

# *CONNECTIONS*



At the going down of the sun, "we shall remember them"

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## A Message from the Editor

Fraser Neilson



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This edition is cut to 24 pages with only 21 for our church information but as the magazine is printed 4 pages at a time there needs to be multiples of 4 pages thus the number of filled pages not relative to local news. Further local contributions would be appreciated, to avoid the need to search for relevant content to fill empty pages.

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Jan 20	No Publication		
Feb 20	Anytime	Fri 17th Jan	Sun 2nd Feb
Mar 20	Mon 3rd Feb	Fri 14th Feb	Sun 1st Mar
Apr 20	Mon 2nd Mar	Fri 13th Mar	Sun 5th Apr
May 20	Mon 6th Apr	Fri 17th Apr	Sun 3rd May
Jun 20	Mon 5th May	Fri 22nd May	Sun 7th Jun

## Changes to the Roll - Stamperland

Bill Paterson



Change of Address	Name	From	To

Deaths	Date	Name	From	

No changes within this period.

## Our Minister's Message

Reverend Scott Blythe



November is a month that is clearly dominated by the theme of Remembrance for obvious reasons. It is only appropriate that the nation take time to honour the sacrifice of so many people.

However, as this month begins, we are in fact nearing the end of the Christian Year. As such we are looking forward with the ending of the year with the ending of the Christian Journey - the journey toward God and to be with God. Therefore, as we begin the month we pass through 'All Saints Day'.

In thinking of the 'Saints' there may be some reaction within our tradition and its history of minimizing the role of the 'Saints'. However, the 'Saints' are not only those who have carried out significant acts in the history of the church such as Peter, James and John.

In most of his letters, Paul addresses his small communities of faith as the 'Saints'. This is a collective term not from some exceptional people but for all who are members of the churches that he has founded. I am sure that as he sends greetings to particular members of each church, he is thinking of the roles that these leaders have played in the growing of the church, but his use of the word 'saints' really covers all within the churches.

I was reflecting upon this recently and I was led to thinking about Uist, whose knowledge of Gaelic led to conversations with some that really helped with the early days of the project on Iona. I was drawn to think of Marion who learned how all our youth group - who regularly invaded her house - took their teas and coffees and never had to ask how many sugars or milk. I was drawn to think of Helen who spent her life connecting political action to faith and would often call herself a heretic.

These are some of the most significant ordinary people who when I think about my life in the church stand out for me. I am sure if I was to try and say to any of them that they are saints they would fall over and laugh at the idea. Yet, for me their love and kindness, their conviction and living of the faith have taught me much. As such they speak to me of the ordinary saints who Paul celebrated in each of his letters.

Who would your everyday saints be?

For them and their devotion, kindness and living practice of the faith, we would do well to remember and to give thanks for - for God's saints are all around us.

**Peace be with you!**

**Scott**

## Netherlee Sunday Club & Senior Sunday Club

Elaine Murray



Our session began in September when we headed to Stamperland for the joint communion service. It was a wonderful opportunity to get to know some of our new Stepping Stones friends with new games and activities. Back in Netherlee, the Sunday Clubbers have been exploring some of the well known bible stories. With role play and activities we learned about Jesus helping the leper, Jesus helping the Centurion Servant and Jesus calming the seas. Asking for help, and giving help when it might not be easy were topics that our children approached with ease. We are very proud of them.

In the run up to the dedication service, when we enjoyed worship with the rest of the congregation, we thought about the many parts of the body of the church. After a quick beetle drive we handmade cards to thank some of the many people who make the church all that it is. From the minister to the organist, the tea ladies to the flower arrangers and many more besides. If you didn't get a card, please know that the Sunday Club appreciates all that you do.

We extend a warm welcome to all children P1 to P7 to join us., Just come along any Sunday and meet us in the Welcome Hall from 9.45am or contact Netherlee church office if you wish more information.

**Christian Aid**  
We believe in life before death

**Clarkston & District Committee**

**M Lang, W McNeill & V Anderson**

The annual swim was held at Eastwood Pool on 5th October with 36 participants from local churches all swimming 20 lengths. Our team of 11 were so enthusiastic and we must congratulate them. They will receive certificates at a later date and the amount of sponsorship they have raised will be announced soon.

Well done.

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***The Women's Locker Room***

*A little boy got lost at the leisure centre and found himself in the women's locker room. When he was spotted the room burst into shrieks with ladies grabbing towels and running for cover. The little boy watched in amazement then he asked,*



*"What's the matter? Haven't you seen a little boy before?"*

**Union of Netherlee and Stamperland**  
**Stuart Buchanan Session Clerk, Netherlee**



The two congregations were cited to appear for their interests before the Presbytery of Glasgow appointed to meet within Govan & Linthouse Parish Church in Govan on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at 7pm. Rev Scott Blythe and a number of Elders represented the two congregations at this meeting. Glasgow Presbytery approved the Basis of Union which will take effect from January 2020, allowing both congregations to close 2019 Accounts and Reports and start afresh in the New Year.

In September 2019 the Strategic Planning Committee of Glasgow Presbytery was approached by the Linked charges of Netherlee and Stamperland who wished to proceed to Union. The Basis of Union as presented had been agreed by both Kirk Sessions and the Committee. Due notice having been given, congregational votes were held on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October and both agreed to proceed to Union.

The Basis of Union under Places of Worship states that “both church buildings at present used and occupied by the linked congregations shall continue to be used as places of worship of the united congregation” and goes on to say that “this arrangement shall be reviewed periodically by the Kirk Session, which may propose in the future that there should be a single place of worship”. This means that if and when this happens it will be decided by our Kirk Session and congregation, not by Glasgow Presbytery.

**Netherlee Book Club**

**Sheena Wurthmann**



At our September meeting we reviewed Toni Morrison’s novel “Beloved”. We found this a tough book to read and several of us wondered how the discussion would go. We talked for an hour and a half on the book and the issues raised by the work!! As a result of this experience we decided that we should try another challenging book. The October read was Margaret Atwood’s “The Handmaid’s Tale”. When “Testaments” is published in paperback we will read that as well.

If you are interested just get in touch.

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**Worship Rota – to December 2019****Rev Scott Blythe**

Dates	Service	Service Times
November 10	Joint Remembrance Service - Stamperland	10:30
November 17	Normal Service	10/11:30
November 24	Normal Service	10/11:30
December 1	Advent 1: Joint Communion Service - Netherlee	10:30
December 8	Advent 2 - Normal Service	10/11:30
December 8	Service of Remembrance - Netherlee	3:00
December 15	Advent 3 - Nativity Services	10/11:30
December 15	Choir Lessons and Carols Service - Netherlee	6:30
December 22	Advent 4: Joint Service - Netherlee	10:30
December 24	Joint Family Christmas Service - Stamperland	5:00
December 24	Joint Watchnight Service - Netherlee	11:30
December 25	Joint Family Morning Service - Stamperland	10:30
December 29	Normal Services - Choice of Carol Singing	10/11:30

**The Appliances of Old Age**

*Whilst working for an organisation that delivers lunches to elderly folk, I used to take my 4 year old daughter on my afternoon rounds. She was unfailingly intrigued by the various appliances of old age, particularly the canes, walkers, and wheelchairs. One day I found her staring at a pair of false teeth soaking in a glass. As I braced myself with the inevitable barrage of questions, she merely turned to me and whispered,*

*"The tooth fairy will never believe this"!!*

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## ER. Foodbank Stamperland

### Parish & Beyond Committee



#### SHOPPING LIST

Thank you for your support!

- \* Milk (UHT or powdered)
- \* Sugar (500g)
- \* Fruit Juice (carton)
- \* Pasta Sauces
- \* Tomatoes (Tinned)
- \* Tinned Veg
- \* Cereals
- \* Dried/ Boil in bag Rice
- \* Tinned Meat/Fish
- \* Instant Mash Potato
- \* Sponge Pudding (Tinned)
- \* Rice Pudding or Custard (Tinned)
- \* Tea Bags/Inst coffee
- \* Tinned Fruit
- \* Jam/Spreads
- \* Biscuits or snack bars

#### ALSO COLLECTING

- \* Toiletries men and women
- \* Nappies & Baby Food
- \* Treats

East Renfrewshire Foodbank is a project of churches and community working together under charity no: SC029653

The foods chosen for November are as follows:

Breakfast cereals/porridge

Pasta/pasta sauce

Dried/boil in the bag rice

Instant Mash Potato

Tinned meat/tuna

Sponge pudding (tinned)

Ladies/Gents toiletries including sanitary products.

UHT Milk and Creamed Rice or Custard (Tinned) are acceptable at any time.

If you would prefer to donate any other items please refer to the list as shown. If you are unable to carry heavy items please do not be deterred from donating, there are always lighter options available on the list.

A letter from the Foodbank Office in Barhead thanked us for the delivery of food made at the beginning of September. The

weight was 58.2kg which will feed 5 single people for three days. Their food stocks go down quickly and with numbers remaining high at over 40 receiving food each week, every donation is very much appreciated.

You may wish to donate something with Christmas in mind for those who are struggling to put food on the table week by week. Christmas could be a little more special so please consider tinned/packet Christmas biscuits/shortbread, Christmas selection boxes/chocolate/sweets, Christmas pudding etc. These would need to be in the vestibule of the Church by Sunday 1st December to allow delivery to the Foodbank and then to their clients.

If you would prefer to donate any of the other items including lighter ones, please do so if you are unable to carry heavy items.

Your continued support is very much appreciated. Items donated must be within the **“best before” date**. The Foodbank will not distribute food which is out of date.

## Changes to the Roll - Netherlee

Mabel Bell



Change of Address	District	Elder
Mrs M Howie	38 to 60	S Wurthmann/ A Mann

Deaths	Date	Name	District	Elder
	29.9.2019	Mrs M Dougans	48	I & J Alexander
	4.10.2019	Mrs M Howie	3	J McIntosh
	9.10.2019	Mr B Rodger	64	M Buchan

Disjunction	Name	District	Elder
	Mrs H Alba	22	A Fairlie

## Congregations Personal Messages

Netherlee & Stamperland



*My sincere thanks for the Church flowers I received recently from our minister. A lovely surprise which gave my spirits a much needed boost. In appreciation.*

*Eileen McLennan. (Netherlee)*

*Many thanks to Stamperland church, Anne McKenzie and the flower ladies for the lovely flowers I received on Hugh's anniversary.*

*Doreen Findlay (Stamperland)*

*Joan and I wish to thank everyone for the lovely flowers delivered to us after the Church services ; we are very grateful for the spiritual and personal support we are experiencing during Joan's illness.*

*Bill Coulter (Stamperland)*

*This is just a thank you to the ladies of Stamperland Church who week after week provide us with such beautiful flower arrangements. We are so fortunate to have such talented ladies amongst us and we would like to let you know how much you are appreciated.*



## Pastoral Care

Please contact Grace Scott, 0141 637 2226



Your Pastoral Care Team are here for you. If you need ;

Transport to Church

Hospital

Doctors Appointment

Shopping

Could do with a chat

Have a prayer request



A few months ago, we introduced a Library service to you, and this month would like to commend this to you again. Kay is able and willing to exchange your library book, assist you with future choices of your favourite authors, or like authors. Additionally, she can provide listening books and large print books. If you are not already a member of the library Kay will happily see to this for you, why not make use of this great service? We hope you will.

Remember that we are only a phone call away to help you with shopping, getting to Church, hospital and doctor's appointments and any other assistance that we can help you with.

## Stamperland Church Open Door



### Free Dementia Friendly Art Group

Stamperland Parish Church  
Stamperland Gardens

Every Friday  
2-4pm



No previous art skills needed.  
Art Tutors are on hand to help!

Pop in for a chat  
Tea and cake provided!

Email [heartfor.art@crossreach.org.uk](mailto:heartfor.art@crossreach.org.uk)  
Facebook [CrossReachHeartForArt](https://www.facebook.com/CrossReachHeartForArt)  
Call 0141 620 3092

Stamperland Church Sanctuary is open on a Wednesday morning from 10.00 o'clock until 12.00 o'clock for quiet contemplation and personal prayer. Tea, coffee and biscuits are available in the vestibule where fellowship can be enjoyed.

Please come and support this activity.



## Down Memory Lane in Stamperland - September & November 1980

Looking back some 39 years we find the two baptisms, Esther Clark of Flenders Ave and Kirsty Neilson of Stamperland Dr, followed by a child dedication for Catriona Lindsay of Hillview Dr. We also had a marriage on 26th between Miss Shona McInnes of Nethervale Ave and Mr Roy Brown of Motherwell..

The Junior Section of the Boy's Brigade were advertising their forthcoming Christmas Fair for 6th December, whilst it was noted that the church was filled to capacity for the uniformed organisations parade, despite very wet weather. The Junior Choir was back in action under the guidance of organist Dr Barry Clark, and a special oil fund appeal was raising money for the heating of our church, including book sales by the cubs every Saturday morning .

In the Sunday School David McLean announced four dates and times for various Sunday School Parties to take place during December, which was necessary to accommodate the numbers involved.

Looking at the intake of Beavers that year we find a certain Philip Mosely joining, whilst two of their young members took the unusual decision to defect to the Boys' Brigade. Again within the numbers moving to or joining the Cubs we find George Speed joining, the son of the then Minister.

Space restrictions prevented reports from all four sections of the Scout Group that month, and that was without the benefit of picture insertions.

Church income continued its perpetual reporting of highs and lows depending on the seasons, appeals and gentle persuasion.

A report was had from the Gardening Team of inclement weather preventing fulfilment of tasks, however demarcation lines were called into question when they ventured within to deal with lighting then guttering and drains outside.

It is rather ironic to report that a decision was made to plant a row of berberis bushes outside the small hall fire door area to prevent people from taking shortcuts, something debated recently when the wall of the raised bed in that same vicinity was temporarily made safe due to root damage. A proposal to plant grass here was rejected on the basis it would become a short cut!!!!!! The project remains on hold pending a decision on obtaining the services of a builder to repair the wall.

At the end of the Fabric Report, given by our erstwhile late Mary McEwan, she often had some anecdote up her sleeve and that month it was one which cannot go without a fresh airing. "We used to have LSD for money but volunteers doing work within have their version, Love Devotion and Service".

## Netherlee Guild

Margaret Fear, Secretary



<b>Nov</b>	05	Ms. Marie Wilson (Tuesday at Stamperland)
	20	Mrs. Dagmar Kerr - Berwick Coastal Path
<b>Dec</b>	04	The Scottish Council of Jewish Communities
	18	The Christmas Party

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<b>Jan</b>	07	Ms. Sheila Gordon - Crossreach (Tuesday at Stamperland)
	22	Ms. Christine Finnigan - BBC News
<b>Feb</b>	05	Dr. P. Cairns - Seema's Project
	19	Dr. Duncan McIntyre - Iona
<b>Mar</b>	04	Ranald Mair - Social Work within the Kirk
	06	World Day of Prayer at St. Aiden's
	10	Friendship Lunch
	18	A.G.M.

### Christmas Cakes

Barbara Cochrane



Orders will be taken for Christmas cakes - small ones - about 5" diameter, by signing the sheet in the welcome hall or welcome desk in Netherlee church. Alternatively can email me: [Barbaracochrane857@gmail.com](mailto:Barbaracochrane857@gmail.com) with all proceeds split between 2 charities.

Please specify what kind of icing preferred - royal (spiky) or smooth (fondant). Cost £7.50

Some cakes may be spare and will be available in December in the welcome hall, Netherlee church after the service.

### Unanswered Questions

*I'm 73 and I have realised that I still have many unanswered questions. I still don't know how to get to Sesame Street, why do we never see the headline "Psychic Wins Lottery", why women can't put on Mascara with their mouth closed, why "abbreviation" is such a long word, why is "dyslexia" so hard to spell, what is the way to Amarillo?, why lemon juice is made with artificial flavour, yet dish washing liquid is made with real lemons, and why do you have to "put your two cents in" but it's only a penny for your thoughts", why do the "Alphabet" song and "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star" have the same tune?, and why did you try to just sing those two songs?*





Have you ever watched kids  
On a merry-go-round,  
Or listened to rain  
Slapping the ground?

Ever followed a butterfly's erratic  
flight,  
Or gazed at the sun fading into  
the night

You better slow down,  
Don't dance so fast,  
Time is short,  
The music won't last

Do you run through each day  
On the fly,

When you ask, "How are you?",  
Do you hear the reply?

When the day is done  
Do you lie in your bed,  
With the next hundred chores  
Running through your head?

You better slow down,  
Don't dance so fast,  
Time is short,  
The music won't last

Ever told your child,  
We'll do it tomorrow,  
And in your haste,  
Not see his sorrow?

Ever lost touch,  
Let a friendship die,  
Cause you never had time  
To call and say hi?

You better slow down,  
don't dance so fast,  
time is short,  
the music won't last

When you run so fast to get  
somewhere

You miss half the fun of getting  
there.

When you worry and hurry  
through your day,  
It's like an unopened gift thrown  
away.

Life isn't a race,  
So take it slower,  
Hear the music  
Before your song is over



**Glasgow 278 (Netherlee) Boys' Brigade**  
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**Alistair Haw, Captain**  
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The Pollok Family: Kasia Pollock, the mother of one of our Anchor Boys, is undergoing treatment for cancer now and over the coming months. One of Kasia's friends is shaving her hair off to provide moral support and also to raise money for Macmillan. Details on how to get behind this can be found on our Facebook page. Please give generously of both your money and your prayers for the family at this time.

Harvest Thanksgiving: We were pleased to have over 20 boys from all sections in attendance at this year's Harvest Thanksgiving Service. I was, however, left reeling at the revelation that the Minister is a supporter of St Mirren. For those unaware of the petty schisms of the Inverclyde/Renfrewshire area the aforesaid are the arch rivals of my own beloved Greenock Morton. Over a post service pancake I took the opportunity to quiz the Minister's Anchor Boy son on which of these two undeniable footballing titans he favoured, only to be diplomatically advised that he supported the USA.

Moving on from such ultimate trivialities we give thanks to staff and boys of all sections who attended the service and represented the Company so well, with special mention to Company Section boys Max Docherty and Jacob Haw for their readings from the old and new testaments respectively.

Anchor Boys (Monday 6pm - 7pm): It has been great to get all three sections back up and running after the summer break. So far 32 have attended Anchor Boys, precisely double our number at the same point last year. The first few weeks have involved settling the new boys in with the aid of some favourite games, and acquainting them with their squads. We are fortunate to have six squads this year to be lead by David Patterson, Aaron Maclean, Innes Watson, Angus Mitchell, Matthew Thomson and Oliver Adam. We wish them well in their new roles.

Having focussed on the miracles of Jesus last year we have begun this session by focussing on His parables, including The Good Samaritan, The Wise and the Foolish Builder, The Lost Sheep and The Rich Fool.

Junior Section (Tues 7pm – 8.45pm): Junior Section has also had a strong start, welcoming promotions from Anchors and some completely new faces to the Company. Zak Malcolm, Aiden Bianco and Murdo Mackay have been appointed as our squad captains for the year, and we wish them every success with their new responsibilities. The boys continue their study of senior Old

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Testament figures, most recently hearing about the life of Gideon. They also enjoyed their first trip of the session with an educational visit to Glasgow Central Mosque. I am reliably informed that the boys gave a great account of themselves, asking some serious, sensible and sensitive questions of our most welcoming hosts. From this we can only deduce that their sensible heads came on after the photo outside the venue...



Company Section (Friday 7.30pm – 10pm): Company Section is also on the up thanks to promotions from Junior Section. Bible studies have focussed upon the apparent inconsistencies of the scriptures and how these are to be understood.

Our younger members were given the opportunity to try on BB paraphernalia from yesteryear, although some appeared to have enjoyed this more than others...

Our boys and staff also put in a great shift at a street party in Govanhill, lead by President's Man Drew Makeham. Our representatives primarily focussing their efforts upon leading games and overseeing beat the goalie for the local children, in between visits to the drinks and ice cream stalls. Their uniforms also attracted a number of photo requests from admiring onlookers, which the boys honoured with little complaint.



DATE FOR DIARY: Glasgow 278's annual coffee morning will take place from 10am-12pm on Saturday 23 November.





All sections have now been back for a couple of months with a few new faces across the group.



Beavers have been looking at science and exploring forces, with a visit from a real-life steam train (just a very small one!).

Cubs have been busy completing their Home Safety badges looking at real scenarios of potential dangers in different rooms mocked up across the church. Cubs have also been working towards Team Work and Team Leader items by working in groups on puzzles and challenges.

Delighted to say that Rory, Ryan, Logan and Ciaran have been made Sixers – well done and we look forward to seeing you test out some of your leadership skills.

Both Cubs and Scouts have completed a photo treasure hunt across the local district. The Cubs helped pick up litter as they went. Scouts had the additional complexity of completing the challenge in the dark where it is much harder to make out specific colours, but were rewarded by a bag of chips on route.

The Scouts used this and lots of other items to finish their Local Knowledge Badge while completing some of the Navigator badge by brushing up on some basic mapping skills – demonstrated by playing some human knots & crosses and human connect 4 on the paving stones outside the halls.

The Explorers have been helping with some of the above items and are also planning a community impact initiative – more details to follow.

We have arranged a special sleepover event for all sections of the group at an exciting venue as a great kick-off to our 80<sup>th</sup> celebrations next year – look out for an update next month!



## The Four Students

There were four friends who hated studying. They partied all night before their exams and planned to skip the test by lying to the professor. So they went to the dean and told him that they had been to a wedding the previous night and on their way back, they had a flat tyre. They continued to say that they had to push the car all the way back, as they didn't have a spare tire and hence, were not in a position to write the exam.

The dean listened and agreed to let them take the test on a later date. Happy that they got a second chance, the four friends studied hard and were ready for the exam. On exam day, the dean asked the students to sit in separate classrooms, which the students agreed to.

The examination paper had only two questions, for a total of 100 marks. The questions were thus:

Your name:

Which tyre of the car burst: a) Front left b) Front right c) Rear left d) Rear right

### Moral

You may be smart, but there are people smarter than you in the world.

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## The Boasting Traveller (Aesop's Fables)

A man came back from a tour and boasted about his adventurous journeys. He talked at length about the different people he met and his amazing feats that got him fame and praise from people everywhere. He went on to say that he went to the Rhodes where he had leaped to such distances that no man could ever match his feat.

He even went on to say that there were witnesses who would vouch for his words. Hearing the man boast so much, a smart bystander said, "Oh good man, we do not need any witnesses to believe your words. Imagine this place to be Rhodes and leap for us".

The lying traveller didn't know what to do and went away quietly.

### Moral

He who does a thing well does not need to boast.

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## Netherlee GSE Food Bank

Anne Hind on behalf of Glasgow South East Foodbank



Although you will be reading this early in November and probably not thinking about Christmas, we are beginning our preparations now in the Foodbank.

**At Christmas we try to give everyone a gift and a bag of food which contains items suitable for a Christmas**

**meal and some treats. If you would like to donate to this effort can I ask that all gifts are with us by the END OF NOVEMBER to allow wrapping at the beginning of December. The items which we give are socks, hats, scarfs and toiletries for ladies, gents and children. We also give toiletries and chocolate to accompany these items. The food items which go to make a Christmas bag are good tins of ham, tinned potatoes, tinned vegetables, Christmas puddings, mince pies, custard and "Nice" tins of soup!**

**Ongoing list of items required.**

**Tinned fish, Fruit, Jam, Chocolate, Meat, Shaving Foam and Sanitary wear - Pads not Tampons.**

Another local charity donated lovely toys last year and we witnessed many people breaking down in tears when they realised that they would have a gift for their child on Christmas Day.

Many people who come to the foodbank do not receive gifts and cards. They will often come back and say what a treat it was to receive something like this and sometimes tell us that it was the only gift they received and that they would have had no Christmas meal without your donations.

## A Message to the Congregation of Stamperland

### The Gardener



It is with great reluctance that the present gardener has had to call time on gardening activities within the grounds of Stamperland Church.

This has been brought about at the insistence of a friend who has come into his life in recent years, someone many will probably be aware of, his name being Arthur Itis, whose persistence in many ways causes difficulty even with the every day tasks once enjoyed by many.

So it's goodbye from him and hopefully hello from others who may step into the breach, whilst the other half of the team continues with manicuring the grass, whether it likes it or not.



The many wee blethers will also be missed!!!

## Stamperland Flower Calendar

Contact Mrs May Paterson—0141 571 8652



As organisations are starting their new sessions I would like to take this opportunity to thank **Jackie Silcock, Moira Allan, Sheena Skelton, Kay Baird and Violet Walker.** The ladies arrange flowers every Sunday of the year and displays are much appreciated and admired by the congregation.

### November

3<sup>rd</sup> Miss G Scott

10th Mrs S Jamieson

17<sup>th</sup> Mrs K Bolton

24<sup>th</sup> Miss E Robb &  
Mrs J Cranston

### December

1st Service at Netherlee

8th Mrs C Anderson

15th Mrs J Silcock

22nd Service at Netherlee

29th Mrs G Marshall

### Netherlee Church Flowers

Shirley Buchanan 585 3929



### November

3rd Margaret McKenzie

10th Remembrance at Stamperland

17th Anne McKenzie

24th Betty Gray

### POPPYSCOTLAND--- DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES.

Anne Mann Netherlee



**Coffee afternoon.** This will be held on Saturday 9th November \*\* from 2-4pm in the large hall Netherlee Church. Tickets £2.50 for adults and £1 for children. Tombola prizes would be much appreciated.

\*\* Please note date correction from last month.



OH HEY...

...YOU'RE HOME EARLY.



I'M SORRY TO BOTHER YOU

BUT THE BIRD FEEDER IS EMPTY



I'VE MADE A HUGE MISTAKE



HOW CUTE

USA

RUSSIA



MEANWHILE IN SCOTLAND

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Monday Lisa



TELLING YOUR TWINS APART

LEVEL: EXPERT

20.

Stamperland Church Fund Raising Committee present this film as detailed below. Come along and enjoy a night at the movies.



# THE GREATEST SHOWMAN

Join us at Stamperland Parish Church on  
Saturday 16th November at 7pm for the Greatest Show ever!

*Ticket prices\* are as follows:*

*Adult—£5*

*Children—£3*

*Family (2 Adults and 2 Kids) - £12*

\*Ticket price includes one ice cream/juice per person

Stamperland Parish Church  
Registered Charity SC003155



## Netherlee Forum Session 2019 - 2020

**Sheena Wurthmann**



The schedule of meetings for the new session is as follows:

<b>18th November</b>	<b>Lesley Orr</b>	<b>Suffragette Movement and Women's Response</b>
<b>16th December</b>	<b>Neil Young</b>	<b>The black bit at the end of the golden banana</b>
<b>20 January</b>	<b>David Coleman</b>	<b>Chaplain to Eco-Congregation Scotland</b>
<b>17th February</b>	<b>Simon Walker</b>	<b>Saving bodies and minds; Suicide, Spiritualism and support during the first world war.</b>
<b>16th March</b>	<b>Jan Savage</b>	<b>Learning disability and inclusion. Are we there yet?</b>

We would encourage you to come along and enjoy the various talks. The meetings are held in the Lesser Sanctuary at Netherlee starting at 7.30. They last about 45 minutes to allow for time for questions and answers. We finish the meeting with tea .

The speaker for the November meeting is Lesley Orr. Lesley is going to speak about "The suffragette movement and women's response". Last year Lesley was not able to come as planned. It is good that we have been able to entice Lesley to come this month. Do come along on 18th November and hear about how democracy came to include women!

### **Crossreach Sunday**



A thanksgiving service commemorating the 150th anniversary year of Crossreach is being held in Dunfermline Abbey on Sunday 17 November at 4.00pm. Tea and Coffee from 3.00pm.

All are welcome in person or via the live stream.

## Stamperland Guild

Evelyn Graham



### Nov

**5<sup>th</sup> (Tues) Joint meeting with Netherlee at Stamperland  
Journey to being Pastoral Assistant in Netherlee & Stamperland**

**Marie Wilson**

**12<sup>th</sup> East Renfrewshire Foodbank**

**Ag Law**

**19<sup>th</sup> Evening visit to Strathaven Gift & Coffee Shop**

**26<sup>th</sup> Videos set to Music**

**Vivienne Macdonald**

### Dec

**3<sup>rd</sup> Approach to Advent**

**10<sup>th</sup> Christmas Party**

We had a very enjoyable start to our winter session with a joint meeting at the beginning of October, at Netherlee, with Netherlee Guild. The Rev Scott Blythe spoke to us about the Guild theme for this year, "Companions on the Road". This is the second year of a three year programme covering "One Journey, Many Roads". Following his interesting talk Scott led us in Communion.

During the remainder of October we learned about Windsor & the Order of the Garter, received tips on home safety from Clarkston Fire Station and had fun and fellowship with Halloween games and Fish Suppers. Each evening although very different, was enjoyed by all.

Our joint meeting with Netherlee Guild on 5<sup>th</sup> November will be very interesting when Marie Wilson, will tell us about how she came to be our Pastoral Assistant and what her job involves.

You read each month in Connections magazine about the food donated by Stamperland Church to the Foodbank at Barrhead. If you would like to know more please come on Tuesday evening 12th November when Ag Law will explain about the workings of the Foodbank at Barrhead.

If you would like to join us on our evening visit to the Strathaven Gift and Coffee Shop on Tuesday 19th November please speak to Evelyn Graham or any committee member. We do hope that some ladies from Netherlee Church may wish to come along. The cost of the coach is £7.00. We leave Stamperland Church at 6.30pm returning to Stamperland Church by 9.30pm. On arrival we are given a complimentary drink, either wine or a soft drink then we

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have time to browse around the shop with the opportunity to buy. Following a look around the shop a lovely supper of sandwiches, cakes, tea or coffee is provided free of charge.

Vivienne Macdonald is making a return visit on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November showing more videos set to music. She is back by popular demand as our members thoroughly enjoyed her previous selection of videos.

It is hard to think that Christmas is fast approaching but looking forward to our meeting on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December Stuart Bruce will talk about "Approach to Advent". This will be an interesting evening.

Other than for our evening outing to Strathaven we meet in the Session Room at Stamperland Church at 7.30pm. We look forward to welcoming you then to hear about various interesting topics.

### **Netherlee WFO Scheme**

**Dennis R Burt**

There are currently 38 members in the scheme. 23 members contribute by monthly direct debit, 13 members contribute by weekly envelopes and 2 members contribute annually.

Income at 31 August 2019 was £500 below budget mainly due to 2 members moving to the Gift Aid Scheme at the start of the new tax year. However, there is an overall increase of £750 compared to 2018 because of members coming out of the Gift Aid Scheme. Also, 2 members have increased their monthly payment since the start of the year.

### **Lodging House Mission**

**Gordon Lang**

During the summer this year a team from Netherlee Church took part in the annual cycle for Lodging House Mission, from Glasgow Green to Clydebank and back, to help raise funds and awareness for those less fortunate in our city.

A total sum of £1469.65 was raised. A magnificent effort by all those concerned.

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**Q: Why do the French eat snails? A: They don't like fast food.**

**Q: What does a skeleton order at a restaurant? A: Spare ribs!**





The Pastoral Care Committee Afternoon Tea event in Stamperland Church on 5th September 2019, where as you can see, there was a good attendance and much merriment was had listening to the Loudoun Ceilidh band, Thanks to everyone who baked and helped on the day to make it a success.