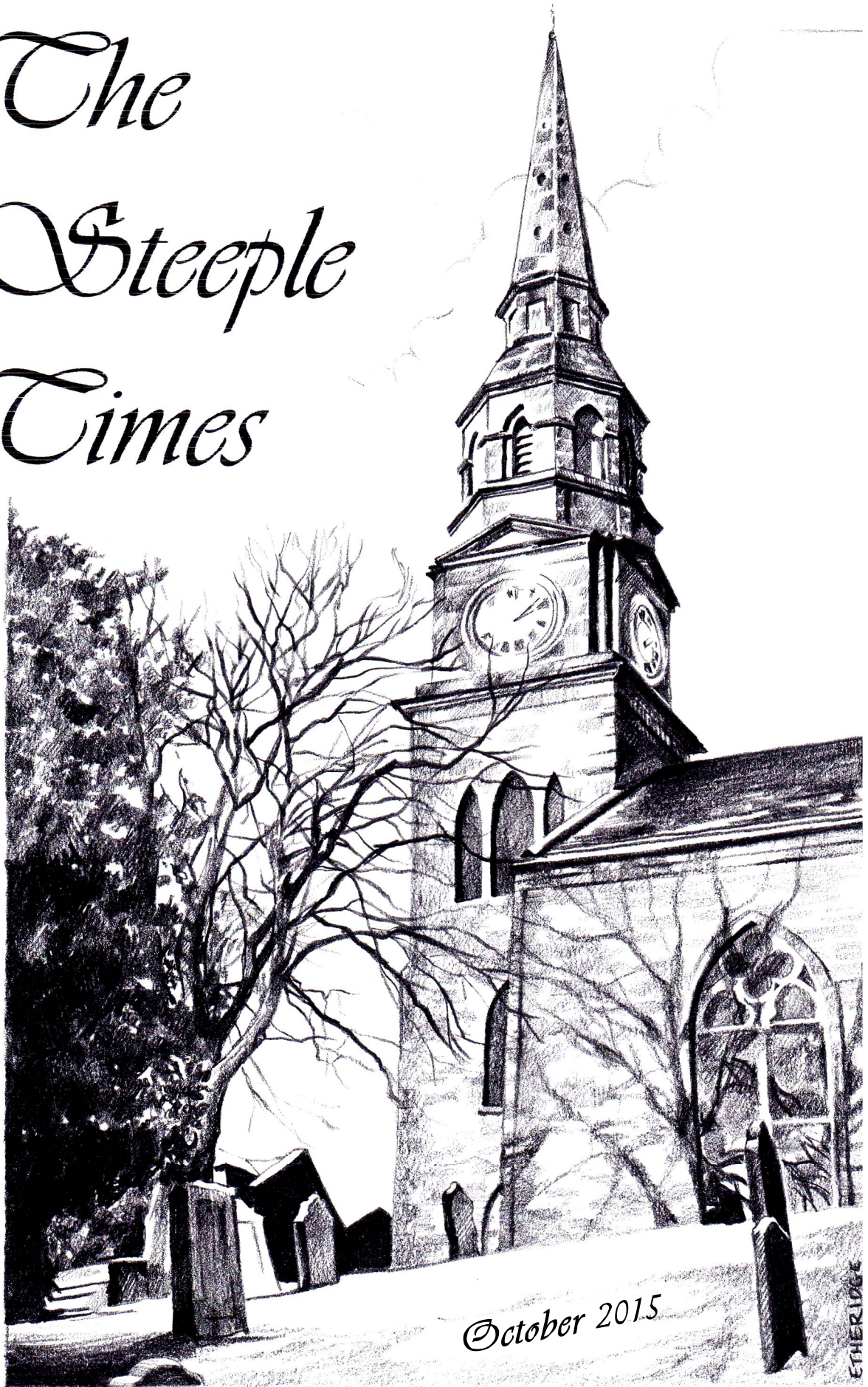


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ETHERIDGE

Services of Public Worship:

Every Sunday at 11. a.m.

A short service is also held on the first Sunday of each month at 9.30 a.m. and on Wednesdays at 12.10 p.m.

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FROM THE MANSE

October 2015

My dear friends

I am sure everyone knows the hymn below written by Sydney Bertram Carter (1995-2004)

When I needed a neighbour, were you there, were you there?

When I needed a neighbour, were you there?

And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter, were you there?

I was hungry and thirsty, were you there, were you there?

I was hungry and thirsty, were you there?

I was cold, I was naked, were you there, were you there?

I was cold, I was naked, were you there?

When I needed a shelter, were you there, were you there?

When I needed a shelter, were you there?

When I needed a healer, were you there, were you there?

When I needed a healer, were you there?

Wherever you travel I'll be there, I'll be there,

Wherever you travel I'll be there.

As I write this letter there are horrifying images coming out of Europe of the refugees fleeing Syria. In the big scheme of things we in Britain and especially in Scotland are not affected a great deal with what is happening in our daily lives. We see the images and we hear the stories but does it interrupt your daily living? The problem of the refugee crisis is not going to go away anytime soon. Like many people I was becoming frustrated about the Church of Scotland's lack of response to this crisis but at a conference in the middle of September it was pointed out that all the councils of the Church of Scotland are coming together to try and work out a long term plan not just a temporary or quick fix plan. We are commanded by Jesus to 'Love our neighbours' so how can we do that? Well can I say a big thank you to the members and friends of East and Old who have handed in the many, many goods that we asked for over the last few weeks; small bottles of water and juice, breakfast cereal bars, chocolate bars and chocolate biscuits, toiletries including combs and brushes, toothbrushes and toothpaste, sanitary products, nappies, blankets, sleeping bags, camping mats and especially bags for life for distribution. We also held a retiring offering on two Sunday's and well over £300 was raised which will be given to the relief agency working with the refugees. All of our goods and money are going to Calais and Hungary to family camps that have been set up just outside the main body of camps.

As you are well aware East and Old are a generous giving church. We have raised a considerable amount of money so far for our own building improvements and we still have a long way to go. But other areas and people are in far more need than we are and our neighbours in Nepal are one of those areas. Each Presbytery within the Church of Scotland has been challenged by the World Mission Council to raise enough money to build at least one if not several houses in Nepal where hundreds of thousands of homes were destroyed in the earthquake. To that end East and Old are taking up the challenge also to build a few homes – the cost is £500 per house. Not only can East and Old members rise to the challenge but I am hoping our Groovy Gryphons, The Guild and our Boys' Brigade Company can rise to the challenge also. A few coffee mornings, some quiz sheets, donations – the money will soon come in. If anyone would like to donate money directly to the church for this fundraiser then please speak to Barbara Ann or Mabel. This programme will take place over a three year period; the first year raising the money, the second year hearing about and seeing the buildings taking shape and the third year hearing the stories from the people and families whose lives have benefited from this programme and the possibility of going to Nepal to see the homes and meet the people.

When I needed a neighbour, were you there?

Are you there? Are you willing to help your neighbour?

Every blessing to you and your families

Your minister, your friend, your neighbour

Barbara Ann

Nepal is in Southern Asia between India and China and the capital is Kathmandu. The population is 27.8 million as of 2013 and has a mixture of religions. The number of people displaced because of the earthquake is 400,000+. The area where we hope to help build houses is in Dhading which is 3 hours from the capital and extends into the mountains right up to the Tibetan border. The United Mission to Nepal (UMN) is involved in rehabilitation work in this area and have strong connections there. See the minister's letter for more information.

LET US BUILD A HOUSE WITH WORLD MISSION IN NEPAL

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

ACCORD



Our music group Accord has been busy over the summer months and have performed at a variety of places. The current theme of around the world has gone down really well with some wonderful audience participations. All donations that Accord receive are put into the DIF Fund.

The team are now trying to fit in the care homes and nursing homes into their busy diaries. They are so busy in December that they are not taking any more bookings for the month of December.

MUSIC CAFÉ

The café celebrated its 200th meeting on Monday 21st September which was also World Alzheimer's Day. A big thank you to Pat Brodlie, Maureen Black, Margaret Anderson and Bruce Simpson who are there every week and to all our volunteers who help out on a rota basis every Monday afternoon. The people who come along to the Music Café really do enjoy their afternoons and gives everyone a time of fellowship and catching up but added to this of course it is a safe environment for people whose memories are not as good as they used to be.



However, and there is a however, we need more volunteers to come along on a Monday afternoon on a rota basis to help out. It involves welcoming people as they arrive, setting out teas and coffees and helping with page turning in our song books. Please speak to Barbara Ann, Pat or any of the helpers for more information.

FRIDAY FLING



This group only meets every second Friday in the OAP Hall and once again opens up new opportunities to people whose memory is not as good as it used to be and their carers.

Again there is a however, we need more volunteers and if you are on this rota it only involves coming along once every two months or so. Please put the Music Café and the Friday Fling in your prayers and ask God if you are needed at these events.

ZUGLO SUMMER CAMP

On 14 July I accompanied 3 youths from the church to Hungary to participate in our twin church, Zuglo church in Budapest's annual congregational summer camp. After spending the night in Budapest, Jack, Ellen, Liam and I were picked up from the hotel and taken 170km north-east to the small resort of Malyi, where the Reformed Church have a conference centre. We were treated to 5 days of hospitality, fun and fellowship with around 40-50 members of the congregation from Zuglo, ageing from 3 years old to around 80 years old. It was very hot, the beautiful lake Malyi was on our doorstep and there was lots of swimming, sunbathing, singing and eating. We also did some sightseeing to a nearby castle and underground caves, as well as visiting a thermal spa and waterpark inside caves and enjoyed a spot of tobogganing. However, the main aim of our trip was for the young people to meet our Hungarian counterparts, build connections and see that the Christian church extends beyond East & Old, Forfar and even Scotland! Friendships were forged and Jack, Ellen and Liam even took part in their first ever Communion during worship on the Sunday. A memorable experience was had by all. Thanks to the Kirk Session for making this trip possible.

HERBALIST GARDENS AT KIRRIEMUIR

On 26th July we joined forces with Angus Toy Appeal to help out at the gardens for a day and run the tea room. Well done to all at East and Old who helped the Angus Toy Appeal by supplying cakes etc. and working at it and also those who came along to view the gardens and enjoy a cup of tea. All the money raised came to us which we in turn donated to the Angus Toy Appeal.

RELAY FOR LIFE



Thank you once again Mary Daun for organising this event which took place over a 24 hour period in August. Our team was slightly larger than the 12 you were supposed to have but it that didn't really matter – it was great fun. A big, big thank you to Alf and Marion Birse for setting up their caravan and awning and to a number of people who supplied food as well. There are so many stories from the day that it would fill a few pages but thanks to everyone who sponsored us. Our final total is not yet available.

CHURCH COFFEE MORNING

On Saturday 22 August – thank you to everyone who came along to this event, those who worked at it and also those who supplied baking. New to this years coffee morning was the 'Showstopper Table' which was a huge success and we have some real talented people in our church. A number of people made some real fancy cakes and they were put into a silent auction – over £200 was raised from this table alone. Did you know that Barbara Ann ran out of time to make a showstopper so she went to the local baker and got them to make one for her – however Barbara Ann did admit later on as to what she had done! A total of £642 was raised.



LADIES NIGHT OUT



The venue of our nights out has changed to the Old Reid Park Bar and we meet once a month. We are going to try a set night once again for the ladies night out and as from now it will be the first Wednesday of every month; 7th Oct, 4th Nov, 2nd Dec and our Christmas meal out will be on 16th December.

Our summer meal this year was held at the Strathmore Arms and it was a great night out with great food and great company. Twenty five ladies turned up for the evening.

The men attending the **MEN'S NIGHT OUT** are enjoying themselves once again at the Queen Street Tavern and entering the quiz that is run there. They meet on the last Thursday of every month for a good old natter without the women, however they are not doing very well at the quiz these days – maybe we should say a prayer for them!!!

Calling all men, come and join us on 29th Oct, 26th Nov, and for the Christmas meal on 17th December.

THE BOOK CLUB has some new members and is going well however Barbara Ann said that the books that have been selected for the last few months and next few she has not been so keen on. On one particular book Barbara Ann gave it 1 out of 10 while one of the other members gave it 9.5 out of 10 – it is such a wonderful world that God created that he made us all different and unique.



STEERING GROUP NEWS

The steering group has once again been meeting to discuss our finances re our renovations. The shop is doing well and the Kirk Session will be making a decision whether to keep the shop on or not. The steering group have looked at the facts and figures and spoken to the shop staff and would like the shop to continue.

We opened during the first week of February and to the middle of September after rents, rates, utilities and expenses are taken off we are sitting at a profit of £14610

We are waiting on Mr Ul-Haq getting back to us with some more information before the session make their final decision. In the meantime keep bringing in your unwanted goods which need to be in good condition. We do not take electrical equipment of any kind at this point due to certain regulations.

Once again we need volunteers to work in the shop. We have a great team who mostly work the same days but there are gaps especially on a Saturday and then during the holiday period. Even if you can only volunteer once or twice a month we still need you. The shop is not only about money it now has a community of its own which is an extension to our church community.

We must say another big, big thank you to Nicola Wilson the shop manager and all the staff which amounts to over 35 people. We couldn't do it without you – keep up the good work.

WEDDING DRESSES

You may remember that Dave and Joyce Stewart gave us a large number of bridal wear to raise funds for our church.



After trying many, many avenues to sell the dresses in the shop, at the Mart, to fancy dress shops and also a pop up shop in Hilltown Market in Dundee we appear to have exhausted our area of expertise.

A huge amount of work has gone into preparing and selling the dresses and no more so than **Marlene and Bob Sim and Nicola Wilson along with Esther and Bob Kidd and Irene Duthie** plus a few others also.

If any dressmakers out there would like some of the dresses for material then contact us or if you know of any other charity who would like some then let us know please.

GRANT APPLICATIONS

Angus Spence one of our elders who is on the steering group has been filling out quite a number of grant application forms over the summer and has now submitted a few of them. These forms could not be submitted before the General Trustees had agreed to our plans and some of the other applications cannot be sent off until the work has gone out to tender.

Do you know of any grant bodies that we can apply too? If so, let us know.

RENOVATIONS

Members of church met with CARTA (church of art and architecture) and then another meeting with members of the General Trustees regarding our new plans.

At these meetings were Brian Smith (our architect), Bill Duthie, Neil Wilson, Bob Kidd, our minister, members of presbytery and then the relevant committee members from 121.

Both CARTA and the General Trustees think our plans are good, forward thinking and are happy for the next phase to go ahead which will be structural surveys and hopefully putting the work out to tender in January 2016. There are still a lot of T's to cross and I's to dot before then and still quite a bit of fund raising also so please bear with us.

On the **STEERING GROUP FUNDRAISING VENTURES** Jim Stewart came up with an idea of asking the local companies within Forfar and shops to help support The Big Kirk has been such a big part of this community for well over 200 years.

Jim along with Alf Birse are visiting every business in the town and asking for an auction item or to sponsor us in some way. Once everything is in we will be holding an auction on Saturday 28th November in the Church so please mark this date in your diaries and invite family and friends it is not just for own members but for the community.

Mabel Martin the chair of the steering group held her **AFTERNOON TEAS** during the summer and raised a great total of over £500 and of course once you add the gift aid on it comes to over £600. Well done Mabel.

The **CHILDREN'S FILM CLUB** on a Saturday afternoon is attracting a few children and they appear to be enjoying coming together and watching the films. Needless to say the juice and popcorn are a big hit. The film club is on the second Saturday of every month at 3pm.

DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD

The Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme has now started up in the church and we are looking for more youths to come and join us. We started with 5 to see how things would go and are now ready to welcome more youths aged between 14 and 25 years of age. The advantage of running the DOE out with the school is that the youths can come back to us after they have left school. So if anyone is out there who would like to continue their award come and see us, we meet every Wednesday in the church at 6.30pm.

KIERAN DEAR is one of our **BOYS' BRIGADE Boys** who is 17 and has been a member of our BB since he was 5 years of age.



Kieran has been selected to go to Guyana for a gap year where he will be teaching maths and science to pupils there. It is difficult to get teachers to go inland in Guyana and so Kieran will be filling a post that the local area can get no one else to do. To get there though the organisation that runs these ventures he needs to raise over £6000 as this helps with the costs of him being over there. Kieran and his family ran a coffee morning at the beginning of September and raised over £700 and we know quite a number of members of East and Old supported this day. After the September Kirk Session meeting the Kirk Session agreed to give Kieran £500 towards his venture and hopefully there will be more to follow next year.

We ask that you support Kieran in any way that you can by attending events, buying tickets, donating goods if asked and even just giving him a donation because every bit counts.

BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER GROUP is held every month in the manse. In the month of September the bible study group started a study on Gender Based Violence (GBV) which will continue into next year and the first bible study was on the woman caught in adultery. This prompted a good discussion and variety of views on the bible passage and its meaning and then the talk turned to the abuse today of both men and women.



WHAT'S COMING UP & WHAT TO LOOK OUT FOR

From 8 to 13 October, eighteen members of East and Old will be travelling to Budapest to visit our twinning church Zuglo. There is a full and busy itinerary but also some spare time for sight-seeing. They will be taking with them an etched vase with images of both churches and the date on it for our friends in Zuglo Church. On their return we hope to hear more about the trip and a possibility of a return trip by the Hungarians in 2016.

KIRKRIGGS COURT – as you know Barbara Ann holds a monthly service at the Court and the residents there are fabulous. They engage in the service, participate and have a time of fellowship also. Once again thanks goes to Anna Mitchell who supplies all the pancakes and goodies for the cup of tea afterwards. The October date for the monthly service falls while Barbara Ann is in Zuglo so our Guild will be taking the service in her place – thank you to E&O Guild.

LEPROSY MISSION COFFEE MORNING on Saturday 17th October at 10am in East and Old. The annual coffee morning of the LM takes place in our church on the date above. Each church is helping out in some way on the morning and we would be grateful for any donations of baking for the baking stall. Barbara Ann is the chair of this committee and our rep on the committee is Esther Kidd.



AFTERNOON COMMUNION – SUNDAY 18TH OCTOBER

We realise that some people struggle to attend the main communion service at 11am and 6.30pm in April and October so we have added another communion service to our diary which is the week before the big communion which will be held at 2.30pm. Please bring along your communion cards on that day and stay behind for a time of fellowship also – there will be plenty of cake!!!

COMMUNION SUNDAY – 25TH OCTOBER



Please put the date in your diary and try your very best to attend either the 11am service or the 6.30pm service remembering that if this is a struggle then you can attend on the 18th in the afternoon. Communion is a time when we can draw closer to God and remembering all that God has done for us but also taking a short time to ask God for forgiveness. Communion is an important aspect in our life of faith, there are no barriers between any of us and Barbara Ann would really like to see as many people there as possible. There will be a retiring offering after both services on this Sunday which will be put into the DIF Fund.

DATA PROTECTION

To comply with the Data Protection regulations presbytery have instructed us to inform you of some of the information we hold on you and ask you whether you are happy with this and if you would like to add to this information or not. You will shortly be visited by your elder who will deliver a letter with envelope which we need you to fill in, sign and return to us so that we are complying with all the rules and regulations. Really what we need are names and addresses but we would like also to hold your phone number and email address if you have one. In some cases our Treasurer holds bank account details for those of you who pay by standing order.

CARE HOME AND NURSING HOME SERVICES

We are delighted to inform you that each church in Forfar is now taking a service every month which means each church only has one service to do a month. This will ease the workload a little on our minister who is very busy as usual. There is a small band of people who come along with our minister to these services which she is very grateful for and Bruce Simpson, Margaret Anderson and Elizabeth McLeod take turns in playing the music. – thank you everyone.

WEDNESDAY 28TH OCTOBER sees 15 people from the church off to see Shrek at the Playhouse. We hope you have a good trip and don't come back green!

"POSH LUNCH" ON FRIDAY 6TH NOVEMBER

We are trying something new this year and attending Marshall's of Montrose for a posh lunch. There is a signup sheet on the notice board and the cost is £30 which includes your food, drink, transport and tip. Why not come along and join us.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY is on 8th November at 10.45am. There will be act of remembrance at 11am and we hope you can join us on that day. There will be a retiring offering at the end of the service which will be sent to Poppy Scotland and Erskine Hospital. As normal there will be a service at the cross after morning worship.



AUCTION NIGHT

Saturday 28 November in the church with goods and services from local businesses.

LITTER PICK UP

Hi everyone, our next litter pick up dates are

Saturday 3rd October meet at Academy Street Car park at 10am

Saturday 7th November meet at East and Old Church at 10am

It would be great to see as many of you there as possible as recently it has only been the same few people turning up. The more people we have the less time it takes.

RUSSIAN CHOIR – TUESDAY 17 NOVEMBER

The choir we had visiting us last year are once again returning. Their programme is varied and to say that last year they were good is an understatement – they were fabulous. Tickets are once again £10 and this year's programme includes;

Part One – Sacred Music

- 1 In that we have beheld the Resurrection of Christ
S.Rachmaninov 1873-1943)
- 2 Hail, O Virgin Birth-giver of God
S.Rachmaninov
- 3 Lord now Letters Thou
S.Rachmaninov
- 4 We sing to You
S.Rachmaninov
- 5 Do not cast me off in the time of old age
P.Tshesnokov (1877-1944)
- 6 Let my prayer arise
P.Tshesnokov
- 7 Blessed is the man
P.Tshesnokov
- 8 Agnus Dei
Camille Saint-Saens (1835-1921)

Part Two- Folk Songs

- 1 In a sunny clearing
- 2 Carol of the Bells (Ukrainian folk song)
- 3 Black-eyed Cossack
- 4 Coachman don't whip up the horses
- 5 Old Bursh Song (Down deep within the cellar)
- 6 Those Were The Days
- 7 The lonely little Bell

DECEMBER DIARY DATES

Dec	4	Friday	Christmas Tree Competition
	6	Sunday	Salvation Army Band in the Lowson
	13	Sunday	Church Christmas Concert
	20	Sunday	Nine Lessons and Carols in East and Old
	20	Sunday	Forfar's Big Sing in St Margaret's in aid of Christian Aid
	24	Thursday	Christingle service at 6.30 p.m.

JANUARY DIARY DATES

SATURDAY 16 JANUARY 2016

225 meal - we are holding a posh/dressy up affair dinner with entertainment in the church.

Please put the date in your diary and invite your family and friends but it won't be cheap folks!!! Look out your long dresses or cocktail dresses ladies and gents your kilts, or suits will do very nicely indeed.

SUNDAY 31 JANUARY 2016

We are delighted that the Rev Dr Angus Morrison the Moderator of the General assembly will be our guest preacher on this Sunday which will be our 225th anniversary. Graham Norrie has agreed to read one of the bible passages and Ceitidh Smith has also agreed to come back and sing for us. We are inviting various people from the community but Barbara Ann wants and needs YOU! You the members of East and Old are the church so please put the date in your diary NOW! We will also be holding a lunch after the service which we hope you will stay and enjoy with us.

NICOLA'S GOT CHRISTMAS ALL WRAPPED UP

I'm sorry to be the one to mention it but.....it's only 12 weeks to Christmas!!!! Now that I've said it we must get organised and what better way than over a nice cup of tea or coffee.

I am holding a **Coffee and Cards afternoon on Saturday 31st October** at 2pm in the Church. As some of you may remember I sold Phoenix cards for my Million Pounds Challenge last year and managed to raise over £100. So this year I'm hoping to raise even more. On the day you will have the opportunity to buy or order from a wide selection of cards, wrapping paper and stationary.

We will also have a gift wrapping demonstration with handy tips for those odd shaped presents. If this is a date you can't manage then please contact myself (01307 460341) or Barbara Ann and we will get a catalogue to you.

All orders should be accompanied by payment in full.

CHRISTMAS CARD DELIVERY SERVICE

Once again the Boys Brigade will be offering this service. Boxes will be placed in shops throughout the town as usual from around the beginning December. Cost as usual will be 20p per card.



Deliveries will be made on the weekends of 12/13th and 19/20th of December

If you feel you would like to help with delivery—even one street—we would be very grateful for your help.

Phone Irene on 465895 or Elma on 463821

AROUND THE GROUPS

KIRK SESSION RESIGNATION

At the Kirk session meeting in September Bob Kidd announced that he is stepping down as Session Clerk of East and Old after 8 years of service.

Needless to say the Kirk Session were sorry to hear this news but wished Bob well in his decision. Bob had hoped to retire from the position in January but our minister has persuaded him to stay on until 1st February which will see us past out 225 celebration in the church.

The hunt is now on for Bob's replacement and our minister asks you to pray for Bob and ask God's guidance on who the replacement will be.



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FILM NIGHTS

As the clocks change at the end of October we will return to afternoon shows starting in November

24 October at 6 pm - Legends of Fall with Brad Pitt and Anthony Hopkins

21 November at 2 pm—A bit of nostalgia to start off the Christmas season. White Christmas with Bing Crosby.

There will be no film shown in December as that is such a busy month.

All films are shown in the Session House.

The cost is £3—Pay at the door.

WALKING GROUP

The Group are walking on the following dates.

24 October Glen Tanar

7 November Anstruther to Elie

21 November To be arranged yet

Meet at The Myre 10am For more details contact Billy Sweetin on 01307 248228 or bjs801@talktalk.net



ART GROUP

Thank you to all those who visited our exhibition in the church in August. We realise that not everyone wishes to buy paintings but it is good when people take the trouble to visit and show their appreciation of our work. As a result we were able to donate £148 to the church.

The Art group will continue until the end of November and resume again on Thursday 7th January 2016. New members are always welcome.



A MILE OF 10 PENCE PIECES!

WE'VE NOW COMPLETED 824 YARDS AND RAISED A TOTAL OF £3005
Well done! We are getting there, keep them coming



FRIENDS OF EAST AND OLD

Our annual walk took place on 1st August. It was fair when we left Forfar but rain was forecast. The journey to Loch Leven took longer than expected because roadworks in Kinross turned the town centre into a complicated one-way system. After several wrong turns, dead ends and generally going round in circles we made it!

The beginning of the walk goes by the Loch. Shortly after setting out the rain started and boy did it rain! Because of this we really did not take advantage of what, on a sunny day, would have been superb views of the Loch and Castle. Nor did we stop at the bird hide (binoculars stayed in bags). There was some respite from the rain through the woods but not much. As we came back into town, guess what? The rain stopped and the sun came out.

Then it was back to finding our way through the road works to the Green Hotel for a tea which was excellent with friendly staff and good company.

At the time of writing this article the Friends are just about to host a **fashion show at M&Co** therefore more information will follow in the next edition.

Renewal Night will take place on **Friday 23rd October** in the church at 7pm for Renewal of Friends and at 7.30pm for the entertainment. Renewal of Friends will be £10 and tickets for the evening will be £5 for the entertainment and the refreshments.

**HAVE YOU CHECKED OUT OUR FACEBOOK PAGE OR OUR
WEB SITE YET?**

LOTS OF INFORMATION AND PICTURES

CONGREGATIONAL REGISTER

DEATHS

Jul	26	Isabella Watson	15 Service Road, Forfar	*
Aug	8	Kathleen Ross	Lochbank Manor, Forfar	*
	19	James Pattie	26 Lochview Terrace	47
	30	Dorothy Hendry	Windyedge Cottage, Forfar	22
Sep	1	Beryl Robertson	St David's Care Home	42
	5	Alexander (Neil) Robertson	Muir Street, Forfar	*
	7	Eirene Farquhar	Lochbank Manor, Forfar	*
	19	Nelson Myles	9 Manor Street, Forfar	*
	21	John Fletcher	Lochbank Manor, Forfar	*
	22	Raymond Mason	Finavon Nursing Home	*

Baptism

Sept 6 Jamie Philip Hampton

WEDDINGS

July 31 Charlotte Ann Donaldson to Steven Mitchell

Aug 14 Vicki Carrie to William Litterick

RENEWAL OF WEDDING VOWS & BLESSING

Sep 6 Alfred and Marion Birse

13 James and Isabel Farquharson

NEW MEMBERS

Tom & Mary Coburn 9 Toll Crescent, Forfar 15

Mary Pickstone 1 Hanick Terrace, Forfar 28

MINISTRY OF FLOWERS

Oct	4	Margaret Myles	Nov	8	Irene Duthie
	11	Liz Nicoll		15	Freda McLean
	18	Anna Mitchell		22	H & M Herron
	25	Douglas Thomson		29	Marion Birse
Nov	1	Mrs Todd	Dec		Flower Group

HAVE A COMPUTER? THEN YOU CAN HELP

You can help raise funds for East & Old's Dedicated Improvement Fund by clicking on the links below. It costs nothing but will help our funds.

Do you shop online then click on <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/forfareastoldparish/> then follow the simple steps on how to register then every time you shop online always go here first then shop. The best way is to make this a bookmark or favourite.

Even if you don't shop online you can still raise funds by clicking on <http://forfareastoldparish.easysearch.org.uk/> and use this every time you want to search the web. This uses Bing, Yahoo and Ask.com to search the web. Again the best way is to make this a bookmark or favourite.

For more information click on <http://www.thebigkirk.co.uk/church-information/easyfundraising/> Why not try it. If you need help setting it up please contact Billy Sweetin 01307 248228

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PARKING AT THE CHURCH



There are two available car spaces beside the east door of the church for members with poor mobility.

Other members can park around the front of the church.



Do you need Transport to Church -The Forfarian bus is available on the first Sunday of each month. Please telephone Liz Nicoll on 462480 or Jean Alexander on 463860.

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The deadline for submission of articles for the **December 2015** issue is

SUNDAY 15 NOVEMBER 2015

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