

STEEPLE NEWS



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GUILD VISIT TO DYSART.

Ever since 2008 our Guild has been linked with our partner Guild in Dysart. Periodically, normally every second year we exchange visits with each other, and enjoy a meal and fellowship. Up until 2013, Dysart was a single congregation, in its lovely trefoil church which is famed for its Renny Macintosh murals which decorated the two transepts.

two peace to unite, it was three years since we were able to get together again.

As can be seen, we had a lovely time meeting up and finding out all that they have been doing. Next time they will be meeting here, or somewhere close, and it would be nice if more of our congregation, both men and women, were to join our ranks and see how the Guild today is still a very strong voice in the ministry of the Church of Scotland.



This year our Session Clerk, Thelma Robb, has become the East Angus Presbyterian Council Convener, and on **September 9th**, the Dedication and Communion Service is held in our church at 7.30pm. All members of congregation are invited to join with us for

Over the past three years the church has been renovated, and the murals have been partly restored, and are beautifully displayed. Two years ago, following vacancy, the congregation was united with Viewforth Parish Church to become Dysart St Clair, using the Dysart Church as the principal place of worship. Due to the union, and to allow the

this event, and it would be nice to have strong support to start off Thelma's term of office.

Earlier than that though, you can give your support when we hold our annual Strawberry Tea on **Friday 17th July** from 2pm to 4pm in our halls.

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or given to the editors

During the Music Festival a few weeks ago the girls who ran the afternoon tea raised a mighty £914.

They worked extremely hard and their efforts have been rewarded - it was wonderful. Well done!

Their charity was Breakthrough Breast Cancer which has just merged with Cancer Research UK so that they can work together to further their research. It has been announced in the past two weeks that by the year 2050 no one will die from breast cancer and that it will be treated as a chronic illness.

Ann Thomson and Iris Mair hold their next coffee morning on July 11th for LINKS PARK COMMUNITY TRUST.

This cause is to establish and run activities for older people e.g. walking football and quizzes for dementia sufferers.

Ask all about it at the coffee morning.

Diary

June

Sat 27 Summer Mission Coffee Morning 10-12am

Mon 29 Church in use for Music Exams all morning

Church summer opening begins – weekdays 2pm – 4pm

Holiday Club week begins 1030 in the Halls

Wild West Week (www) See leaflet with further details

July

Sat 4 Holiday Club BBQ and games – No Church Coffee Morning

Sun 5 Summer Mission Service 11am (children meet in hall at 1030)

Sat 11 Links Park Community Trust Coffee Morning 10-12am

Fri 17 Guild Strawberry Tea 2-4pm in our Church Hall

Sat 18 Gordon Town Mission coffee morning 10-12am

Sat 25 British Legion Coffee Morning 10-12am

Sun 26 Informal Communion after service

August

Sat 1 Parish Grouping Coffee Morning for Youth Work Project/YM
10-12am

Sat 8 Supporters Club Coffee Morning 10-12am

Sat 15 Christian Aid Coffee Morning Coffee Morning

Sat 22 Montrose Seals Coffee Morning 10-12am

Sat 29 Susan Carnegie Centre Stracathro 10-12am

September

Sat 5 Montrose Town Band Coffee Morning 10-12am

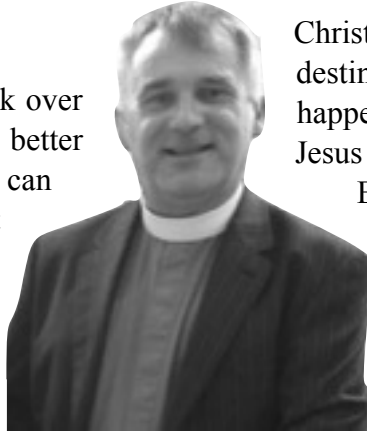
Guild Annual Meeting – Caird Hall Dundee – 10.00am

Sun 6 Communion Sunday

What are we going to do?

That may be a question you will ask over the summer – when the weather is better (!) or you have more free time and can contemplate activities that are not normally possible. In theory, the options are endless – even with the limitations of health, finance, time, and the weather (!), we have a great deal of choice – and plenty of fine scenery locally. But it is a question that we can ask in other contexts – about the future of our society, about the church, about our family, about OUR future; or as we wonder how we can overcome a particular challenge we face in our lives – bereavement, other loss or life changing event.

You may be a “spur of the moment” person who decides what to do as the fancy takes them. Some spontaneity is fine – and to go for a run up the Angus glens or get the bus to Dundee or Aberdeen or further afield just because you feel like it when you get up is OK – if there is nothing keeping you. But, more generally, life requires a bit more intentionality – perhaps not as much detailed planning we might imagine but at least a broad direction. Where are we headed? Whatever we do it is surely important for the



Christian to remember that our ultimate destination is heaven and for that to happen we need to journey with God. Jesus walked with the two disciples on

Easter Day on the road between Jerusalem and Emmaus – they enjoyed his company and were strangely warmed. They were so full of themselves and so down with their world falling apart after Jesus’ death that initially they didn’t recognise him – but he revealed himself to them and they were transformed with joy. Of course, it matters what we **do** but it even more important that we are **with** Jesus. However, we spend our time, whether it is the way we use our free time over the summer or how we live the rest of our lives the person we will **be** is more important than what we **do**. We are to be friends of Jesus and companions with him (and one another) through the journey of life (its twists and turns, ups and downs, joys and sorrows) until we are truly at home, at peace, in heaven.

“Jesus...**be** a friend to me, take my hand and ever keep me close to thee.” Yes, Lord and let me **be** your friend too.

Ian A McLean

Prayer Walk

Jul 5 York Place & Terrace
Jul 12 Blackfriars Street
Jul 19 Redfield Rd & Cres
Jul 26 Rutland Cres
Aug 2 Nursery Rd & Little Nursery
Aug 9 Glenesk Ave, Glenprosen St
Aug 16 Tayock Ave, Conanbank
Aug 23 Glenlethnot Pl, Glenclova Pl.
Aug 30 Glenogil St Glenisla Rd
Sep 6 Sharpe Pl, Brechin Road

Congregational Bible Passage (provisional)

Jul 5 Mark 6:1-13
Jul 12 Ephesians 1:3-14
Jul 19 Ephesians 2:11-22
Jul 26 Ephesians 3:14-21
Aug 2 Ephesians 4:1-16
Aug 9 John 6:35, 41-51
Aug 16 John 6:51-58
Aug 23 Ephesians 6:10-20
Aug 30 James 1:17-27
Sep 6 Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23

A Thousand Thanks !



Andrew hands over his generous cheque to Ian McLean. Linda Watt and Elaine Allan look on.

On Sunday 31st May Andrew Williams (pictured) ran the Edinburgh Marathon to raise funds specifically for our Summer Mission and for the RNLI. He completed the marathon in an very respectable 4 hours 43 minutes! The amazing sponsorship he received from everyone meant that he was able to donate an astounding £900 to the RNLI and a generous **£1054** to the Summer Mission which he presented to Ian at church.

His brother, Robert, was to run a marathon at the same time in France and they agreed between them that whoever ran the fastest would get £50 from the other. Andrew won that wager! Robert's way of raising funds was to ask sponsors to pledge money to the charity of their choice and his mother pledged her £50 to us! One of Andrew's customers - he is a much loved Postie up the coast - also gave him £50 for the Summer Mission.

Everyone connected with the Summer Mission would like to thank Andrew and all the generous people who contributed to this wonderful donation. We are blessed indeed.

Wild West Week and Wee Wildies



Sheriff Frances and Cowgirl Emma get into character in front of the backdrop.

29th June - 5th July 2015

Preparations are well underway for the Summer Holiday Club. Sheriff Frances and Cowgirl Emma are pictured getting into character posing in front of the amazing back drop. It is hoped we will see many of the congregation throughout the week. Many thanks to all for work already done and the offers of help to come and the financial support received. It's the Rooting Tooting Wild West - Yeeeeeeehaaaaaaa!

Lookin' forward to seein' y'all.