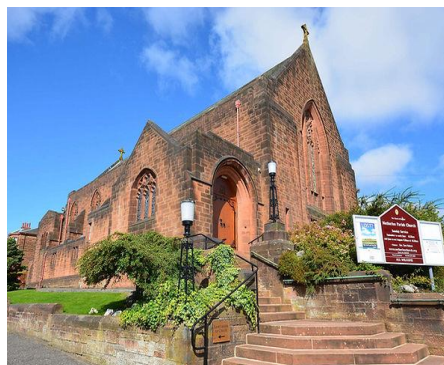


NETHERLEE AND STAMPERLAND PARISH CHURCH NEWSLETTER



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From the Editor

The deadline for the November edition will be **Tuesday 14th November 2023**. Articles (and pictures in .jpg format) can be submitted at any time to the mailbox nandsnewsletter@btinternet.com (thank you). I look forward to hearing from you.

Karen McQueen

Services

The Sunday services in the coming weeks are at 10.30 a.m. as usual, with the exception of our Service of Remembrance which is on **Sunday 12th November at 10.45 a.m.**



Starchild Celebrates 10 Years

You are invited to join Starchild to celebrate its 10th anniversary in style - **Attitude with Gratitude**. Space is filling up fast so please book your place as soon as possible. This free event celebrates all the people who have helped us. There will be a finger buffet, and the drinks will be cheap. We look forward to celebrating with all you wonderful Starchildren out there! (Just so you know, disco gear is optional, but we think it will be fun...especially in our special photo booth!)

Much love and gratitude to you all!

Michaela Foster March for Starchild

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www.starchildcharity.com www.michaelaonline.com

Sunday Brunch

Thank you so much to everyone who came along to the Brunch on Sunday 3rd September following communion. We hope that you enjoyed your brunch and the chance for a chat and catch up. We were overcome by the generosity of all who attended; we raised £520! We thought that we would like to split this between Netherlee House and Williamwood House towards something for the residents.

Barbara Cochran

Rice Challenge – Help Us Reach Our Target

Thank you to all those who have bought our rice to help towards our 90kg target. We still have rice to sell, white and brown varieties, so please stop and buy some. Together we can help a farmer in Malawi feed her family and pay for a year of secondary education for one child. That is a significant economic shift and changes her life from subsistence to stability and offers a range of employment opportunities.



The rice costs £4.00 per kilo and is available in the Welcome Hall before and after the service on Sundays. You can pay for the rice in two ways - cash or using the card scanner. If everyone bought a bag - just one bag - a child could be in secondary school by Christmas.

Sheena Wurthmann



BB Minibus – Essential Repairs

I recently announced to the congregation that the BB Minibus had developed mechanical problems. These are such that the vehicle has to be inspected and repaired at a garage before it can be used again. We are, therefore, currently unable to offer our regular service of conveying congregation members to and from Sunday worship.

However, our regular Sunday bus drivers, Elders and friends have been providing alternative transport in their own private cars. I would like to thank everyone that has contributed in this way: it has brought comfort and reassurance to many people.

The earliest date for inspection given by the garage is October 23rd and completion date for repairs is uncertain. We are actively seeking an earlier cancellation date or earlier appointment with the garage. I will keep everyone updated on progress, and the continued contribution of alternative transport will be greatly appreciated. Please feel free to contact me on my mobile 07947-348500 if you have any questions or concerns.

Alan Fairlie

On behalf of the foodbank, I would like to thank everyone who contributed in any way to the success of the coffee afternoon held on September 30th. A total of £470 was raised for the foodbank's fresh food initiative. A great result.



The staff and clients of the foodbank are, as always, very grateful for the regular donations of food our congregation supplies and their wish list for this month includes baked beans, coffee, tinned meat/fish. Staples including UHT milk are always gratefully accepted. Donations can be left in the highlighted receptacle in the welcome hall at any time.

Thanks again for all your support

Marjorie Lang



A Poppy for Remembrance

We are now approaching the **2023 PoppyScotland** appeal.

As highlighted in the September edition of the Newsletter, I am reaching out for volunteers. If you feel you could gift two hours of your time to join the collecting team in our local Sainsburys, please contact me on 07796277544 or email me at john-mann4@sky.com. Thank you to those who have come forward so far. The aim is to have a presence in Sainsburys for as much of the two weeks running up to Remembrance Sunday as possible. There will also be collecting cans in local businesses and schools as usual.

On **November 11th** there will be a Coffee Afternoon between 2 and 4pm in the large hall. This event will include the ever-popular Tombola. The Poppy box will be in the Welcome Hall to receive donation for this from mid-October. If you or anyone you know has any fundraising ideas which could spice up the Coffee Afternoon, I would be delighted to discuss them. Looking forward to a successful fundraising season and thank you in anticipation.

Anne Mann

Netherlee and Stamperland Forum

Professor Ronald L. Crawford FRHistS, visiting professor of history at the University of Strathclyde, will address the Forum on **Monday 16 October 2023**. The title of his talk will be: *The Trial of Mungo Campbell for the murder of the 10th Earl of Eglinton: the issue of rank and prejudice in eighteenth-century justice*. The 10th Earl was the man who originated and created the model village of Eaglesham. Ronald first came up with the idea of the Forum back in 2003 and we are looking forward to hearing from him again two decades on from the very first meeting.

Due to personal circumstances we had to change the order of our talks slightly. We are also delighted to confirm the speaker for the February 2024 meeting.

- 20 November: **Susan Watson**
SEPA – legal challenges in the Scottish Environment Protection Agency
- 18 December: **Nan Steele (Volunteer with the National Trust)**
Caroline Norton, a Scandalous Woman
- 15 January: **Rev Liz Blythe**
Church in the USA
- 19 February: **Prof. Tahseen Jafry**
About Climate Justice: what does it mean and what lies ahead?

Updated printed versions of the programme will be available from the Welcome Desk in the Lesser Sanctuary of the church.

Fraser McGowan and Dagmar Kerr

The Guild

The Guild meets on Thursdays at 2.00 p.m. and the programme for the next few weeks is:-



October

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| 12 | The Sewing Bee | Jen Hogg |
| 19 | BEATeating disorders | |
| 26 | The Guild Annual Gathering | |

November

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| 02 | Scotland's Charity Air Ambulance | |
| 09 | More Reflections | Marie Wilson |
| 16 | The Library | Kay Baird |

Margaret Fear
Secretary



**CRANHILL
DEVELOPMENT
TRUST**

The nearly new shop at Cranhill Development Trust is 'open for business' on Saturday mornings. As you are aware it continues to fill a need for some of the folks in that area of Glasgow.

Donations of nearly new clothes and bric-à-brac are very much appreciated. If you could please leave any such items, clearly labelled for Cranhill, in the cupboard in the Welcome Hall opposite the ladies' toilet. If this cupboard is full, please get in touch with me so I can make alternative arrangements regarding storage and/or collection.

Again, many, many thanks for your kind generosity.
Gordon Lang

Together in our Hearts

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Our congregation will no doubt be concerned at the escalation of hostilities in Gaza which have unfolded over the last week or so. For an 'on the ground' perspective, Muriel Pearson's latest blog is available at

<https://murielpearson.com/2023/10/10/together-in-our-hearts/>. My daughter Muriel is a Church of Scotland minister, currently based in Israel/occupied Palestinian territories with St. Andrew's Jerusalem and Tiberias Church of Scotland. Her blog includes the following Christian Aid prayer used for many years by the Church of Scotland which you may wish to include in your own prayers:

Pray not for Arab or Jew,
for Palestinian or Israeli,
but pray rather for ourselves,
that we might not
divide them in our prayers
but keep them both together
in our hearts.

Jean Pearson

Sunday Club

Our Programme

We have continued, by and large, to follow the programme in Roots (Resources for Churches) and over the last few weeks this has involved us discussing conflict, creating, from Play Doh, reminders to forgive others as God forgives us, considering God's justice – which involved Niall slow racing with Anna - and being open to change your mind.

Starter Packs

We managed to get together on Friday 22nd September for a shopping trip. We spent £150 in ASDA at the Avenue on the following items from the shopping list provided by Starter Packs:-

3 x dinner sets	2 x sets of chopping boards
3 x large cutlery sets	2 x sets of oven trays
12 x drinking glasses	3 x bath sheets
6 x mugs	3 x hand towels
4 x can openers	6 x bottles of shampoo
2 x bales tea towels	6 x tubes of toothpaste.



We would like to sincerely thank every member of the congregation who has given us their saved 'brown pennies' towards this latest shopping trip. Your pennies can turn into something wonderful for those starting out in a tenancy with nothing.

After our trip to ASDA, we had a very enjoyable visit to the Broom Café where waffles, ice cream, and chocolate cake were the order of the day, even if this was before noon!

Once the items were delivered, we received an e-mail from Jacqui at Starter Packs which read "I just wanted to say thank you so much to everybody for their generosity. The items were perfect for our packs, and they have gone out in packs and are being used in people's homes already. It's an amazing help, thank you!"



Harvest Service on 8th October

Both the Sunday Club and Senior Sunday Club took part in the Harvest service and joined with the congregation to donate a variety of food items to the Lodging House Mission. The Sunday Club prepared and sold bags containing toppings for porridge, with the Seniors making and selling porridge oat biscuits, to support the work of Christian Aid.

An amazing £100 was collected and we were delighted to be given the money from the teas and coffees that morning to increase our total.

Sunday Club (continued)

The £154 will be used to purchase a gift or gifts from the Christian Aid catalogue. Thank you so much to everyone who donated.

To learn more about Christian Aid's harvest appeal please go to the CA harvest page <https://www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/key-appeals/harvest-appeal>.

Karen McQueen

Christmas Cakes

A list will be available in the Welcome Hall for anyone who would like to order a Christmas cake. The cost of the cakes remains at £7.50. These make great gifts for family and friends or just to say 'thank you' to someone special.

Recently a note was put out at coffee for suggestions for charities that would benefit from the proceeds of fundraising events, and any other suggestions welcome. It is good to support local charities that have a personal connection to members of the congregation or a charity that has a particular meaning to members.

Barbara Cochran

A Shout Out to Leaders of the Organisations!

We are planning to hold another Christmas Tree Festival in Netherlee and Stamperland Church on the afternoon of **Saturday 9th December**. Alongside the tree display we will have some fund-raising stalls for local charities.

We would like to invite organisations with a connection to Netherlee and Stamperland Church, to design and display a Christmas tree for everyone to admire. How you choose to construct and decorate your tree is entirely up to you. It might be a traditional spruce, real or artificial, or you might build a tree from scratch, perhaps using recycled or upcycled materials... Your tree might be decorated with a theme that reflects the ethos and aims of your organisation, or a cause you are supporting...or not... There really are no rules, except that any lights on the tree need to be battery operated.



The trees should be brought along and erected on the Saturday morning between 10am and 12 noon, with the church then open from 2-4pm for everyone to come along, admire the trees, vote for their favourites, and enjoy tea, coffee, and mince pies in the church hall. The aim is to light up the church in the lead up to Christmas with as many imaginatively decorated trees as possible, so we very much hope that you will enjoy participating in this fun event.

It would be helpful to know how many trees we will be displaying, so please let us know if you can take part by emailing the church office: nethandstamchurch@gmail.com or Helen Ilingworth: helenillingworth@virginmedia.com

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