

Cadder Newsletter September 2021



Dear Members and Friends of Cadder Church,

I hope that you enjoyed the beautiful weather that we have had this summer. Unfortunately, it quickly becomes a memory, as we now begin to move towards Autumn. The apple tree in the Manse Garden is heavy laden again with fruit, and all around us we are reminded of the beginning of this beautiful season of golden colours. One of my favourite passages in the Bible is from Ecclesiastes 3v1-8, where the philosopher reflects that there is “a season for every activity under heaven...a time to plant and a time to uproot.” Wise words indeed.

Autumn is a season of uprooting; farmers are gathering in the fruits of their labours. But Autumn also tells us that nature is preparing to have a rest from its hard work of budding, growing, blooming and producing fruit. Autumn is a great lesson for us also that everyone and everything needs a time of rest. The fields will soon lie fallow; some forms of wildlife go into hibernation. Autumn would serve to remind us that as humans we also need to take time to rest. It's been a hard season that we've all lived through because of the covid pandemic and we have all been affected – lockdowns have been challenging and taxing and so like nature, rest is a good way to recuperate. The Bible tells us that God created the world in 7 days, there is a reason for that, for in the 7th day God rested, and so if our Creator needs rest, then we humans need it more. Isaiah the prophet wrote,

“Even youths grow tired and weary,
and young men stumble and fall;
but those who hope in the Lord
will renew their strength.
They will soar on wings like eagles;
they will run and not grow weary,
they will walk and not be faint”

God, has built into the universe and into our world cycles of rest, and it is a wise person who can go with the flow and become part of these cycles. But Autumn is also a time to reflect on the past; we may realise that there are things we didn't get done over the spring and the summer and perhaps they will never get done. We are human and as much as we would like to, we can't do everything. Autumn teaches us to let go of the past, and to relax and to enjoy the changing season all around us.

Autumn may ask an important question of us, “Are we ready for the winter months? It is a time of preparation – making sure that we are secure and protected from the storms of life.

It may ask spiritual questions of us. Do we have adequate spiritual provisions laid in store that will support us when the cold winds of life blow and the world starts reeling around us? We know that autumn storms come unexpectedly. Jesus tells the story of the wise and foolish house builders and it was the wise man, who took the time to dig down deep, and lay foundations that would stand up to the storm. So, Autumn is a time for us to reflect spiritually on our relationship with God, and to make sure that our roots are planted deep in the Christian faith. The old hymn sums it up well,

“We have an anchor that keeps the soul
Steadfast and sure while the billows roll,
Fastened to the Rock which cannot move,
Grounded firm and deep in the Saviour’s love.”

Another vital lesson of autumn, is to enjoy the beauty of each day. No two autumn days are exactly alike. The sky will be different tomorrow. The leaves on the trees will change daily. So, each autumn day is a fresh invitation to sit and enjoy the beauty of the day that creation gives us. Elizabeth Lawrence observes, “Everyone must take time to sit and watch the leaves turn.”

We need to remember this important lesson of autumn, not just in this season, but every day of the year. Every day holds its own peculiar blessing and aspects of beauty to be entered into and enjoyed and appreciated with a spirit of gratitude. Though we often think of natural beauty in the season of autumn, there are other beauties of life that we can take note of and be grateful for all throughout the year—the beautiful smile of our children or grandchildren; a meaningful conversation with a good friend; a nice meal with a friend, our partner, or spouse; a thoughtful gesture by someone we meet during the course of our day. Yes, autumn calls us to stop and enjoy the peculiar beauty of each day as it comes to us. And so, as we commence this glorious autumn season, may we take time to stop, reflect, and learn the spiritual lessons and wisdom that autumn has to offer. And may we take time to sit and watch the leaves turn and experience and express gratitude to our Creator for the beauty witnessed in the autumn splendour.

Yours in Christ,

John

Early Morning ZOOM Meetings on a Tue and Thurs at 9.30 am Please join us for those meetings, you will be most welcome. The code is 873 1163 8510 and the passcode is 644437.

Funerals

Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life"

Bill Inglis – 29.6.33 – 9.6.21

Dorothy Simpson 25.5.34 – 17.6.21

Alan Freeman 21.1.44- 25.6.21

Sandy Harvey- 10.5.33 – 4.7.21

Margaret Low – 3.12.27 - 20.8.21

Mary Cookson – 25.7.35 – 5.9.21

I would like to pay a short tribute to two of our members who contributed greatly to the life of Cadder Church and who passed into the love and grace of God this summer.

Bill "Willie" Inglis

Willie was born and brought up in Stobcross Street in Anderston. He was the youngest of 7 and had 3 brothers and 3 sisters. He was schooled at Finnieston Primary and Woodside Secondary.

One of his great interests from an early age was the Boys Brigade and Willie continued with the BB and eventually became an officer. It was at the BB that he learned to play the bagpipes.

Willie was a Principal PE Teacher at Alan Glens school. However, he had another passion in his life and that was working with wood.

He met the love of his life Janice when they were at school. Both of them went to Jordanhill College at the same time, and romance was to blossom, and they were married in 1958, in Burnbank Church in Glasgow, after Willie had finished his National Service.

Michael was born in 1962 and Rachel in 1965 and their family were at the centre of their lives. He was very proud of his Grandchildren, Pamela and Scot and they were devoted to him also.

Willie was a man of faith. He was fully committed to Cadder Parish Church. He was a serving elder and took his role seriously, never missing a meeting and contributing wherever he could. He served in visiting his district, and was faithful in his elder's duties. He loved Cadder Coffee shop and served there as long as his health allowed, but was wise enough to step back when he wasn't able to do what he once could do. He was a valued member of the Property committee and his knowledge and skills were much appreciated.

Willie was a perfect gentleman, he was fair minded and saw the best in people. He was a diplomat, always willing to negotiate, and he was a clever man.

Willie will be greatly missed by many, especially his family, he was a man of faith, a man whose trust was in God. We trust that Willie now knows God's perfect peace.

Sandy Harvey

Sandy was born in on the 10th of May 1933. He was brought up in Greenock. After he left school, he trained at Jordanhill College to be a PE teacher and it was here that he met Moira. They were married in 1956. Before they settled down in Bishopbriggs, they moved around a bit, due to Sandy being in the RAF, Lincoln, Eastriggs and Rotherham. They eventually moved to Bishopbriggs and they settled at Lyne Croft in 1967, which was their home for 55 years. Moira and Sandy were blessed with their own two children Jane and Alison, who were both special to them and they supported them throughout their lives. They were also blessed with their grandchildren, Craig, Bruce and Molly and he was proud of his grandchildren.

Sandy had many interests in life and one was Cadder Coffee Shop, where he supported Moira, and he made a lovely pot of soup. He had a great ear for music and loved to sing in choirs. His church at Cadder and his faith were very important to him. He sang in the church choir and also Kirkintilloch Male Voice Choir. We will fondly remember Sandy as being a warm, loving, generous person. Sadly, he lost the love off his life Moira in March of this year and he missed her greatly. They would have celebrated 65 years of married life this year. We trust that Sandy is at peace and knows the joy of being with Moira.

It has been a privilege for me to have known both Willie “Bill” and Sandy, and I know that they were greatly loved at Cadder Church will be fondly remembered –
Rev John

Wedding celebrations 65 years apart

Eric and Ena Mitchell celebrated their 65 year anniversary on 14th July 21. Married in Cadder Parish Church on 14th July 1956, 65 years before their Grandson Graeme and Laura married in Cadder.



Capacity lifted in the Church

I'm delighted to announce that, now we are at level zero, the capacity limit has been further lifted in the church and so we are able to accommodate more people. We can all sit on a comfy cushion, and if numbers exceed the capacity for downstairs, the gallery can be used.

However, there are still restrictions in place. The rules on face coverings and hand sanitization still apply, as well as maintaining a 1m distance downstairs, and 2m in the balcony. We note that we are now able to sing albeit through our trusty masks.

["Watch the Cadder Online Service"](#)



The Sunday services continue to be recorded and are available on the Church YouTube channel

Thank you

A huge thank you to all who have been working hard behind the scenes getting our halls accommodation ready for starting back. There has been a lot of hard work involved. Also thank you to the gardening squads that we had over the summer, tidying the south and north hall grounds.

Thanks also to our Risk Assessment teams who have spent much time making our church premises a safe and inviting place for all, and getting the necessary approvals from Presbytery for reopening.

Thanks to our cleaning and sanitizing teams who have been looking after us on a Sunday morning and also to all involved in track and trace. It's been an excellent team effort.

We go forward cautiously, patiently, but also positively, trusting and believing that God will continue to bless us in all our efforts.



CADDER PARISH CHURCH GUILD



TOGETHER AGAIN

After such a long time we are looking forward to meeting again, seeing friends old and new.

During the present situation there are certain precautions we all must take in order to look after each other e.g. sanitize hands on entry, stay a metre apart, record names for Trace and Protect etc.

Our strategy for 2021-2024 is 'Look forward in Faith' and the theme for 2021/2022 is 'Lights and Bushels'. With six new projects to support from around the world we are looking to a bright future.

Dates for you...

Sunday 12th September at 10.30am – the Dedication Service in Church

Thursday 16th September at 7.30pm – our Opening Evening is an Informal Gathering in the South Hall

WELCOME

C for **Cup** remember to bring your own

O for **Offering, Time and Talents**

M for **Mask** which must be worn at present

E for **Excitement and Enthusiasm.**

as we all look ahead with a varied programme to a new session of the Guild.

Margaret K Dundas
Convener.

1st Monday

"The First Monday club will resume on Monday 1st of November at 1.30pm in the North Hall. Please note that this is subject to approval of a satisfactory risk assessment."



All sections have been running now for a couple of weeks. Number of boys is slightly down but we are hopeful more boys will join us as we get up and running properly.



Currently we are meeting outdoors while the weather and daylight are on our side. We have had a variety of activities including Olympics, Jenga, Bowling and hockey.

On Saturday 11th September we have arranged an Activity Day at Auchengillan Outdoor Centre. We had planned this for last year as part of our 50th Anniversary Celebrations, but due to Covid it had to be cancelled. So far more than thirty boys have signed up to attend which is fabulous.

As we all live through the restrictions of the pandemic some of our regular events are still some way off from taking place, however we have managed to find other ways to meet and provide activities for the boys. Fingers crossed 'normality' will return soon.

Linda

Thank You

Billy & Jan Gilchrist would like to thank all who sent cards and presents at the time of their Diamond wedding in June.



CADDER COFFEE SHOP



We are delighted to be open and serving the community once again. Why not pop in for morning coffee and cake, lunch with friends or pick up a take out meal to enjoy at home. We also offer a wonderful selection of home baking.



Opening Hours
Tuesday 10-2
Wednesday 10-2
Thursday 10-2
Friday 10-12



See you all soon!

Jaqueline Burns
Coffee Shop Manager
caddercoffeeshop@gmail.com
0141 772 7236 or 07312 358 221 (during Coffee Shop Hours)

Knitted Christmas Puddings complete with Chocolate Orange £3.00 can be ordered from the Coffee Shop or Directly from Aileen Jilks



Shoebox Appeal – Christmas 2021

Yes, it's that time of year again. As I'm sure you are all very aware, even more children around the world are now living in war-torn countries. A filled shoebox on Christmas Day will bring unimaginable pleasure to these children, so once again I urge you to fill a box.

There are three ways in which you can help. Pick up a flat-pack box and a leaflet containing labels from me at church from mid-September on. Or email me or phone me and I'll bring you a box and a leaflet – details below.

Fill a shoebox online for £20 at shoebonline.samaritans-purse.org.uk

Send them a donation. Please make any cheques payable to Samaritan's Purse Shoebox Appeal and send to

Samaritan's Purse
Victoria House
Victoria Road
Buckhurst Hill
Essex
IG9 5EX



The final date for handing in filled boxes either at church or to the Coffee Shop is Sunday 14 November 2021.

Cadder has supported this cause very generously for many years. Thank you in anticipation.

Pat Marwick
772 7874 or pat.marwick@ntlworld.com

Cadder Singers



Anne has indicated that the singers have agreed to continue to meet on Zoom for now.



The Diary

Edited by Sneddon Atkinson

Some musings from the
king of one liners Tim Vine

“Do you ever get that when you’re
halfway through eating a horse and you
think to yourself, ‘I’m not as hungry as I
thought I was?’”

The Pope phoned me and said “you’re
excommunicated” Turns out my old
girlfriend had sent him an e-mail

“I went to buy a watch,
and the man in the shop
said ‘Analogue?’ I said
‘No, just a watch.’”

Please send in any news items that you would like mentioned in the news letter to
Brian Jilks bjilks@aol.com or John MacGregor – jmacgregor@churchofscotland.org.uk

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