

# 2 August

# In the Garden

We're welcoming all our young families to the manse garden again this Sunday from 11.30am.

Connection and relationships is everything we are, and we want to make a place where people feel safe and at home together. So, we've opened the garden again for some snacks (fruit) and juice and a parachute and a blether, just for an hour.

Sunday School gets back to its typical routine when schools go back but they can't be going back too soon as they are just off, and the sun hasn't shone yet for the holidays...!

If it's raining - impossible, I know - we're in the hall. The parachute will come with us.

# **Macmillan Garden Coffee Day**

As part of the World's Biggest Coffee Morning, there will be a Macmillan Garden Coffee Day at 25 Gartconnell Road on Saturday 2nd September.

Please email <u>kirsteen7@btinternet.com</u> or telephone 0141 942 7603 to book for one of these sessions: 10-11am/ 11.30am-12.30pm/ 1.30-2.30pm /3-4pm. In aid of **Macmillan Cancer Support**.

#### **Summer Services**

Until 13th August (inclusive) we will be centred at Bearsden Cross Parish Church.

They have a pulpit exchange going on, and we have the pleasure of hearing from **Rev Dr Gregory Knox Jones**, the minister of Westminster Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, Delaware, USA.

All services are at 10.30am.

# **Family-Friendly Coffee Pot**

During the school holidays, we have tables for children and young people. Games are provided for them so their adults can enjoy a quieter cup of coffee.

Young families are welcome at the Coffee Pot.

### **Videos and Podcasts**

The videos and podcasts of worship continue over the summer. A new video and podcast every Sunday.

Just go to the website (<a href="www.nkchurch.org.uk">www.nkchurch.org.uk</a>) for the latest videos on the home page. There is also a link to the podcasts on the website and the phoneline is 0141 465 5774 to listen to the podcasts if you are not on the internet.

## **Think Again Summer Sessions**

Two more Thursdays from 7.30-8.45pm in the hall, with a cup of tea and biscuits and an interesting discussion.

Thurs 3 August: Why did Jesus go to the Cross? Read widely and bring your own ideas/thoughts.

Thurs 10 August: Help....I am reading the Revelation to John!

This will include a wee visual tour of Patmos by Alistair Burrow.

## St Gregory's Food Bank

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me." Matthew 25:35.

Demand for the Foodbank continues to rise. A heartfelt thanks to all those who continue to support St. Gregory's either by food donations or monetary gifts.

One of our congregation is an enthusiastic grower of vegetables and, after consultation with the Foodbank manager, we have agreed to accept **only freshly harvested HOMEGROWN** vegetables (unwrapped). These should be brought to the Hall on a **Monday only** and placed in the labelled plastic box there to be taken to St. Gregory's on the Tuesday. Only homegrown vegetables and fruit are acceptable.

We will try this initiative for a short time. If you have any queries, please contact Muriel Salmond (942-8484).

Please keep filling our trug. Tins of meat, fish and vegetables are most welcome along with the usual non-perishable foods and baby essentials. Monetary donations are extremely welcome.

The Halls are open Mon. to Fri. (9 a.m. to 2.30 p.m.) and Sunday mornings.

## **Friendship Group**

The Friendship Group is a chance for those who have been bereaved to drop in for coffee/tea and a friendly chat with others in similar circumstances. The next meeting is on Monday, 7 August, 10.30 am in the hall.

# **The Monday Club**

Come and join us for friendship and entertainment. Transport is available, if required. The first and third Monday of every month.

The next meeting is on Monday 7 August. 2pm in the hall. Contact: Rona Armstrong 0141 956 4318, rona ah38@outlook.com)

# SingSong!

A fortnightly singalong of popular songs for all, including those with a degree of memory loss, followed by cup of tea and a chat. 2pm in the church hall. The next gettogether is Tuesday 15 August.

#### JP Recruitment

JPs are sought across the North Strathclyde Sheriffdom area (covering the courts in Kilmarnock, Paisley, Greenock, Dumbarton, Dunoon, Oban, Lochgilphead and Campbeltown)

It is hoped that approximately 28 new people can be appointed to this voluntary role.

A programme of induction training will be provided to successful applicants.

JPs are voluntary, unpaid appointments; however, they do receive reasonable travel expenses. The minimum time commitment is twelve 'sittings' per year A court sitting may be all day or as little as 30 minutes. You must also be able to complete a minimum of 12 hours training per year.

Information and guidance notes and an application form can be requested at <a href="mailto:JPRecruitmentapplicationrequests@gov.scot">JPRecruitmentapplicationrequests@gov.scot</a>. Please specify the Sheriffdom you are applying for in the request.

CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS: Noon on Sunday 10 September 2023.

#### Those we have lost

We record their names here and celebrate what they have been to us.

**Helen Mackay** Buchanan Lodge (28.07.23)

# **Diary**

Thursday 3 August Daybreak 1.30pm in the hall

Think Again Summer Session 7.30pm, hall

Friday 4 August Family-Friendly Coffee Pot 10am in the hall

Sunday 6 August Morning Worship at Bearsden Cross Church 10.30am

Monday 7 August Friendship Group 10.30am in the hall Monday Club 2pm in the hall

**Wednesday 9 August Midweek Service** 11am in the hall, followed by coffee and cake.

Thursday 10 August Daybreak 1.30pm in the hall

Think Again Summer Session 7.30pm, hall

Friday 11 August
Family-Friendly Coffee Pot 10am in the hall

Sunday 13 August Morning Worship at Bearsden Cross Church 10.30am

Tuesday 15 August SingSong! 2pm in the hall

Wednesday 16 August Midweek Service 11am in the hall, followed by coffee and cake.

Thursday 17 August
Daybreak 1.30pm in the hall