

Cornerstone

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Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; make music to our God on the harp. He covers the sky with clouds; he supplies the earth with rain and makes grass grow on the hills.

Ps 147:7-8



Notes from the Manse

Dear Friends,

What have you made of 2017 so far? As part of the Scots Kirk community I hope you share with me the expectation of great things and good opportunities for service ahead of us in this New Year. In the letter to the Philippians, we read of



Paul and Timothy's thanksgiving and their hopes for all the "saints", the Christian believers in Philippi. Their letter is a reflection on Christ's humility and our living relationship with Him. Paul encourages the church to continue what God has already begun in us; to look forward, to press onwards, work together and at all times, to **"Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again, Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near."** (Philippians 4:4)

"What's for us, will not go by us!" That's an old Scottish folk saying which you may have also heard before. Whether the sentiment is true or not it is part of the way many of us were brought up to

think about things and accept our lot in life — even the hardships! It's how my Dad expressed himself to me when speaking of his cancer diagnosis. Of course, whilst we give respect to the view, especially if it helps the individual face difficult personal circumstances over which we have little or no control, we know it is not the whole story! When we read the scriptures we also discover and understand that as faithful people of God we are partners with Christ in this world. We are part of His Body and the community of believers, the church. Having faith brings a more engaging less passive perspective on the stuff of life. Again, as Paul writes, **"If there is any encouragement from being united with Christ... any comfort from his love..."** (Philippians 2:1) then we have work to do and service to give. Sometimes we're tempted to see the church as being here to meet our needs. When it doesn't do that then we can feel hard done by, a little disgruntled and quite put out! However, a church that suits me is more than likely a church missing its essential purpose and mission. God's gift of faith and our place within a fellowship of faith is given *that it will be shared* with others. The church exists to worship and praise God and to serve the needs of others, particularly, by loving and serving those beyond its walls, those to whom, as we read in our Bibles, Jesus comes alongside, befriending and loving the poor and the broken, the hurting and the lost, and that includes you, me and our neighbour and the stranger next door!

Can we turn ourselves inside out and find a deeper purpose in doing so? Are we able to see beyond ourselves and look to serve the needs of others? The Scots

Kirk already has a platform and a base for doing so. For example, many groups and individuals use the facilities of St Andrew's House. That's why it's important that we replace the roof this spring and that we express commitment through our attention to the needs of the building and its comforts. This not for our sake but rather to ensure the church's continuing engagement and service to the wider community in the years to come.

As I write this letter, my thoughts are also turning to the next "Service Sunday" sometime in February. As part of worship on that day, we'll again move ourselves from the Sanctuary to the Hall and with the different perspective of "**from Church to church**", we will consider ways in which we can develop and engage with opportunities for service that lie before us. Already various people are involved with preparing meals to pass on to others when times are difficult for them or in giving lifts and visits for coffee and a chat. On Service Sunday, I hope we'll discover new ways in which to give service and come to understand how much further God wants us to go in being present for others as an open, loving and engaging church.

I invite you to affirm your commitment to our working together in this New Year. If you have not yet done so, please pledge and make your financial donation to the new roof project and do so with a thankful heart. Look out for the Service Sunday worship too and make that a day when you definitely will be at church.

Opt in! It's a New Year and certainly, "*what's for us, will not go by us*" if we work together and express our commitment in our actions!

Your minister and friend,

Ian

WANTED!

Our concierge, Mr. Michele Piovoso, wishes to take his well-deserved retirement after many years of faithful service to the Scots Kirk. How to replace him? If anyone can think of possible candidates then please pass on the information to the Session Clerk or the Minister. Thank you.

Mario Jean Gehring

13th July 1930 – 15th December 2016

Born in Zurich on 13th July 1930, Mario grew up alongside his sister Sonia, experiencing tough times of rationing in the difficulties of the pre-war and war years. At the age of 20, Mario left Zurich to meet the world and follow his ambitions. Throughout his life Mario was always thinking big and no obstacle was insurmountable, no problem ever too much that it could not be challenged. He is also remembered as a devoted and faithful child of God, a beloved husband, father and grandfather, a loving brother and a good friend to many.

At his funeral, his family affirmed how Mario lived his life to the full: with positive energy and a lively interest in the world about him. As a family man and a man of the world, he travelled extensively and in his latter years, continued to be interested and engaged with world events.

As his family said of him, so it is also true of our experience of Mario at the Scots Kirk: that in so many ways and in all the highs and lows of our life he was very much a “go to person”. Whether working together with André on matters concerning the church buildings or in consultation with others for the smooth running and management of the church, we are thankful to God for his place in our common story. No doubt in facing future challenges, many of us will have occasion to think back and reflect with gratitude that when he was amongst us, Mario’s life was a blend of humility and strength: always ready to inform, encourage and challenge us and always, with a sense of adventure and fun in life. He loved us!

Compassionate and generous, Mario saw need and met it with natural spontaneity and optimism. The plight of the poor and the sight of injustice in the world fired his heart and strengthened his resolve to act. He loved a challenge and would take himself beyond his personal comfort zone, often



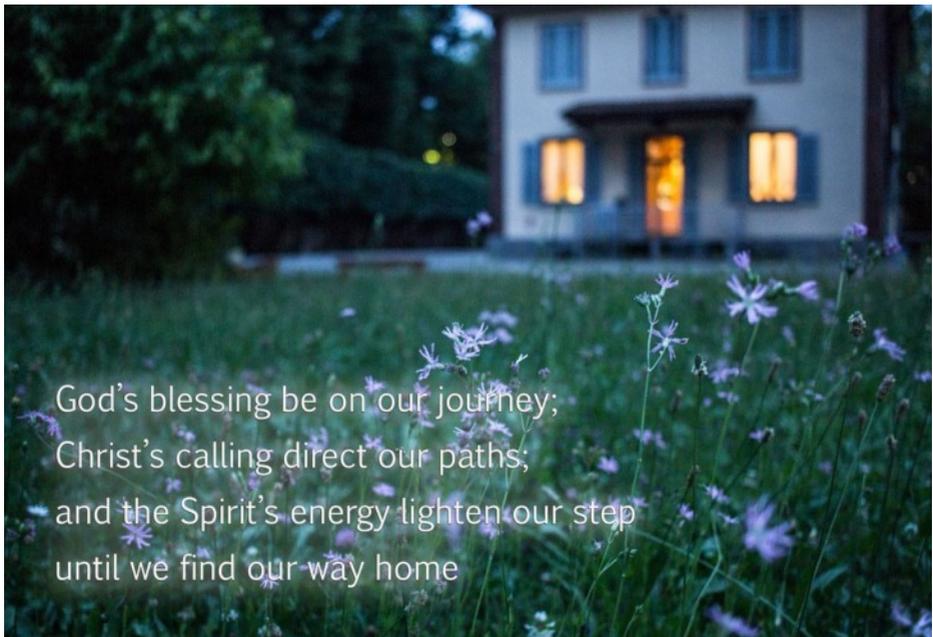
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stretching those around him as well with his encouragement to go a little further and do a little more to challenge ourselves and rise to face all difficulties.

Mario and his family brought the Scots Kirk into a five-year partnership with their charitable work in association with Pastor Gérard Palé, working to provide for orphaned children in Burkina Faso. Through a scheme of fundraising sales, sponsorship and the naming of hens, over the years there has been considerable development in the local infrastructure and support in Burkina, for a growing number of children with provision for their accommodation and opportunities for education.

A man of deep spirit and faith, we are privileged to have known Mario. We stand with his wife, Vreni, his children, Marta, Sarah and Matthew, his grandchildren and his sister Sonia as together we give thanks to God for his place, his indelible mark and his inspiration in our life.

Thank God and stay blessed. Amen.



God's blessing be on our journey;
Christ's calling direct our paths;
and the Spirit's energy lighten our step
until we find our way home

Palestine and Israel trip

This has been cancelled due to insufficient numbers from both Geneva and Lausanne churches.

Catherine and Cynthia

Caring & Sharing

“Looking after each other’s wellbeing”



The Pastoral Care Team of the Scots Kirk, together with the Minister, is available to offer help and support – practical and spiritual – to anyone in need.

Should you, or someone you know, be in need of such help, please contact the Minister, the Pastoral Care Coordinator, Catherine Cowper, or one of the team – identifiable by a blue badge with the above emblem.

All matters are treated with respect and in confidence.

World Day of Prayer

This year, the World Day of Prayer will be hosted by our Catholic friends at the Our Lady of Faith Church, 54 av. de Béthusy, in Lausanne and, as in past years, all our sister churches will meet there together as one congregation.



The Service, which has been prepared by the Philippines, will be held over the lunch hour, starting at 12h15. This will be followed by a buffet lunch, thus enabling attendance for anyone able to leave their workplace for a while. Blue zone parking is available in the vicinity.

We do hope you will come along to this special Service which gives us a rare opportunity to meet our friends from other nearby churches.

Geraldine Ewen

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Condolences

We send our condolences to:

- Daniel Blaser whose brother, François, died on 7th December;
- The family of Mario Gehring who died just before Christmas (see family tribute to Mario on pp. 4-5).

In addition, we have recently been made aware that Mme Muriel Dufey, who played the organ at the Scots Kirk for many years, died on 4th August 2016.

A Message from Cynthia Gunn

Thanks to those in the Scots Kirk who acknowledged the passing of my brother, Bryce, in Sydney, on November 16, 2016. A page has been turned...

Be Thankful

Be thankful that you don't already have everything you desire.

If you did, what would there be to look forward to?

Be thankful when you don't know something,

for it gives you the opportunity to learn.

Be thankful for the difficult times.

During those times you grow.

Be thankful for your limitations,

because they give you opportunities for improvement.

Be thankful for each new challenge,

because it will build your strength and character.

Be thankful for your mistakes.

They will teach you valuable lessons.

Be thankful when you're tired and weary,

because it means you've made a difference.

It's easy to be thankful for the good things. A life of rich fulfillment comes to those who are also thankful for the setbacks. Gratitude can turn a negative into a positive. Find a way to be thankful for your troubles, and they can become your blessings.

Scots Kirk Charity Team Report to the Session

Our role

1. To propose a selection of charitable causes to the Session for their approval. This process is based on:
 - a. Reflecting the values and inputs of the congregation
 - b. Carrying out due diligence on all potential recipients
2. To manage the grant-making process and ensure that we receive timely reports
3. To communicate to the congregation how the Kirk's charities are performing

Allocating funds

These are allocated according to the Kirk's Charity policy (see attached table):

- 1 x Five-year project
- 2 x Two-year Sponsored projects
- 1 x Christmas charity: Christmas collection plus retiring collection
- A selection of Retiring and miscellaneous collections

Allocation of Charity Funds from the Kirk's Bazaar (%) 2016

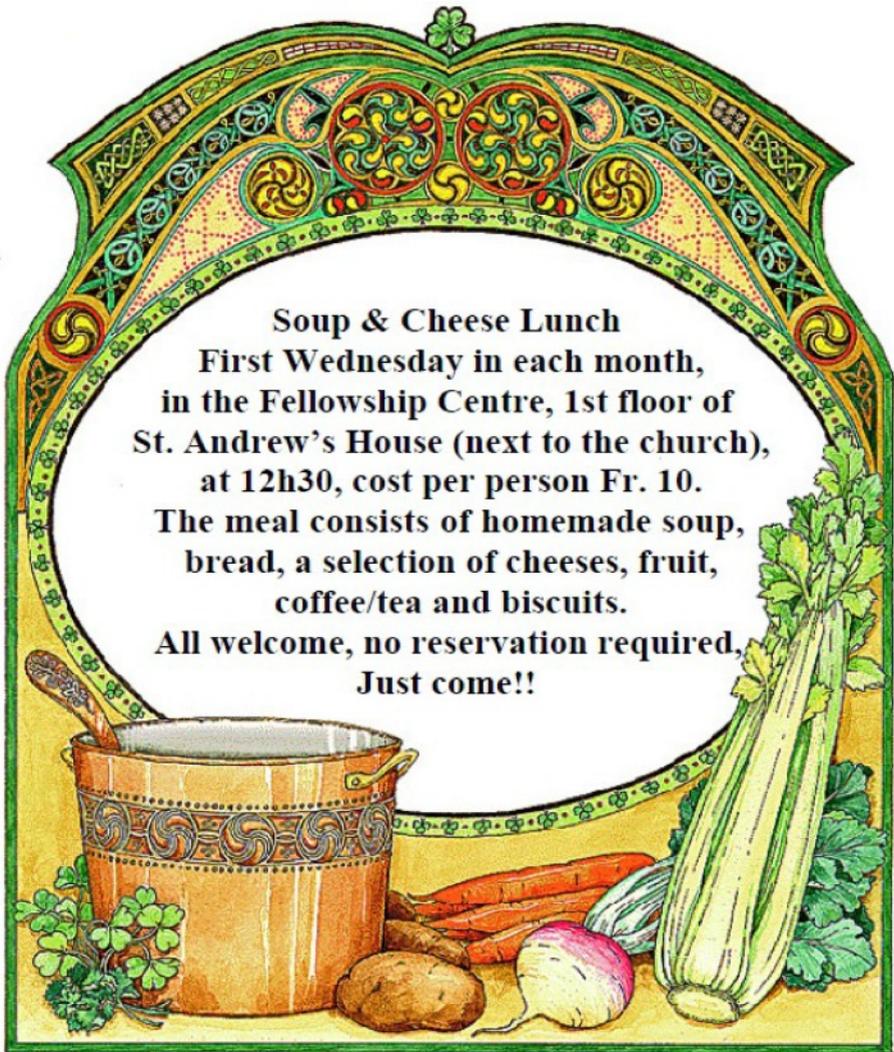


Selecting charities

We encourage suggestions from the congregation and the team also researches potential recipients that its members suggest. The key selection criteria are explained in the Kirk's Charity policy (approved by Session) and include: time limits, sustainability and community involvement.

Charities selected for 2017 and beyond

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| Five-year Project: | Kalunba (Helping conflict refugees in Hungary) |
| Sponsored Projects: | Christian Aid (International Development) and Jyoti's Joy (Education in rural Nepal) |
| Partner Organisations: | CSP and Proxy Foundation |



Soup & Cheese Lunch dates for 2017

1st March, 5th April, 3rd May, 7th June, 5th July,
2nd August, 6th September, 4th October, 1st November, 6th December

NB: No Soup & Cheese Lunch in February!

Reserve the date now!

Sunday 26th February

SNOW SUNDAY IN LES MOSSES

Programme for the day:

**9 a.m. Morning Worship in the church
at Les Mosses**

**12.30 p.m. Fondue at a local restaurant
(please let Gathy FitzSimons know
if you will be there)**

**Welcome whether Skiing, Snow Shoeing or
Simply Spending the Day — sign up for
worship and for lunch — just let Gathy or Ian
know if you intend to come.**

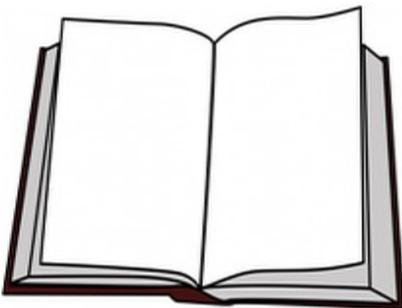
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Many congratulations to Annette Daniel who recently celebrated her 80th birthday with family and friends. Annette and her late husband, Balasan, an Elder and incidentally a native speaker of Aramaic, were both members of this congregation for many years.

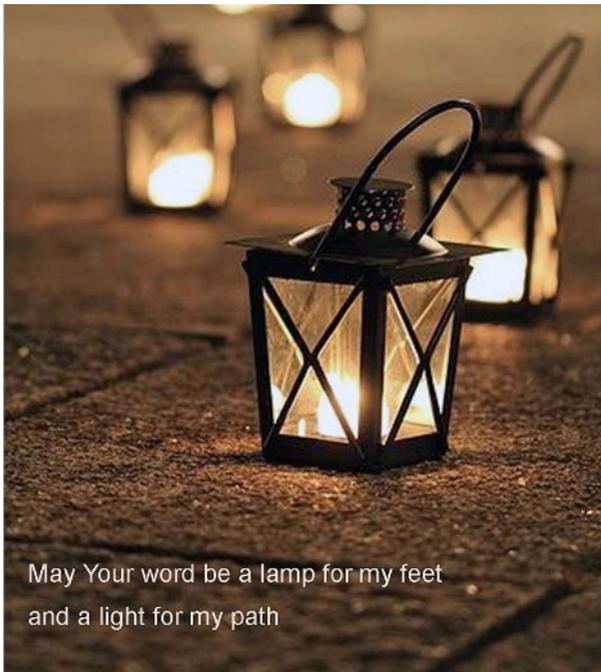
Prayer Requests



A book is available in the Church entrance, should you wish to request a friend, loved one or even yourself be mentioned in the prayers of intercession at the Sunday morning service.



Thanks to those who ran and walked during the Christmas Midnight Run and to those who turned out to support them.



May Your word be a lamp for my feet
and a light for my path



**Lunch on
Christmas Day
in the
Fellowship Centre**



Christmas Day Lunch in the Fellowship Centre

With Christmas Day falling as it did on a Sunday in 2016, we were very blessed to be able to celebrate together with others with a delicious lunch in the Fellowship Centre, prepared and organized by Lindsay and Jeremy McTeague and their band of helpers. And what a truly delightful occasion it was! We were 26 persons in all, including three generations of the McDonald family: Ian and Helen and three of their four children plus Ian's mother, Joy.

Our most grateful thanks go to Lindsay and Jeremy for all their organisation of the event and their hard work plus a really delicious Christmas turkey lunch with all the trimmings. It really made Christmas Day even more special to be able to meet in this manner on the actual day.

New address

Ms. Rosemary Armstrong would like to notify her friends at the church of her new address which now is

35, Gilhams Court,
High Street,
BERKHAMSTED,
Herts. HP4 1AT
GB.

I do not suppose that many people will actually remember Rosemary but will probably recognise her name because it was she who donated our present hymn books in memory of her late father, Mr. Livingstone Armstrong and there is a note in all of them to this effect. Rosemary was never actually a member of our church but came on many occasions with her father during her frequent visits to him towards the end of his life, which is when several of us got to know her. Mr. Livingstone Armstrong was very proud of the fact that he was related to the famous missionary/explorer, David Livingstone.

Pam Kirby

Great Scot!

60: Joan Eardley

This Great 'Scot' shares a distinction with GSs 19 and 33 (resp. Eric Liddel and Elsie Inglis) in that the subject, although truly Scottish, was born in foreign parts...

Joan Kathleen Harding Eardley, future 'humanistic' artist, was born in Warnham (West Sussex) on May 18th, 1921. Her family were dairy farmers and her mother a true Scot of maiden name Morrison. 'Aah' you may exclaim, 'a healthy occupation in a bucolic and fresh-air part of the country!' Things did not work out like that for Joan and her younger sister, for their father, gassed in the WWI conflict, suffered a nervous breakdown and subsequently committed suicide. Joan was nine years old. Mother moved the family to Blackheath thus from bucolia, into 'The Smoke'. Although this may seem a step downwards there was money in the South – if you are in the right place(s) – and our subject was in a 'good' place; 1929, and an aunt paid for Joan's, and her sister's education at a private school, and it was here that her artistic talent was spotted.



Art school in Blackheath and then Goldsmiths College (London) in 1938 were good places before the call of the North grew too strong and mother consequently brought the girls 'back home' – well, to Glasgow in 1939 where she enrolled at the Glasgow school of art as a day student – and that road (that of day student), believe me, is a hard road to tread when you are looking for a qualification that might open a few doors in the future. At this school, GS 60 was influenced by the 'Scottish Colourists' (see GS 57 – J. D. Fergusson – to see who they were). Her main and abiding influence came from Margot Sandemen who was to be awarded the Sir James Guthrie Prize for Portraiture – the significance of this, as far as Joan Eardley is concerned, is that the prize, a biography of Guthrie (by Sir James Caw) is still a prized possession of J.K.H.'s family.

A sojourn in the south of England, roots in Scotland – what next for our subject? Why not Italy and France? After more studies, in London then in Arbroath, Joan went 'continental' in 1948 and 1949, particularly in Italy where she came under the influences of Massacio and of Piero della Francesca. Back in Scotland by the end of 1949 she set up an exhibition of the work accomplished during her 'Italian time' and it was at this 'expo' that her scenes of beggars, peasants and

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the generally 'underprivileged' came to the fore. Was she influenced by L. S. Lowry? Is a question often put – I think not as Eardley's works were put in her mind by northern Italians, not folk from the 'Northern Powerhouse'. However, we now take up the story back in Glasgow.

This is where Joan set up a studio in the region of Townhead – a much denigrated part of the city, but one which inspired GS 60 to paint (and proclaim) the existence of the squalid living conditions of many of those in the mighty city of 'St. Mungo'. The failing shipyards of Port Glasgow became a focal point for this artist but the story does not (unfortunately) end there. Enter Catterline a charming fishing village near Stonehaven where Joan was taken to invest her time, and later her money, in the picturesque surroundings of this final inspiration to her artistic talent. The cottage



she bought had no electricity, no running water and no little of anything else; but its situation brought inspiration to our artist – seascapes (with variations on the weather), landscapes (with changing seasons) and many views of Catterline where she worked out-doors (an activity that broke the relationship between Gauguin and van Gogh...) but that's another story and ours has to end here.

Joan Kathleen Harding Eardley, in 1955, was elected an Associate of the Royal Scottish Academy, becoming a full member in 1963. Perhaps a glittering future waited –who's to see? Breast cancer was diagnosed and the rest is bad history. Our subject refused treatment and, despite terrible pain continued her work – our legacy. You may see them (her works) at the Scottish National Gallery of modern Art and at the Glasgow museums each of which exhibit coastal scenes such as *Catterline Coastal Cottages* not to mention figurative works such as *Two Children* (not to be missed...). If you wish to see more of her masters, tune in to the Talbot Rice Gallery (Edinburgh) and the Royal Scottish Academy, not to mention the galleries above listed.

Joan Eardley died on August 16th 1963.

John McKillop

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Scotland and Luther

As the year marking the 500th anniversary of the Reformation begins, the Very Rev Dr Ian Bradley reflects on its impact in Scotland.

This year marks the 500th anniversary of the event generally taken to mark the start of the Protestant Reformation, Martin Luther's action in nailing up 95 theses attacking some of the practices and doctrines of the late Medieval Catholic church on the door of the castle church in Wittenberg.

Scotland, and the Church of Scotland in particular, ultimately drew more in terms of theology, doctrines and forms of church government and polity from the other great founding father of the European Reformation, Jean Calvin, than it did from the more conservative figure of Luther.

However, the influence of Luther was also important here, especially in the early years of the spread of Protestant ideas from the continent. Luther's critique of Medieval Catholicism and his strong assertion of the doctrine of justification by personal faith alone, without recourse to works, the accumulation of merit or the activities of the church, first came into Scotland in the form of literature which circulated particularly in the east coast burghs.

The first agent of Lutheranism to appear in Scotland seems to have been a Frenchman, Monsieur de la Tour, who arrived in 1523 to work for the Duke of Albany and suffered martyrdom when he subsequently returned to France.

An Act of Parliament in 1525 banned the importation of any literature by or about 'that heretic Luther' into Scotland but this did not stop several eminent Scots taking up and promulgating his main ideas. The most prominent of them was undoubtedly Patrick Hamilton (right, painting by John Scougal (1645-1730)), who was probably born near Glasgow around 1504 became a priest in 1526. His open support for the teachings of Luther, notably the idea of justification by faith alone, brought him into direct conflict with James Beaton, Archbishop of St Andrews. In 1528 Hamilton was summoned before Beaton on charges of heresy, found guilty and slowly burnt to death at the stake on February 29.

The courage of Hamilton in facing his agonising death as the first Protestant martyr in Scotland had a considerable effect on promoting Lutheranism here. It made particular inroads in St Leonard's College at St Andrews where both students and staff became outspoken critics of ecclesiastical corruption. Scotland's second Protestant martyr, Henry Forrester, a Benedictine friar from Linlithgow and graduate of St Leonard's College who had become Dean of the Abbey on the Isle of May, was burned to death near St Andrews Cathedral in 1533 for possessing a New Testament in English and affirming that Hamilton, whose death he had witnessed, was no heretic but a preacher of God's truth.

Other early Scottish Protestants who were much influenced by Patrick Hamilton included Alexander Seton, a Dominican prior and confessor to James V, who fled to England after denouncing the failings of the Catholic bishops and the immoralities of the king, and Alexander Alesius, another graduate of St Leonard's College, who implored James V to reform the Scottish church and sponsor a vernacular version of the Bible. John Gau and Henry Balnaves, both graduates of St Salvator's College in St Andrews, were also enthusiastic propagandists for Luther's ideas on justification by faith. Walter Milne, a former priest at Lunan in Angus who was burned to death at the age of 82 in St Andrews in 1558 for holding the mass as idolatrous and supporting clerical marriage and private preaching, was another figure strongly influenced by Luther's teaching. He was the last Protestant martyr in Scotland, dying just two years before the Scottish Parliament repudiated the Pope's authority and Roman Catholicism's status as the country's established faith, so initiating the Scottish Reformation.

The Church of Scotland established in 1560 was very much a Reformed kirk modelled on the principles that Calvin had put into practice in Geneva, as was the case with the Protestant churches of France and the Netherlands. Across Europe, Protestant churches shared a new emphasis of worshipping in the vernacular, the language of the people, rather than in Latin as through the Middle Ages.

Congregational hymn singing was an important aspect of this new approach. Although the first significant Scottish collection of material for this purpose, in fact, owed more to Lutheran than Calvinist principles. James and John Wedderburn's *Ane Compendious Book of Godly and Spiritual Songs* (also known as *The Gude and Godlie Ballads*), owed more to Lutheran than Calvinist principles, the subsequent history of Scottish psalmody and hymnody was to be very different in influence and orientation. Calvin's insistence that the only material that could be properly sung in churches were the Psalms of David, put into metrical form and sung to dedicated tunes which would never be heard in the street or the public house, became normative and dictated what congregations sang for almost 300 years.

It was not just in worship that Scotland followed the Calvinist rather than the Lutheran strand of Protestantism. In his excellent book *The Origins of the Scottish Reformation* (Manchester University Press, 2006), Alec Ryrie writes that 'Scottish Protestantism began as a broadly Lutheran movement during the reign of James V but had unmistakably become a Reformed (or 'Calvinist') one by 1560'. He points out that there was nothing automatic or inevitable about this and attributes much importance to the Scots' preference for Calvin's teaching about the presence of Christ in the bread and wine of the Eucharist as

an essentially spiritual presence in the mind of the believer over Luther's more objective and Catholic-inclined Eucharistic theology.

It is, of course, a moot point as to how far and in what respects the Church of Scotland still consciously sees itself as Calvinist. Maybe in some respects the modern Church of Scotland is leaning more towards its early Lutheran roots and even acknowledging its medieval Catholic origins in a greater concern with liturgy, spirituality and the mystical and experiential side of Christianity as against the rational, intellectual and disputatious. Yet it remains very clearly a church in the Reformed tradition, allied to other churches in Europe and beyond which share a Calvinist pedigree, and characterised, perhaps not always quite as fervently or enthusiastically as some would wish, by its motto 'Semper Reformanda' and the symbol of the ever burning bush which is never quite consumed by fire.

Perhaps the 500th anniversary of the Reformation will trigger conversations across the Kirk as to the nature and value of our Reformed heritage, the value and relevance of the theological insights and innovations made by Luther, Calvin and the early Scottish Reformers, and the positive legacy of Protestantism and what we can still affirm in it and build on.

A programme of events marking the Reformation anniversary will culminate with an ecumenical service on October 31.

The Very Rev Dr Ian Bradley is Principal of St Mary's College, St Andrews and Reader in Church History and Practical Theology at the University of St Andrews.

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Looking forward to Lent

A Lenten studies programme entitled "The Mystery of Everything" by Hilary Brand is planned. The five-week study will work around themes which spring from the film "The Theory of Everything". Beginning Ash Wednesday, 1st March. Look out for details of meeting times and venues in the order of service sheets.



Moments

If God brings you to it,
He will bring you through it.
Happy moments, praise God.
Difficult moments, seek God.
Quiet moments, worship God.
Painful moments, trust God.
Every moment, thank God.

Notice Board

Fire extinguishers in the Scots Kirk:

Where are they?

Church:

1. Vestibule: just inside the front door
2. Library: by the door leading to the toilet

St. Andrew's House:

3. Basement: in the cloakroom
4. First floor landing: at the entrance of the Appin Rooms
5. Third floor/Manse: landing

Fire Blankets:

One in the basement kitchen

One in the Fellowship Centre kitchen first floor



To all users of the Fellowship Centre kitchen

The instructions for using the vitroceram top, the oven and the washing-up machine (which was chosen for its short cycle, and is very easy to use), are to be found in the kitchen, on plastic cards. The cleaning products that are used are phosphate-free, and therefore eco-friendly. Should more information be needed, please contact Rosemary Bissegger (Property & Fabric Team). Thank you.

Please note that nothing should be stored in the boiler room in the basement or in the organ loft. This is not only highly dangerous and against official fire regulations, but our fire insurer would consider their liability to be reduced in the event of a fire and we could well not be reimbursed in full for any damage.

Cornerstone Classifieds

Mr. Be's bees offer excellent honey for cooking and cakes; please call Mr. B. Vuillemin/Sears (evenings) at 079 230 45 40 or 021 652 62 10.

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I'm looking for work as a concierge or similar in the Lausanne or Geneva area. If you can help, please contact Simon Sieman on 079 100 93 82. Thank you.

English speaking car experts. We are A2B Automotive, a small company who specialise in helping people with all aspects of car related issues here in Switzerland. If you have any questions relating to a car, we can probably offer a service that suits you, or just give you honest advice. We are based in Pampigny near to Morges but serve the Geneva and Lausanne area. www.a2bautomotive.com; Contact: info@a2bautomotive.com; 078 878 43 18/078 868 18 08.

French Christian offers French and Spanish lessons (A1-B2 levels, that is beginners and intermediate), CHF 30.-/h. Contact Alexandre Dominique on 0787924269.

Recent meeting of the Kirk Session

At the meeting of the Kirk Session on 14th December 2016, the following subjects were discussed. Further information can be obtained from the minutes of the meeting on the notice board in the church hall or by speaking to a member of the Session.

Links with local churches; roof project; fundraising; membership; bazaar; Princeton student; new cooker; Service Sunday; St. François Carol Service; update on giving/budget; charities team update; property team update; Snow Sunday in Les Mosses; safeguarding; Alice Goodman readership training; Space for God prayer group; proposed visit to Israel and Palestine; outreach team update; correspondence.

Next meeting of the Kirk Session:

8th February 2017 at 7.30 p.m.

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Scots Kirk Pledging Scheme

The Scots Kirk is fully self-funded and receives no income from church or state authorities. We rely on the giving of our members for the ministry and upkeep of the church. During our Annual Business Meeting, open to everyone, an update on our finances is given. The Pledging Scheme is very important: it helps plan our budget and stabilise our finances. In order to do this well, we would like to know:

1. The amount you choose to pledge and your preferred method;
2. Your name and address to send the pledging envelopes or the *bulletins de versement* (BVR).

Your pledge is a moral commitment, not a legal obligation. The amount you give remains anonymous.

Please fill in the Pledge Form. If you need envelopes, fill in the Order Form too. Separate them and put them in the Pledging Box at the entrance of the church on your next visit to church.

Thank you for your commitment and for taking the time to complete this form.

Stewardship Committee, Scots Kirk, Av. De Rumine 26, 1005 Lausanne

Email: pledge@scotskirklausanne.ch

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In 2017, I would like to contribute to the Scots Kirk Lausanne by means of the Pledging Scheme.

I intend to contribute CHF weekly/monthly/yearly (please underline your choice). My preferred method is:

Weekly envelopes/*bulletins de versement*/standing order/internet banking (please underline your choice)

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Order form for envelopes or *bulletins de versement*

To make my contribution, I need to have weekly envelopes/*bulletins de versement* (underline your choice). Please send them to my address:

Name:

Address:

As banking is becoming more automated, we encourage you to consider using a standing order or internet banking.

Kirk Bankers: Banque Cantonale Vaudoise
Place St-François 14, 1003 Lausanne (CCP 10-725-4);
Account: Scots Kirk, U 5113.11.76; Clearing 767;
SWIFT: BCVLCH2LXXX;
IBAN CH3500767000U51131176



WHAT'S ON AT THE KIRK!

All are welcome to attend
these mid-week activities!

Mondays at 7.30 p.m.
Scottish Country Dancing

Wednesdays from 3 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.
Bring & Buy Books

Thursdays from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Informal Art Group

First Wednesday in the month
at 12.30 p.m.
Soup & Cheese Lunch

Some of these regular activities may not take place
during the summer holiday period or at special
festivals, such as Easter or Christmas, so do check
before you come!