that we have it wrong, and struggle to change our minds. There was no malice intended by my colleague, it was a simple mistake, but it reminded me that we need to be careful about what we pass on about other people.

Secondly: "Why have I not heard that the Church of Scotland is interested in renewal?" asked the lady who marched over while I was doing my stint in the Path of Renewal tent. We got chatting about the Path of Renewal process. However, in my head, I was thinking that we so often talk about how much the church is struggling, that we forget – that's not God's plan. Paul writes to the church at Ephesus, "At the centre of all this, Christ rules the church. The church, you see, is not peripheral to the world; the world is peripheral to the church. The church is Christ's body, in which he speaks and acts, by which he fills everything with his presence." We need to remember that the church is the vehicle through which God chooses to speak and act. He calls us to be His people in a certain place and expects us to share what we know of His grace with other people. Just occasionally we get it wrong and end up sharing a perception of the church that's not totally accurate. The Church of, and in, Scotland is doing an incredible amount of good and, rather than be pessimistic, I think we should talk much more about lives that are being impacted because Christians choose to serve God, and other people.

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## Crèche



Our church runs a Crèche for babies up to their 3rd birthday. For more details, contact:

**Erin Wardrop: 01292 857153 or Pat Simpson: 01292 477289.**

## Young Church

Summer break will be at end of June. Have a great Summer. See you at the start of the new session. For more info contact: **01292 678810**  
**office@mpnchurch.org.uk**



## Young Church Outing

We would like to invite everyone along to Dumfries House on **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June** for our annual summer outing.

Dumfries house has lots to offer for all ages. Café, play parks, maze, garden walks and not to forget a beautiful house to peruse. All of which, apart from the house, are free of charge. House tours take place at 10.45am and 12 noon. Ticket are £9 for adult and £4 per child and can be booked online or by calling: 01290 421742.

We are willing to organise a coach for this trip but we really need to have a certain number in order to justify this. We do have people who have offered to chauffeur people at no cost.

I will place a sign-up form on the boards of the church halls. Please let us know if you would like to attend this great day out and advise whether transportation is required. Thank you, Lesley McCarrell.



Finally: "I'm thriving!" I said to another colleague I hadn't seen for a few years and this wasn't an answer he expected. "I'm fine", is the usual church greeting and when we change it people are surprised. Somehow it seems un-Presbyterian to suggest that things are better than 'fine', but they are. I choose to be realistic about attendance figures and finances, but I choose also to focus on areas where there is growth. In our congregation I see that there are people whose faith is alive and they are pursuing deeper relationships with God, and each other. There is a willingness to try new things, and accept that they will not always work. In difficult times people work together, not just to get through but to build for the future. I think God has designed us to thrive, and we need to get away from thinking that surviving is as much as we can hope for. This is Jesus' church and the powers of hell cannot prevail against it.

We're getting to the point where our organisations stop for the holidays but I want to encourage you to make time with God's people a priority over the summer. It's important to maintain fellowship and to be fed spiritually. If you are able to have a holiday or if you're staying at home, I hope you have a great time and are refreshed. Every Blessing **David**



Hi everyone I'm excited to share my news with you. I will be spending this summer working at Crescent Lake bible camp in Wisconsin. I will be away for 12 weeks and I am going to miss my family, friends and the church family. However, I am looking forward to going on the path God has chosen for me and I hope that I can help to make a difference in the young peoples' lives at camp. I hope you can keep me in your thoughts and prayers and I look forward to seeing you all when I get back. **Ross McKay**



## The Gathering *at Monkton Community Church*

The Gathering is an opportunity to meet in an informal way for food, fellowship and worship. Over the past few months, and in the months to follow, the Gathering is being led by members of the 'path of renewal group'. This is definitely a "step out of the boat" moment for the members of the group and is all about personal growth. It certainly has been challenging. The gathering meets on the 2nd Sunday of the month at 4pm for food followed at 5pm with a short, informal time of worship and praise. Please come along and join us and share in this time of worship.



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### Recipe

#### Almond Cake (Gluten Free)

**Ingredients:** 100g Butter/Marg                      125g Sugar

150g Ground Almonds                      3 Eggs

Lemon juice (optional)

**Method:** Cream butter and sugar together. Mix in egg and lemon juice. It looks a mess at this point but it will not curdle. Fold in almonds and mix well. Place in cake tin and bake at 190 in middle shelf for 30/35 minutes.

*Note: Grease baking tray, place baking parchment on tray then grease the paper.*



The Guild session came to an end with the dreaded AGM followed by the very pleasant Daffodil Tea. Once again Ina and the tea committee produced a really lovely tea. The tables and the small hall were a blaze of colour from the flowers and as if it couldn't get any better, we were then entertained by some of our own members who excelled themselves as usual. It was a lovely way to finish our session and everyone had a lovely time. However, at the AGM I informed the ladies, that unfortunately, due to other commitments, I had to resign as secretary. Ina and the tea committee are staying on although they would appreciate more help. Carol Yates will continue as Treasurer and Margaret Goodlad as Convener. However, to continue the good work of the Guild, we really need more committee members to share the load. The Guild is a great opportunity for an informal time of worship, fellowship and fun. I would encourage people to come along and see for themselves.

The Guild are credited with being the "backbone" of the Church of Scotland, and their 28,000 members raised almost £1 million for the wider work of the Church last year. In 2017, one of the projects the guild is supporting is 'Prospects- All Friends Together'. This project aims to help churches welcome people with learning disabilities and include them in all aspects of church life. People with learning disabilities have many gifts and talents to contribute to church life. As we offer friendship, people will have the confidence to use their gifts. Some churches have started groups that build friendship among people of different abilities. Support from The Guild will give leadership and help more congregations start groups that build communities where people with disabilities feel at home.

One of our own church members Trish Archibald works for the project and she will be coming to speak to the guild in the next session. We look forward to seeing Trish and to seeing new members. Guild re-starts in the Autumn.

**Irene Smith (Secretary)**



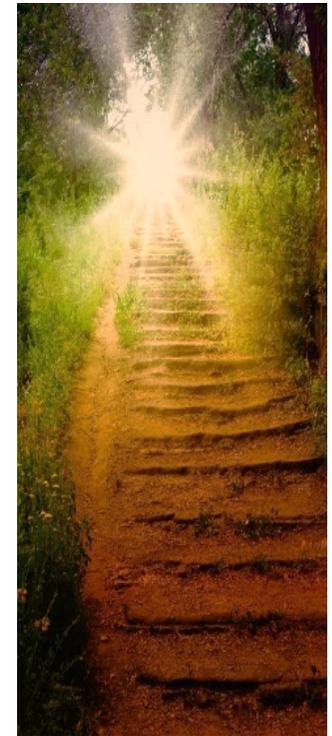
### Messy at Breakfast

MPN were approached by the village school to try out a 'Breakfast Club' at Monkton Church Hall with some of the funding being provided by the Participatory Budgeting Event. The trial has been running on Mondays and Thursdays where the youngsters can choose their own breakfast for 25p per item and have some fun colouring in or even doing their homework till it's time for school. They are then escorted by adults wearing a high viz vest - in a fetching shade of pink if I may say so - to the school gates before nine o'clock. If you live in the village and wish your child to join, just come along or if you feel you could volunteer to help, please contact:  
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### Path of Renewal:

When asked about Path of Renewal my initial reaction was Me? **Irene Smith**? You have got to be joking! I can barely keep myself on a path, my Christian journey has had so many "coming off the path moments" how could I be involved? Then I concentrated on the word renewal and began to realize that this wasn't just a path for a few people, this was renewal for every single person sitting in the pews Sunday after Sunday and that included me. The other obstacle I put in my way was the fact that I had never been a member of the Church of Scotland. We have had to move several times in our married life and as a family we have been to a Methodist, Congregational and Baptist church. In my forties I made a decision to be Baptized, fully submerged, to the horror of my sister who knew I would hate putting my head under water. I felt God wanted to renew me and it was one of the most life- changing things I had ever done. My sister, who does not go to church was astonished. This however was the easy part.

I soon realized I would be challenged, attacked and be filled with doubts. Probably the biggest challenge came when out of the blue my husband had a life changing illness. Where was God in this? I couldn't find him. I had well and truly come off any path I had been on, but what I didn't realize at the time was that God was renewing me. After making the decision to move from Stonehaven to Ayrshire, not an easy decision to make on my own, I knew God was renewing me. This is where He wants me to be. He has put me here. I thank God every single day for the life I have and my hope is that God will renew every person in our church so that we can then, and only then, bring others to this wonderful life of peace, hope and love that we have through knowing Jesus.





1st Monkton & Prestwick

What a talented group of kids we have at 1st MPN Girls' Brigade. On Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May they marched, sang, played guitar, keyboard and Clarinet to entertain their audience. Our informal display encouraged audience participation and it has to be said the parents and visitors were good sports and joined in with games and singing. The awards presentation was followed by refreshments which rounded the evening off nicely. The leaders would like to say a big thank you to all the girls who 'did us proud', all parents, visitors and to church family who have supported us, not only at the display but over the last few months. Special thanks to Margaret Goodlad for presenting the awards, to the 'Tea Ladies' for organising the refreshments and to all who donated cakes and biscuits. We are hoping to have a craft table at the Prestwick Prom Day on 12<sup>th</sup> August, where some of our girls will be helping.



Girls' Brigade will return on 28<sup>th</sup> August 2017 with our Registration Drop-in Evening between 6.30pm and 7.30pm. There will be games for the girls and refreshments for the parents. We will be ready and rarin' to go into the new session beginning 4<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2017.

## Book Review

The Cross and The Switchblade

by

David Wilkerson

This is a book that tells the true story of how one man listened to God and began working in some of the worst areas of New York. Armed only with the Gospel, David Wilkerson went into the slums and watched miracles happen. Crime hardened gang leaders knelt in the streets to pray, frightened children sobbed out their loneliness and anger, while people found courage to break drug habits. The book is a difficult read at times, but if you keep going it is one of the most inspirational and challenging books you will ever read.

This book said to me that no matter what God is telling you to do, no matter how absurd it sounds, you have to do it.



Everyone should read this book. **Morag Hamill**

### *Thank you from...*

Morag Hamill would like to thank everyone for their prayers and support especially over the past year. Morag would also like to say a very big thank you to Marion Balish for all that she has done to support her through difficult times.

### *Best Wishes...*

**Scott & Jen**  
on  
**1<sup>st</sup> July**



## Flower List



| Date                  | Donated        | Delivered        |
|-----------------------|----------------|------------------|
| 7 <sup>th</sup> May   | Anne Wilson    | Margaret Goodlad |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> May  | Valerie Greig  | Linda Welsh      |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> May  | Isobel Shields | Eleanor Johnston |
| 28 <sup>th</sup> May  | J&H McLaughlan | Lesley McCarrell |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> June  | Elsbeth Manson | Elaine Wardrop   |
| 11 <sup>th</sup> June | Lesley Keenan  | Jim McLaughlan   |
| 18 <sup>th</sup> June | Nan Dagestino  | Jan Armour       |
| 25 <sup>th</sup> June | M&J Paterson   | Carrie Lamont    |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> July  | Ann Shelton    | Pat Riach        |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> July  | Anne Wilson    | M Ferguson       |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> July | Debbie McKay   | Ann Leckie       |
| 23 <sup>rd</sup> July | M&C Cranston   | Nan Dagestino    |
| 30 <sup>th</sup> July | M&S Ferguson   | Susan Campbell   |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> Aug   | Linda Clarkson | Lorna Frazer     |
| 13 <sup>th</sup> Aug  | Jeanette Munro | M Ferguson       |
| 20 <sup>th</sup> Aug  | A&E Fyall      | Jeanette Munro   |
| 27 <sup>th</sup> Aug  | J&J Bond       | Katrina Carswell |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sept  | Irene Smith    | Margaret Goodlad |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> Sept | Lyn Richmond   | Linda Welsh      |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> Sept | Irene Smith    | Eleanor Johnston |
| 24 <sup>th</sup> Sept | Anne Shelton   | Lesley McCarrell |

If you know of a member of the church family who you think would benefit from receiving flowers, please let me know.

**Margaret Ferguson**

## Path of Renewal:

Hi, my name is **Allan MacBain**. I was born in Glasgow, but brought up in Glasgow, Tomatin (Inverness-shire), Inverness, and Coatbridge. Coatbridge is where I joined the church... it's also where I met, and married, Margaret. Why have I moved around so much? Well, that would be because my father is a Church of Scotland Minister – he's officially retired (for the second time) now; but you know that Ministers never *really* retire!

A couple of years after we were married, we moved to Ayrshire; and have been here ever since. We joined Ayr UF Church, when we moved here, and I was involved – along with Margaret – in the running of the Sunday School. I also transferred my BB Commission, from 13<sup>th</sup> Coatbridge Company, to 10<sup>th</sup> Ayr Company (I was a Drill Officer). During my time there, I served on the Board of Management, as a member & (for three years) as Treasurer. I was also ordained as an Elder. Looking for deeper teaching, I started attending an independent church, pastored by Martin Trench, which initially met at New Life, and then a number of other locations in Ayr; before moving to share premises with a church in Glasgow. Margaret & I ultimately became Primary Cell Leaders, assisting with the running of, and teaching in, the fellowship – under the auspices of Pastor Martin. About a year after the fellowship moved to Glasgow, we felt that God wanted us to stay focused on the Prestwick/Ayr area; so we left that fellowship & started looking for where God wanted us to be, here. We had repeatedly, over our years in Ayrshire, felt a pull towards MPN; but, each time we tried to start attending, it didn't feel as if it was the 'right time'.

However, at the start of 2011, I started coming along to the Sunday morning services at MPN... and this time it felt like coming home! By the end of the year we were both attending, active in various groups, had taken part in the Christmas-themed play "First Night", and were actively considering moving our lines - which we did during 2012.

(Continued overleaf)

MPN is a fellowship of people who want to move with God – to go where He is leading – and to do what He wants us to do. That becomes clear, when you see the people who walk into our buildings, feel immediately welcome and able to be themselves; while learning about God & who He wants them to be. This isn't necessarily a comfortable experience... but it is a challenging, and fulfilling, one. Just like Path of Renewal.

Path of Renewal is a way for the congregations of the Church of Scotland to find out the direction God wants *them* to go in, for the next while: to learn to listen to Him, and be directed by Him. To change, and to grow up. To become the Church that God needs us to be, in Scotland, at this time.

Am I nervous about being out of my comfort zone (again)? Yes.

But I'm looking forward to the challenges, the teaching, and the experiences, that God has in store for us.



### Bible Study

We meet at 10.15am every Wednesday morning in the Session House, starting off with Tea/Coffee/Biscuits and catch up on what has been happening over the past week. We then commence our bible study at 10.30am until 12.00 noon. Our last meeting will be on the 28<sup>th</sup> June. We would love to welcome more members when we return on the 6<sup>th</sup> September. If you would like to know more then please speak to me, either face to face or phone **07754 32756** or email [lesleykeenan@tkinternet.com](mailto:lesleykeenan@tkinternet.com)

### Home Group



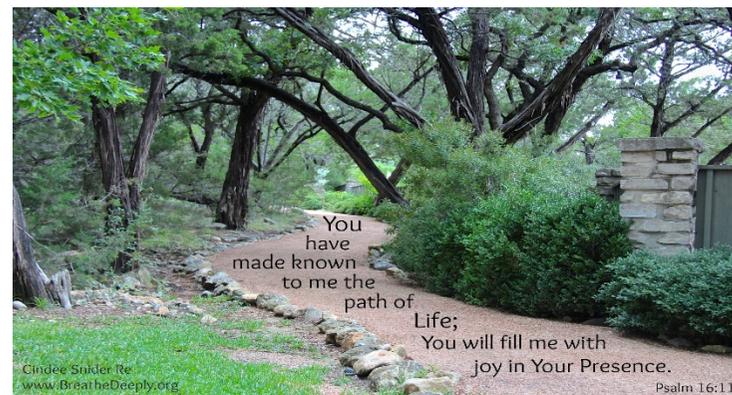
There are currently two home groups who meet fortnightly to study, discuss God's word and have a time of prayer. This is a great opportunity to develop deeper relationships within the church. If you would like more information about joining or starting a group, please contact:

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**Path of Renewal:** Hi, my name is **Margaret MacBain**. I was born and brought up in a small Lanarkshire ex mining village where I joined the church when I was 15. I moved to Prestwick with my parents when I was 18, but spent as much time back in Lanarkshire as possible.

Allan and I met at school in Coatbridge, got married and moved to Cumbernauld. We moved to Ayrshire a couple of years later and joined Ayr United Free Church, where I became the Sunday school superintendent, a BB officer and then the GB captain. I started coming along to MPN in 2011 after a few years of being away from church and immediately felt at home! I now lead the outreach committee, help with the AV team, door team and you might see me at the front of the church some Sunday mornings!

One of the things I love about MPN is the opportunities available to stretch ourselves. When I started attending I met with David and told him that I was open to new experiences and wanted to get out of my comfort zone. Little did I know how much he would take me at my word! I have certainly been stretched and have done many things beyond what I WAS comfortable with. I believe that I have grown in my faith and walk with God so much since I came here and I am doing things I never would have thought I would do. To me, Path of Renewal is an opportunity to continue growing with God, thinking more deeply about what I am doing and considering how best we can serve both our Lord and our community. I don't know where this journey will take me or us as a congregation, but I am looking forward to finding out!



## An Interview with...

*'The Grapevine is a great opportunity to get to know the people we see Sunday after Sunday. We don't always get a chance to chat but in this issue we had some questions to put to **Peter Wilson** who is very involved in the Christ in Action Foodbank.'*

### Q1. Peter, how long have you been coming to MPN ?

A. My wife Ann and I have been coming for about 5 years. We used to go to Hillington Parish Church in Glasgow. We also bring along our little grand-daughter when we are looking after her. She feels really at home in the church and loves going through to Sunday School.

### Q2. Why did you get involved in the Food Bank?

A. I felt that I had to give some of my time to serving others, especially the young and vulnerable. I got involved with the food bank at MPN through a friend who set it up. There is such a need and demand for the food.

### Q3. Do you have a favourite hymn?

A. No, but I do like the modern 'happy clappy' type of hymn.

### Q4. If you could change just one thing in our church what would it be?

A. More volunteers for the Food Bank would be wonderful although I am very grateful to the ones we have already. They work so hard. Also I feel it would be good if we had better communications within the church. For example, I'm not always aware of who is ill or if you happen to be away for a short while you miss what's going on.



## Café donations

Every year the volunteers at the café collect their 'tips' and nominate charities to receive them as a donation. The Four Charities who were given donations of £200 each from them last month are pictured below with two of our very hard working volunteers, Stuart & Catherine.



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This money was raised through the generosity of our customers leaving us the tips. A big thank you to all our customers.

# PRESTWICK LOCALITY DECIDES



Stuart and Elaine giving their successful speeches at Prestwick Academy on how they could utilise funding for the Pioneer Café. While chatting to Stuart after the event, he gave a short interview.

**Q. How long have you been coming to the café?** A. More than four years.

**Q. What do you like best about the café?** A. Everything.

**Q. You did a presentation for the café to receive funds, were you nervous?**

A. No. I really enjoyed it and we really need a new dishwasher.

**Q. If you didn't have the café what would you miss?**

A. Friends, customers and washing the dishes.

**Q. Do you think being in the café has helped you?**

A. Yes, it's helped me to get my own house and has given me more confidence and helped me

**Elaine, Stuart and Mary receiving the cheque on behalf of the café**



If God can speak to me so directly in a place with thousands of people from all over the world, then I now need to take heed and absolutely focus on Him. God kept speaking to me in ways He knew I'd listen. My whole attitude changed and my heart was opened to what He wanted to show me and to say to me before the actual conference even began.

The rest of the Conference was fantastic, encouraging, emotional and educational. We laughed, we cried, we listened to stories and speakers, we united with 5000 people of different nations, cultures and denominations, worshipped together and we enjoyed fellowship with each other. I feel very blessed and very thankful to have been given this opportunity. In this environment, although very emotional, exhausting and with no outside distractions, you feel totally soaked in God! It was so good to be together and process what we had learned. All too often I rush off into busy everyday life and don't process what I'm learning or what God is saying.

We, as a group, now have a responsibility to bring back what we have learned and share it with others in order to bring change in our homes, our churches, our communities and our world. This is a huge challenge but together with our awesome God, we can do this. Leadership Conference is returning in 2018 and I would strongly encourage anyone who is able, to go along, you will come back changed, I can guarantee it.

**Elaine**





### **Leadership Conference 2017 - Royal Albert Hall, London**

Six of us from Monkton & Prestwick North Church attended the Alpha Leadership Conference in London last month. Although this was my 3<sup>rd</sup> visit and each time I have come away with different experiences, this one was very different. Due to personal reasons I had been very resistant about going this time, despite previous visits being positive and encouraging. I think I also had a fear of what God might want to say to me when I got there. For some time now I had felt quite far from God, yes I was still very involved in church, but my heart was definitely not in the right place with Him and I was struggling. There followed a chain of God-incidences which made it possible for me to go. To have resisted would have been disobedient!

So, I packed my fears and insecurities in my case and headed off with the group to the airport. On Sunday evening (as on previous visits) we headed to Holy Trinity Brompton for the evening service. During the service the speaker got up and started quoting words, phrases and even the sentences that I had been saying for the past several weeks, about how I'd been feeling. I think I spent most of that service with tears pouring down my face and was utterly gobsmacked! I felt God say to me, 'Ok, enough now!' Over the entire visit this was repeated on several occasions and I knew from that moment on Sunday evening, God intended me to be there.



**Christian Aid Week 2017** It is hard to believe a year has passed and it is Christian Aid Week once again. I would like to welcome on board to the Christian Aid Committee Lorna Frazer and Trish Archibald. Lorna is helping me with the Prestwick area and Trish has taken over from Mary Yuille in Monkton. I would like to pass on my thanks to both Margaret Ferguson and Mary Yuille for all their work in the past. As the Magazine goes to press we have had our Fun Day which was well attended and had the usual stalls. I have to say, I think the baking stall was my favourite - Oh boy were the cakes good!!! The Fun Day raised a fantastic total of £1727. The Praise night was also a great success with all in attendance enjoying the praise led by the Salvation Army. The grand sum of £379.52 was raised. All in all, a fab total of £2000 has been raised even before the door to door collection has taken place for this very worthwhile cause that is close to my heart. As the Magazine goes to press the door collection is taking place. Once I know how much has been raised I will announce it in church. May I take this opportunity to thank all who have helped –to those delivering and collecting envelopes, saving up pennies and to those who helped count it all. Last, but not least, thank you to the rest of the committee for their help. None of this would be possible without you all.

**Scott Wardrop**



Do you, or anyone you know need prayer? The church has a prayer chain where requests for prayer are sent to a prayer team by email or text and prayer begins immediately. This is a great opportunity to serve others and see the power of God working. Prayer requests will be handled with confidentiality. For requests, or if you wish to be part of the prayer team please contact: Tricia Harkness **07974690489** or Maureen McCreadie on **075613005**



When we think of Fairtrade we tend to think of food, but there is a huge range of products. For example hand made paper and cards. In the Philippines a company, Salay Handmade Paper Industries Inc. (SHAPII), was set up as a social enterprise in 1987 at a time when 90% of the population of Salay were living below the poverty line. Now Shapii is the second most important employer in the area, employing over 180 local people – of which at least 65% are women. Shapii offers stable employment, a fair wage, opportunities to work from home and internships for young people. The latter can then choose to work for Shapii or use their new, valuable skills in larger towns or cities. Paper is made by cooking raw plant material, pressing the pulp through sieves to thin it, adding colour then drying it. Homeworkers then decorate it with dried flowers and leaves. Traidcraft has been trading with Shapii since 2000 and has supported them through several sustainability projects. They made beautiful Easter cards and Crosses, notebooks and wallets. Please see the Traidcraft Catalogue for more products. There is a large range of clothes, gifts, jewellery, household goods as well as food and chocolate too. If you order through me you will save postage and may even get a discount!

Margaret Goodlad

### Lunch Clubs 2016 – 2017

I can't believe we are almost at the end of another year, the time has simply flown by. Numbers for Prestwick have risen recently which is very encouraging and it is lovely to hear the lively chat as people are enjoying their meal. Attendances at Monkton have fluctuated but we have our faithful regulars and we all enjoy the more intimate setting in the Café. We will be resuming for the 2017-2018 session on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September for Prestwick and Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> for Monkton. Please remember Lunch Club is for all and not just for those of us who are in the older age bracket!! Please come along and join us and bring your friends. **Jeanette Munro**

Join Me For Lunch



## AWARDS PAGE

### Anchor Boys

**Green Achievements:** Harris Hale, Lewis Macdonald, Ryan Hogg, Benjamin Skinner. **Red Achievements:** Andrew Wellwood, Blair McCarrell, Harry Kilbride, Kyle Harryman, Ollie Winfield. **Blue Achievements & Promotions:** Alex Wilson, Callan Forsyth, Cameron Bell, Connor Black; Finlay West, Jensen Murray, Kyle Flannigan; Luca Cybulski; Luke Main; Matthew Campbell; Michael Gemmell; Rory Allan; Ryan Robinson.

**Best Team :(Earth)** Connor Black, Kyle Flannigan, Harry Kilbride Andrew Wellwood, Ryan Robinson, Jensen Murray, Lewis Macdonald.

**Battalion Competition (Colouring-in), Highly Commended –** Michael Gemmell. **Commended –** Callan Forsyth & Luke Main.

**Best Attendance (incl. Sunday Parades):** Blair McCarrell.

**Good Behaviour Trophy:** Blair McCarrell & Ryan Robinson.

### Junior Section

**Competitions: Winners -** Drama; Bible Quiz; Physical; Figure Marching **Runner-up –** Mime **Third -** Swimming Gala, Junior Section Battalion Championship. **Best Crew (Games) RMS TITANIC:** (Matthew Abernethy, Lex Garrett, Nathan Mowles, Jonathan Gibson, Jude Smith, Navroz Banwait). **Best Crew (Inspection) BISMARCK:** (Jack Robson, Ewan Robinson, Keir Dagostino, Tyler Bews, Edan Munro, Mitunand Vejayan). **Best Recruit:** Edan Munro. **Best Boy:** Gregory Taylor.

### Company Section

**President's Badge:** Matthew McClure. **Best Recruit:** Nathan Percy.

**Best Boy:** Jack Hart. **Best NCO:** Matthew McClure.

**Best Squad:** Squad 2. **Valerie Greig Trophy:** Matthew McClure.

**Steven Muir Award:** Sean Crawley.



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## ANNUAL DISPLAY 2017



Our Annual Display was held on Friday 5 May with Mr Alan Hunter, BB Training & Development Officer for Scotland as our Inspecting Officer. It was well attended by parents, friends and members of our Church family. During the first half of the evening, the Inspection took place with Mr Hunter taking time to speak to the boys and officers. The boys then took part in Marching, Games, Drama and various other activities, all of which they performed with great enthusiasm. The second half of the evening was dedicated to the presentation of Awards, Badges, Prizes and Certificates that the boys had worked for throughout the session. Mr Hunter presented the prizes to the boys, names of which are listed on the following page. The Valerie Greig Trophy is presented each year to a Company Section boy who gets enjoyment from something he has done and passes that enjoyment on to others. We have a special award in memory of one of our boys, Steven Muir. This award can be presented to a boy from any section of the Company. In his closing remarks Mr Hunter praised the boys for their hard work and enthusiasm which he said had showed in all the events throughout the evening and that the Boys' Brigade represented Fun, Faith and Friendship which he was sure would continue into next session. He also paid a fitting tribute to the officers. Refreshments were served following the presentation. Our thanks to all who helped make our evening such a success. We meet in the Church Halls on a Friday evening and our new session commences on **Friday 1 September 2017** at the following times:

**Anchor Boys (5 – 7 years old/Primary 1 - 3) 6.00 p.m. – 7.00 p.m.**

**Junior Section (8 – 11 years old/Primary 4 - 7) 6.30 p.m. – 8.30 p.m.**

**Company Section (12 – 18 years old/ S1 – S6) 7.15 p.m. – 9.45 p.m.**

Please note: boys of school age can enrol and we would invite any boy who thinks he might be interested to come along and join us for a night of fun, games and fellowship.

**Sam Gilmour, Captain**



### Prestwick Prom Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> August

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September - Osiligi Maasai Warriors** are coming to MPN with their authentic tribal song and dance. The cost for tickets are £8 adults; £4 Please put this date in your diary and support this event as I think this will be a fabulous evening of entertainment.

**Christmas Fayre, 25<sup>th</sup> Nov, 10.00am – 12.00noon.** We are hoping that there are members of the congregation who are gifted in craft work and are willing to donate and sell at the Fayre. If you are that person, please contact Lesley Keenan of Pastoral Care Committee.

Pharmacy +

**Monkton Pharmacy Proposal:** If you feel Monkton needs its own pharmacy then this information concerns you. The consultation will run until **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August**. If you wish to share your views you can complete a short questionnaire by visiting

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/PHARMCON06>

**Website:www.nhsaaa.net**

If you would like to receive a hard copy they are available from the Pioneer Café at Monkton.

### Congratulations to...



Kieran & Heather on their Engagement.

Emily on the birth of her Grand-daughter Lacey.

Helen on the birth of her Grandson Harry.



Ten parents and friends of Elaine's Childminding Services will be taking part in the 'Roon The Toon' 10K in Kilmarnock on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June. We are hoping to raise money for **CALUMS CABIN**

'Calums Cabin' is a holiday retreat on the Isle of Bute for children suffering from cancer, to come with their families, spend quality time together and make irreplaceable memories. This facility is very close to our hearts at Elaine's Childminding Services and is used by one of our families.

We would be really grateful if you would be able to sponsor our runners. They are all training hard and we are so grateful to their commitment to completing the run and raising money for this wonderful charity. You can donate online by typing "Just Giving" in your search bar, then search Elaine's Childminding Services and our page will come up. Alternatively, you can contact me on **07526128194** or see me in church to make a donation.

Please keep all our runners in your prayers. Thank you so much for your continued support, it is very much appreciated.

**Elaine Wardrop (Elaine's Childminding Services)**



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