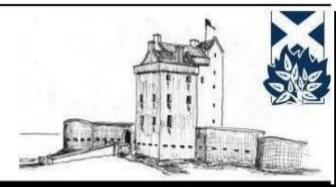
# Ferry Chronicles



Easter (April) 2022

Issue 4

#### **Bringing 3 churches together**

Broughty Ferry St James, St Luke's & Queen Street and New Kirk

#### **SERVICES for Spring 2022**

Date	Place of Worship		
27-03-2022	St James	11am	Sunday Worship - Mothering Sunday – Rev Dr Roderick Grahame
03-04-2022	St Luke's	11am	Sunday Worship – Ken Andrew
10-04-2022	New Kirk	11am	Palm Sunday Service – David Murie
14-04-2022	Barnhill St Mgts	7pm	Maundy Thursday Communion @ Barnhill with Rev Andrew Gardner
15-04-2022	New Kirk	7pm	Good Friday - Ecumenical evening worship with Rev Caroline Taylor & Cathy Brodie
17-04-2022	Rock Gardens	8am	Easter Sunrise Service with Barnhill St Margaret's
	St Luke's	9.30	Family Service with Easter egg hunt in the garden (Rev Caroline Taylor)
	St Luke's	11am	Easter Worship led by Rev Caroline Taylor with musicians & choir
	St James	7pm	<b>Easter Evening Praise</b> led by Rev Cathy Brodie with others & music group ( Broughty Ferry Churches Group)
24-04-2022	St Luke's	11am	Communion Sunday – Rev Caroline Taylor

## **From the Pulpit**

Last time I wrote we were approaching the season of Advent and now it is the season of Lent which is not far off (beginning on Ash Wednesday, 2nd March). I really value these "set aside" times of the year for they give a different feel and routine to each week and above all, because they enable a time of preparation for the main event, Christmas and Easter respectively.

The first time I encountered any kind of Lenten practice was as a first year university student: an older girl announced that she would be giving up alcohol for Lent (and I'm pretty sure she succeeded). This sort of sacrifice is often associated with Lent and, if you find it helpful, then go for it! But over the years since then I've discovered other practices which have more in common with putting something in rather than giving something up. In other words, disciplines or pledges to try a bit harder, make more of an effort, tackle those jobs you keep putting off etc. 40 Generous Acts from the charity Stewardship is a good programme to follow if this appeals to you.

The key is in the word "Generous" – it's not about helping yourself so much as it's about reaching out to other people, family and friends and strangers alike.

And this year? Well, I haven't quite decided yet, but I'll definitely be marking Lent with some sort of extra effort, though it will be a long way short of what our Lord Jesus put in for us. Isaac Watts, in his hymn, "When I survey the wondrous cross", expresses it perfectly:

Were the whole realm of nature mine

That were an offering far too small

Love so amazing, so divine

demands my soul, my life, my all.

From Rev. Caroline Taylor

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#### **Koroma Family Update**

We have received some great videos from the Koroma family in Gambia giving us an insight into the life that they live.

Mum has proudly given us a video tour of their home. We were shown the children's bedroom. Osman sleeps on single mattress on the floor and his sisters Hafsatu and Helen share a double mattress only a step from his bed. A small cabinet and a shelf hold all the children's school jotters and books. An old cardboard box housed Hafsatu's clothes. The most striking feature among this poverty was the pristine white perfectly ironed shirts. No matter how poor they are they have high standards of dress for school.

In the living area mum and dad sat on an old very worn sofa, which was covered with old sheets and curtains in an effort to make it presentable. Here they made fish pies which they sell to make a living. They are like small pasties filled with a spoonful of grey fish paste. They sell for approximately 3 pence. They are lucky to make a profit of 50 pence from which they must buy food and further ingredients for the next day's pies.

This glimpse into their life does serve as a stark reminder of how much we have compared to how poor they are and literally the hand to mouth life that they lead. Yet despite the poverty it is humbling to see the gratitude that they express and the lengths they go to in order to provide for their family.

We collect pennies which for us hold no value yet for them they are everything. I'd urge you to consider giving your pennies and loose change to the Sunday school so that we can continue to support the whole family in their education and to be more comfortable.

#### Heather James

#### Eco-congregation – Recycling in our church

As an Eco-congregation we are invited to participate in a wide range of activities which can collectively help work towards caring for our fragile environment. Now that the pandemic restrictions are being relaxed, we can resume our recycling of items which not only help towards "Net Zero" but can help church finances and a variety of charities.

You can help by recycling the following by placing them in the large box outside the large hall of the New Kirk East Buildings: -

Printer cartridges – these can be sent off to be refilled and our joint congregations will benefit from the income made from these. We will clarify which are currently accepted as things get started again.

Old Mobile phones – again we can help our finances by recycling these.

Plastic milk jug tops (only) – these can be green, blue or red but must be clean and dry and have nothing else attached to them. The tops go to a recycling centre in the Borders where they are bleached and reduced to granules that can then be used to produce the outer casing that holds fibre optic cables together for installation, children's play equipment, etc. Proceeds go to charity.

Used stamps – these are collected through the Church of Scotland and the money raised goes towards a new project every year. This year the Stamp Project proceeds will benefit The Women's Development Centre (WDC) in Kandy, Sri Lanka, which runs a project to support women and girls who have been victims of rape and sexual violence.

These are all easy wins for our joint congregations and help us towards meeting both our environmental and mission aims.

#### Harry Black (01382 778103)





#### **Café of Memories**

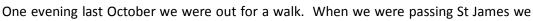
The café met again at the end of February. Unfortunately the weather was not kind to us and we had a few call offs. However, those who came enjoyed an afternoon of snakes and ladders and dominoes followed by a short act of worship led by the Rev Caroline Taylor. After an unaccompanied but wholehearted rendition of "Jesus Loves Me," tea was served. Thanks to all who helped out. Next café is on **Thursday, 31**<sup>st</sup> **March** at 2 pm in St Aidan's Centre. **Marvin Harris** 

#### **Craft Group**

This group has been meeting on alternative Monday afternoons, 2 pm in St Luke's halls. Knitting, sewing and crochet are brought along, but the main business is chat. Come along and join us, no need for a craft. Next meeting is on **Monday**, **14**<sup>th</sup> **March.** Then fortnightly. *Marvin Harris* 

#### **Random Acts of Kindness**

During the first Covid lockdown in 2020 our daughter told us about a movement which was doing the rounds on Social Media. It was known as 'Random Acts of Kindness' and was really just about people being kind to each other by doing things to help cheer them up and let them know that they were remembered by someone. Stories were shared on Facebook and Twitter and websites sprung up with ideas of what you could do and what other people had done. It reminded me that Brownies and Guides were expected to do a good turn every day. I wonder if they still do that?



came upon a group of very busy Brownies and their leaders potting up pansies and adding a card with a message from the Brownies. We were given one of the pots and as you can see it grew and thrived when we brought it home. It was a very kind act and most unexpected. The girls distributed the others to people who were out and about in the Ferry that evening and I am sure other people were as delighted as we were.

Now that we are getting through the pandemic I would like to think that people would continue to be kind to others and remember those that others forget.

In Colossians chapter 3 and verse 12 we read

"Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience."

Surely words to live by.

June Anderson

#### **Scripture Union**

#### DUNDEE AND ANGUS SECONDARY WEEKEND

We're excited to let you know that we are running a secondary weekend for pupils from Dundee and Angus. It will be held at our Lendrick Muir centre near Kinross from 20-22 May. The weekend is open to all young people in S1-6, and pupils can choose whether they get out and about doing a range of activities or spend time relaxing together. Bookings open on the 1st March!

Please do pass on the details to anyone you know who may be interested. You can find out more information and book by visiting <u>www.suholidays.org.uk/wnda05</u>

#### Joint Holiday Club

We are planning to run a kid's mission joint with Barnhill St Margaret's in the summer holidays. It will probably run from St James either the second week or the last week of the school holidays.

Please get in touch with Rhoda in the Sunday School if you would like to contribute in an way. We will need Leaders for the week but also people to prepare crafts & arrange the administration

It is an exciting opportunity to have outreach again.





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#### Note: Roddy Taylor was confirmed as Captain of the 44<sup>th</sup> Boys Brigade on February 4<sup>th</sup> 2022.

#### The 44<sup>th</sup> BB company

The 44<sup>th</sup> BB company has its roots in the former St Aidan's Church and for some years now has been attached to Broughty Ferry New Kirk.

The last two years have been difficult for the Company, as they have been for so many other organisations – we saw the lowest number on the roll since the Company began in 1950 and the number of officers was reduced to three following some retirals. So it was time to review, reorganise and rebuild on the good work previously achieved.

Recruiting additional staff was deemed an urgent priority and we were delighted to welcome back former officers Colin Tennant, Fiona Morrison and Iain Harper. Together with the other staff, they have undertaken the new Leader training courses.

Meetings have resumed with 28 boys aged between 6 and 17. Eight senior boys recently received their President's Badge and are now working towards the Queen's Badge, the Brigade's highest award. Nine members are also working towards the Duke of Edinburgh's Bronze award.

The Brigade has expended a massive effort in launching new programmes for all four sections of children and young people (aged 4 to 18). Our leaders have embraced the changes and the boys are being given the opportunity to take part in a wide range of activities and challenges.

Scott Lodge, the Battalion's outdoor residential centre in Glen Clova, has been booked for a weekend trip in June (Covid permitting, of course). Various Battalion events have been organised, including by the recently formed Senior Forum, which comprises boys aged 16-18. As yet there have been no gold medals for the 44th but we remain optimistic.

If you enjoy working with young people and would like to get involved as a leader, we'd love to hear from you. We also have places for boys aged from 6 years.

For details and information Tel. 07925 589 833; or e-mail to roddy.taylor@boys-brigade.org.uk

#### Roddy Taylor, Captain

#### **Dundee Starter Packs**

Ever since Starter Packs started up 21 years ago, the Ferry Churches have supported the organisation financially and with regular donations of household goods but that has not been the case throughout Dundee Presbytery and in January of this year, a plea was sent out to all churches requesting support from their congregations. In doing so, there has been a positive response to the request for volunteers to serve on the committee and for sorting and packing Starter Packs.

However the organisation would welcome further assistance. The administrator, Fiona Fox, who works part time, is the only paid member of the charity and it is amazing how well this vital service is organised in making up packs to suit all different clients, whether single or for various sizes of family. All packs are made up to cater for individual needs from requests from Health Visitors, Social Workers and other groups working with re-settling homeless and other needy and distressed people.

During the Covid epidemic regular collections were stopped but Starter Packs volunteers continued sorting and packing donations taken directly to Forest Park Road. In March of this year we resumed collection of household goods at the church and hope to continue on a regular basis.

This work can only continue with an adequate number of volunteers for sorting and packing and serving on the management committee. No specific skills are required but life experience and skills acquired in former occupations are valued. Already a possible treasurer has offered to serve on the committee - a post so often difficult to fill! Discretion and a sympathetic attitude towards people are essential attributes. Please consider how you might assist this organisation if you have a few hours to spare weekly or on an occasional basis.

Contact Fiona Fox, Tel 223977, Mobile 07756195945, 39/41 Forest Park Road, Dundee, DD1 5NU on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday 9.30 - 15.00 if you feel you could help.

Meanwhile further collection dates at the church will be advertised in the weekly Inter Connections so keep a lookout for when you can bring along essential household goods you are no longer using plus cleaning materials and toiletries. Unfortunately, unlike previously, they ARE NOT able to accept duvets and pillows at this current time.

If you require further information contact, Joline Munro, BFNK, Brenda Campbell, St James, or

Marvin Harris, St Lukes and Queens St.

#### **Monifieth Singers**

The Monifieth Singers' Spring Concert is in Broughty New Kirk on Friday 25th March at 7pm.

This will be a shorter concert than usual and there is no admission charge. We are just happy to be performing after 2 years and the disappointment of previous last minute cancellations.

For choir members and the audience, we hope you enjoy this evening of easy listening music.

#### Guild

Guild was not able to meet in January due to restrictions therefore it has been decided to run into April for this year.

There will be afternoon meetings on 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> of April at 2pm at St James.

There is also going to be an evening Guild on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April when we will be entertained by 'Freewheelin' a folk band from Forfar so it promises to be a good night *Sandra Smith* 

#### **Council elections on Thursday 5th May 2022**

So, it will be but a moment before the City Council elections come around on Thursday 5th May 2022. The last time for these elections was on 4th May 2017.

Much has passed under the bridge, and the Tay bridge since then.

I wish to encourage as many of you as possible to consider these and all other election to be

equally important. Cast your votes, so you have voted for your decision in these Council Elections.

If you are pleased with the people in charge in Dundee City Council, please vote for your choice on May 5th! If you are not so pleased with the people in charge in Dundee City Council you must vote for the prospective councillors you prefer – on May 5th. Otherwise someone else influences our choice, not you.

It is an important election which can greatly affect our local area, and collectively the whole of Scotland for the good or not so good.

Do you feel that the council will look after you and your family, your surroundings, your local facilities?

The local facilities are controlled from Edinburgh, so please be aware that when you cast your vote,

you are part of the decision-making process. No vote - no choice - no part in the decision.

At the last council elections in 2017 only half of the people expressed their choice. Nearly 7,000 people in Dundee could not/ did not/ or forgot to vote. If as many people as possible have their say, the outcome could be more balanced. Please vote on May 5th!! Please advise your friends! Your neighbours! Your family!

If you need help getting to the polling station, or arranging a postal vote please ask an elder, a

Session Clerk, a pal, or a buddy to assist as we will our very best to help you.

Every blessing, Lyn Edwards

## SPOTLIGHT ON ACTIVI

### CRAFTS & CHATTER

Bring your present project or just come for the chat

Alternate Mondays @ St Luke's 2pm

Contact Morven or Aileen

### MESSY CHURCH

Join Bible based crafts & games

Open to all children accompanied by an adult

Last Saturday afternoon 4 – 5.30pm @ Barnhill St Margaret's

Contact Evelyn

## YOUTH CLUB

CAFÉ OF MEMORIES

Last Thursday @ St Aidan's 2pm

Speak to Morven or Brenda C

Come to reminisce & spark

memories

Join the fun & games

Open to all secondary school

Alternate Sunday evenings 7-9pm @ Barnhill St Margaret's

Contact Evelyn

### GUILD

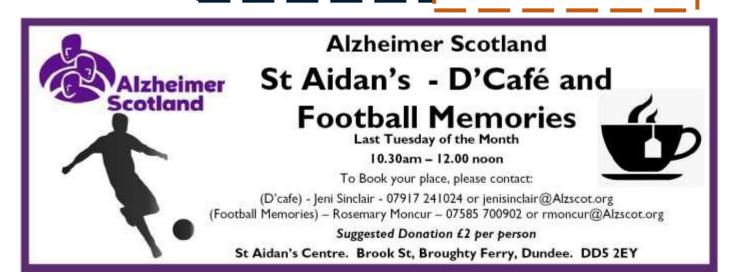
CARPET BOWLS

Weekly Thursday 1pm @ New Kirk

Join the fun & games

**Contact Alison** 

At St James 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> April 2pm Evening meeting Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> 7pm With entertainment from 'Freewheelin'



Groups/ Activities				
Church Activity	When & where	Contact		
Sunday Worship Service 11am	Weekly - On rotation	As below - Church		
	See Interconnections	offices		
Film night	@ St Aidan's			
Craft group 2pm	Every fortnight	Marvin 778089		
	@ St Luke's & Queen St	Aileen 776770		
Guild 2pm	Fortnightly (Sept –Mar)	Kathleen (NK)		
	On rotation	Marvin (SL) 778089		
		Sandra (SJ) 532481		
Concert Party 7-8pm	@ New Kirk			
Ladies badminton 9.45 – 11.45	Weekly @ New Kirk	Janette 776995		
Drop-in café	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	Ann 738818		
Activities and chat	@St James			
Broughty Ferry Churches	Weekly	Rev Cathy Brodie		
Bible study 7.30-9pm	Zoom meetings	Kate D 737912		
Carpet Bowls 1pm	Weekly @ New Kirk	Alison 778685		
Café of Memories 2pm	Last Thursday @ St Aidan's	Marvin 778089		
BFNK Scottish Country Dance club 7.30 – 9.30pm	Weekly (Sept – March) @ St Stephen's	Anne 739982		
Mixed badminton 7-8.30pm	Weekly @ New Kirk	Ann 477566		
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#### FAMILY & YOUTH ACTIVITIES

	Church Activity	When & where	Contact
SUNDAY	Sunday Fun Club 11am	Weekly - On rotation	Sheila (NK) 07948 714020
	During Worship Service	See Interconnections	Daryl (SL) 07403 516858
			Rhoda (SJ) 07909 595259
	Barnhill Youth club 7-9pm	Fortnight (term time)	Evelyn (BSM)
	Secondary school pupils	@Barnhill SM	youth@bsmchurch.org.uk
MONDAY	80 <sup>th</sup> Rainbows 6pm,	Weekly (term time)	
	Brownies 6pm & Guides 7.15pm	@St Luke's	
TUESDAY	Toddler Group BF	Weekly – all year	Through Facebook or email
	9-11.30am	@ New Kirk	newkirktoddlergroup@hotmail.com
WEDNESDAY	Guides 6.30 – 8pm	Weekly (term time)	
		@ St Aidan's	
	Brownies 6 – 9.15pm	Weekly (term time)	
		@ New Kirk	
THURSDAY	20 <sup>th</sup> Brownies 6pm &	Weekly (term time)	
	Guides 7pm	@ St Luke's	
	Anchor Boys & Junior BB	Weekly (term time)	
	7- 8.30pm	@ New Kirk	
FRIDAY	20th Rainbows 6pm	Weekly (term time)	Janet Peggie 07730 580770
		@ St Luke's	
	64 <sup>th</sup> Rainbows 4.30 – 5.30 &	Weekly (term time)	Rhoda 07909 595259
	Brownies 6-7.30	@ St James	
	Boys Brigade 7.30 – 9.30pm	Weekly ( term time)	
		@ New Kirk	
SATURDAY	Messy Church 4-5.30pm	Last Saturday	Evelyn (BSM)
	Children and adults	@ Barnhill SM	youth@bsmchurch.org.uk

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Recent Deaths 'And whosoever believeth in me shall never die'					
St Luke's & Queen Street St	Broughty Ferry New Kirk				
Mrs Gladys Adam, 16 Gauldry Terrace	Mrs Gladys Tennant, Tigh na Murin				
Mrs Christina M Steele, 12 Wemyss Crescent, Monifieth	Mr George Hunter, 19 Fyne Road				
Mrs Edna McTear, 18 Beaumont Crescent	Mrs Christine Hunter. Janet Brougham House				
Mrs Mori Carnegie, 17 Douglas Terrace	Mr Roderick Ross, 6 Morlich Gardens				
St James	Mr Ronald Buick. 202 Strathmore Street				
Mrs Moira Cooper 72 Brown Street	Correction: Mr Robert Milne, 28 Anton Drive				

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	Ken Andrew (SLQS)	07785 243908	
	Sandra Smith (SJ)	07785 268830	
Organist	Mr Don Grieve (SLQS)		
Choir/ Music	David Murie (SJ); Sheonagh Coutts (NK)		
Joint Sunday School			
Flower Conveners	Marvin Harris (SLQS); Sandra Smith (SJ); Evelyn Stewart (NK)		
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	Kate Dean (SJ)	katedean@blueyonder.co.uk	
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