# Broughty Ferry Parish Church 'Connecting Monthly'

# **Regular Sunday Services in July**

<u>July 7th</u>		
9.15am	Barnhill St Margaret's	Early Contemporary Service (EMS Worship Team)
10.30am	Barnhill St Margaret's	Morning worship (Worship Team)
11am	Queen Street East	Morning worship (Rev. Cathy Brodie)
<u>July 14th</u>		
9.15am	Barnhill St Margaret's	Early Contemporary Service (EMS Worship Team)
10.30am	Barnhill St Margaret's	Morning worship (Rev. Lorna Tunstall)
11am	Queen Street East	Morning worship (Ken Andrew)
<u>July 21st</u>		
9.15am	Barnhill St Margaret's	Early Contemporary Service (EMS Worship Team)
10.30am	Barnhill St Margaret's	Morning worship (Worship Team)
11am	Queen Street East	Morning worship (Nicola Montgomery)
July 28th		
<b>9</b> .15am	Barnhill St Margaret's	Early Contemporary Service (EMS Worship Team)
10.30am	Barnhill St Margaret's	Morning worship (Worship Team)
11am	Queen Street East	Morning worship (David Murie)

# **CHURCH BUSINESS**

BFPC Steering Group 12<sup>th</sup> July at Barnhill St Margaret's BFPC Kirk Session On summer recess until September 17<sup>th</sup> at BSM



- Church Governance: names have been put forward for many of the groups supporting the new Boards but there are still space for more people to add their talents and expertise. Please speak to Ken Andrew for more information
- The Steering Group will discuss the groups over the summer with the aim to be able to propose convenors & vice convenors for appointment at the next Kirk Session in September.
- Frustration was expressed at the lack of organisation and communication so it was agreed if groups wish to meet then the Steering Group can allow that. Names of those willing to serve will be circulated to Elders
- Facilities Manager agreement was given in principle to hire someone to oversee our buildings subject to more work on the job description and HR details

• Permission was given for a mission café to open in St James at the weekends. More details to follow It was an encouraging, if long, meeting with a lot of work being done and decisions to be made.

# Help us keep in touch

We are working hard to keep connected with all our members and attending congregation. Many of you are getting information 'Connecting Monthly' and other 'Stop Press' items through email but we are aware getting this information is not universal and want to have a way to contact everyone. There are Contact forms available in the church foyer to update your contact details to improve communication. If you are not receiving Connecting Monthly by email, **please** fill in a form so we can update your contact details. We also need to know if you would like to have printed information so it informs how many we print for the church door Thank you

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# **Broughty Ferry Parish Church DIARY for July**

### Gala week 30 June – 7 July

•	Sun 30 June	6.30pm	BFCG Gala Week Songs of Praise at St Luke's
•	Sun 30 June –12 July	11-3pm	Boatshed Bricks Lego exhibition in RNLI Shed
•	Saturdays in July	10-12md	Summer Café at St Áidan's
•	Mon 1– Sat 6 July	12-4pm	Open Church Café for Gala week St James hall
•	Tues 2– Sat 6 July	10.30 – 4pm	Acorn Quilt Exhibition in St James Church
•	Sun 7 July	1-4pm	Broughty Ferry in Bloom Secret Garden Trail
•	-	-	INCLUDING St Aidan's Green Graveyard featuring
			Ballumbie Hedgehog Rescue (see back page for map)
•	Tues 9 July	2pm	Service in Shiell Court. All welcome.
•	Tues 10 & 24 July	·	Crossreach Heart for Art
•	Sun 11Aug		Wee Wander Kilt walk - please consider supporting the
	-		QSE SS team
•	Mon 12 Aug	9 – 3pm	'I'm a Bible Celebrity Get Me Out of Here 2'
	_	-	Holiday Club at St James
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#### CHURCH REGISTER

#### Baptisms:

It has been a pleasure to welcome to our church family:

Isabelle Jane Mackie Maeva Dawn Nadine Black

• Funerals: We remember those who have died recently: Mrs Dorothy McCombie Mrs Barbara Ritchie Mrs Norma Holmes

Mr Murray Wood Mrs Moraig McArtney Mr Tom Telford



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Your ongoing support for the Dundee and Angus Foodbanks is greatly appreciated. At the moment they urgently require

- Tinned puddings
- Tinned fruit
- Tinned tomatoes
- Tinned soup
- Cooking sauces
- Diluting juice
- Soap (bars)
- Shower gel



THANK YOU



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Our QSE Sunday School are walking the 5½ miles for Eagles Wings & Fintry Food Larder Please support the children & their leaders

## **Tearfund Prayers**

One Voice in Prayer: Praying for good news, freedom and favour. praying@tearfund.org

We pray because, though the news around us may be dark in places, we hold onto hope in our Saviour. The solutions may not be the instant divine miracles that we might long for, and we are all, undoubtedly, part of God's plan and have a responsibility to take part in the process to bring light wherever there is pain and oppres-

sion in our world, but we do not do this alone! We trust that the freedom and healing for our world's brokenness is available through Jesus.



Crossreach Dementia Friendly Art Group.

If you know of someone living with dementia who would enjoy an afternoon of creativity in

a supportive environment, why not come along? No art experience is necessary, help is on hand. The class is fortnightly in Broughty Ferry Parish Church, Queen Street East hall (New Kirk), 2pm to 4pm (forthcoming dates: 10 & 24 July, 7 & 21 August). To book a place, please call 07553 365802 or e-mail: heartfor.art@crossreach.org.uk

# EAGLES WINGS TRUST

#### A Christian charity based in Dundee.



Helping those experiencing homelessness

or addiction to find true hope and freedom in Christ.

- Operating a drop in that is open from 12-2pm Mon -Thurs. Going out with a mobile soup kitchen 7.30-9pm Mon -Thurs in the city centre.
- Providing hot food and drinks, clothes, toiletries & sleeping bags.
- Offering friendship, acceptance & advice.
- Able to refer to other agencies including the food bank & rehab centres. Eagles Wings Trust | Dundee | **Facebook**

# ST LUKE'S GARDEN PICNIC celebrates 25 years of the Remembrance garden

Thanks to everyone who attended the garden picnic at St Luke's on 9 June. Unfortunately the weather was not kind so we set up in the hall but it did not seem to curtail anyone's enjoyment. Thanks to all those who set up tables, baked, wrapped and filled the bags then cleared up afterwards. A big thanks to Don and the musicians for leading us in our sing-song. It was great to see folks from all of our five churches and hope it is a good omen for our future. Aileen, Marvin and Sheilah





There were about 60 people at the Invercarse on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June dancing to great

scots music. In addition to the fun we raised £161.25 (plus Gift Aid on £75) This is in addition to people would having already given during Christian Aid Week, Thank you to all involved and to Rev Caroline Taylor for getting us up dancing!

# **COINS NEEDED for the 10p Mile**

One of the more unusual efforts to raise money for the St Aidan's Church was the 10p mile and it is still active. The aim is to place them edge to edge to stretch a mile from the front of Queen Street East Church to St Aidan's via Gray Street, Brook Street, Lawrence Street, King Street, Beach Crescent and St Vincent Street. It takes 39 ten pences to cover a yard.

At the moment we can complete 761 yards which reaches to the Life Boat building (raising £2968) so we are approaching the half way point. So let's push on to the finish.

All coins are accepted- dimes, nickels, quarters, half dollars; euros; foreign currency; pre decimal coins; discon-

tinued round pounds and paper notes. Everything is counted, banked and totals recorded.



Put your coins in the blue collection box in Queen Street East or tin at BSM or hand to Archie Darroch.

# BROUGHTY FERRY GALA WEEK SUNDAY 30 JUNE TO SATURDAY 6 JULY

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BFPC @ St James will be open every afternoon during Broughty Ferry Gala Week, from Monday 1 July to Saturday 6 July, 12 to 4pm.

The biennial exhibition of the work of **Acorn Quilters** will be displayed in the church from Tuesday 2 July, 10.30am to 4pm.

**Boatshed Bricks Lego Exhibition** in the lifeboat shed during Gala week. The RNLI gift shop will also be open all week.

# Saturday Café in St Aidan's

 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th July 10am to 12 midday. Pop in and enjoy a drink and a cake.

A group of volunteers meet on Monday mornings at 9 am to paint the railings at BFPC Queen Street East. As people passing frequently say, it's like painting the Forth Road Bridge! Any help even for the odd hour would be really appreciated (tools supplied)



Broughty Ferry Parish Church ONE DAY HOLIDAY CLUB

Monday 12 August from 9am to 3pm Bring your own packed lunch, snacks provided.

# Games, stories, craft, jungle trials and more...

St James' Church Hall, 5 Fort Street DD5 2AD (opposite the RNLI building)

Registration forms from: office@bfpc.scot or phone 01382 737294

Please let Evelyn or the church office know if you can help, even for part of the day.

# Matters amidst the chapters"Praise the Lord, all you nations; extol him, all you peoples.For great is his love towards us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures for ever.Praise the Lord.'"– Psalm 117 (New International Version)

In last month's reflection, Cathy Brodie announced her resolve to step down from her Locum role at Broughty Ferry Parish Church to devote her attention to the new Dundee Northeast Church of Scotland.

This month it falls to me to announce that I, too – along with Hazel – will transition towards membership of one of the Church of Scotland congregations in the west side of the city. The time is right to turn another page and start permitting God to author the next chapters of our journey. Effective from 1<sup>st</sup> July, I intend to step down from active involvement in Broughty Ferry Parish Church though for the moment I shall remain a congregation and Kirk Session member whilst seeking God's guidance on our new spiritual home, and I shall continue to be available for occasional pulpit supply if needed.

From the start of discussions with the 'legacy' Session Clerks as first thoughts of uniting the congregations of Broughty Ferry began to be actively pursued, I made no secret of the fact that the Muries did not view our longterm worshipping future as Ferry-based. Over several decades, in fact, we have felt increasingly uncomfortable about all the Sunday (and mid-week) travel to the east of Dundee when we reside in Auchterhouse to the northwest of the city. It does not seem ecologically appropriate.

During a full-day meeting of the new Presbytery of Perth around a year ago, I found myself sharing a lunch table in conversation with a lady minister from the Perth area. Her first question was where I resided. But when I answered her second question – about where I worshipped – I caught her glance of puzzlement. It was the look of someone thinking to herself "why would anyone wish to worship in the diametrically opposite end of the environs in which they dwell?", but too polite of course to actually vocalise the question!

I explained a little about the lengthy efforts to achieve a union of Broughty congregations and how ultimately my wife and I would wish to join a more local congregation, but that move would require sensitively planned timing as we would not wish to cause offence by appearing to walk out of a new ministry. The conversation paused for a moment whilst she glanced directly at me, then she simply said "Thank-you!". Coming from someone completely unconnected with our church situation, that was a vicarious reply on behalf of all clergy everywhere who have encountered difficult people-issues in the early months of a new ministry.

It was some 10 years ago that I committed myself to helping with others to lead the people of St James – whose continuing existence as a congregation was questioned at the time – to some kind of sustainable future. When we entered discussions with the Presbytery of Dundee and the other congregations, none of us expected it would take so many years. But now that union has been accomplished and hopefully our Nominating Committee will soon progress an announcement about a prospective ministry team. The objective is achieved and this is my time to step down. Were I to delay, people would inevitably infer some kind of protest against the new appointment(s). That would be unfair to the new team. It would also be unfair to the Nominating Committee.

It has been a joy to Hazel and myself to make new friends among the Broughty congregations, and I want to say special thanks to those 'legacy' Session Clerks with others from the various congregations, and latterly the Steering Group, who have worked so patiently and well together, with our Interim Moderators, through thick and thin to bring the congregations together.

So now we are all starting new chapters in our respective worship journeys. The Bible is of course a book of many chapters. There are 1,189 of them in all. And did you know the shortest chapter of all, Psalm 117 (quoted in full above) is precisely the middle chapter? Each of these chapters tells us something about God, about His ways, and about the various journeys of the people of God. But at the centre we find in this Psalm a fine memorable summary of the mission of the people of God which should remain central to our lives, both personal and congregational.

From all that dwell below the skies Let the Creator's praise arise:

Let the Redeemer's name be sung Through every land, by every tongue.

(Hymn 146, by Isaac Watts)

May God's praise be indeed central to life at Broughty Ferry Parish Church, and may you all be richly blessed.

David Murie

# LOCAL EVENTS OVER THE SUMMER

Broughty in Bloom are taking part in this year's Secret Garden Trail and are delighted to be hosting Ballumbie Hedgehog Rescue on Sunday 7th July between 1pm –4pm at St Aidan's

Graveyard. Come and see the lovely wildflowers and learn how to make our gardens more hedgehog friendly.





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We are supporting **Ballumbie Hedgehog Rescue** again. Their volunteers will be based at St Aidan's Green Graveyard for the afternoon, offering advice to visitors on how to make gardens more hedgehog friendly.

Teas and coffees will be available at Barnhill Rock Garden from 2pm. There are also toilet facilities near by.

Broughty Ferry in Bloom volunteer, Lindsey, will have her Art Studio open (L M Harrow Broughty Art), as well as holding a small plant sale at 11 Beaumont Terrace.

More information on the gardens can be found on our Facebook page Broughty Ferry in Bloom

# Gardens Taking Part on Sunday July 7

15 Fairfield Road, DD5 1NX. Duntrune Community Garden, Dawson Park. 8a/10 Hill Street, DD5 2JL. YMCA, 151 Brook Street. 4 Oakley Place, DD5 2HX. St Aidan's Church Green Graveyard. Ashley Guest House, DD5 2RN. 11 Beaumont Terrace, DD5 3LR. 137 Balgillo Road, DD5 3ED. 10 Skene Street, DD5 3ET. 13 Montague Street, DD5 2RD. 20 Hamilton Street, DD5 2NU. 103 Camphill Road, DD5 2NE. Barnhill Rock Garden.



BROUGHTY FERRY BEACH CLEAN Sunday July 7th at 11am. Meet opposite the tennis courts near Glass Pavilion. Gloves, pickers and bags provided. Everyone welcome.



Free Family Fun Days on Broughty Ferry beach. Saturday 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> July & 3<sup>rd</sup> Aug. 12-4pm. organised by Giving Back

Lego+Sport Summer Camp 1-5<sup>th</sup> July & 30<sup>th</sup> July - 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug 8.45am - 4pm daily in BF Baptist Hall (Ages 6-12 £40/day) Calling young engineers - build moving LEGO machines & LEGO building challenges. Camp includes games & sports. <u>tay-</u> <u>side@youngengineers.org</u> 07871 772094 facebook/

YoungEngineersDundee Instagram/ YoungEngineersDundee



Artisan Fair specialising in Weddings and Celebrations on Saturday 3rd August 2024 in St Stephen's & West Church Hall from 10.30 am - 3.30 pm.

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#### Broughty Ferry Parish Church: Connections July 2024

## Youth Edition!

School is out – straight into Broughty Ferry Gala week. Lots of fun activities to do. Remember to pop into St James in the afternoon for a drink and a cake after visiting the Boatshed Brick Lego exhibition or when looking in windows!

PRIZEGIVING at Queen Street East On 16<sup>th</sup> June 14 children got presented with their books and Bibles presented by Rev John Duncan. WELL DONE! There will be holiday fun over the summer during the Service and Sunday School will restart in August.

#### QSE Summer Sunday School – Can you Help?

We have a couple of people who are willing to help with the summer Sunday School to give the regular team time off but there is still some weeks needing cover. There are teaching materials but the main emphasis is on fun. Please let Bethany Edwards or Rhoda Smith know if you could help.

#### KILT WALK 2024

Broughty Ferry Queen Street East Sunday School are walking to raise money for Eagle's Wings & Fintry Foodbank. BSM kids are more than welcome Sponsors taken as a team Please support us in this venture



HAPPY BIRTHDAY HELLEN! Hellen's birthday was on 12th June. She is now 15 years old. We have been sponsoring her to go to school since she was 7.



The Koroma family in March 2024

