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2020

Hello Everyone,

This Autumn Edition of the Parish Post will be different from all our previous ones.

As well as any updates from the organisations, we will be featuring a selection of praise items, as well as the reason why they were chosen.

I thought I would mention that all the tunes selected will be played on Youtube.

You should be aware that Youtube will nearly always try to play adverts before your choice (annoying habit!). As you watch the first advert, you will see "Skip Ads" appear. Click on that box.

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross - Kirsty Murray

There are lots of praise items which I enjoy singing, which make me think about my faith or which bring back special memories.

If I had to chose only one, then it would be "When I survey the wondrous cross".

This is, in many ways, a simple hymn, yet it says so clearly what it feels to be a Christian, as we realise that, however small and insignificant we may believe ourselves to be, God loves us so much that He sent Jesus Christ to save us.

I first remember singing this hymn along with my grandmother.

She didn't sing very often, but she had a beautiful voice and I vividly remember the day she taught me this. My grandmother was a lady who, despite losing children in infancy and being widowed while still relatively young, always faced life with a smile. She was a lifelong member of the church, having joined when aged sixteen.

Although no longer able to attend due to ill health, she was still a member at the time of her death in her nineties.

I remember how pleased she was when friends from the Church came to visit, passing on the news and sharing fellowship, and how much she enjoyed meeting each new minister.

Over the years, there were many new ministers! Her faith was a very important part of her life, and I feel privileged that I was able to spend time discussing the Bible with her, sharing prayer with her and singing this, her favourite hymn.

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When I survey the Wondrous Cross

Glorious Day - Rev George Fiddes

One of my favourite praise hymns is called. "Glorious Day" with the opening verse, "One day when heaven was filled with His praises".

I particularly enjoy the words of the chorus.

I hope you will enjoy it as much as I do.

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Glorious Day

Cwm Rhondda - Ian Watt

I thought about this and can't get away from being a dinosaur.

My choice is 'Guide me o thou great Jehovah', to the tune Cwm Rhondda.

I like the tune and sometimes the tune can take over from the words but the words do have a meaning today, in spite of being written nearly 300 years ago.

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Cwm Rhondda

The Lord's my Shepherd - Mary J Wyllie

After careful consideration, I have chosen 'The Lord's my Shepherd' to the tune 'Crimond' as a special favourite.

The music and words are so familiar, and, when heard sung by a large congregation, they seem especially re-assuring.

I think it is Scotland's answer to Cwm Rhondda!

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23rd Psalm

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Jennifer Beck

The appeal of a rousing familiar hymn with pipe organ accompaniment is undeniable, particularly for those raised in the church tradition.

At times these melodies can be less accessible if unfamiliar. One approach is to use an alternative melody e.g. Stewart Townsend

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The Lord's my Shepherd

or Casting Crowns version of 'The Lord's my Shepherd'

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Home

However a perfect example of a modern praise item that, for me, encompasses the essence of our faith is 'What a beautiful name it is' by Hillsong.

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What a beautiful name it is

The arrangement and orchestration are current, the lyrics and melody engaging with a gradual build through, verse and bridge until the final joyful chorus.

Please listen and enjoy!

'To God be the Glory mp 708' - Isobel Smith

This is one of my many favourite hymns.

I have sung it countless times on many different occasions. God has done many great things for me as he has done for many others!.

At this time when Exam Results are being issued, it reminded me of one occasion when I sang that wonderful hymn. It was at the school closing Church service when I was leaving Cumnock Academy (many moons ago!!).

At that time exam results were given out in the school before the end of term.

I had received my Higher results, got the passes and grades I had hoped for, ready to go forward to the next stage in life. I certainly had much to give glory for to the Lord and sang that day with all my heart.

There have been many times since then that I have sung this hymn, sometimes even just the chorus 'Praise the Lord' etc.

It just makes me want to sing out loud, raise the roof, praising the Lord and giving thanks for our wonderful God.

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To God be the Glory

Praise Him on the Trumpet - Elizabeth Morris

One of my favourite praise tunes is "Praise Him on the trumpet" based on Psalm 150.

The reason I like this praise item is if I am feeling low then this lively tune lifts my heart and sets me up for the

Left click on the red writing to listen to the tune.

Praise Him on trumpet, the psaltry and harp

Purify my Heart - Ken Cocks

One of my favourite Praise tunes is 'Purify My Heart' by Brian Doerksen.

It tells the story of the Christian's walk through Life.

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Purify my Heart

Shine. Jesus Shine - Christine Beck

Although this isn't my favourite praise song it is probably the most memorable.

We attended Cumnock Congregational Church for many years when Alan and Jennifer played in the School Band. Each Sunday, they accompanied the Church Organ, and at

one service the hymn was 'Shine Jesus Shine' with 5 sharps!! Jennifer was playing cornet at this time and the last note was High B, extremely difficult to reach, and she did it !!. I nearly clapped.

Every time we sing this hymn since that day I remember the first time.

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Shine, Jesus Shine

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Because He Lives - Alan Beck

I like this tune because I really enjoyed the brass arrangement Jennifer & I played at Cumnock Congregational Church

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The Blessing - Jim Beck

When Lock-down started, we looked for a church website that we could visit on a Sunday Morning.

The Hamilton Baptist Church provided a great variety of tunes from their Praise Team, a Children's Slot, and a number of preachers who provide a thoughtful and enjoyable sermon.

If you want to visit, go to their Youtube Livestream Channel on Sunday at 10:45 weekly

Left click on the red writing to visit the site.

Hamilton Baptist Church

I particular enjoy listening to their Praise Team singing 'The Blessing'

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The Bless	ıng		

Dear Friends,

I have been totally amazed at the beautiful cards, emails, letters and visits to the door by so many people.

The words on the cards are lovely, but you have all added your own special memories of Tom. He would have been both overwhelmed and humbled by all the appreciative things you have said about him.

I too have felt very much supported by all your kindnesses, and your love and prayers have upheld me through these last weeks, giving me a calmness to get through because I did not feel on my own. Right from the time when Tom fell and broke his hip and we had to get him to hospital, I have felt a steadying hand on my right shoulder that has continued with me, and kept me going.

The presence of so many people from the village on that pouring wet afternoon of Tom's funeral was also a much appreciated sign of how well he was thought of.

Thank you to all the lovely people of Mauchline, not only just

recently, but over the fourteen years we have lived in this friendly village, and I hope it will not be long before we can safely meet together face to face.

With my grateful thanks and love

Enid Wilkinson

The Guild

We know that meeting as a Guild, at least for the foreseeable future is not possible, but here is some Guild news to keep you up to date.

The Annual Gathering, scheduled to take place on Saturday 5.9.2020 in Dundee has of course been cancelled.

There will be, however, a live streaming at 11:00 am of a 'Virtual' Annual Gathering which can be watched 'on-line' or a DVD is available costing £12.

If you would like a copy please let me know.

Following the agreement of National Council, Marion McIntyre will continue as National Convenor until the 'virtual' gathering at which point MABEL WALLACE will assume her position of new National Convenor.

A Guild Diary is now available.

It is burgundy in colour with a silver Guild logo and costs £4. It is hoped members will consider purchasing a diary to help raise funds for the Guild.

If you would like to order, please let me know.

The Projects are now starting their final year and they continue do remarkable work.

At present, many fundraising activities have not been able to go ahead, so if you have any new ideas for "home fundraising" please share them with other Guild members and when we are able to meet again we will have some monies to send to them.

Dear friends, please stay well, stay safe and we look forward to where God is leading us as an organisation as we prepare to go 'The Extra Mile'.

Every Blessing

Isobel Smith, Covenor

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From your treasurer

This has been a testing time for all of us especially if you have been shielding.

In Philippians, Paul says "do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God."

I would like to thank you, as a congregation for being faithful members, even in these dark days.

By giving on a regular basis this shows the church has a meaningful place in our hearts.

Due to the Coronavirus our church has been closed for worship for many weeks now and our income, as you can see from the finance report has fallen.

A number of our congregation give by bank standing order and this has continued throughout, some people have sent me cheques to cover their weekly offering and a couple of our congregation have set up standing orders. I know that once our church building is open, but this will not happen for some time, people will continue with their giving.

Until that happens, if you wish, you can post any cheques, WFO envelopes through my letterbox or send to my home address, 17A Station Road, Mauchline, KA5 5ES.

As treasurer I am aware that circumstances may have changed for some folks and if that's the case, if we can help in any way please let me know.

I earnestly appreciate the continued ongoing support during this period and as God's people if we put our trust in Him we will get through this. 2 Corinthians ch 9 v 6-8: Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will reap generously. Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

Income to 24/7/2020

Bank deposit + interest 97.48
Fabric fund donations 469.50
Direct giving ie bank s/o, open plate, FWO 24406.63
Outreach shoppers lunch 118.40
Hall lets 1395.00
Restoration fund – donations 50.97
Sorn invoice 639.42
HMRC Gift Aid refund 10428.82

Total receipt 37606.22

Payments to 24/7/2020

Heat/light 3878.24 Insurance 2452.18 Malawi appeal 110.00 Cleaners wages 2431.80 Supply organist 510.00 Ministry & Mission 22479.00 Local costs 396.00 Miscellaneous exps 664.57 Postage, printing & copying costs 1022.57 Subscriptions & licence renewals 799.79 Accountancy fees 960.00 Repairs & maintenance 2428.17 Locum expenses 4990.90 Total payments 43123.22 deficit 5517.00

Elizabeth Morris

AUTUMN RECIPE:

If you are looking to provide a hot speedy lunch, you can't go far wrong with the one shown below.

This is food for the soul as well as the body.

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PSALMBURGER



Preparation 20 mins Cooking 10 mins Serves 4

450g (1lb) lean minced beef 1 small onion, finely chopped 2.5ml (½tsp) made mustard 5ml (1tsp) Worcestershire sauce salt and freshly ground pepper 1 egg, beaten

- 1. Put all ingredients in a bowl and mix well.
- 2. Using dampened hands divide into 8 equal pieces and shape into 1 cm (½ inch) thick burgers.
- 3. Grill or dry fry in a non-stick frying pan for 8–10 minutes, or until cooked through. Turn once.

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Congregational Register

New Members by Profession of Faith

Certificate of Transfer issued to 6th July Mr & Mrs A Baird, 12 East Park Avenue

Admitted by Certificate

Weddings

Mauchline Funerals

3rd July Rev. Tom Wilkinson, 21 Donaldson Crescent

Dates For the diary

Worship Dates and Events

September

October

November

Who's Who & Where

Locum:

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Deputy Treasurer:

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Clerk to the Board:

Vacancy

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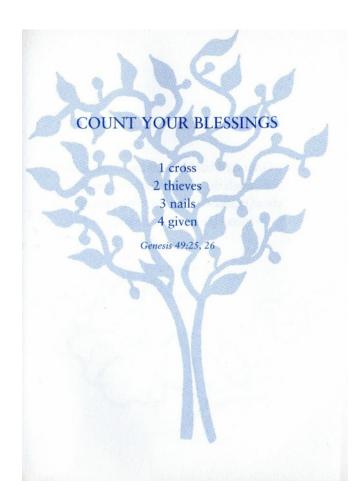
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Footnote

Received from Richard Daly "God's little book of Easter Words of hope,joy and new beginnings"



Open Garden Cafe

This notice is to thank everyone who supported our Open Garden Cafe during the summer.

We raised about £50 for church funds.

We have still have some jams and chutneys for sale, if you care to purchase them.

Jean Martin