

Dalziel St. Andrew's Parish Church

'The Kirk at The Cross'

"BELIEVING in CHRIST – BELONGING to CHRIST – BECOMING like CHRIST"



“Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit,”
says the LORD Almighty.
(Zechariah 4:6)

“Kirk Matters”
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The Manse of Dalziel St. Andrew's Parish Church

Dear friends

*The logo on the front cover of this newsletter combines two well-known symbols of the Christian faith – the cross of Christ, and the dove of peace, which represents the Holy Spirit. Subtitled with a verse from the Old Testament book of Zechariah, we are reminded that, no matter how self-sufficient we may think we are, the truth is far from that. Actually, as the Scriptures say elsewhere (The Gospel of John 15:5), **without Christ we can “do nothing.”***

*It's a couple of months since we celebrated Easter, and even Pentecost Sunday is past for another year, but **the power of God in Christ and through the gift of His Holy Spirit is available to us every day.** And, for myself, I confess that without His reassuring presence, I would not manage even to stumble on as I do in my Christian life. You see, as one of my American friends is fond of saying, **“The problem with the Christian life is that it is so DAILY!”** In other words, it can sometimes be a grind. We don't often admit that, probably for fear that someone will think less of us. But, the truth is, we all face challenges each day that, without faith in God, would certainly defeat us!*

*If that is how you are feeling – either through illness, or bereavement, or the many and varied cares of life – then **I encourage you to put fresh trust in God. He sees and knows what you are facing, and longs to give you the help that you need** as soon as you cry out to Him in the simplest of prayers.*

*Traditionally, the summer months are a time for re-creation, to step aside for a while from the pressures of work, to rest, and perhaps even enjoy a holiday, at home or away. As you make plans to do that, **I trust that you will also take some time for communing with God in a more relaxed and less rushed way than “normal” life allows.** In this way, I hope that the presence and power of the Living God recharge your spiritual batteries.*

Every blessing for a wonderful summer with your friends, family, and FAITH.

Derek W. Hughes

Sunday school

Another busy and successful Sunday school and Bible Class session is drawing to a close. There are sixty children on our roll and attendance during the year has been very good. We are greatly encouraged by the regular worship of parents and children each Sunday.

The lessons in the classes are taught in themes from the Old and New Testaments. From February to April we studied a 5 lesson series on THE TEACHING OF JESUS, followed by 3 lessons on JESUS GIVES HIS LIFE. A further 3 lessons from ACTS had the title TELLING OTHERS THE GOOD NEWS. During May and June Sunday school concludes with 4 lessons from the Old Testament book of Exodus, based on THE TEN COMMANDMENTS. We continue to appreciate the prayers from the church family upholding the leaders in their preparation and teaching and encouraging the children in their learning.

During the makeover of the sanctuary, the location of some departments had to change. All departments except THE CRECHE are in the upper halls and this will continue to be our permanent home as it has worked successfully. When we return to worship in the Sanctuary parents are requested to take their children to their classes before the service commences and collect them from their rooms at the end of the service. If there is a problem for anyone in managing the stairs, please just mention it to one of the leaders and it will be taken care of. The teachers have worked well preparing extra activities during the weeks of the refurbishment to keep the children busy and help their understanding of their lessons. Thank you to all staff for the extra effort in preparations. We all look forward to joining in the church service each Sunday as done previously.

On Sunday 24th June an ALL AGE SERVICE concludes our session. The service will have the theme of thanking God for SUMMERTIME. During the service the children will sing songs and choruses on sun and Summer. We hope there will be a large congregation of parents, family and friends to celebrate Summer with us. Thank you to the parents for helping with the words of the songs at home. There will be a break from classes during JULY AND AUGUST. The crèche leaders will also have a well-earned Summer break. However, the Crèche cupboard will be opened each Sunday morning in the small lower hall during these months and if parents want to take their child into that room for all or part of the service they are most welcome to use the toys, paper etc to keep their young children occupied. It would be helpful at the end of the service if everything were returned to the cupboard.

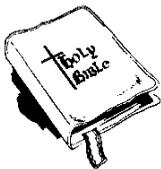
On Sunday 26th August there will be an enrolment of all children in the Sunday school and Bible Class. It would be helpful if parents or guardians go in to the small lower hall before or after the service and complete the administration form for session 2012-2013. Classes will resume for lessons on Sunday 2nd September.

MRS LORNA GEDDES (nee Simpson): Lorna started teaching in the Sunday school when she was fifteen. This year she retired in March from teaching in the Junior department after 14 years in the Sunday school. The Sunday school staff held a presentation supper to thank Lorna for her dedicated years of service sharing her faith through teaching of lessons and using her musical talents in Sunday school worship. The Sunday school staff wished Andrew and Lorna well as they prepared for the arrival of their first baby. The youngest member on our Sunday school roll, Luke Eric Robert Geddes was born on Sunday first of April. He has been coming to our busy crèche regularly each Sunday and we give our best wishes to all of the family.

By the time this edition of KIRK MATTERS is published our Diamond Jubilee Barbeque will be over. The Red, white and blue celebrations of Royal Races, Treasure Hunts, Balloon Races, Face painting, Nail painting, Craft table, bouncy castle, Royal parades and conga will be well documented in photographs. Look out for the displays on notice boards of our Jubilee fun! Many thanks to the friends of the Sunday school who donated gifts or money to help cover expenses. We appreciate your kindness. Thanks also to Isla Alexander for using her time and talent and gifting the beautiful celebration Diamond Jubilee cake. Best wishes to all the church family for a very happy Summer holiday.

Anne Brown
(Sunday school Co-ordinator)

BIBLES for AFRICA



Many thanks for all of the Bibles for Africa. These are so much appreciated. Over the last few months, I have made regular visits to Mr Ken Hatcher, following receipt of bibles, which members had found lying around the house. Any edition is most welcome. Ken cannot send hymn books, but is delighted to add Dalziel St. Andrew's donations to the regular shipment of bibles, which are ingathered from around the U.K. and sent on to reach parts of the world where there is a great demand for God's Word, but where those seeking to hear this Word have no funds to buy a bible. What a wonderful outreach of love. Keep them coming.

Alex Baird

The Girls' Brigade



This year, the Company went to Viewpark Parish Church, as 1st Burnhead were hosts to the Division. The Revd Les Brunger took the Spring Service, but it was a disappointing turnout of both girls and officers, and they certainly missed a lively afternoon. Being a Brigader short, Mr Brunger took her place in a witty sketch enjoyed by all. The company did a good job of entertaining all with their singing. Fitness was this year's aim – improving it! The Explorers have been 'bouncing' in Motherwell Zone on trampolines and a castle! Generally we move down to the soft play area for the last half hour and some of the faces cool down a bit. Yes they all love it! The Juniors and Brigaders have been attending Larkhall baths, where more advanced, but achievable targets were given to every child, by Alice and Christine, during every visit. Alice was a pool attendant and so most qualified for this job, having to assess the girls and point out how they could improve. Other officers in the pool, would then help that girl to practice and be able to achieve her new target each time. Watching parents have been pleasantly surprised by the results. We have made a good start to this year's poppies. Thanks for the red wool donations! We are now at the stage where we could do with the help of a few people to sew on centres, safety pins and leaves! If interested please contact us. Today (12th May) was the company outing to Heads of Ayr Farm Park. Forty-seven officers, parents and children took part. Following recent poor weather, all wondered if it was a good choice of date! Arriving back at 6pm with a bus full of sleepyheads, may give you the idea. Girls, and officers' toddlers, were never off the go all day, and needed that rest. We had a couple of showers of rain, but everyone just went to the indoor animals, play area, shop or eating-places! All considered it a good day - and the coach driver praised the girls for both journeys, and his clean bus! Parents and Friends night is round the corner; a night all enjoy!

Captain Liz Bogle, Officers and Girls of 3rd Motherwell

19th Motherwell Rainbows



I feel as if it was only yesterday that I wrote the last article about the Rainbows for the magazine. I can hardly believe it was nearly 3 months ago. We have had a busy time at the Rainbows recently. The girls are working hard towards their 25th Birthday Challenge badge and, hopefully, it will not be too long until they complete it. We took part in the Division Thinking Day Service in North Motherwell Church in February. The girls made a sun visor, were taught Zumba by Diahann Hughes and then took part in a short service of worship. The girls made some edible jewellery recently. I thought this was a good idea and volunteered to take this activity. My problem - trying to find sweets etc that had no centres in them. Does anyone know a shop that sells Polo Fruits? We managed to tie some lollies onto liquorice laces and added some sweets and biscuits with no centres in them. The girls really enjoyed this. I don't know however if any made it home intact.

We have also had our Sports night. The girls took part in the 100m walk and run (once round the hall), shot-put (throwing a bean bag) skipping and skittles. You never know we may have some future Olympians in our midst. Our 2011-12 session is nearly over. We have a special event planned for the Rainbows in June. They do not know anything about this, and I will let you know how it goes in the next report. We have still not managed to find a leader to take over the Rainbows. Do you know anyone who may be interested? If so could you ask them to get in touch with me? On behalf of the Rainbows I wish you a happy and healthy summer holiday.

Kirsty McMaster

19th Motherwell Brownies



At the time of writing the last article for the magazine, the Brownies were looking forward to the Division Thinking Day Service in North Motherwell Church. They had a very enjoyable afternoon - they made either a sun visor or a piece of jewellery. We were also taught Zumba by Diahann Hughes. This proved very popular, not just with the girls but the adults as well. We had been asked to take along a bag pack filled with several items with us to the Service. These were being passed onto Mary's Meals. As one of our Brownies had suggested we do something from Mary's Meals, we have decided to keep on collecting and filling bag packs with soap, toothpaste and tooth brushes, children's clothes, pens, pencils, note books etc. We hope to pass the filled bags to Mary's Meals at the beginning of next session along with any money we collect at our Parents and Friends evening at the end of May. All the Brownies completed the Thinking Day Challenge and received their badges. 2012 is a very special year for Great Britain. We will host the Olympic Games, and in a couple of week's time we will be taking part in celebrations to mark the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. Girlguiding has produced 2 challenges to mark these special events. The guiders and myself thought it would be a long time before these events will happen in the same year again (if ever) and felt that we had to try both challenges. We are nearly finished the Jubilee Challenge but the Olympic Challenge may not be finished until next session. As well as completing these challenges, we have also been doing our normal work. We have been finding out about our senses, what it is like to make your way around the halls, play games etc in a wheel chair. This made the girls think how lucky they are and not to take things for granted. We are preparing for our Parents and Friends evening at the end of May. This will be the last night of the 2011-12 session. On behalf of the Brownies and the other Guiders I wish you a happy summer holiday - let's hope the sun gets a chance to shine and that somebody remembers to turn off the rain tap (except in the areas where there are hose pipe bans).

Kirsty McMaster
Brownie Guider.

Kirk Session

Notes from meetings in the past three months

FEBRUARY 2012.

It was with great sadness that the Moderator had to announce the death of Jim Stewart. Jim was a remarkable servant to the church and a faithful and effective district elder. Jim had been an elder for almost 50 years and in that time had held the posts of Clerk to the Board and Session Clerk in St. Andrew's Parish Church. Jim was a dedicated family man with a resolute Christian faith. His input and example will be greatly missed.

New Elders: The Session Clerk stated that after prayer and deliberation the following people were being proposed as new elders: Irene Dalton, Eric Geddes, Julie Graham, Linda Irvine, Graeme Miller, Jim Rae, Roy Rae, Colin Weir, Janice Weir and David Young. The Moderator was very heartened by the response and proposed that along with the Session Clerk he would meet the group and prepare for their ordination. This would take place before the summer recess.

Statistical Returns: The Moderator reported that the Statistical Return for 2011 had been completed and forwarded to the Presbytery Clerk. The statistics for 2011 were as follows: Communicant Roll: 23 admitted, 27 removed, total number of members 539. Supplementary Roll 172. Children involved in the life of the congregation: under age seventeen 200, over age seventeen 10. There had been 26 deaths and 1 removal. There are 28 male & 29 female elders. During the year, 11 baptisms, 5 weddings and 63 funerals were held.

Girlguiding: A letter was received from Mrs Kirsty McMaster, Brownie Guider, thanking the Kirk Session, for the donation from the Lawson Bequest, on behalf of the Rainbows, Brownies and Guides. This was very much appreciated and will help to pay the annual subscription, which this year is £24 per person. **Girls' Brigade:** A letter was received from Captain Liz Bogle thanking the Kirk Session for the donation to the Girls' Brigade from the Lawson Bequest. This generous donation will go towards paying the fees, which this year total

£1000. **Sunday school and Bible class:** A letter was received from Mrs Elaine Geddes thanking the Kirk Session for the generous donation from the Lawson Bequest. This gift will greatly help towards the running costs of the Sunday school and Bible class. **North Lanarkshire Council:** A letter was received from North Lanarkshire Council thanking the church for participating in Lanarkshire's Doors Open Day 2011. **Contract Work:** A letter was received from Miss Janette Black, Halls Letting Convener, informing that the contract work on the Sanctuary will start on 13 February 2012. From then on parking would be prohibited within the church grounds. Organisations will still have access to the halls up to the double doors before the Vestry. **Mrs Irene MacGregor:** A card was received from Mrs Irene MacGregor apologising that, due to ill health, she was unable to attend the Kirk Session meeting. She wished every blessing on our deliberations. The Kirk Session gave her their prayerful support. (*Sadly, Irene subsequently died*). **Mrs Dorothy Johnstone:** A letter was received from Mrs Dorothy Johnstone requesting that she be excused active elder duties; this was because of health problems. The Kirk Session agreed and gave her their prayerful support and wished a speedy recovery. **Mrs Anne Kerr:** A card was received from Anne and John Kerr thanking the Kirk Session for their prayerful support and the flowers received, on the recent bereavement of John's sister.

PRESBYTERY REPORT: Dr Stephen Day reported that this month's meeting of Presbytery received a report of a visit to Kwahu Presbytery in Ghana. This was part of Hamilton's Presbytery's twinning arrangement. Other business discussed: The basis for union of Newarthill and Carfin was approved. The basis for linkage between Crosshill and St Margaret's. The first minister of the linked charge will be the Revd. Gavin Black. All sisted charges are now able to proceed with calling a minister as the Presbytery plan has been approved.

ORGANISATION REPORTS: **Guild:** Mrs Kirsty McMaster and Mr Bill Millar visited the Guild on Tuesday 31 January 2012. They were welcomed by President Mrs Mary MacKenzie. The evening started with a Bible reading and then song followed by the evening's speaker. Mr Bill Millar passed on the

good wishes of the Kirk Session. The Guild numbers are slightly down this year but average 30 to 35 on any night. There is a great sense of fellowship within the Guild. President Mrs Mary MacKenzie asked that we pass on the Guild's best wishes to the Kirk Session. The President and the committee are to be commended for their hard work organising speakers, singers etc. to ensure a varied programme for their members.

Girls' Brigade: Miss Janette Black and Mrs Margo Graham visited the Girls' Brigade on Wednesday 11 January 2012. There are 39 girls with 9 Officers, 4 Auxiliaries and Mrs Liz Bogle Company Captain. The girls are made up of 7 Explorers, 26 Juniors and 6 Brigaders. Three of the Brigaders are attending leadership-training courses. Most of the girls attend regularly and a points system is being operated to encourage the wearing of uniforms. The Company raised the fantastic sum of £2420.19 for Erskine Hospital by crocheting Poppies. The Company focus is on 'Being Healthy' in body and mind. The evening was most enjoyable and we were made to feel very welcome. The company is strong in numbers and is led by Captain Liz Bogle and a dedicated team of officers who willingly give up their free time arranging numerous activities.

Sisterhood: Mrs June Millar and Mr Rollo Brant visited the Sisterhood and are happy to report its on-going success. The number of ladies attending fluctuates between 15 and 20. President Mrs Anne Currie opened the meeting with prayer, hymn and bible reading. Mrs Pearl Pettigrew has now retired as Secretary after over 26 years of dedicated service. She is succeeded by Miss Janette Moore. Mrs Margaret Marshall is now the Treasurer. Mrs Ellen McCook has bequeathed a sum of money to the Sisterhood for use on special occasions. The ladies are a dedicated and happy group of women; many attend the Wednesday prayer meeting prior to the Sisterhood.

Young Adults: Dr Stephen Day visited the Young Adults Group on 18 January 2012. Seven young adults were present. They shared a meal and cheerful fellowship. The night's discussion focused on the E100 series with a reading from Genesis. Followed by a thoughtful discussion of what God was saying to us about the origins of life and the wonder of the creation. The group is flourishing under the able leadership of

Mr Colin Weir and must be commended on their commitment to living and learning the Christian message. **Prayer Groups:** Mrs Sybil Miller visited the Monday Prayer Group on the 16 January 2012. The group meets in the manse where they are welcomed by Derek and Elizabeth. Eight people were present and the meeting opened with prayer followed by Bible Study and lively discussion. It was a very uplifting evening ending in prayer. The Wednesday Prayer Group was visited on the 25 January 2012. Mrs Anne Kerr leads the group and there were seven ladies present. The format of the meeting is a song followed by a reading. Mrs Helen Gibson then leads the prayers with each person reading a prayer and scripture reading. Both groups have quality leadership and encourage each other in united and individual prayers, which are treated in confidence. It is important that the Kirk Session continue to encourage and support our Prayer Groups.

MAKEOVER REPORT: The January Makeover report was distributed to elders prior to the meeting. The Kirk Session noted the progress of the various phases of the Makeover Project – Forward for Jesus. The Moderator on behalf of the Kirk Session thanked Mr Alex Baird, Mr Douglas Graham, the Task Force and all those who had worked tirelessly to bring this project to fruition. The Moderator, Session Clerk, and Chairman of the Board have received letters of dissent from two members of the congregation and these were forwarded to the Board of Management whose members were deeply hurt by some of the unfounded and false allegations expressed in one of the letters in particular. Replies have been forwarded to both correspondents. One correspondent has requested a Certificate of Transfer. The Session Clerk will express the Kirk Session's regret that the member has decided to leave our congregation. The Kirk Session gave their wholehearted support to the Moderator and Management Committee. They also once more gave their unanimous approval for the Makeover Project-Forward for Jesus.

FEBRUARY COMMUNION: The non-card February Communion was well attended. This was the last service in the Sanctuary before the Makeover work began. Disposal of

the surplus Communion cloths will be remitted to the Congregational Board.

GOOD FRIDAY/EASTER DAY:

The Moderator stated that, due to the on-going works, it would not be possible to open the Sanctuary for Good Friday meditation. He proposed that one Communion service be held at 11 am on Easter Day (this was subsequently changed).

ALTERATIONS TO THE COMMUNION ROLL

It was with sadness that the Kirk Session learned of the deaths of Mrs Betty Campbell, Morningside Care Home, Newmains; Mrs Elizabeth Stevenson, 88 Calder Grove, Motherwell; Mr Jim Stewart 57 Glassford Tower, Motherwell. Out by Transference Certificate: Mr John Wilkie, 70 Douglas Street, Motherwell.

MARCH 2012

It was with great sadness that the Moderator had to announce the death of John Brown. John was a very principled person, even from early childhood. He had been a faithful elder and servant to the Kirk for over 60 years, firstly in Dalziel North and subsequently in Dalziel St. Andrew's.

CORRESPONDENCE: Ministries and Mission: A letter was received from the Church of Scotland giving details of the required income and expenditure for 2012. Dalziel St Andrew's allocation for the year 2012 is £80,848. **Voice of Experience:** A letter was received detailing the requirements for the Blue Badge Scheme and Alert Systems. Copies of this helpful leaflet would be made available for visiting Elders. **World Mission Partner:** Our World Mission Partner, Antony Short, will be visiting Crosshill Parish Church on Tuesday 22 April 2012. A newsletter is available for perusal. **Margaret Stewart:** A card was received from Mrs Margaret Stewart thanking the Kirk Session for the lovely flowers and cards she had received. Also their presence at her husband Jim's funeral was very much appreciated and a great comfort to the family at this sad time.

MODERATOR'S REMARKS: The Moderator congratulated Dr Stephen Day on his appointment as Lecturer of Education at the University of the West of Scotland.

PRESBYTERY REPORT: Dr Stephen Day reported that at this month's meeting of Presbytery the Moderator had signed a pledge for the 'See Me' campaign that aims to raise public awareness of mental health issues on behalf of the whole Presbytery. All congregations would be committed to working towards furthering the aims of the 'See Me' campaign by helping to promote an anti-stigma message. The basis for linkage between Motherwell Crosshill and Motherwell St. Margaret's was agreed by Presbytery and the date for the service of linkage and the induction of the Revd. Gavin Black would be 13 March 2012. Motherwell South's feasibility study was discussed and permission granted for them to seek funding for the redevelopment of their Sanctuary and halls. The best available quote was £872,000. The basis for a Local Ecumenical Partnership between Stonehouse St Ninian's and the local United Reformed Church was discussed and given their blessing by Presbytery. This marks the coming together of the two congregations to share resources and ministry in Stonehouse while retaining each other's ecumenical roots.

ORGANISATION REPORTS: Boys' Brigade: Mr Douglas Graham and Mr Bill Baxter visited the Boys' Brigade on the 25 November 2011 and again on 2 March 2012 and were warmly welcomed on both occasions. The Anchor Section has an average attendance of 20 and is led by Mrs Lorna Geddes, 4 trained officers and 4 senior boys. They are very well organised and work to a carefully prepared programme. Half the boys come from outwith our church family. The connection with Dalziel St. Andrew's being mainly that our Minister is Chaplain to Muir Street Primary School. The Junior Section has an average attendance of 11 led by Mrs Myra Anderson and 3 trained officers. They have a nicely balanced programme of practical work and games. The Company Section has an average attendance of 26 boys led by Captain Colin Weir, 5 trained officers and 1 trainee. The Captain and officers work very hard to stimulate and encourage the boys in their badge work and interests. One boy will receive his Queen's badge this year and hopefully a further 6 next year. The Company now benefits from its charitable status, receiving £1700 from the Lottery Fund Communities 2014

(Commonwealth Games). The money will be used toward participation in the Duke of Edinburgh Awards Scheme. We are blessed to have such dedicated officers within all sections of the 2nd/4th Motherwell Boys' Brigade Company. **Choir:**

Mrs Helen Gibson and Mr Alex Ross visited the choir on Thursday 2 February 2012. On the evening 19 members were present. We were very impressed by the dedication of the group and the professionalism of Mr Eric Geddes (Musical Director). It is important that we recognise the hard work put in to achieve the pleasurable enhancement to our Sunday worship. Despite the choir's excellence they appeal for new members to come forward. At a time when many churches have either very small choirs or none at all, we in Dalziel St Andrew's are very fortunate indeed. **Bible Class:** Mrs Susan Gray and Miss Susan Duncan visited the Bible Class in December. There are 8 boys registered and no girls. On the day of our visit 3 boys were present. Four leaders work a rota: Mr David Hughes and Mr David Young were the leaders on the day. They used Go-Teach materials to encourage bible reading. The class read and studied verses from John 9.

MAKEOVER REPORT: The February Makeover report was distributed to elders prior to the meeting. The Kirk Session noted the progress of the various phases of the Makeover Project – Forward for Jesus. Mr Douglas Graham (Property Convener) reported that the programme of works in the Sanctuary was on target and it is hoped that the first service back in the Sanctuary will be the Sunday before the June Communion. The Moderator stated that using the large hall for the Sunday service during the Makeover is proving a success. The congregation and choir singing have been very encouraging. The Moderator informed the Kirk Session that further e-mails have been received from a member, criticising the Project as a whole and the Management Committee in particular. Mr Alex Baird (Chairman of the Board) had replied to these assertions refuting them point-by-point. He also gave the member a very full appraisal of the project, which had been approved by the Kirk Session and the Congregational Board. The Congregation has been kept fully informed at all stages of the project and ample opportunity had been given to

raise objections with the Management Committee who now felt that enough time had been spent refuting these particular objections and allegations and had now requested that the matter be closed. The Kirk Session unanimously agreed.

ANNUAL ACCOUNTS: A copy of the Congregational Accounts (awaiting independent examination) for 2011 was distributed to each elder via e-mail or hard copy for review prior to the meeting. The Kirk Session agreed that Mr William Brown (Treasurer) give a summary highlighting the more important sections of the accounts and detailing the major changes from the previous year. Mr Brown thanked Mrs Christine Mathie and Mrs June Adam for managing the Free Will Offering and Gift Aid schemes. If any member had any subsequent questions the Treasurer could be contacted. The Kirk Session unanimously approved these accounts. However Mr Brown informed the Kirk Session that a meeting of all Trustees must approve the accounts. Therefore they would now be presented at the next meeting of the Congregational Board, where Elders would also be present, for approval. The Moderator then thanked Mr Brown for the preparation and excellent presentation of the accounts and also for the large amount of work involved throughout the year in maintaining the church finances especially with the increased workload involved with the Makeover Project – Forward for Jesus.

NEW COMMUNICANTS: The Moderator informed the Kirk Session that it was with great pleasure that he put forward the names of four (4) new members who had all completed a course of instruction. It is proposed to admit them at the Easter Service on Sunday 8 April 2012. The proposed new members are: Mr Olajide James Awofadeju, 14 Woodside Tower, Motherwell, ML1 2HU. Mrs Kemi Awofadeju, 14 Woodside Tower, Motherwell, ML1 2HU. Mrs Alicia Margaret Manson, 686 Glasgow Road, Wishaw, ML2 7SR. Miss Alison McBride, 6 Blackwoods Gardens, Motherwell, ML1 3UY.

EASTER COMMUNION: After extensive discussion the Kirk Session decided that Holy Communion would not be celebrated as part of the Easter Sunday service. This was because of the logistics involved in serving both common and individual cup to the congregation in the confined space of the

Large Hall. If the refurbishment work keeps on schedule the June Communion would be held in the Sanctuary (unfortunately, now not possible due to delays!).

EVENING SERVICE: The Moderator requested that the evening service Sunday 11 March at 6.30pm be cancelled in favour of a concert at Calvary Church, Muir Street by Scottish Christian singer/songwriter Ian White.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FUN DAY: The Moderator informed the Kirk Session that Mrs Anne Brown is organising a Diamond Jubilee Fun Day for the Sunday School children and parents on Saturday 26 May 2012. Volunteer Elders are required to act as stewards for this project.

CONNECTING POINTS: The Moderator and the Session Clerk along with some members of our congregation had attended the Connecting Points seminar run by the Presbytery of Hamilton. The aims of this seminar were to aid congregations in improving their engagement with the connecting points within their parish and the communities they serve and help foster these relationships. A resource pack was made available to Elders.

HEALTH AND SAFETY: Mr Douglas Graham (Property Convener) informed the Kirk Session that he had received a Health and Safety document from Hamilton Presbytery. This was prompted in part by the fatal accident, which had taken place at Wishaw Baptist Church. Our work group had been particularly shocked by this occurrence. A safety plan was in the process of completion and a small team of helpers would be required to implement this. A risk of trips and falls had been identified at the fire exit doorsteps from the large hall. This door is now used as one of the exits from the large hall at the end of the morning service and a number of people have experienced difficulties descending the steps. Mr Graham stated that it would be advisable to have two members of the Welcome Group posted at the steps at the end of services to give assistance if required. The Kirk Session concurred.

BELL RINGING: The bell will not be rung before the morning service during the makeover as access to the Sanctuary is impaired by on-going work.

ALTERATIONS TO THE COMMUNION ROLL

It was with sadness that the Kirk Session learned of the death of Mr John Brown, 60 Wilson Street, Motherwell.

Out by Transference Certificate: Mr Scott Ferguson, 2 Staig Wynd, Motherwell. To Elim Church, Motherwell.

APRIL 2012:

The Kirk Session and Congregational Board of Dalziel St. Andrew's Parish Church, Motherwell, met on Thursday 19 April 2012 in the large hall at 7.30pm. The Revd. Derek Hughes (Moderator) welcomed everyone present and constituted the meeting in prayer.

MAKEOVER PROJECT: A March Update of the Makeover Project – Forward for Jesus was distributed to Elders and Congregational Board Members prior to the meeting. Mr Douglas Graham (Property Convener) stated that there had been steady progress by the Principal and Sub-Contractors since the start of the project. The heating, electrical, fire alarm and emergency lighting work was well advanced. Work on the Chancel area, external ramps and plinths and new toilet drains are on going. Joinery work will commence shortly followed by redecoration.

Variations to Contract: The contractor has informed that an alternative finish will be required to the existing chancel floor. Due to rising costs and health and safety issues the proposed column radiators in the middle of the Sanctuary will be replaced by under-floor heating. On the advice of the heating consultant the proposed convectors at the sanctuary entrance doors would not now be installed. The existing radiators would remain to avoid any risk of condensation. Costs are being sought for the decoration of the welcome area, as this had not been included in the original plans. Thanks must go to Revd Derek Hughes and Mr Colin Weir for developing the original design of the audio-visual system to more suit our needs.

Completion Date: The carpet is scheduled for delivery in mid May with the seats following at the end of May. The Contractor might require an extra week to complete the works; the Management Group will monitor this.

Funding: Alex Baird (Congregational Board Chairman) stated that the Mission Hall sale had yet to be finalised. There might therefore be a shortfall of approximately £10,000 towards the end of the contract. An extensive discussion then followed.

Loan Agreement: The Church of Scotland General Trustees have offered a short-term loan facility of £42,500 at 5% repayable after a year or on the sale of the Mission Hall. It is not envisaged that the full amount or any of the proposed loan might be required. Permission is sought to give Mrs Marion Taylor (Clerk to the Board) or Mr Crawford Moffat (Session Clerk) authority to sign the Undertaking Documents on behalf of the Board or Session. The Kirk Session and the Congregational Board unanimously agreed.

THOMSON LEGACY: Mr William Brown (Treasurer) reminded every one of the terms and conditions pertaining to the funds bequeathed, to our congregation, by Catherine McCallum Thomson in 2008. The terms of the bequest are: *"As to the remaining 3/8ths share to Dalziel & St Andrew's Church...to establish a trust fund for the benefit of elderly parishioners living alone, the Trust Fund to be in memory of my late father Thomas Thomson who was married to my mother in that church,..."* All Elders and Board members are Trustees of this fund. A small committee has been set up to investigate suitable uses for the fund within the terms of the bequest. The Befriender Project being one of these. The Moderator stated that it was incumbent on Elders and Board Members to know the terms of the bequest and answer any questions asked. The distribution of funds was for the first year only, and this was clearly stated at the time. A 'Thomas Thomson' trust fund would now be set up. The terms and conditions of all legacies will be published elsewhere in the News Letter.

PRESBYTERY ELDER: The Moderator proposed that Dr Stephen Day be reappointed as Presbytery Elder for one year. This was agreed unanimously.

EVENING SERVICES: The Moderator proposed that, due to his recent ill health and on the advice of the Session Clerk, there be a break in the evening services after Sunday 22 April, apart from the June Communion. This would help lighten the Moderator's workload.

ARCHIVES: The Session Clerk asked for the Session and Board's permission to dispose of superfluous items of correspondence, copies of presbytery and committee minutes and furniture kept in the archives room. No significant documents would be disposed of. Contractors had recently been running cables through this room and access had been very restricted. It was hoped that Mrs Helen Lawson (Secretary), with the help of the Session Clerk, would be able to reorganise the archive. This was agreed unanimously.

Crawford Moffat
(Session Clerk)

Congregational Board

The Congregational Board has continued to meet monthly, with an added joint meeting with the Kirk Session in April to receive an update on progress with the Makeover Project. Not surprisingly, the Property Convener and his team are very busy, with much work to see to around the property. As summer months come in, so the work increases with care of the grounds added in. The squad have once more been busy painting upper rooms and addressing general maintenance tasks. The Board are particularly grateful to Margaret and Siobhan, who have been striving so hard to keep all open areas as clean as always during the works. This has not been easy, with workmen crawling under floors and so much dust generated by the constant work in all areas. Our Accounts for the 2011, were in good shape and the Treasurer's report and presentation of these was unanimously approved at the Annual Stated meeting in March. This year is proving very difficult financially, with a drop-off in freewill offering giving, which we hope will be a short-term concern. The Board has been so encouraged by the wonderful surge in giving towards our appeal for money to help us pay the £31,500 needed for new chairs. Well over £20,000 has now been donated, with money also added from Gift Aid to be reclaimed. Thank you all so much. Janette Black and the Social Committee have been working very hard, with weekly Makeover Table, plus special events, such as the Fashion Show in April and Café Chantant

planned for May. It is very encouraging to receive reports from Janette, which highlight the increased income being generated from letting out our halls and accommodation. This will help reduce our reliance on offerings if we are able to maintain these hires. If you wish to hire the halls for a private function, perhaps a birthday party, do speak directly to Janette. Our web site, managed so ably by Colin Weir, is a most welcome but an unexpected source of enquiries for hire of accommodation. We have made the availability of the accommodation widely known now through the web pages. A separate update report (as at the end of April 2012) is included below, giving details of progress with our Makeover Project – Forward for Jesus.

Alex Baird & Marion Taylor

(Chairman & Clerk of the Congregational Board)

Social Committee

The Social Committee would like to thank everyone who attended the Table Top Sale in February and the recent two events organised - the Fashion Roadshow and the Cafe Chantant. The sum of nearly £1000 was realised from these events. Also, the Sunday Makeover Table has proved very successful since it started and £6000 has been raised. It has been decided that the ladies should have a well-earned rest for the moment when we move back into the Sanctuary. Thanks must go to all who have supported the venture.

Dates for your Diary: Sunday July 1st - **American Brunch** in the Large Hall after morning worship. Thursday 27th September - **Concert by Shine**. Friday 2nd November - Return of the **African Children's Choir**. Further details will be given in the weekly church news-sheet.

Janette Black

(Social Committee Convener)

BEQUEST FUNDS

At the Annual Stated Meeting, questions were raised by a member as to the use being made of the funds bequeathed to our congregation by Catherine McCallum Thomson in 2008. It may, therefore, be helpful to members of the Congregation to state precisely what Legacies/Bequests we currently hold, and also to detail the terms of the Thomson Bequest to clarify what this bequest and others may be used for.

As contained on page 17 of our Annual Accounts, we currently hold four Bequests/Legacies in the names of Miss B Lawson, Miss C M Thomson, Mrs McAuley and Mr W Lightbody. Of these, there are no restrictions on the use of the Lawson and McAuley legacies. However, there are restrictions on the Lightbody and Thomson Legacies. The Lightbody Legacy is restricted in use, with the proceeds of investments to be used for the provision of Sunday school books. The Thomson Legacy is also restricted in use, as undernoted. (This is the wording contained in the original probate document we received): ***"AS TO the remaining 3/8ths share to Dalziel & St Andrews Church (Presbyterian Church of Scotland) Merry Street, Motherwell, Lanarkshire to establish a trust fund for the benefit of elderly parishioners living alone, the Trust Fund to be in memory of my late father Thomas Thomson who was married to my mother in that church,....."*** Please note that the bequest does **not** instruct that the proceeds be used only to benefit members of the congregation, and makes no mention of distribution of the funds to members. That Miss Thomson wished a Trust Fund, indicates the benefits should have longer-term significance. A Sub-Committee was appointed by the Congregational Board to consider how best to utilise the bequest and interpreted the bequest in a wide way to allow funds to be devoted to "parishioners" who are resident both within and outwith the precise boundaries of the parish. The Congregation Board's decision to distribute funds in the first year was a "one-off" initiative as advised at that time. The Congregational Board also agreed to utilise £5,000 from the bequest this year to

assist with the funding of the Befriender Pilot Project, which is specifically aimed at helping lonely and isolated elderly people. This is, in the view of the Congregational Board, a good alignment with the terms of the bequest. By committing this amount (which is largely covered by interest accumulation from the invested funds) the Congregational Board, in this Pilot Year of the project, has been able to draw in a further £17,000 of support from other agencies. This comes from Faiths in Scotland Community Action Fund (£7,000); North Lanarkshire Council Social Work Department (£5,000); and the Church of Scotland Parish Development Fund (£5,000). Towards the end of this Pilot year, the Befriender Project will be evaluated to assist in considering its future viability. The manner in which we administer the Thomson legacy is in line with guidelines provided by Church of Scotland in Edinburgh in that we have a small sub-committee to explore potential uses for these funds, and this committee reports back to both the Congregational Board and the Session to seek approval for any potential projects.

Finally, many of you will be aware of the great benefit to our youth organisations each year of the way in which the Kirk Session has administered the Lawson Bequest. Whilst the capital sum has not been touched for many years, the interest accumulated is disbursed on an annual basis to help defray the costs of providing Christian care and nurture for our young people through all of our youth organisations. We are in the happy position of confirming that, over the past 15 years since the Union of congregations, as much money has been distributed through interest gained as is equivalent to the original capital sum – a remarkable, and well-appreciated, approach to management of these funds!

Hopefully this note helps to clarify the position for all members regarding our Legacies and Bequests.

Willie Brown
(Congregational Treasurer)

Befriending Project

In the last magazine, I told you of my appointment and of the set-up of our systems and procedures. I have now completed nine sessions of training in befriending, organised by the BNS (Befriending Network Scotland) based in Edinburgh. I am now well-trained and ready to set up our "matches" between our Volunteers and our "Befriendees". With our first group of volunteers having successfully completed their initial training in January, and Derek giving me the first names of potential Befriendees on Valentine's Day (hopefully a good sign for happy and successful relationships), I have been able to start visiting the elderly people to assess their needs. I have identified a few elderly people whom I would like to match straight away. Unfortunately, we had a couple of early setbacks in arranging matches. It is, though, early days with the next month or so hopefully starting to show positive results from all of the groundwork, which has been invested. We have had some leaflets printed and distributed as part of our efforts to recruit more volunteers. Thankfully, we have had some success with our appeal for more helpers with a couple of positive enquiries so far. If you think you can help with this vital work please do get in touch. We could also do with some more help in distributing the leaflets (we have plenty available) as it is only with persistence that we will get results. Please contact me if you can spare some time to help with this work. I am beginning to raise awareness of our project with other agencies, with the resulting benefit of receiving referrals of elderly people who need our support. There is certainly no shortage of potential befriendees in the town needing our help. Our target is up to 10 matches of volunteers with befriendees this pilot year and I am hopeful this will be achieved. We are thankful for the financial support of the Congregational Board, as well as that received from North Lanarkshire Council Social Work Department, the Parish Development Fund of the Church of Scotland, and Faiths in Scotland Community Action Fund.

I am available to discuss any aspect of the service, in complete confidence. You can contact me by calling into the church office on either Tuesday or Wednesday mornings. You can also get in touch by emailing: befriending@dalzielstandrews.org.uk or by telephone at 07796012462.

Liz Magunnigal
(Befriending Co-ordinator)

OFFERINGS

This year, we knew that things would be tough with our finances as a result of the difficult economic situation. It was also a little unclear what the effect would be of our using the hall for some months whilst work has been carried out in the sanctuary. At the end of April, it is noticeable that our aggregate offerings are well down on where we had reached at the same stage last year. Our projections are that we will be very well below our required income level at the year-end unless there is a significant uplift in offerings. We will know better soon, as we resume worship in the sanctuary and see if some members may be "catching up" with their offerings. You will recall that, as part of a national stewardship campaign by the Church of Scotland, an appeal was made in the previous edition of our newsletter. There has been some response to that, but not nearly enough to reach our targets. Therefore, it would be most helpful if you could review your level of giving and, if you are able, to consider increasing the amount you donate to church funds. This would allow us to again balance the books at the year-end.

Willie Brown
(Congregational Treasurer)

Church Makeover Project

“Forward for Jesus”

Halls: Additional work in the halls area is included within the overall contract for the sanctuary. This relates to fire doors, ramps, electrical upgrade, emergency lighting etc.

Sanctuary: Seats: We have secured the approval of the Congregational Board to the purchase of 400 Rosehill Churchill De Luxe chairs, with 100 of these having arms. This is the maximum we can have with arms and allow stacking to a height of 4 chairs. The surge in donations to the Seat Appeal is very welcome, with around £23,000 raised so far. Many thanks. **Contract:** A sub-group of the Board (Rae Blagg; Betty Morton; Madge Ross; and Andrew Steven) is assisting in the detail of the colour scheme for the painting contractor. A meeting has been held and sample panels painted on walls to make sure we are happy with the choice before we authorise the go ahead. The main contract is progressing well. Most of the heating work is complete. A change has been agreed with some under floor heating in the middle of the sanctuary, rather than the radiators around the pillars, which was proving too costly and difficult. Chancel finish has been agreed. New toilet going in soon. Electrical upgrade and Audio/Visual wiring are well through. Work has also started on the chancel extension and on the external ramps and plinths, which are a vital part of meeting the requirements of the Fire Risk Assessment. Following the most recent meeting with the contractor, a target completion date on 20 May has been agreed. (Unfortunately, this date has had to be revised due to other pressures on time).

On-going Congregational Life: Thanks are also due to all who are assisting in ensuring that our worship of the Lord continues as best we can with use of the large hall and the accommodating help of Sunday school in utilising all available space. Please do take great care while the work is on-going as contractors’ vehicles will be in the grounds at various times.

Organ: Gerhard Walcker and his team have removed the console plus the internal workings from one half of the organ. These are in the workshop for overhaul. Herr Walcker

confirms that all is progressing well with the restoration work and anticipates returning from Germany in mid-July to commence the reinstallation and tuning work, which will take until end of September. **Thanks:** A huge word of thanks must go to all who are working so hard and supporting the Makeover Project in any way, including all who are donating and purchasing at the weekly Makeover Table. Since the launch of the project in the spring/early summer last year a wonderful total of over £310,000 has either been collected or pledged towards the various appeals. More events are planned including a Café Chantant (8 May); a repeat of the most successful American Brunch in early July and a visit from Shine Youth Theatre Group (27 September). **Mission Hall:** To help us close the small funding gap, it would be particularly helpful if the sale of the Mission Hall went ahead. An offer for the sale of the hall has been accepted by the General Trustees. We await details as to whether this offer reaches a satisfactory conclusion. **Recommendation:** The Kirk Session and Congregational Board are asked to note progress being made in the various phases of the Makeover Project – Forward for Jesus.

Douglas Graham & Alex Baird

(Property Convener & Chairman of the Congregational Board)

SEAT APPEAL

Many thanks for the wonderful support for our Seat Appeal. This has been helpful, and very much appreciated. Some contributors have, as we suggested was possible, asked that an acknowledgement be made that their donation is in memory of someone, and we are happy to honour this. It is our intention, in the autumn, once the organ is back in action, to organise a thanksgiving event and to produce a programme, which will incorporate the list of those names that have been requested. One or two of the name requests that have come with donation envelopes are a little unclear and we are so very keen to make sure that we do not forget anyone, and also that we get the details right. I have

compiled a list of requests to date and would be grateful, if you are one of those who have asked that we place a name or names in memoriam, if you could speak to me any Sunday to make sure that we have our list as accurate as possible.

Willie Brown
(Congregational Treasurer)

AUDIO VISUALS

One of the most important parts of our Makeover Project - Forward for Jesus, is the installation of an audio/visual system within the sanctuary and extending also to our halls. In addition to updating our audio systems in the church, which has been planned for a considerable time, this will allow targeted use of the latest technology in worship services. However, most excitingly, it ought also to allow us to reach out, via Internet streaming and our congregational web site, to those outwith the building who may wish to share in our worship. Just imagine the many around the world whom we can reach on a regular basis with the Good News of Jesus!

To operate the system, we will require a couple of people each week to work cameras/computer, etc. You do not need to have massive prior knowledge or experience of using computers, but a basic understanding would be a helpful start. In our visits to other churches, we heard of the problems, which can occur if there is too much reliance only on one person who "*knows all about it.*" We wish to avoid that pitfall, so it would be great if, in Dalziel St Andrew's, we could form a team of people who could help us make optimum use of this new system. The new system will soon be operational. If you might like to join in and help out with this vital means of outreach, it would be marvellous to have you on board to share the responsibility. **Do speak to either Colin Weir or Derek Hughes** as soon as possible. In the meantime, check out all the great stuff at our website on **www.dalzielstandrews.org.uk**

Correspondence

*I would like to thank you for your visits both in Hospital and at home, and also friends in the congregation for prayers and get well cards received. All of this combined, gave me comfort and support. My thanks also for the church flowers, which were delivered on Sunday, and to Mrs Graham who delivered them. **May McQueen, 24 The Loaning***

*I was very grateful and uplifted by your visit to me after I came home from Hospital – we had a good chat. I just want to express my thanks to all concerned for the good wishes I received for a speedy recovery, and for the lovely bouquet of flowers – those ladies do a wonderful job, along with the volunteers who deliver the flowers. **Peter Currie, 42 Viewpark Road***

*I would like to express my thanks to you and all at Dalziel St. Andrew's for your prayers, get well cards, flowers and welcome visits during and after my time in Hospital. Your support has been much felt and greatly appreciated. **Jean Jack, 5 Dalmore Crescent***

*I would like to thank all at Dalziel St. Andrew's for the church flowers, which I received the weekend I was home from Hospital. They were much appreciated, along with your kind thoughts. I would also like to thank Derek for his home and Hospital visits, and his comforting words. **Charlie Davies, 59 Kethers Street***

*I would like to thank everyone for their prayerful support, visits, and cards and telephone calls following my recent time in hospital. Also, to the ladies who delivered the Church Flowers and to Derek for his support and visits. I feel truly blessed to be part of a loving and caring Church Family. **Janette Black, 20 Queen Elizabeth Court***

Letters, Emails and telephone calls have also been received from the following members of the congregation>>>

Bett Dickson, Betty Taylor, Myra McPhail, Margaret Sneddon, May Brown, David Martin, Walter Wilson, Ken Johnston, Margaret Reid, Nan Brown, Jack Hamilton, May Melville, Myrtle Lockhart, Nan Williamson, Janet Main, Mary Cardwell, Jessie Johnston, Cathie Lilly, Pearl Weir, Anne Horne, Aileen Hamilton, Cathie Hastie, Joe & Emily Greenhorn, Edith MacMillan.

CONGRATULATIONS

*Peter & Cathie Hastie,
who will celebrate their
Diamond (60th) Wedding Anniversary
on 14th June 2012*

*Billy & Margaret Reid,
who will celebrate their
Golden (50th) Wedding Anniversary
on 7th July 2012*

*Wesley & Jean Pollock,
who will celebrate their
Golden (50th) Wedding Anniversary
on 18th August 2012*

*Alan & Helen Young,
who will celebrate their
Golden (50th) Wedding Anniversary
on 1st September 2012*

*Also, pray that the LORD will bless
Her Royal Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II,
on her Diamond Jubilee,
the 60th anniversary
of her ascension to the throne.*

Congregational Register

MARRIAGES: joined together by the love of God

Katy-Anne Monaghan and John McGlade
within Greyfriars Parish Church, Lanark
on Thursday 10th April 2012

FUNERALS: left this world, but not forgotten

John Brown, 60 Wilson Street, Motherwell

Jim Jeffrey, 8 Ness Street, Wishaw

Robert (Bob) Swan, 116 Glenview Court, Motherwell

Peter Ryder, 354 Hamilton Road, Motherwell

Robert (Bobby) McAdam, 249 Bellshill Road, Motherwell

Irene Chalmers MacGregor, 26 Elvan Street, Motherwell

John Russell, 3 Loganlea Drive, Motherwell

Annie Bell Langford, 126 Glenview Court, Motherwell

Annie Mudie, 408 Bellshill Road, Motherwell

James Alistair Hamilton, 31 Queen Elizabeth Court, Motherwell

Annie Martin, Park Springs Home, Motherwell

Jane Anne Whiteford Mooney, Morningside Home, Newmains

Margaret (Peggy) Johnston, Belhaven Home, Wishaw

Robert (Jaffa) Steele Jarvie, 143 Rockburn Crescent, Bellshill



Flowers in the Chancel



JUNE 3	Mary Colquhoun, 28 Henderson Court Susan Duncan, 11 Wellview Drive
JUNE 10	Annie Gillespie, 11 Clyde Tower Margaret Mair, 17 Airbles Farm Road
JUNE 17	Margaret Colquhoun, 168 Westwood Road Edith Ross, 6 Glenhead Drive
JUNE 24	Irene Ormiston, 43 Cadzow Street Helen Lawson, 25 Saffron Crescent
JULY 1	Margaret McClure, 6 Shirley Gardens Anna Gibson, 37 Airbles Drive
JULY 8	Betty & Nan Morton, 35 Muirhouse Road Liz Bogle, 157 Machanhill, Larkhall
JULY 15	Isa Ker, 14 Queen Elizabeth Court Margo Graham, 26 Dalzell Avenue
JULY 22	A.H. in memoriam Janet Dunbar, 30 Cumbrae Drive
JULY 29	Mrs J Paterson, 145 Airbles Road Ismay Ferguson, 5 Cunningham Street
AUGUST 5	Myra McPhail, 18 Forgewood Road Jeanette Reford, 45 Kirknethan
AUGUST 12	FLOWER FUND May Henderson, 31 Burnside Tower
AUGUST 19	Aileen Hamilton, 26 Ross Drive FLOWER FUND
AUGUST 26	FLOWER FUND Helen Thomas, 13 Fort Street



Flowers in the Vestibule



JUNE 3	Helen Thomas, 13 Fort Street
JUNE 10	Cathie Hastie, 15 Dalzell Drive
JUNE 17	Tom & Agnes Douglas, 17 Fir Grove
JUNE 24	May Melville, 25 Coursington Gardens
JULY 1	Elizabeth Malloy, 12 Queen Elizabeth Court
JULY 8	Margaret Anderson, 140 Manse Road
JULY 15	“Chattie” Hamilton, 22 Kirk Street
JULY 22	Jean Stevenson, 1 Champion Road
JULY 29	The Dempsey sisters, Bellshill Road
AUGUST 5	Pearl Pettigrew, 38 Adele Street
AUGUST 12	Anne Currie, 42 Viewpark Road
AUGUST 19	THE GUILD
AUGUST 26	Janette Black, 20 Queen Elizabeth Court

Thank you to everyone who has kindly agreed to donate flowers to beautify the sanctuary during worship. If you can help deliver the flowers on any given Sunday, please speak to Aileen Hamilton or Rae Blagg.

Organisations and Activities

Sunday	11:00am	Morning Worship in Main Sanctuary
Sunday	11:00am	Crèche, Sunday school & Bible Class
Sunday	12:00 Noon	After service tea/coffee bar
Sunday	3:00pm	Worship at Glenview Court (Monthly)
Sunday	6:30pm	Evening Worship in Large Hall
Monday	9:30 – 11:30am	Crafts Group in Small Hall
Monday	1:30 – 2:15pm	ZUMBA dance fitness class
Monday	2:00 – 4:00 pm	Carpet Bowls in Large Hall
Monday	5:15pm	19 th Motherwell Rainbows
Monday	6:30pm	19 th Motherwell Brownies
Monday	7:00 pm	19 th Motherwell Girl Guides
Monday	7:30pm	Men's Club in Small Hall
Monday	8:00pm	Prayer Hour
Tuesday	6:30pm	Hamilton Presbytery (1 st Tuesday of Month)
Tuesday	6:30pm	Hamilton Presbytery Committees (3 rd Tuesday of Month)
Tuesday	7:00pm	The Church of Scotland Guild
Wednesday	1:00pm	Prayer Hour
Wednesday	2:00pm	Sisterhood in Small Hall
Wednesday	6:30pm	3 rd Motherwell Girls' Brigade
Thursday	2:00 – 4:00pm	Carpet Bowls in Large Hall
Thursday	6:30 – 7:30pm	ZUMBA dance fitness class
Thursday	7:30pm	Choir Practice in Lower Rooms
Thursday	7:30pm	Kirk Session in Small Hall (2 nd Thursday of Month)
Thursday	7:30pm	Congregational Board in Small Hall (3 rd Thursday of Month)
Friday	6:00pm	2 nd /4 th Motherwell B.B. Anchor Boys
Friday	6:30pm	2 nd /4 th Motherwell B.B. Junior Section
Friday	7:00pm	2 nd /4 th Motherwell B.B. Company Section

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