

Helensburgh Parish Church

NEWS

May 2015

Worship Schedule

3rd May	11:00 Family Service	John Christie
10th May	9:30 Easy Worship	Jim Brown
	11:00 Morning Worship	Charles Stewart
17th May	9:30 Easy Worship	Sarah Rettie
	11:00 Morning Worship	Malcolm Wright
24th May	11:00 Morning Worship	John Christie
31st May	9:30 Easy Worship	Ian Miller
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7th June	11:00 Communion	Malcolm Wright

Dates for Your Diary

1st May	Biscuit and Blether, 10am—12 noon, Charlotte Street Hall Girls' Brigade, 7-8:30pm, Park Church
3rd May	Prayer Group, 10:30-10:45, Bungalow
4th May	Healing Rooms, 8-9pm, Park Church
5th May	Coffee Time, morning, Kirk Cottage
7th May	Coffee Time, morning, Kirk Cottage
8th May	Biscuit and Blether, 10am—12 noon, Charlotte Street Hall Girls' Brigade, 7-8:30pm, Park Church
9th May	Christian Aid Grand Fayre, 10am—12 noon, URC Mission Possible, 2-4pm, Sanctuary
10th May	Prayer Group, 10:30-10:45, Bungalow Christian Aid House to House Collection
11th May	Healing Rooms, 8-9pm, Park Church
12th May	Coffee Time, morning, Kirk Cottage
14th May	Coffee Time, morning, Kirk Cottage Christian Aid Sponsored Swim, 7-8pm, Swimming Pool
15th May	Biscuit and Blether, 10am—12 noon, Charlotte Street Hall Girls' Brigade, 7-8:30pm, Park Church
16th May	Christian Aid Street Collection
17th May	Prayer Group, 10:30-10:45, Bungalow
18th May	Healing Rooms, 8-9pm, Park Church
19th May	Coffee Time, morning, Kirk Cottage
21st May	Coffee Time, morning, Kirk Cottage
22nd May	Biscuit and Blether, 10am—12 noon, Charlotte Street Hall Girls' Brigade, 7-8:30pm, Park Church
24th May	Prayer Group, 10:30-10:45, Bungalow Christian Aid Beach Clean, 2-4pm
25th May	Healing Rooms, 8-9pm, Park Church
26th May	Coffee Time, morning, Kirk Cottage
28th May	Coffee Time, morning, Kirk Cottage
29th May	Biscuit and Blether, 10am—12 noon, Charlotte Street Hall Girls' Brigade, 7-8:30pm, Park Church
31st May	Prayer Group, 10:30-10:45, Bungalow Sunday at Seven, 7pm, Sanctuary
1st June	Healing Rooms, 8-9pm, Park Church

Recording of Service

It is hoped to provide a CD recording of the 11.00 service for people who can't get there in person. If you would like to receive a copy please let the Church Office know.

Sanctuary Flowers

3rd May	donated by Isabel Campbell arranged by Mary Loudon
10th May	donated by Katharine Liston arranged by Dorothy Reid
17th May	donated by Gordon and Margaret Whitelaw arranged by Margaret McAllister
24th May	vacant—any offers?
31st May	donated by Susan Adams arranged by Ann Thomson

Gardens Open

Brandon Grove and Milton Cottage gardens will be open on Sunday 31st May from 14.00 to 17.00 in aid of the new halls. Teas and plant stall.

Parish Register

Deaths

11/3 Euan Campbell

Janet Harvey

Any changes to the church roll should be submitted to the Church Office who will pass the information to the relevant people.

Mission Possible

Saturday 9th May, 2-4pm in Helensburgh Parish Church. The programme will include: an introduction to the work of WEC International; a World Missions Quiz; Richard and Fiona Fraser on Betel's drug rehab ministry; news of mission workers overseas; refreshments and a book stall. Everyone welcome.

Christian Aid Events

Sat 9th May 10am - 12 noon: **Christian Aid Grand Fayre** United Reformed Church, Helensburgh Entry adults £2 children 50p. Usual stalls, including Home baking, Jewellery, Books, Plants Traidcraft, Toys, Gifts Entrance includes tea/coffee

Sun 10th May: **House to House Collection** Collectors needed Please put your names on the lists in the vestibule.

Thurs 14th May 6.00- 8.00pm: **Sponsored Swim** Helensburgh Swimming Pool. Swimmers need to be able to swim lengths confidently. Sponsor form available from local schools.

Sat 16th May: **Street Collection** Collectors needed Please put your names on the list in the vestibule.

Sunday 24th May 2pm-4pm: **Eco-Congregation Beach Clean** From Kidston Park to Cairndhu. Meet at Kidston Park. Wear sensible shoes/wellies and your heavy duty Marigolds. The Council will provide some bin sacks. They will be responsible for collecting the bags. Children welcome but must be supervised by a responsible adult.

Please phone Elizabeth Lambert for further information about any of these events

Did you know ...

that there is a communications mechanism all set up but it needs to be put in motion by the congregation?

It would be very helpful if family members, members of the congregation and neighbours of members could inform the Office of illness, bereavement or any need for clergy and elders to visit and support people at a stressful time.

One thing the Office does not have is a crystal ball but you, the members, can play your part by keeping everyone informed.

Please help us to help you. You can telephone or write to the Church Office, or even pop in!

Vale of Leven Hospital Tea Bar

For many years the hospital Tea Bar has been open for business thanks to the sterling work of volunteers from churches and organisations in the area. Since opening in 1996 the Tea Bar has donated £150,000 worth of equipment to help improve the experience of patients and ease the workload of staff.

Over the years Park, St. Columba and The West Kirk have played their part in providing volunteers for this important work. Now that we are one congregation, the plan is to continue to provide cover for a two week period every 12 weeks. Inevitably, as the years pass, some of our stalwart volunteers have had to retire and replacements are always needed. Volunteers work in pairs for 3 hours (i.e. 10am -1pm or 1-4pm Monday to Friday over the two week period). Generally speaking each pair would be required to cover only 1 shift. If you would like to help or to find out more please give me a ring.

Jinty Kerr

The next issue of the magazine will be the first of the new bi-monthly magazine! Please send any items to the Church Office or e-mail them to the editor by the 26th May.

