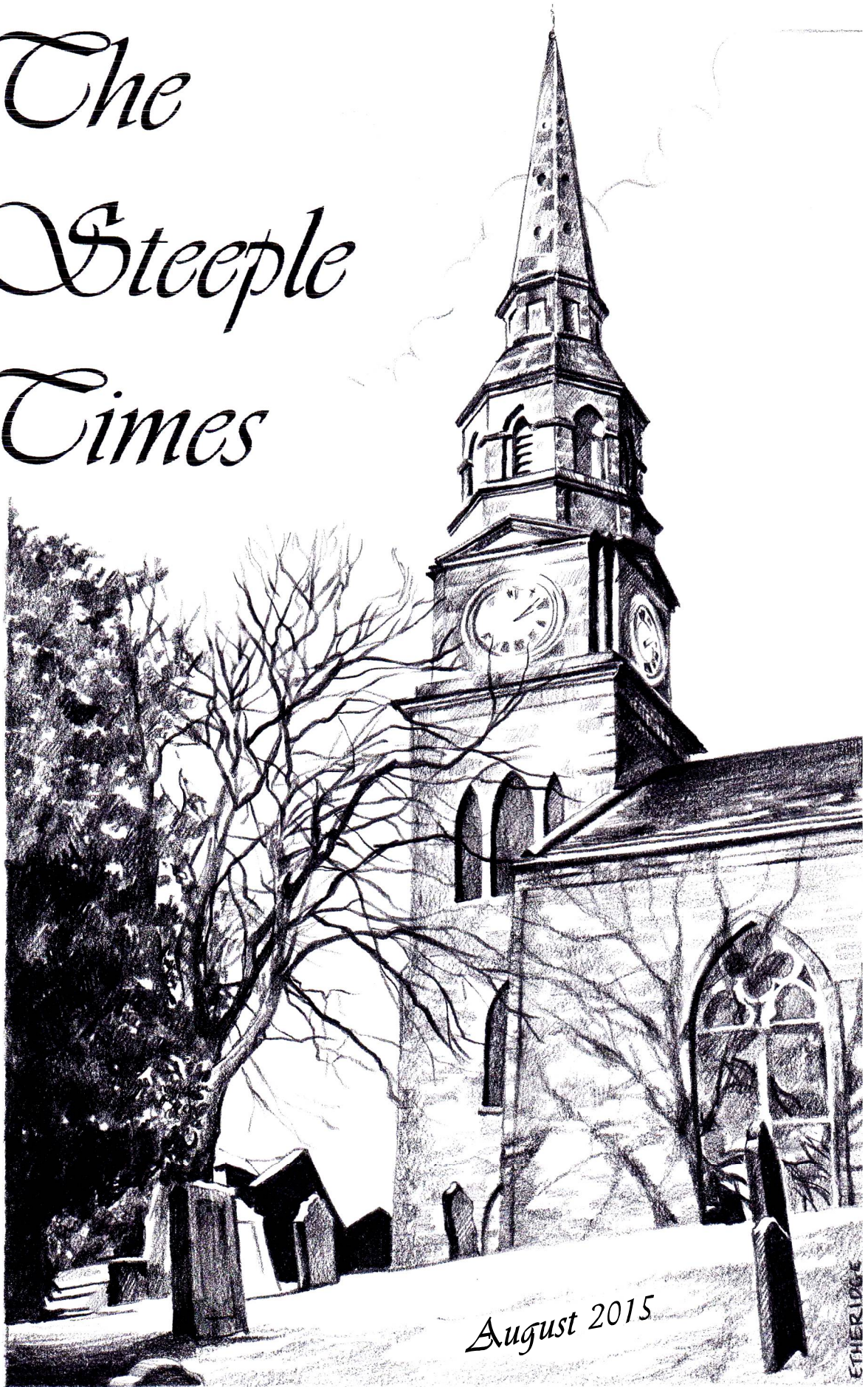


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Services of Public Worship:

Every Sunday at 11. a.m.

A short service is also held on the first Sunday of each month at 9.30 a.m. and on Wednesdays at 12.10 p.m.

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FROM THE MANSE

August 2015

My dear friends

Can anyone give me a definition of the word 'summer' because as I write this letter it feels as though it has been cold and wet since Billy and I came back from Canada at the end of June! Our first week in Canada was a little busy with trips to the Niagara Falls and then a trip to Toronto and the CN Tower - amazing both of them and then we flew for five hours from Toronto to Vancouver and then on a ferry for two hours to reach Vancouver Island which was a much more relaxing week. Our own country is beautiful and our scenery is nothing short of stunning but everything in Canada just seems so big and vast and A-W-E-S-O-M-E! Needless to say the weather was pretty awesome too! Travelling to Canada really brought my mind back into focus because of the amount of time you spend flying but also the relaxation of the holiday itself.

In the church we rush from one thing to another from September through to June, meetings here and there, people to see, things to do and on and on it goes; tick tock, tick tock, tick tock. We read in the Gospels on many occasions that Jesus took himself off somewhere quiet for a time of reflection and prayer and that is something we all need to do. It can be while we are on holiday away from all the normal rushing about, it can be as you travel from point A to point B or it can be when you look at God's wonderful creation which is nothing short of a miracle in itself and how blessed are we to be part of it. No wonder Jesus went by the lake or up the mountain-side to pray to God it really does focus the mind on the bigger picture of life.

When we visited Cameron Lake on Vancouver Island I could understand it all the more. The high hills covered in fir trees, the large lake lapping gently at the shore, the pebbles and drift wood on the shore, the cloudless sky, the warm sunshine and very few people on the beach. Do you ever feel the need to get away from it all? Where do you go to get away from it all? Do you find it difficult to be in a quiet place? Do you find it hard to talk to God? Can I urge you to at least make an attempt, to try and find a quiet time or space and just talk to God and as you talk to him you need to also try to listen; listen to what God is telling you because that is the part which most of us miss - we want to talk and talk to God but very rarely do we take the time to listen for the reply.

I have come back from Canada feeling refreshed and relaxed - well after the jet lag had cleared away!!! My first week and half home and my diary is also looking good which is giving me time with God which was something I felt was lacking before I went away and although I spend time with God every day sometimes it is squeezed in between other things and that is wrong. The church calendar is relatively quiet over July and August so enjoy the well-deserved break but remember to spend a bit more time with God and if you are struggling to talk to God then just pick up your bible and open it at any page and you will certainly find something to talk to God about.

I hope you have or have had a good break over the summer and are feeling refreshed and relaxed for the coming season ahead and remember everything belongs to God even our time!

Every blessing to you all

Your minister and your friend

Barbara Ann

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

May 2015 saw our minister attend the 2015 **GENERAL ASSEMBLY** of the Church of Scotland and we know she was not really looking forward to it. In the minister's last letter she stated that all ministers should really take up their commission as it is only once every four years however Barbara Ann has changed her mind – not about the assembly but about going when it is your turn. If she can get away with it she said she will not be back at another GA!

Thanks—During the time of the General Assembly our own church needed quite a bit of cover so Barbara Ann would like to thank those people who took the Sunday service, the mid-week service, took up additional pastoral duties and Glenda Robertson for going in to work with the Strathmore School children.

On **27th May Strathmore Primary School** along with East and Old Church hosted a **FAIRTRADE COFFEE AFTERNOON** and thank you to all our members who came out to support us. The children made lots and lots of Krispy cakes, made up a quiz and helped on the day. We raised over £200 which was given to Strathmore Primary School. The chocolate fountain was a big hit with the children and the blow up bananas became great toys!

On **Tuesday 2nd June** Barbara Ann was the guest speaker at a **GIRLS' BRIGADE** event which was being held in the Banqueting Hall of the City Chambers in Glasgow – what a venue it is!!! Needless to say Barbara Ann was a big hit, her talk was inspirational and she came with three churches asking her if she would consider moving to the Glasgow area for a church there. You will be glad to hear she politely declined and told them how wonderful Forfar is especially the people of East and Old.

On **4th June** Barbara Ann was at a one day **CONFERENCE** in Aberdeen on behalf of the church and she found it very informative and very helpful so it was worth the drive to Aberdeen and a day out of the parish.

On the evening of the **4th June FACT** held their annual AGM and handed over a cheque to Scottish Charity Air Ambulance and announced next year's charity that they are raising funds for. It is a charity set up by Dr Pam Cairns who is a member at Lowson Church and she hopes to raise enough money to build and staff a house for homeless and abused children in India. The house will be called Seema's Children Home and the charity is named 'Free to Live'.

Sunday **31st May** was the **GROOVY GRYPHON'S PRIZE GIVING SERVICE** and the children were involved in numerous ways. They sang, danced, re-told stories, involved everyone in an acrostic and then were presented with their books for the end of term.

A very big and heart felt thank you from Barbara Ann and the Kirk Session was given to our three leaders Susan Forbes, Joyce Archibald and Francis Taylor for their dedication and commitment and a special thank you to Liam Rattray and Matthew Scott for being young leaders and being there every week also.



The following Sunday on **7th June** saw our **BOYS' BRIGADE COMPANY** being part of the worship service. It was like a mini BB Display with each section showing the congregation one activity they do on a company evening. The highlight for the members was watching the company section vaulting and jumping over the horse – now that must be a first for Sunday morning worship!!!

The boys were awarded their prizes and it was great to see lots of families at the service that day. Two of the boys were presented with their BB Queen's Badge which was very special for them, their families and for our captain Mrs Irene Duthie.

Once again Barbara Ann thanked the officers and leaders and the BB on behalf of herself and the Kirk Session for all they do over the year. A special thanks was given to the ladies who now take the BB Bible Class on a Sunday evening on a rota basis. The boys appear to like the different format and styles and the work they are covering.

Monday **8th June** our minister was off to Arbroath to pick up three people from **THE LEP-ROSY MISSION** who were giving a talk in our church that evening and then staying overnight with Barbara Ann and Billy. Dan and Babs Izzett from Zimbabwe and Jamie who works for Leprosy Mission Scotland duly arrived and treated to an evening meal at the Castle Club. They found the food fabulous and were persuaded to try Scotland's National drink – Irn Bru!!! They did their best to drink it but it was far too sweet for them!!! Bab's couldn't quite finish her roast potatoes so they ended up on our minister's plate!!! Did you know that Barbara Ann tells everyone that the Castle Club make the best roast potatoes in the world!!!

Dan Izzett gave a very powerful talk about his life before, during and after having the leprosy disease. It is an illness that many people do not really know much about because many people believe it is highly contagious! Dan's leg was eventually amputated but his faith helped him through many, many years of not knowing what was wrong and then recovery. We don't often get a big turnout for people when they come along to give talks but folks it is so inspirational, educational, factual and interesting.

As of the **12th June** our minister went on holiday and life slowed down a bit for most of us in the church. The services on the three Sunday's were conducted by Rev Dougal Edwards, Isabel Farquharson and Margaret Scrimgeour and the reports were very good about all three, so much so that Barbara Ann thinks she should go on holiday more often!!! Rev Dougal Edwards also helped out along with Bob Kidd in place of Barbara Ann at Sing Forfar's Praises on the evening of the 14th.

LET OUR VOICES BE HEARD once again put on a three night show in the church. Other than helping with the tea and coffee and hosting the event that was all we did. Robert and his team put on a wonderful show and everyone left feeling uplifted and a song on their lips. The choice of music was excellent and the dance routines were great. A total of £900 was raised over the three nights which was split between Cancer Research and ourselves. Robert and his team presented the cheque to Barbara Ann at the beginning of July.



East & Old Church would like to say a big thank you to the cast of Let Our Voices Be Heard and we hope to see you again next year.

THE BOOK CLUB met on **29th June** to which our minister turned up even though she had terrible jet lag! The only time Barbara Ann has time to read novels and non related work books is on holiday so she managed to read the next 6 books that the book club are working with – she was not very impressed!!! On the flight home she eventually read one of her own books on the iPad!!!



It is really good though that there is such diversification in the selection of books from different people because one likes a book another may not but over the last year or so the book club have read some really good books with marks of 8, 9 and 10 out of 10 but also some 1, 2 and 3's!!!

THE MAMMA MIA NIGHT was a good night with singing, dancing, quizzes, karaoke and lots of wine and nibbles. Everyone got involved and entered into the spirit of the evening with only a few people dressing up though. Sheena Benvie won the dressing up prize for her Abba look but we think an extra prize should have been awarded to Jim Farquharson for his handkerchief on his head!!! Well done Esther a good evening was had by all!

Sunday **5th July** was **SUNDAE ON SUNDAY** and what a great way to finish off the morning worship by having an ice-cream Sunday and this was enhanced with the seaside backdrop that is at the front of the church at the moment! Thanks to everyone involved in the ice-cream event it went really well and tasted delicious – we will be doing that again no doubt!!!



Busy Hands were very busy preparing and displaying the seaside scene at the front of the church and it seemed to take on a life of its own. During the summer season all the bible readings will be from the Gospels where Jesus was at the seaside or in a boat on the lake. This scene has worked well at the recent baptism and at one the weddings some of the children ended up sitting in the paddling pool and playing with the beach toys, it really kept them amused and quiet!!!

DRESSES – we are so very grateful to Joyce and Dave Stewart for donating these dresses to us and we had talked about a wedding fashion show but the work involved in that was going to be over the top. So to that end Nicola and Marlene who are in charge by default of dealing with these dresses have organised a shop window display which is looking fabulous and Bob Kidd photographed all the dresses which are now in an album for people to look at.



At a recent car boot sale we took a stall and handed out leaflets about the selling of the dresses and making an appointment to see them but we still need the word to get out and about. Jim Nicol came along one evening with his camera and photographed Barbara Ann's daughter modelling some of the dresses along with Sharon Kidd, Bob and Esther's daughter-in-law along with Amy Broll, Marion Duncan's granddaughter who was a beautiful flower girl.

The next stage was to get them on Facebook and Angus has set up a shop on our Facebook page – aren't we glad he is so good on computers!!! Go to our Facebook page or our web page and click on the link to our wedding shop. Spread the word around folks!!!

ACCORD have quite a number of bookings coming up over the next few months but the booking at Kirriemuir Pensioner Club on **15th July** proved to be a bit of a challenge.



Due to holidays and illness it worked out that only four members of the team could be there so help arrived in the form of Margaret Reid to play the piano, Barbara Ann's big sister who was up for a few days and Alf Birse roped in Bill Carr!!!

What a great night it turned out to be and what a supper afterwards – it was great!!! All donations received to Accord go to DIF (Dedicated Improvement Fund)



AFTERNOON TEA – on most Thursday afternoon's during July, September and October Mabel Martin is hosting afternoon teas in her home at a cost of £5 per person. The few that she has held as this article goes to print have been a roaring success and Mabel could feed 5000 people without any bother. All the food and baking are homemade and the tables are set and tea and coffee in the gallons. Put your name on the sign-up sheet in the corridor or just phone Mabel as she needs approximate numbers!!! What a great way to raise funds so why not invite your friends around with you to go to Mabel's one afternoon!

Barbara Ann was conducting morning worship at **ARBIRLOT AND CARMYLLIE** on Sunday **19th July** and our service was covered by Bob Kidd who did a good job! Hopefully Barbara Ann will not need to conduct worship very often at A&C as we miss her when she is not there.

BUDAPEST CAMP – Karen Liddle and three of our youths Liam Rattray, Jack Wilson and Ellen Wilson spent their time in Hungary. They have only just returned as this article was going to print so we hope to give you more information in the next issue. The only bits of news we had was that it was super-hot, great fun and they enjoyed themselves!!!

We also heard that as they arrived back at Edinburgh Airport they were stopped and Karen was grilled at passport control about why she was travelling with these minors; where had they been, why didn't she have a letter from the parents etc. The funny thing for us hearing it is that Karen was the smallest person of the group the kids should have been looking out for her!!! Jack was also trying to tell the officer that his dad was in arrivals so go and get him! Luckily they were let through!!! Look out for more info and photo's in the next edition.

RENOVATIONS – the Kirk Session met and agreed the initial plans and time scale that the architect had set out. They then looked at the budget for the renovations for phase one and it was agreed that these could be submitted to Presbytery for their approval. Phase one will cost £660,000 and we hope to fund this with money we hold already, grants, fundraising etc. £110,000 of this amount is in VAT which we will hope to reclaim and pay off any loans we may need to take out. If you would like to hear more about the renovations or the funding please ask your elder who will get in touch with one of the Steering Group.

THANKS

MANSE GARDEN

Some of you may be aware that Bob Todd has taken over looking after bits and pieces of the manse garden and is growing fruit and vegetables. Billy still cuts the grass but Bob Todd has been planting and pruning and taking out bits and pieces with the help of some others. Barbara Ann and Billy are really grateful and they think the garden is looking great.

Butwhen Barbara Ann and Billy returned from their holidays they came back to another transformation in the garden. Quite a number of the men in the congregation got together to sort out the manse driveway and garden. Hundreds of tons of chips were put down on the driveway, a section of grass lifted to make the parking area bigger, flower boxes stained, tree trunks removed, drain fixed to name but a few.

The men must have worked exceptionally hard over the time they had and the manse garden and driveway are now looking great.

Well done boys!!!

WHAT'S COMING UP & WHAT TO LOOK OUT FOR

FRIDAY 7TH AUGUST the mini bus is going through to Webster's Theatre to see a production of **'A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM'** with a difference. This event is produced once a year and a Shakespeare play is performed by people with supported learning needs and Mandy Cornwell who attends many of our events in the church is taking part. Some of us have been going for the last 4 years and what a wonderful time we have always had. If you would like to join us entry is free and the minibus is £3. The sign-up sheet is in the corridor.



SATURDAY 15TH AUGUST TO SUNDAY 16TH AUGUST IS THE RELAY FOR LIFE in support of Cancer Research which takes place in Kirriemuir. This event is held every second year and we first took part in 2013 not knowing what was what however we now know more!

We have a team of 12 people and the only rule is that a person/persons from the team must be on the course at all times. It runs from 12 noon to 12 noon, we will be dressing up and Alf Birse is setting up his caravan so we can get food to eat and a place to rest especially in those wee small hours. The time slots have not been given out yet by Mary Daun but Barbara Ann said she is not doing the 2 am to 4 am slot again. It was awful!!!



Each person in the team has a sponsor sheet but the team E&O also has a sponsor sheet which is in the church so please support the team and raise funds for Cancer Research.

If you are free why not come along and say hi on the day as there are food tents and various entertainment throughout the day and night!!!

SUNDAY 23RD AUGUST at 7pm in the church come and celebrate communion in a different way. Barbara Ann is holding a creative communion evening so we don't know what will be happening, The one thing she has told us is that the bread and wine will be just that bread and wine – no difference there!!!



The service will not last any longer than 45 minutes and will be followed by a time of fellowship over a cup of tea or coffee.

OPEN DOORS WEEKEND – once again East and Old will be taking part in the open doors weekend on **5TH AND 6TH SEPTEMBER**. In the hope of attracting people and also for ourselves we will be holding afternoon teas on the Saturday from 1pm to 3pm so come along and join us. Many of our historic items, folders, books etc. will be on display so why not have a look yourself – you may even find your own baptism if you were baptised in the Old Parish or East and Old Parish.



All the **SUNDAY'S IN SEPTEMBER** will have a little bit added to them. On two occasions we have members of the church renewing their wedding vows and having their marriage blessed after 50 years together. We will be ordaining three new elders and we will have Harvest Thanksgiving.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING will be on **SUNDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER** so start collecting your tins and cans and bring a carrier bag full in.



East and Old have always responded well to those in need and the Salvation Army are very grateful for the food we give them not only at this time but throughout the year.

SATURDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER AT 7.30 p.m. Margaret and Ian Robertson are holding a **MURDER MYSTERY NIGHT** evening in the church.



The play has been written by one of your elders, Ian Robertson, as a means of solving the problem of raising money for the Church Designated Improvement Fund.

A "reading through" will be presented by members of Forfar Amateur Dramatic Society with members of the church also participating.

A light supper and refreshments will be available and groups will be asked to give their solution to the "crime in a castle" somewhere in the Highlands.

Tickets, priced £7 each will be available in the Church at the bookstall and from members of the team, Tina & Martin Mowbray, Yvonne Nicoll, Janice Cowan, Fiona Clacher and Ian & Margaret Robertson.

TUESDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER will be a **ROBERT LOUIS STEVESON EVENING** with three gentlemen entertaining us with poems, stories and singing.

Earlier in the week they will have performed at Gleneagles and we are so very fortunate that they have decided to perform in our church and help us raise funds.

THURSDAY 1ST OCTOBER Friends of East and Old are holding a **FASHION SHOW IN M & Co.** Tickets are £5 and include wine and shortbread. There will be a raffle and M & Co give you a discount on the night.



Come along and see the winter collection.

THURSDAY 8TH OCTOBER TO TUESDAY 13TH OCTOBER eighteen of our members are heading over to Zuglo Church in Budapest for a return trip.



We are looking forward to renewing our friendship and meeting more people of Zuglo but also finding out more about the life of the Hungarians, their life of faith and their church life.

SUNDAY 25TH OCTOBER IS COMMUNION SUNDAY at 11am and 6.30pm.



Our numbers at communion have gone down slightly over the last year – why is that? For those people who appear to find it difficult to come along on the 4th Sunday of April and October can you let your elder or the minister know what would be better for you? An afternoon, a mid-week evening? We now hold two afternoon communions a year to help those people who struggle in the morning and don't like going out at night. What else can we offer? Barbara Ann wants to hear from



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Our present building re-opened for worship in January 1791 after being closed for major renovations.

To that end we are celebrating 225 years of the church being part of Forfar's community. We will be holding a posh dinner with posh dress code in the church in January along with a few other activities but we are delighted to announce that the moderator of the Church of Scotland the Right Rev Dr Angus Morrison has agreed to preach on **SUNDAY 31ST JANUARY** in **EAST AND OLD** to help us celebrate this wonderful landmark.

He has also heard of the wonderful work that the **MUSIC CAFÉ** is doing and will be coming along to the Music Café on **1st FEBRUARY** also.

We will be inviting other guests to this special event but the people we would like the most are our very own members and friends so can we please ask you to put this date in your diary -

SUNDAY 31ST JANUARY 2016.

CAPABILITY SCOTLAND

A big thank you to all who have taken a CAPABILITY BOX home to save their small change for a very worthwhile Scottish Charity.

Can you believe it, in our first year we have sent off an amazing £222 from your wee cardboard boxes. So keep on filling them because your small change makes a big change to many lives. The Foreign and Discontinued Currency tin in the foyer of the church has netted another £100.

Well done everybody.

A display of Capability Scotland will be in the church in early August.

The Big Kirk Shop
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We have recently been given a Donation of **BEAUTIFUL BRIDAL
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We have a Catalogue in the shop, and anyone who wishes to
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AROUND THE GROUPS

FILM NIGHTS

22 August - Flight starring Denzel Washington

26 September - Captain Phillips starring Tom Hanks

25 October - Legends of the Fall with Brad Pitt & Anthony Hopkins

All films are shown in the Session House.
The cost is £3—Pay at the door.

WALKING GROUP

The Group are walking on the following dates.

1 August With Friends to Loch Leven

22 August Anstruther to Elie

12 September Dunkeld

26 September Lunan Bay



Meet at The Myre 10am For more details contact Billy Sweetin on 01307 248228 or bjs801@talktalk.net

REMINDER : GUILD AFTERNOON TEA IN THE CHURCH AT 2 P.M. ON THURSDAY 10 SEPTEMBER. PLEASE DO COME ALONG AND SUPPORT THIS.

THE GUILD



The Guild restarts on Wednesday 23rd September in the Hall with Accord. We do hope you will come along and join us.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The Church of Scotland has welcomed a call for a full independent review of benefit sanctions.

A report from a coalition of major UK churches has revealed that around 100,000 children were affected by benefit sanctions in 2013-14 across the UK and, over the same period, nearly 7 million weeks of sanctions were handed out to benefit claimants. It was agreed that further information should be sought from 121 so that the Session could be informed as to action planned by the Church nationally with a view to requesting that it act to reduce the number of sanctions being issued.

A major survey of congregational views is being launched to help understand the size and impact of congregations throughout Scotland. 'What counts?' is the question being asked by Mission Statistics co-ordinator, Rev Dr Fiona Tweedie. One hundred and twenty World Mission booklets are being distributed in church each month free of charge and 650 will be ordered to be given out along with copies of 'The Steeple Times' in December.

Please keep in mind that new books are available at the bookstall and there is always the opportunity to order daily notes there. Last issue we asked if there were any fresh ideas for distribution of gifts and blessings at the Church gate at Christmas and Easter. Up till now tea/coffee and sugar sticks, along with a blessings card, have been given out, but other suggestions would be gratefully received. If you have any ideas, please pass them on either in Church or to Margaret or Ian Robertson on 463613.

FRIENDS OF EAST AND OLD

As previously intimated earlier in this issue, **1ST OCTOBER** is our **FASHION SHOW IN M & CO** and we really excited about this. We are looking for ladies, gents and children to model M & Co clothes so it does not matter what size you are they have clothes to fit. Wine and shorties and entrance is £5 plus a raffle also. Don't be shy come along and model the clothes we know you want to!

FRIDAY 23RD OCTOBER is the **FRIENDS RENEWAL EVENING** and we hope you will come along and be entertained and renew your membership. The cost is still £10 per annum or £150 for life membership and details of the evening entertainment will be coming out soon.

We are always on the lookout for different and exciting ways to raise money but also to develop the fellowship of the members and friends of East and Old. Do you have any ideas you can pass on to us?

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**Friends and the Church
COFFEE MORNING
SATURDAY 22 AUGUST 2015
10 a.m till 112 noon
Bottle Stall, Baking Stall etc.**

Donations of Bottles and Baking will be very gratefully received.

CONGREGATIONAL REGISTER

DEATHS

May	26	Annie Doig	13 Springfield, Forfar	*
June	2	Alex Milne	32 Dunnichen Road, Gowanbank	11
	3	Alan Preston	Milton Lane, Finavon	*
	5	Robert Archibald	5 Westgate, Friockheim	53
	15	Norman Kearns	8 Montrose Road, Forfar	4
	21	Nicol Ford	30 Lour Road, Forfar	*
	22	Hector Leith	12 Myre View, Forfar	*
July	7	Margaret Whyte	3 Nursery Street, Forfar	16
	9	Annie Beedie	45 Viewmount, Forfar	*
	19	Elvria Harris	2 Dunnichen Road, Kingsmuir	*
	21	Elizabeth Henderson	12 Kincaird Drive, Lennoxton	*

Baptism

July 12, Maya Eloise Murray

WEDDINGS

Andrea Tait and David Mason on 3 July

Valerie Hill and Mark McIntosh on 4 July

Lorna Anderson and Gavin Stewart on 18 July

MINISTRY OF FLOWERS

Aug	9	S Ewart	Sept	6	Jean Alexander
	16	Ruth Stewart		13	Glenda Jackson
	23	Douglas Thomson		20	Joan Petrie
	30	Isabel Farquharson		27	Mabwel Martin
			Oct	4	Margaret Myles

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You can help raise funds for East & Old's Dedicated Improvement Fund by clicking on the links below. It costs nothing but will help our funds.

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For more information click on <http://www.thebigkirk.co.uk/church-information/easyfundraising/> Why not try it. If you need help setting it up please contact Billy Sweetin 01307 248228

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There are two available car spaces beside the east door of the church for members with poor mobility.

Other members can park around the front of the church.



Do you need Transport to Church -The Forfarian bus is available on the first Sunday of each month. Please telephone Liz Nicoll on 462480 or Jean Alexander on 463860.

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The deadline for submission of articles for the **October 2015** issue is

SUNDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2015

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