

# Williamwood Parish Church October 2023 Newsletter

# **HARVEST THANKSGIVING – Sunday 8 October 2023**

At our Harvest Thanksgiving on Sunday 8 October - our food donations will be donated close to home, Carnwadric Foodbank to help those still struggling through the cost-of-living crisis. We are also continuing to support those abroad too and support the work of FarmAfrica and you can help by making a monetary donation.

Members of the congregation wishing to donate harvest goods are being asked to bring them along to the 11.00am service on Sunday 8th October 2023 when you will be invited to bring them forward during the first hymn. Listed below are items which will be accepted:

## **FOOD**

S	Sugar	?	UHT Milk
S	Coffee or Tea bags	?	Tinned fruit
S	Orange juice	?	Diluted juice
S	Canned meat	?	Cereal
S	Biscuits	?	Rice Pudding
S	Custard	?	Tins of Carrots
S	Tins of Peas	?	Baby formula
S	Tin or packet Soup		

## **TOILETRIES**

S Soap powder 

Washing up liquid

S Bleach Shampoo (both male & female)

#### NO FRESH FRUIT, OUT OF DATE OR HOMEMADE GOODS PLEASE

#### **Money Donations**

If you wish to make a money donation to either Carnwadric Foodbank, please place your money in your own envelope and clearly mark with "Carnwadric Foodbank Donation". If you wish to Gift Aid your donation you need to include your full name, address and confirm that you wish to gift aid this donation. For FarmAfrica, special gift aid envelopes will be available in the vestibule on Sundays 24 September, 1 October and 8 October, so that you can fill and return.

**Help Required:** I am looking for some volunteers to deliver the goods to Carnwadric Foodbank during the week.

If you have any questions on any of the above or wish to help with delivery, please contact me (details below).

Thank you for your continued help and support.

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Please see the attached flyer and a Newsletter about the **Lodging House Mission Harvest Appeal** and it includes information other events including
The Annual Homelessness Service **on Wednesday 11**<sup>th</sup> **October at 7pm**when the Moderator Rt Rev Sally Foster-Fulton will be speaking

<u>The Guild Winter Programme</u> begins on Monday 2nd October in the Session Room at 2pm. \*\*You will note that we have a change of afternoon to a Monday and hope that this will enable more people to come and join us.

We do hope that we will have some new members.

The syllabus from October until Christmas is as follows:

Oct 2 Guild Theme - New Wine, New Wineskins & Communion Rev J Mathieson

Oct 16 Street Pastors

Oct 30 Optical Confusion

Nov 13 Open Doors UK

Nov 27 Guild Project – Home for Good

Dec 11 Christmas Lunch

Rev Calum Macdonald John Martindale Chris Greenhaulgh

Please come along to any afternoon that is of interest to you. We will be very pleased to see you.



## **TEA SETT at Rouken Glen Garden Centre**

Our monthly get-together for morning tea/coffee at Rouken Glen Garden Centre is on **Tuesday 3rd October at 10.30am.** All are welcome to come along....no need to book.

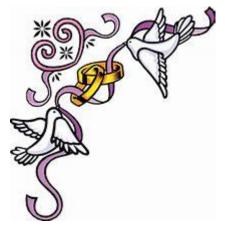
## and DOORS OPEN.....is restarting on Thursdays only.

The first date **is Thursday 28**<sup>th</sup> **September**. We will be back in the vestibule at the front door of the church. We hope to see lots of members and also others from the community popping in for a tea or Coffee

<u>GOALIES</u>, our Gentleman's Lunch Group, meets for lunch at Williamwood Golf Club at **1pm on Friday 6th October** 

See Rev Alastair Cherry for further information and to request transport





# **CONGRATULATIONS...**

...to Scott Ratcliffe and Kirsty McLaughlin who will be married in the church on Saturday 21st October. We hope they have an enjoyable time on this special day and wish them a long and happy life together

# **Congregational Roll**

**Baptism** – Arthur Joshua Gaunt, infant son of Katrina and Neil (and grandson of Vivian Clarkson) on **13th August 2023.** 

## **SERVICE AT WILLIAMWOOD HOUSE**

We will conduct a short service of worship at **Williamwood House at 2.30pm on Sunday 15th October**. We hope some folks will be able to come along and take part – especially in singing. If you can help please let Jean Little know.

## **Used Stamps**

We collect used stamps in support of World Mission projects.

This year the project is located in Malawi and provides seeds, plants and training to women in order to increase food sustainability for their families

See Jim Purvis for further information





Christmas Cards on Sale: Until early
November you will be able to order various charity Christmas Cards following Sunday
Morning Service. When coffee is being served there will be an opportunity to view the catalogues in the Hall. If coffee isn't being served there'll be a stand in the corridor outside the Session House.



**Sunday 5th November** – service including the Sacrament of Baptism

**Sunday 12th November** – Remembrance Sunday with Outdoor Act of Remembrance at 10:50am

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November**- Christmas Fair in the Halls

# **Minister on Holiday**

The Minister will be on leave from 23rd to 31st October

Our Services on 22nd and 29th October will be conducted by the Rev Alastair Cherry.

# **Presbytery Planning**

Now that the Glasgow Presbytery Mission Plan has been approved each Cluster, including the one of which we are part, must now consider and then take steps for its implementation. Our Cluster is planning some meetings to progress this.

In the meantime the congregations of Eastwood and Thornliebank have agreed to unite as a single congregation

The Rev Mike Gargrave will retire at the end of this month and the Rev Jim Teasdale will be minister of the new united congregation whenever it comes into existence (date yet to be determined)



**TREE PLANTING:** A few of us from the gardening group took advantage of a nice day and planted the 2 new trees that were purchased thanks to donations at coffee after church a few weeks ago. Theres is one at Seres Rd side and one at the Varder Road entrance. Hopefully they will thrive and provide us with colour and interest for years to come.

Thanks to everyone involved in coffees, sales table and planting.



REMEMBER! Clocks go back on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October at 2am



..and finally

## A PRAYER TO SAY QUIETLY



Dear God
I come before you at this moment,
Please,
Enlighten what is dark in me,
Strengthen what is weak in me,
Mend what is broken in me,
Heal what is sick in me,

And revive whatever peace and love that has died in me.

This prayer is for me, my family, my friends, my enemies, and even those who hate me. Amen

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