

Williamwood Parish Church

September 2022

Newsletter 8



*this is a photo sent in by Evelyn Graham of the Sunflowers she's grown from seeds handed out at the World Day of Prayer Service at Williamwood.

Holy Communion

We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper during our service on Sunday 4th September.

We use gluten-free bread and non-alcoholic wine. All who love the Lord are welcome at His Table

Thank you to those who will prepare the tablecloths, bread and wine for the service



Iona Chapel

Our Iona Chapel (just out of the sanctuary door on Seres Road side and at the top of the stairs) is a quiet space which can be used for prayer and meditation and where we sometimes have small services. It now has 9 chairs from the 1938 Empire Exhibition Church space which until recently were in the chancel area of Stamperland Parish Church. An Iona Cross and Bible from Stamperland have also been added. Do go in and have a look!



We welcome to membership of Williamwood Parish Church Mary and Bill Paterson who have transferred their membership to our congregation. We also welcome Linzi Burnett who has been added to our membership by resolution of the Kirk Session.

Church Membership:

If you – or anyone you know – is not a communicant member of our congregation at Williamwood you or they might want to consider becoming so.

If you have been a member of another denomination or congregation, you simply need to contact the Session Clerk and ask about transferring your membership to Williamwood.

If you have not been a communicant member here or elsewhere, you may wish to speak to the minister. Usually people are 'admitted' during the service where they are asked to profess faith in Jesus Christ by answering a simple question followed by a prayer said by the minister. Sometimes it is possible to become a member by asking the Kirk Session to allow your name to be added to our Roll.

The Minister is happy to discuss these options with anyone who would like to explore communicant membership.



Prayer Breakfast :

Thornliebank Parish Church 3rd September

Our Cluster Churches are seeking to extend the Prayer Breakfast event already hosted by some congregations (though not since before Covid). These will take place roughly quarterly and the first will be at Thornliebank Parish Church from 8.30-10am on Saturday 3rd September. There is

breakfast, conversation and then a quiet time for which prayer topics will be suggested. The suggested rota means Williamwood does not host until the end of 2023 so you can simply go along and take part without worrying about making breakfast next time!

It would be helpful to the folks at Thornliebank to have an idea of numbers and a note of any dietary requirements. If you think you'll go along please let Rev Beckie know right away.



Coffee after church:

Thank you to everyone for continuing to support coffee after church. It is always well attended and is appreciated by those who come along. Thank you especially to our teams who have managed to keep it going every week over the summer.

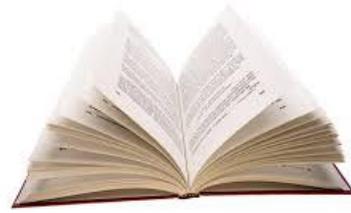
We need more teams to continue to be able to provide coffee weekly.

Ideally it would be great if we could get another 2 teams. This would mean that teams could be on duty monthly. It is preferable to have at least 4 people per team to help make it more manageable. If you think you can get a team together, please let **Aileen Montgomery** know.

....and **Beckie's Rouken Glen Garden Centre Tea and Coffee circle** is back on **Tuesday 13th September at 10:30**. Everyone is very welcome to pop along!

Book Group

The Book Group meets monthly on Monday afternoons to share recommendations of books that have been enjoyed. Please do come along and join the conversation. Bring your own tea/coffee/drinks



GOALIES

In 2019 **G**entlemen **O**nly **a**t **L**unch **i**n **E**astwood [**GOALIES**] met regularly once a month at Williamwood Golf Club. This was an opportunity for men to get together for lunch and an opportunity for a chat and to share fellowship. The club was in abeyance during the pandemic.

We have now able to restart our meetings on:

Friday 2 August 2022 at 1pm in the Williamwood Golf Clubhouse.

We will meet thereafter on the first Friday of each month at the same time.

Those interested in joining us or requiring transport should contact **Alastair Cherry on 07483 221141.**



Moira and family would like to thank everyone who came to David's Thanksgiving service in the Church. All those who helped to have the Church ready, the beautiful flowers on display. We would like to thank the organist Richard Schofield for playing the music and the Rev. Jan

Mathieson for conducting the services at the crematorium and the Church. The sum of £250.00 was raised for the Trussell Trust(food banks) and is much appreciated. Thank you all.



HARVEST
THANKSGIVING -
Sunday 9 October
2022

Arrangements for our Harvest Thanksgiving on Sunday 9 October - our food donations will be split between **Carnwadric Foodbank** and **Lodging House Mission**. We are also continuing to support the work of **FarmAfrica** and you can help by making a monetary donation.

Food Donations

Members of the congregation wishing to donate harvest goods are being asked to bring them along to the 11.00am service on Sunday 9 October 2022 and keep them beside you in the pew to then take down to the front during the first hymn. Anyone unable to do so will be able to give them to Sunday School/others to bring forward on their behalf. If you cannot manage on 9 October then food donations will be accepted on 16 and 23 October. Listed below are items which will be accepted:

FOOD

- Sugar UHT Milk
- Baby food Baby formula
- Orange juice Diluted juice
- Canned meat Cereal
- Biscuits Rice Pudding
- Custard Carrots
- Peas

TOILETRIES

- Soap powder Washing up liquid
- 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 or Lodging House Mission, please place your money in your own envelope and clearly mark with "Carnwadric Foodbank Donation" or "Lodging House Mission 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 25 September, 2 October, and 9 October, so that you can fill and return. All donation envelopes for FarmAfrica, LHM and Carnwadric should be brought forward to the front during the service on 9 October when invited to do so (not to be put in the donation plates at the front door).

Help Required

I am looking for some volunteers to deliver the goods to the two centres 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.

Helen McKenzie

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Carnwadric Food Bank



Thank you to everyone who donated items to Carnwadric food bank recently. Following a single carload at the beginning of the summer, we were hoping to get enough donations to fill two cars.

We filled three car boots and back seats! The helpers at the food bank were so pleased, especially as the items donated were on their wish list (coffee, tins of

meat, washing up liquid and bleach) Many of the items were passed on to their customers that day.

If you would like to donate anything else in the future, you can pass on items to **Margaret McIntyre, Lesley Young or Aileen Montgomery** at church any time and we will happily drop them in.

Thank you to everyone for supporting Carnwadric food bank, both for donations and for those delivering the items to Carnwadric.

Presbytery Planning and Cluster Progress

Our Kirk Session approved our Cluster Mission Plan at its last meeting. When it has been agreed by all 8 Kirk Sessions in our Cluster it will be submitted to Presbytery. Our Kirk Session has asked that additional comments be submitted with the Plan expressing the strong view that the ministry allocation to our Cluster is far too small and insufficient to support the work of ministry and mission in a cluster comprising 8 viable and thriving congregations. The Kirk Session also recognised the opportunity this Cluster arrangement gives to be more collaborative and creative in the exercise of ministry throughout the whole cluster.

It is likely that after the Cluster Plan is submitted to Presbytery it will be returned for further revision



128th Glasgow Company
The Boys' Brigade
All Sections



Dear All,

August 2022

The '128' is getting ready to start a new session. Last session was, as you may expect, very challenging with the various restrictions and safeguards that we understandably had to comply with. That being said, it was another enjoyable one, and we were enthused with a great intake of Primary Ones who came running through the doors each Friday night – we hope for another intake of new Primary Ones this session and have already seen some interest for new members throughout the age groups.

All sections are currently meeting on the Friday night, so if you know of any boys of school age, be they sons, neighbours, nephews or friends, please encourage them to come along help us to grow the BB in Williamwood Church. With restrictions being eased, we expect to see the return of competitions and events, and are planning our own activities and events to ensure that every boy can find something (sorry, LOTS of things) that he will enjoy and make him want to come back each and every week. Please keep an eye on our facebook page on the internet for regular updates and photos from all sections.

Mark Gordon Company Captain (Tel: 0141 585 4952)
The 128.bb@ntlworld.com





We had a very exciting end to last session with an East Renfrewshire County Brownie day away, on Saturday 11th June, to the Blair Drummond Safari Park. (Unfortunately, our planned BBQ at Greenbank Gardens on

Wednesday 8th June had to be cancelled due to heavy rain so our last Wednesday Night meeting of the session ended up being held in the church hall).

The forecast for the 11th was not great either however we managed to avoid any heavy showers and had a wonderful day walking round and looking really close up at the animals, playing in the play park, visiting the shops (of course!!) and joining together with all the other units for a giant sing-along.

We boarded the bus and before we headed home, we drove through the animal enclosures which the girls found very exciting!

At our last meeting in June, we said a sad goodbye to 5 of our senior Brownies who were leaving us after 3 wonderful years. They were amazing Brownies, especially as they joined us just before the first Covid lockdown and they stuck by us throughout all the zoom meetings and outdoor Wednesday night meetings. We'll miss them and wish them all the very best for the future!

We are looking forward to starting back on Wednesday 7th September, when we will be welcoming 4 newcomers - the first of our new intake who have already turned 7 years old over the summer. We are very excited to welcome back all of our existing Unit and hearing all about their summer adventures!

Lorna, Fiona, Karen, Julie, Lindsay and Kirsty (The Owls)





Hello to everyone at Williamwood Church from the 79th Glasgow Scout Group. We are excited to become a part of the Williamwood Church community and are very grateful for the use of the halls on a Thursday evening following the closure of our previous meeting place at Stamperland Church.

Our Scout Group consists of Beavers, Cubs & Scouts and are open to everyone (boys or girls and of any or no religion). We aim to provide an exciting, fun and adventurous programme for our young members to equip them with skills for life.

We hope to provide an occasional update in this newsletter to give you a flavour of what we get up to and we are also looking forward to getting to know the other organisations and groups that meet at Williamwood along with the wider church membership.

If you see any of us, please come and say hello. In the meantime if you want a flavour of what we get up to then take a look at our Facebook Page (<https://www.facebook.com/Stamperland79th>) or drop us an email at: the79thscouts@gmail.com.

And of course, if anyone would like to get involved in any of the sections we are always looking for extra help.... 😊

Philip Moseley
Group Scout Leader

The Lodging House Mission is seeking a Treasurer to join the board of Governors and to take the work of the LHM forwards. This is an exciting time for LHM as we re-launch and re—brand ourselves in September of this year.

If you feel that God is calling you to this work please contact Roger Sturrock (Chair of the board of Governors) who will be delighted to discuss this further. His contact details are: **RSturrock@churchofScotland.org.uk**

A Message from:
Rev John MacGregor
Convenor for Glasgow Presbytery World
Mission



"My dear brothers and sister in the Church of Scotland and Glasgow Presbytery, Greetings from the Hyderabad Diocese of the Church of Pakistan. I hope you are well and doing good. This is to request you to remember the Diocese of Hyderabad and its parishes, institutions, and projects in your prayers as the unprecedented monsoon rains has wreaked havoc throughout the Sindh province of Pakistan. It has been raining for last one and half months and it has very badly affected the Diocesan properties (including Diocesan Office, Churches and Parish houses), people's homes, road infrastructure. The flooding in the urban and rural areas has also affected the normal life in the entire province and our community in rural parishes have been struggling a lot as the consistent rains have destroyed the crops and they have lost the mean of earning their livelihoods. Many of the families are living in temporary shelters on the roadsides as their villages have been flooded. More rains have been predicted for the next week which could make the situation even worse."

EVENTS

Come along and Join us for the final concert of this year on Sunday 18th of September at 7pm.

Entry is by donation with refreshments being served in the large hall after the concert. We look forward to seeing you all there.



Events

We would like to have a Christmas Fayre this year but can only do so by abiding by the recently amended regulations. We are at the planning stages just now but in order to do this we need your help and support.



The Christmas Fayre is planned for Saturday 26th of November

Can you help on the Friday night to set up between 7pm and 9pm?

Are you able to help on Saturday between 9am and 12.30 pm to serve teas, coffees, clearing up etc?

Can you help with stewarding areas of the church and keeping people flowing to different areas?

If you can do any or all of the above please contact Joan Black on

blacksabode@googlemail.com

If you would like to have, or have an idea about, a stall for this please contact Lesley Young and or Mary Montgomery (gw07younglesley@glow.sch.uk or Mary at 0141 258 8447)

Unless we get enough people willing to help the Christmas Fayre may unfortunately not be able to go ahead.

Please give your name to the contact people above before 7th of October



Food Hygiene Courses:

New legal requirements came into place at the end of 2021 which mean that anyone cooking or providing home baking for church events, whether it is prepared at home or on church premises, requires to have completed a course and gained a certificate.

The course is free and online and is straightforward.

We're thinking of arranging a get together when all those who wish to do this could come to the Session Room with their tablet, iPad or laptop and begin the course together. There might even be some help with the technology!

We'd be grateful to everyone who might consider doing this course to allow us to have baking at events in church.

If you're interested, please contact Aileen Montgomery.

Whistleblowing Policy

At its recent meeting the Kirk Session adopted a whistleblowing policy for our congregation as instructed by the recent General Assembly. This policy can now be found on our website.

Oberammergau

The Minister and Session Clerk will be part of a group comprising Williamwood folks and several others which will visit Austria and Oberammergau and attend a performance of the Passion Play.

From 5th-15th September anyone requiring the services of a minister urgently should contact the Rev Beckie Bartocho (07950 219 695) or our Depute Session Clerk, Stuart Young (0141 577 5707)



Holidays

The Minister will be on holiday from **20th September to 6th October**

For urgent matters during this time please contact **Rev Beckie Bartocho** (07950 219 695) ; **Margaret Robertson, Session Clerk** (07778 148 181) or **Stuart Young, Depute Session Clerk** (0141 577 5707)

Rev Beckie will be on holiday after her final review report and assessment interview on 18th October (dates tbc)

September Dates

Fri. 2nd September – GOALIES lunch : Williamwood Golf Club

Sat. 3rd Sept 8.30-10am – Prayer Breakfast at Thornliebank Parish Church

Sun 4th 11am – Sunday service with the Sacrament of Holy Communion

Mon 5th at 2.30pm – Book Group

Mon 12th at 7pm – Events Committee meets

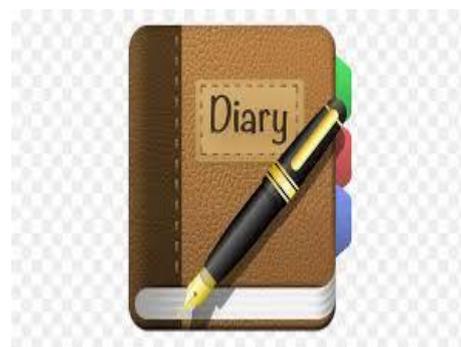
Tue 13th at 7pm – Presbytery of Glasgow meets

Sun 18th at 7pm – Concert at Williamwood Parish Church

Fri 30th 10am-12noon – MacMillan Coffee Morning : Giffnock South parish Church. Catering by The Wayfaring Chef

Sun 9th October at 11am – service of Harvest Thanksgiving

Mon 10th October at 7pm – Beetle Drive



Giffnock South
Parish Church
2 Greenhill Avenue

Tickets £5
available on the door
(under 18s free)

 @GiffnockSouthConcertSeries



2022/2023 SEASON
SATURDAYS 1-2 PM

3rd September 2022 Slideshow Trombone Quartet	4th February 2023 Alba Challah Klezmer Sextet
15th October 2022 Trópos Ensemble Wind, Brass, String and Percussion Quintet	4th March 2023 Resol String Quartet
12th November 2022 Miller - Anderson Duo Guitar Duo	1st April 2023 Avra Ensemble Baroque Quintet
3rd December 2022 Triquetra Brass Brass Trio	6th May 2023 Trio Doyenne Piano Trio
7th January 2023 Campus Trio Two Saxophones & Piano	3rd June 2023 Ar an mBóthar Folk Trio

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