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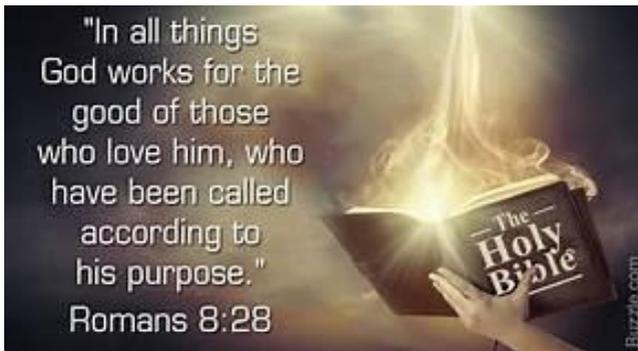
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Sandyhills Parish Church

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We in Sandyhills Parish Church aim to serve God by being a loving, caring, sharing church and by reaching out to the people of our community with good news about Jesus Christ

February 2019



The month
ahead

*Thank
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Musings from the Manse

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As I sit here and write this I am listening to a worship song which contains the lyric

The word abandoned in our

*“I’ll stand with arms high
and heart abandoned.
For all I am is yours.”*

context has negative connotations but when we abandon our hearts to the Lord we are not being careless, reckless, negligent or irresponsible. In fact we are being the complete opposite of these - because when we abandon our hearts to the Lord we are placing our trust **fully** in the eternal God, the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the one who is Sovereign and who reigns over all. This year our theme is ‘**Thy Kingdom come, Thy Will be done**’ and this is our prayer.

It is only when we abandon our hearts to the Lord that we can fully say, “**Not my will but thine.**”

This is what it looks like to *Seek first the Kingdom*. Let our

perspective be one that is not fixated on temporal matters. Like Matthew 6:19 says,

*“Do not lay up for yourselves
treasures on earth, where
moth and rust destroy and
where thieves break in and
steal.”*

The perspective that believers are meant to have is clearly laid out by Jesus later on in Matthew

*“But seek first the Kingdom
of God and his righteousness,
and all these things will be
added to you”.*

6:33

I said in my last edition of The Vision that I would end each piece with a challenge.

Challenge

My challenge this month is not a challenge but more an invitation. It is not an invitation for just February but for everyday. My prayer is that God would stir up a

passion and hunger for prayer in all of our hearts. Let us be a people who pray. Let us be a people who love to pray. Seeking

God’s Kingdom begins with His people being found in prayer. Thomas Brooks once said,

“Private prayer conscientiously is the privy key of heaven.”

Worship Details

February 2019

Feb 3 rd	10:30am	Minister
	6:30pm	Praise and Testimony Evening
Feb 10 th	10:30am	Minister
	2:00pm	Eastbank Care Home
Feb 17 th	10:30am	Minister
Feb 24 th	10:30am	Minister



Our next service of Communion will be held on **Sunday 3rd March 2019.**

Services will be at 10:30am and 6:30pm

Soup & Sandwich Lunch Sunday 17th February

Join us after the service on Sunday 17th February in the Lower Hall for our first Soup and Sandwich lunch of 2019.



My thanks to Hazel Berryman at this busy time of the year for families to upload the church services for me whilst I have been away in much sunnier climes in Australia over the festive period. I went to an open air carol concert which happened to be cancelled due to rain the night before on the River Yarra water front in Melbourne, some new and traditional carols were sung by the groups on stage.

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It is good to know that we can maintain the integrity of the church website with our services being available to all. I was not able to get reliable internet access, mostly relying on free services, but I have managed to hear some of the services on the other side of the world. Copies of the cd's will be available very soon on my return and the sermons section updated.

Thanks again to Hazel

Michael Abbott.

Church Flowers

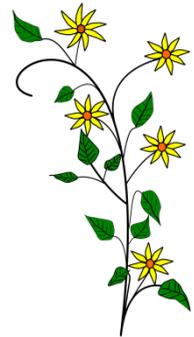
Feb. 3 rd	Mr & Mrs A McKenzie
10 th	Mr J Pauley
17 th	Mr M Abbott
24 th	Dr & Mrs Townsend
Mar. 3 rd	Mr & Mrs D Munro
10 TH	Ms Allison Forrester

Arrangers

Feb 3 rd	Mrs I Kane
10 th	Mrs M Berryman
17 th	Mrs L Milne
24 th	Mrs V Hunter
Mar 3 rd	Mrs I Malcolm
10 th	Mrs M Crawford

Dear Friends,

I hope you all had a lovely Christmas and may I wish you all a very Happy Healthy New Year. During the course of last year the flower fund has donated £50 to the Plant Sale, £146 to buy a new wheelchair for the Church and at Harvest time we gave £100 to Glasgow City Mission as there are so many homeless people about now, and that was instead of flowers on the window ledges.



There are a few dates available if anybody would like to have a Sunday to remember a loved one or a special occasion -

19th May

22nd September

3rd November

1st December

22nd December.

If you are interested, please speak to me at Church or phone me on 0141588-0037.

Sincerely

Margaret Crawford



The Social Committee would like to extend their thanks to the congregation for supporting their events at the end of last year. In total we were able to send £843.25 to Glasgow City Mission from monies raised at the Fish Supper Quiz Night, Carols by Candlelight, Piece & Pud. and Soup & Sandwich lunches and our Advent Service retiring offering.

We are now beginning to plan for 2019 and hope to introduce some new events, as well as revising some of our existing favourites, and we'll share our calendar for this year in March's Vision.

We look forward to seeing you and hopefully some new faces at these occasions as the year goes on.

Thanks,

The Social Team.

Church Family

Sadly this month I have to intimate the deaths of two of our elderly members –

Mr Robert Ainsley (District 15)

Mr John Beresford (District 20)

The following should also be noted-

Mrs Jayney Boyle (District 9) has removed by certificate to St Johns Parish Church, Dunoon.

Invitation for Ladies

Spend a day with **Debbie Orr**

Woodhill Evangelical Church - Saturday 23rd February 2019

Outline Programme

Tea and Coffee from 10:00am

Introduction and first session at 10:30am

Lunch around 12:00
(please bring your own)

Second session at 1:00pm

Finish around 2:30pm with Tea and coffee in The Hub

Bookstall available

Freewill offering

Debbie Orr is a wife, mother and passionate follower of Jesus. Her heart's desire is to see women set free to fulfil God's purpose for their lives.

In 2006, she founded the first **Woman2Woman** group in Glasgow.

Woman2Woman has been inspiring and encouraging women to draw closer to God, and develop and nurture deeper relationships with Jesus through studying His Word together and building relationships in an atmosphere of love, acceptance and genuine sense of belonging.



Woodhill Evangelical Church
30 Westerleddens Road
Bishopbriggs G64 2NH
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Praise, teaching and inspiration throughout the day

No booking required – just turn up!

More details from Lainey Adams (0141 779 2959) or Janice Harley (0141 775 2767) or email ladiesday@woodhillevangelical.co.uk

A day to remember for women just like you ... bring a friend, or two, or more!



*Thank
You*

Nativity Play

We would like to say a huge thank you to Mary Lindsay and all the staff and helpers in the X-groups for their hard work in making the Nativity Play an undoubted success. The Christmas Story was told in great detail by the narrators, Neve, Abbie and Millie and acted out by the rest of the groups resplendent in their costumes.

Well done to all

Wilf Townsend and Margaret Boyd

(Elders to X-Groups)

Men's Breakfast

The next meeting of the Men's Breakfast Club will be on Saturday February 9th at 9am and the speaker will be Mr Andy McArthur with his take on Tam O'Shanter

All men will be made very welcome and a cooked breakfast of roll, sausage and bacon will be served.

Ian & Bill

Men's Breakfast Syllabus 2019

Feb 9 Mr Andy McArthur
 Tam O'Shanter

Mar 9 JENNIFER DOUGLAS
 PPWH---PRINCE & PRINCESS OF WALES HOSPICE
 THE WORK OF THE HOSPICE

Apr 13 WILLIAM SMILLIE
 MEN'S SHEDS WORKING WITH MEN THROUGH
 CRAFTS

May 4 ANNUAL OUTING
 CANAL CRUISE ON THE FORTH AND CLYDE CANAL



GUILD MEETINGS IN February/March

February

7	Pilgrims Lunch 12-30/1pm	John Henderson/ Pilgrimages
14	Action on Hearing	Malaika Rose
21	WoodPrints	George Owens
22	Open Night Tickets £5.00	Caledonian Fiddle Orchestra
28	Project 'Growing the Future'	Kevin Simpson Malawi Fruits

March

7	Canalside Rangers	Linton McBurnie
14	Optical Confusion	Rev John Martindale



GLASGOW WINTER NIGHT SHELTER

The night shelter will be open again this year from 1st December to 31st March. **Our week is from Sunday 17th February to Saturday 23rd February inclusive.**

Unlike previous years church volunteers are no longer needed to stay overnight.

We need at least 2 volunteers per evening and the shift is from 9pm until midnight, anyone wishing to stay overnight will be very welcome but it is not required this year.

Volunteer duties are mainly making tea and coffee and chatting to the folks that come in, it is both challenging and rewarding. Please prayerfully consider giving up a few hours on what might be a cold winter night to show some love and compassion to someone who might otherwise be sleeping on our streets. Thank you.

If you are interested or would like any more information please contact Carol-Ann Frame ‘carolann@glasgowcitymission.com’ or by phone on 07919948721



A day of challenge and encouragement for men

Saturday 2nd March 2019

“Making a Difference”

with



Christian
Men Together
for Scotland

Ian Coffey and Andy Bannister

Woodhill Evangelical Church

Wester Cleddens Road, Bishopbriggs, Glasgow G64 2NH

9.30am – 4.00pm

Tickets: £16 or £14 (early-bird offer)

(Ticket price includes refreshments and a light lunch)

Fellowship Dinner



The **Annual Fellowship Dinner**, where we join with our Parish Grouping of Kenmuir and Carmyle Churches, will be held on Friday **22nd March in Sandyhills Golf Club.**

This event is opened to all of the congregation and is always a most

enjoyable evening.

More details will be available closer to the date.

Vision

If you have any articles for the February Vision, pass them to Maureen Sharp or Mike Abbott or by email to vision@sandyhillschurch.co.uk.

As always, please note the deadline for receipt of articles of no later:-

17 February for March issue

17 March for April issue