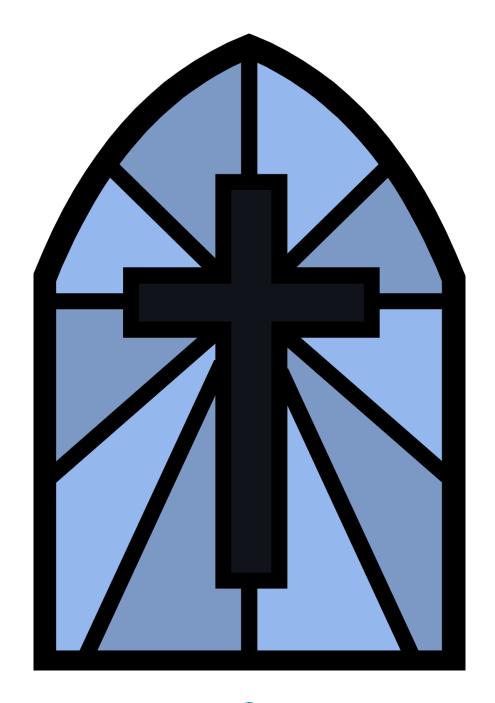
# Kílsyth Anderson Parísh Church



Newsletter
August/September 2013

# Letter from the Manse.....

The sun is shining as I write this article and Lynne and I are preparing for our summer break. Looking back over these past months it has surprised me just how quickly time has flown past. In a relatively short period we have felt ourselves become more settled in the manse and also into the rhythm of church life here at Kilsyth Anderson. Again I want to thank you all for your part in making that happen.

As I look beyond the holidays I can see exciting times ahead. Part of my excitement lies with the strategy task groups which have recently been set up involving people from the Kirk Session and congregation who will be reviewing key aspects of our mission and ministry and working towards a set of plans for the future. I would very much appreciate if you would hold the work of these groups in prayer. The groups being formed are:

**Membership** – Examining how we can grow in our fellowship and how we might effectively offer pastoral care to those in need.

**Ministry** – At Kilsyth Anderson there is such a wealth of talent contained in and around the congregation. This group will be looking to give encouragement and help to men and women find their particular place in the life, work and structures of the church.

**Maturity** – As we all seek to grow in grace and in Christian love this group will examine the opportunities available to develop and deepen our spiritual life. One particular area of examination will be the development of small groups

**Mission** – We are called to reach out into our community with the love and power of our God and our Lord. This workgroup will evaluate how we can be more effective in presenting the Gospel invitation to this time and generation

**Worship** – At the heart of our church activity is our gathering for worship. This key area will be looked at to see how we might praise and honour our God as well as learn the unchanging message of salvation in new and relevant ways with young and old alike. How will we utilise modern technology, how will we encourage our young people, how will we encompass the needs and aspirations of worship across all the age groups?

Youth – Kilsyth Anderson is blest with a good number of young people involved in our youth organisations. There is however a need to see that good work expanded and developed. Outreach to children and young people will also be on the agenda of this group. You have above just a flavour of topics being researched and worked on as we move towards the new church session after the summer holidays. It is important for us all to share together, pray together and work together that God is glorified in and through this church. I look forward to partnering with you in this task in the days ahead. For now, I pray that you all find rest and refreshment through the summer.

Yours in His name.
Allan S Vint.





Kilsyth Anderson Parish Church had a very successful Summer Fayre on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June when a total of £2,800 was realised for the Church Fabric Fund. The Work Party who organised the Fayre wish to thank all those who gave donations and assisted in any way. They also wish to thank those who attended and provided marvellous support.

#### **Appreciation**

The Work Party started in 1979 to raise funds for a badly- needed new heating system. Amounts collected over the 35 years since then amounts to an amazing £158,500.

These collections have all gone to the Fabric Fund, which has enabled us to maintain our beautiful Church, Halls and Manse in suchexcellent condition.

We are indebted to the organising ladies of the Work Party, supported by gentlemen helpers, for such a colossal achievement. Some ladies have served all of these 35 years and additional lady volunteers are urgently required to organise future fayres. The ladies meet on Tuesday evenings at 7pm during the two months before each fayre.

If any lady is interested in joining this fantastic team, please talk to Anne McLean or Nan Kinvig.

#### **CHRISTIAN AID WEEK**



Collections from Churches and the proceeds of the Coffee Morning this year raised a grand total of £2.883.

The collections and donations made by District churches were gratefully appreciated. Special thanks are due to Burns & Old Parish Church for holding the Coffee Morning and to all those who donated home baking

There are so many needy folk around the world and it is great that the local community have again responded to the appeal.

(Charlie Waddell)



A big thank-you to Mrs Margaret Waddell for her great work on this newsletter.

Margaret has kept us informed of important events, church life, given us lovely poetry, stories and much more over the last 15 years. Enjoy your retirement!

A JOB WELL DONE- THANK YOU!

The internet is a great thing. I was looking for 'divine inspiration' to find something different to put into the newsletter and came across a web page that gave the stories behind some great hymns. I'd like to share this one with you.....more to follow

#### **GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS**



Thomas Obadiah Chisolm (1866-1960) had a difficult early adult life. His health was so fragile that there were periods of time when he was confined to bed, unable to work.

Between bouts of illness he would have to push himself to put in extra hours at various jobs in order to make ends

meet. After coming to Christ at age 27, Thomas found great comfort in the Scriptures, and in the fact that God was faithful to be his strength in time of illness and weakness, and to provide his needs. Lamentations 3:22-23 was one of his favourite scriptures: "It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because His compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness."

While away from home on a missions trip, Thomas often wrote to one of his good friends, William Runyan, a relatively unknown musician. Several poems were exchanged in these letters. Runyan found one of Williams' poems so moving that he

decided to compose a musical score to accompany the lyrics.

Great is Thy Faithfulness was published in 1923. It was not until 1945 when George Beverly Shea began to sing "Great is Thy Faithfulness" at the Billy Graham evangelistic crusades, that the hymn was heard around the world



# Church Diary

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Morning worship		11.30
Evening worship		6.15
(fellowship after service in main hall)		
Time for prayer	Wyper Hall	5.45
Mid-week Fellowship	Wyper Hall	7.00
'Drop in Café	Wyper Hall	10.00 - noon
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Space Academy (Mo	on - Fri) Church	n Hall 10.00
Evenings (S1+)	Old Lib	orary 7.00
Family Evening	Church	Hall 7.00
11 <sup>th</sup> Aug Joint Service of Celebration in Anderson		
	with Burns	s & Old 11.00
'Drop In' re-opens		10.00
Sparklers/ Bible Class/ Sunday School		11.30
Board of Managers	Wyper Hall	7.30
Boys Brigade		
Kirk Session Group Meeting		7.30
Bible Society Sunday	/	
Girls Brigade		
Bible Society Coffee	Morning	10.00
Anderson Church  3 <sup>rd</sup> Sept Kirk Session Wyper Hall 7.30		
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Praise Group	Church	7.30
Midweek Fellowship	Wyper Hall	7.30
Communion Services		11.30 & 6.15
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# Our Family

#### Deaths

4th May: Mrs Margaret Whyte,

22<sup>nd</sup> June: Mrs Marlene Andrews,

2nd July: Mrs Linda Mitchell

'Those we love don't go away They walk beside us every day Unseen, unheard, but always near Still loved, still missed & very dear

Contact for urgent Pastoral Care

Minister: Rev. Allan Vint

Session Clerk: Mrs Elizabeth Strang

#### **Appreciation**

To my friends in Anderson Church, many thanks to everyone for your caring thoughts, beautiful flowers, cards and visits I received after my illness and

Chank You

short stay in hospital

Love

Betty Goodwin x

# ~Flowers~

August 4th Mrs B Smith August 11th Mrs A Leishman August 18th Mrs J Robertson August 25th Mrs M Whyte September 1st Mrs L Thomson

September 8th Miss O Brittian September 15th (Communion) Mrs C McIllwain

September 22<sup>nd</sup> Mrs B Beaver September 29th





### Special Occasions

Happy 85th Birthday to Mr Ronnie Swan on the 13th August

Happy **80**<sup>th</sup> Birthday to Mrs Betty Clelland on the 30<sup>th</sup> July
Happy **80**<sup>th</sup> Birthday to Mrs Margaret Cullen on the 8<sup>th</sup> August
Happy **80**<sup>th</sup> Birthday to Mrs Audrey Reid on the 8<sup>th</sup> September





Happy 13th Birthday to 4 of our Sunday School...

David & Fiona Erskine 14th August

Leah Campbell 23rd September

Abigail Shaw 30<sup>th</sup> September

#### Our Wee Ones

Good Luck to Lucy McDowall, Murray Paris, Hope Barclay, Iona Jack & Callum Gordon who all start Primary School & Jordan Campbell who starts Kilsyth Academy in August.

Congratulations to Abigail Shaw for getting through with her crew from Dejavu to the World Street Dance Finals in August in the SECC.

Congratulations to Fiona Erskine for getting a distinction in her Silver Highland Dance Exam



### **Manse Garden**



#### Calling all the Green-Fingered of the congregation!

Volunteers are urgently required to assist with the maintenance of the manse garden. Work required is regular weeding and watering the flowers.

Would volunteers please contact Marion Cowie.

# **Holiday Club**

## SPACE ACADEMY! 5-9th August

Lift off from Star Base is scheduled for Monday August 5th at 10a.m.

That is when our 4th annual Holiday Club will launch. There are over 800 school age children in our parish grouping and we are delighted to offer them a week of fun, games, crafts and stories around this novel theme. Already 60 youngsters have pre- registered and we have room for a dozen or so more. The team are prepared! Super Nova will lead aerobics and Keep fit, and Buzz Brain will get our minds working for quizzes.

The drama of "The Black Hole" involves Spit and Polish, Glad and the Inspector, and the bible story of Daniel will be told in exciting ways.

The afternoons will provide games and activities for all who are registered and for Teens there are 3 evenings planned in the Old Library.

On Friday evening, 9th at 7p.m. there will be special family night when

Andris Meszaros will keep us enthralled with all sorts of entertainment. The final Sunday will see us gathered in Kilsyth Anderson at 11.00am (different time!) with our friends from Burns and Old, to celebrate a hectic week of activity and a wonderful opportunity to share the good news of God's love with young people.



Ann Allen

#### **GIRLS BRIGADE**



Girls Brigade start back on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August.
6.00 Explorers (P1-3)
7.00 Juniors and Company Sections (P4- secondary )
For more information please contact Catherine Kerr (Captain) or see our facebook page: 2<sup>nd</sup> Kilsyth Girls Brigade

We are starting off the session with a BBQ night from 6.30 to 8.00 (All ages) Chance to meet the girls and their parents. (Helen's in charge of the BBQ!)
We are continuing with our Duke of Edinburgh, our older girls are nearing completion of their Bronze award and were away their final expedition walk, but due to unforseen circumstances one of the girls had to pull out. The girls are now looking for another company to share

the walk with as they need to have 4 to walk. Fingers crossed that they manage this session .

Plenty of badgework, fun and craft for the girls this year



Boys Brigade start back on Wednesday 21st August

5.45 Anchor Boys (P2-3)

6.30 Junior Section (P4-6)

7.30 Company Section (P7- secondary)

For more information please contact Christine Johnstone (Captain) or see our facebook page: 3<sup>rd</sup> Kilsyth BB



Their first outing on the hills was a washout, but hopefully their next one will be blessed with better weather.



Some Juniors and Anchor Boys spent a busy and fun day at the David Livingstone Centre in Blantyre to mark the 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his birth. They played games, made things and learned some African choruses. (Don't ask us now what they were!)The sun shone and we had to make sure that we had sunscreen on.



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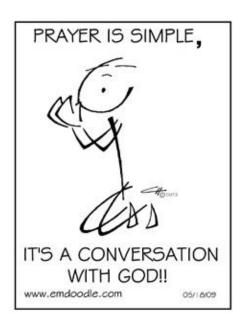
I am looking to revamp your newsletter and would welcome your ideas.

What would you like to be included in your newsletter?

Would you like a Kids page? More scripture? Poetry & verses? More animation?

Share your Favourite Recipe? District news?

I have included some ideas, but I'm open to suggestions.



### KIDS PAGE



Knock knock who's there? **B00** BOO WHO? **OH YOU DIDN'T NEED** TO CRY, IT WAS ONLY A JOKE

# About the Bible Anagram

authors, Bible, books, chapters, promises, stories, teaching, testaments, truth, verses



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#### **CREATION WORDSEARCH**

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#### Places to find us

#### **FACEBOOK/ TWITTER**

www.facebook.com/kilsythanderson

Twitter@ Kilsyth Anderson

#### **WEBSITE**

www.kilsythandersonchurch.org

(due to copyright there are no hymns/ singing)

#### **CD MINISTRY**

A copy of the morning service can be provided.

Please speak to your Pastoral Care visitor

who can arrange for a copy

Items of news, special occasions, etc. for the next newsletter should be given to Helen Shaw by Sunday 22nd September