

**CRUDEN  
PARISH  
CHURCH**

**BULLETIN  
MARCH 2009**

**ANNUAL STATED MEETING**

of

**CRUDEN PARISH CHURCH**

**Sunday 8 March 2009** (as part of the morning service)

PRESENTATION OF ACCOUNTS

ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO SERVE ON  
SESSION COMMITTEES

**RETIRING AND SERVING**

We would thank for their service over the last year the members who are due to retire at this year's Annual Meeting

Mrs Mary Coutts, Mr David Singleton, Mrs Helen Smith

Those who continue to serve on our Session Committees are:

Mrs Margaret Adams, Mrs Kathryn Anderson, Mrs Liz Carnie,  
Mrs Mary McNaughtan, Mrs Sarah Paterson, Mrs Lynsey Savage.

As always, those nominated for service should either be present to declare their willingness to accept nomination or have given previous assurance that they are willing to serve.

**AT THE ANNUAL MEETING THERE WILL BE 3 VACANCIES TO FILL.**

*If there are more nominations than vacancies, those nominated will retire to the vestry and voting will be done by a show of hands.*

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# DIARY DATES

## MARCH 2009

### EACH WEEK

Sundays 10.00 am Children's Sunday Club in the Old Church & Stables

#### Fairtrade Fortnight

23 February – 7 March

- Sunday 1st : MORNING SERVICE 10.00 am Church  
followed by Adult Sunday School 11.30 am
- Wednesday 4th : Coffee and Chat 10.30 am Hall  
Choir Practice 7.30 pm Hall
- Friday 6th : **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** 7.00 pm St James' Church
- Sunday 8th : MORNING SERVICE 10.00 am Church  
**Annual Stated Meeting**  
followed by Adult Sunday School 11.30 am  
**YTHAN SINGERS' CONCERT** 3.00 pm Church
- Monday 9th : Video Group 7.30 pm Burnview, Main Street, Cruden Bay
- Wednesday 11th : Guild Presbyterial Council AGM 7.30 pm Maud Church
- Sunday 15th : MORNING SERVICE 10.00 am Church  
Service conducted by the Rev Fred Coutts
- Wednesday 18th : Choir Practice 7.30 pm Hall

The Minister will be away from 20 March to 7 April. Pastoral cover will be provided by the Rev Allan Fawkes (01779 841814)

- Sunday 22nd : MORNING SERVICE 10.00 am Church  
Service conducted by the Rev Fred Coutts
- Sunday 29th : MORNING SERVICE 10.00 am Church  
**Sacrament of Holy Communion**  
Service conducted by the Rev Fred Coutts
- Monday 30th : The Guild 7.30 pm Hall  
Street Pastors Jerry Bowyer

#### MARCH HYMN BOOK - CH4

# PARISH REGISTER

## BAPTISMS

Isla May Fletcher, 1 Inchmore Gardens, Boddam.  
Duncan James Sanders, 3 Cairnhill Drive, Newtonhill.

HOLY  
COMMUNION



29 March  
10 am

**Duty Elders** Wallace Donaldson, Annette Garden, Kate Clark,  
Katherine Hyman, Sandy Smith, Betty Smith, Mary Bratton,  
Jim MacDonald, Joyce Willox, Irene Will.

**NEXT COFFEE and CHAT OLD HALL  
WEDNESDAY 4 MARCH 10.30 am**

THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE BULLETIN WILL COME OUT  
ON **29 MARCH**. Copy for inclusion to be handed in to the  
Manse as soon as possible.

## **Fairtrade Fortnight 23 February – 7 March**

The Third World Centre in Aberdeen require to move from their premises which means they no longer have storage space to offer a sale or return service. This is disappointing news for Cruden Church since we have run successful stalls in recent years. I would like to acknowledge the support given by the congregation. Look out for news of another promotion to support Fairtrade.

Beatrice Fawkes

**TO THOSE ON SUNDAY DUTY** If you are unable to fulfil your door duty, please try to find your own replacement before informing Sandy Beedie – 841370 for door duty or Mary Esson – 812206 for tea duty.

## SUNDAY MORNING DUTIES 10 am

Date	Door	Flowers	Teas	Children
1 Mar	Isobel Young Jack Young	Mary Esson	Alison Neilson Mary Coumts	Karla Buswell Marie Forsyth Brenda Cadger Sharon Rennie Charlotte Lamb
8 Mar	John Lamb Wilma Moir	Mary Bratton	Dorothy Cruickshank Margaret Jamieson	Katherine Hyman Maureen Reid S or C Skinner Helen Smith Charlotte Lamb
15 Mar	John Lamb Wilma Moir	Atholene Ritchie	Margaret Adams Lewis McKechnie	Karla Buswell Marie Forsyth Brenda Cadger Mary Bratton Charlotte Lamb
22 Mar	Anne McNaughton Mary Esson	Jean Beedie	Marilyn Samways Maureen McKenzie	Katherine Hyman Maureen Reid S or C Skinner Joyce Fowlie Charlotte Lamb
29 Mar	Anne McNaughton Mary Esson	Maureen McKenzie	Beatrice Fawkes Betty Forrester	Karla Buswell Marie Forsyth Brenda Cadger Sharon Rennie Charlotte Lamb
5 Apr	Liz Carnie Jim MacDonald	Mary McNaughtan	Rosemary Reid Kathleen Craig	Easter Holidays
12 Apr	Liz Carnie Jim MacDonald	Elma Watson	Mary Bratton Betty Morris	Easter Holidays
19 Apr	Annette Garden Michael Buchan	Mary Esson	Doreen Buchan Liz Carnie	Easter Holidays
26 Apr	Annette Garden Michael Buchan	Fiona Stephen	Norma Forman Dorothy Cruickshank	Katherine Hyman Maureen Reid S or C Skinner Helen Smith Charlotte Lamb

### ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

With this Bulletin, members should find the annual commitment card. In the next 3 weeks, these cards will be collected by a church visitor. Members are asked to participate in the campaign by returning a card.

*FROM THE MINISTER 20 February 2009*

Dear Friends

**Organist**

With Rosemary Lund standing down from being one of our organists at the end of last year and with Violet Penny's health preventing her from playing, we entered into 2009 uncertain about how easily we might get the organ played on Sunday mornings.

There have been no difficulties because from the very first Sunday of the year we have been pleased to have Stephen Calder playing. Stephen comes from Peterhead and is clearly a very able musician; the only potential difficulty lies in the fact that he does not drive. We are grateful to Anne Smith for her willingness to be a regular chauffeur.

At its February meeting, the Kirk Session were pleased to appoint Stephen as our organist, for six months in the first instance to see that travelling arrangements can be ensured. Already choir practices have resumed on a fortnightly basis and we look forward to what the choir will contribute to our services under Stephen's guidance.

**Treasurer**

At the same Session meeting, the elders approved the annual accounts after they were presented by our Treasurer. An extract of the accounts can be found in the centre of this Bulletin. Copies of the full annual report will be available at the Annual Stated Meeting of the congregation on 8 March. The publication of our accounts once again reminds us of how lucky Cruden Church is to have an efficient and dedicated Treasurer in Rosemary Pittendrigh. Rosemary is always willing to be of help in so many different ways but if all she did was to look after our finances then she would be making a most significant contribution to Cruden Parish Church that leaves us indebted to her.

Your friend and minister

*Rodger Naylor*



## CRUDEN CHURCH FAMILY

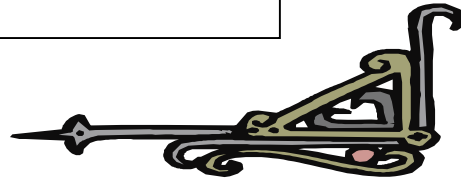
### CONGRATULATIONS

to **Mrs Violet Penny, Stoneygate, 29 Manse Road, Hatton** who will be celebrating her 80th Birthday this month.

to **Mr & Mrs J Burnett, 20 Castle Road, Cruden Bay** who will be celebrating their Golden Wedding this month.

to **Mr & Mrs K Massie, Hyfield Lodge, Hatton** who will be celebrating their Ruby Wedding this month.

The minister would welcome, in writing please, any news for this feature in the Bulletin



## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

7 pm Friday 6th March

St James' Church

The independent state of Papua New Guinea lies just below the equator on the western side of the Pacific Ocean. To the west, it shares its main island with Indonesia's province of West Papua. Papua New Guinea comprises more than 600 islands some of which are volcanic with many geothermal springs and dramatic mountain ranges. It is governed by a Constitutional monarchy with a parliamentary democratic system.

The theme chosen for the World Day of Prayer, "**In Christ there Are Many Members, Yet One Body**" is very appropriate for Papua New Guinea, which is one of the most unique countries in the Pacific in that it is so diverse in cultures, races, languages, and religious beliefs, just to mention a few.

# Escape the Recession .... ..... and avoid Depression

COME TO A 1950s-STYLE AFTERNOON TEA PARTY  
WITH ENTERTAINMENT!  
PROVISIONAL DATE - SATURDAY, 30 MAY

Picture the scene : tables set with hand-embroidered tablecloths, floral vintage tea-sets and cake stands heaped with traditional home-bakes ... nostalgic music is playing in the background ... we hope to have live entertainment evocative of the 1950s and also a quiz specific to that period, as well as a raffle.

To make this afternoon a success, the Social Committee is looking for **WILLING HELPERS!**

Would YOU consider being a hostess? We need 2 ladies to be responsible for each table ( which seats 8). It would be helpful if you can also "dress" your table with pretty cloths and china.

We need lots of home-baking! Would YOU help out? We need ideas and volunteers for some live entertainment evocative of the 50s. Please come forward! We will need raffle prizes. We will need **LOTS OF PEOPLE TO COME ALONG AND MAKE THIS A HAPPY AND SUCCESSFUL AFTERNOON!**

**If you want to help, please get in touch with:**

**Margaret Adams (841614) Lindsey Savage (812129)**

## **CRUDEN CHURCH GUILD**

**Our next meeting is on Monday 30 March when the guest speaker will be Mr Jerry Bowyer from Street Pastors.**



VOLUNTEER'S  
CORNER

Since we started this feature in the Bulletin different people have responded to help in different ways. A year ago Jack and Isobel Young volunteered to help draw up a church inventory. In October Betty Smith volunteered to help find a grave of a soldier who died in 1943. Last month Paul Anderson was kind enough to offer to input graveyard data into a data base being set up.

**Our grateful thanks go to our willing volunteers.**

However, no one came forward when we asked for volunteers to sing in the choir

*THE YTHAN SINGERS*



*present*

Sacred Music for Spring  
Sunday 8th March 2009 3 pm  
Cruden Old Church

*Conductor: Morag Paton  
Organist: Rosemary Lund*





# LIFE and WORK

## MARCH ISSUE

THE MAGAZINE OF THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

**YOUNG CHURCH** Jackie Macadam talks to Linda Pollock, the organiser of the Church of Scotland Children's Assembly, about the place of children in the Kirk. Plus, examples of the work of children's and youth groups from across Scotland.

**THANK YOU MR DARWIN** Graham Hellier argues that Christians have nothing to fear from evolution; and Peter Johnston looks at what we teach children about evolution and creation

**RELIGION AND POLITICS, US STYLE** Bryan Owen looks at the relationship between religion and politics in America since Ronald Reagan's presidency, and how things are changing as Barack Obama's regime begins.

**CALVIN AND THE CREDIT CRUNCH** In the Year of Calvin, David Searle makes a connection with the current financial crisis.

**OUT OF AFRICA** A team from St George's Tillydrone Church in Aberdeen travel to Uganda and have their eyes opened

**THE FORGIVENESS PROJECT** Laurence Whitley wraps up his series on how the Christian should deal with unpleasantness

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*A wife invited some people to dinner. At the table, she turned to their 6 year old daughter and said, "Would you like to say the blessing?"*

*"I wouldn't know what to say," the girl replied.*

*"Just say what you hear Mummy say," wife answered.*

*The daughter bowed her head and said, "Lord, why on earth did I invite all these people to dinner?"*