NK Wee Bulletin 7 July 2022

SingSong!

The next meeting is this Tuesday, 12 July at 1.30 – 3pm.

SingSong! is an easy sing of popular songs suitable for everyone. It is always a bit of fun and welcomes those who have a degree of memory loss. You can't have a good sing without the refreshing cup of tea and chat. If you'd like to find out more, you can contact Kirsteen Maclean, 0141 942 7603 or kirsteen7@btinternet.com or just come along as most people do. No need to let us know. We've already got your seat waiting for you.

All necessary precautions will be taken to keep everyone safe.

Support Food Banks

You may have noticed the food bank drop off trug in the walkround, to the left of the door.

St. Gregory's and Birth, Baby and Beyond in Anniesland, two of our partners from Christmas, are finding more families than ever coming for help.

Food that needs little or no cooking is always appreciated: tinned meat, fish, rice, custard, fruit. Microwaveable items work for some folk too.

Baby essentials include: formula, food pouches, nappies, baby cream, wipes.

Just put any donations in the trug if you are passing or on Sunday mornings. We shall sort them and make sure they go where they are needed most.

Thank you for being so generous and caring.

The Community Team

Summer Postcards

Postcards are coming in ready to send out friendly greetings, as we did last summer. Our community is all about connecting and supporting and caring for each other, especially the least.

This year, we can offer postcards from further afield, now we are able to travel further (depending on flights and strikes!)

If you are going to be away, could you please consider bringing back 10 postcards and handing them into the church office? Blank cards are great, but if you have time to add a brief friendly greeting with the address left blank, that would be even better. And if you would like to join the team of volunteer postcard and address writers, please let Kirsteen Maclean know (mail@nkchurch.org.uk).

Thank you from the Community Team and enjoy your holidays!

Beadle's About!

We enjoy the excellent service of two part-time church officers.

You will appreciate that a lot of hard work goes unseen. Gregor works Monday to Wednesday and lan works Wednesday to Friday and they each work alternate weekends. They cover for each other on many occasions and on holidays. However, very occasionally, a personal commitment or illness can result in an unforeseen absence of both. This is when it is not possible for one to cover for an unbroken period. As an employer, the Kirk must make contingency plans for a stand in when these events occur, sometimes at short notice.

The Team that does this is called the Beadle Team. We tend to work in a team of two or three on such occasions. The Team consists of some willing, able people. Some of the group can assist during the week but working people can assist at weekends.

We would like to add to our number. We invite people of any age or gender, who can undertake tasks such as prepare the church for worship on a Sunday or rearrange the hall furniture layouts for meetings and services or hall users. If you'd like to ring the bell occasionally, change the pulpit fall, carry in the Bible, and sometimes shift a chair or two, we would like to hear from you.

If you'd like to know more about the role of the Beadle Team or volunteering to join us, please contact Dougal White (0141 942 6963) or Alistair Wood (0141 942 7784). You will be very welcome.

Summer Services

We are sharing our summer services with Bearsden Cross Church this year.

We're back on track after a wee hiatus last week due to Covid. The 9.30 offers a creative, interactive approach to worship, while the 10.30 offers a more classical version. Both take the same story, and you get extra brownie points if you try both!

We're in New Kilpatrick for the next two Sundays, and then we travel to the Cross church from 24th July to 14th August.

We're off with Abraham on the biggest road trip of his life and we've checked out new constellations, we're changing our names and next week will be bursting with laughter, all on a Sunday near you...

Back to the Future

How might we make people comfortable and be able to pick up the habit of church again?

Might you be interested in creating a wee focus group that can help organise a number of events on the other side of summer to invite people back into church life?

We're looking at a number of social events that will get people back into the habit and familiarity of church once more. It might be a quiz or two, a film perhaps, a cheese and something alternative to wine night, some outdoor activities from treasure hunts to barbecues, family pizza night, midnight gardening (don't know what that is but sounds interesting).

If you are interested in being part of this: either sharing some ideas or helping make possible, then please email the office or just turn up to a wee face to face meeting in the church hall on Thursday 14th July at 7.15-8.30.

Mask Wearing

We invite people to continue to wear masks in church as you feel comfortable, especially as we move around in the church, but there is no specific area for mask wearing. People are spread about a bit more and doors continue to be open to enable good ventilation, and hand gel is available for use at the doors.

We hope everyone continues to feel comfortable and safe. If mask wearers prefer a specific space, can we suggest that the far pews on the pulpit side tend to be for those wearing masks.

Diary

Thursday 7th

Daybreak in the church hall at 1.30pm

Sunday 10th

All-Age Worship shared with Bearsden Cross Church in the church hall at 9.30am.

Morning Worship shared with Bearsden Cross Church, 10.30 in the sanctuary.

Tuesday 12th

SingSong! 1.30pm in the church hall.

Wednesday 13th

Midweek Service, I I am in the hall, followed by coffee and cake

Thursday 14th

Daybreak in the church hall at 1.30pm Welcome Back Group in the church hall 7.15pm

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