

CRUDEN
PARISH
CHURCH

JANUARY 2011



THE BULLETIN

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DIARY DATES

JANUARY 2011

EACH WEEK

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

The weather has caused further delays in completing the work in the church and it is not yet known when we shall be able to return to the church for worship. However, it is hoped that we shall be back in time for the January Communion.

Sunday 2nd	:	MORNING SERVICE	10.00 am	
Sunday 9th	:	MORNING SERVICE	10.00 am	
Monday 10th	:	Watch and Talk Group	7.30 pm	3 Main Street, Cruden Bay
Sunday 16th	:	MORNING SERVICE	10.00 am	
Wednesday 19th	:	Choir Practice	7.30 pm	Hall
Sunday 23rd	:	MORNING SERVICE	10.00 am	
Tuesday 25th	:	Week of Prayer Act of Worship	7.30 pm	Manse
Sunday 30th	:	MORNING SERVICE Sacrament of Holy Communion	10.00 am	
Monday 31st	:	The Guild Alan Gray and Keith Hewitt – Sahara Trek	7.30 pm	Hall

JANUARY HYMN BOOK - Mission Praise.

THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE BULLETIN WILL COME OUT ON **30 JANUARY**. Copy for inclusion to be handed into the Manse as soon as possible.

PARISH REGISTER

*(denotes church member)

DEATHS

*Mrs Margaret Summers, 17 Cantlay Court, Cruden Bay.

*Mr Paul Jamieson, Station House, Hatton.

Mr Arthur Hardy, Sunnybank Nursing Home

Miss D Phyllis Lownie, Sunnybank Nursing Home

HOLY
COMMUNION



30 January
10 am

Duty Elders Beatrice Fawkes, John Lamb, Katherine Hyman,
Jim MacDonald, Sandy Smith, Robert Esson, Betty Forrester,
Wilma Moir, Rosemary Pittendrigh, Betty May.

CRUDEN CHURCH ONLINE

Every now and again, someone, somewhere in the world comes across our website and leaves a message in our web Guest Book. Very recently, Judy Hunter from Florida, USA found us through Google and this is what she commented

I came across my great-grandparents marriage certificate. They were married in the Parish Church of Cruden on March 26, 1901. Just wanted to see a bit about the church. Beautiful, just beautiful. I hope to visit someday!

How often do our members with computers look at their own church website. It is worth checking it out now again even though it is only to see what photographs of church events have found their way there or to read the Bulletin on your screen. At the moment, the home page is being updated to inform members on the progress of our Property Project and the success of the fund raising.

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SUNDAY MORNING DUTIES – 10 am

Date	Door	Flowers	Teas	Children
2 Jan	Adrian Smith Robert Esson	Betty Forrester	Wilma Moir Beatrice Fawkes	Holiday
9 Jan	Margaret Adams Jim MacDonald	Beatrice Fawkes	Iris Durno Sharon Clark	Karla Buswell Brenda Cadger S or C Skinner Helen Smith Charlotte Lamb
16 Jan	Margaret Adams Jim MacDonald	Beatrice Fawkes	Margaret Jamieson Kathleen Craig	Katherine Hyman Maureen Reid S or C Skinner Joyce Fowlie Charlotte Lamb
23 Jan	Marilyn Samways Robert Petticrew	Atholene Ritchie	Anne Cadey Fiona Stephen	Karla Buswell Brenda Cadger S or C Skinner Mary Bratton Charlotte Lamb
30 Jan	Marilyn Samways Robert Petticrew	Violet Penny	Elma Cumming Marilyn Samways	Karla Buswell Brenda Cadger S or C Skinner Helen Smith Charlotte Lamb
6 Feb	Shonah Taylor Betty May		Margaret Adams Jessie MacDonald	Katherine Hyman Maureen Reid S or C Skinner Joyce Fowlie Charlotte Lamb
13 Feb	Shonah Taylor Betty May	Muriel Cantlay	Betty Forrester Elizabeth Bruce	No Junior Church
20 Feb	Muriel Cantlay Iris Durno			Karla Buswell Brenda Cadger S or C Skinner Mary Bratton Charlotte Lamb
27 Feb	Muriel Cantlay Iris Durno		Norma Forman Liz Carnie	Karla Buswell Brenda Cadger S or C Skinner Helen Smith Charlotte Lamb

TO THOSE ON SUNDAY DUTY **If you are unable to fulfil your duty, please try to find your own replacement before informing Sandy Beedie - 841370.**

FROM THE MINISTER 23 December 2010

Dear Friends

A very Happy New Year to you all

Well, last year did not end as I expected! To be honest, I cannot say I was over surprised - disappointed yes - when I returned from holiday to be told that the eradication of the wet rot was taking longer than we had been told and so, there was no return to the church in December.

Even as I sit down to write this, I still am not sure how soon in January we shall be able to return to the church. I can't wait to get back. I can only express my thanks to the congregation for their patience and understanding when we have squeezed into the hall for our worship on the rare occasions snow permitted.

In the last month we have firmed up our plans to replace the old windows in the church. Our hope is to replace ten of the sanctuary windows, leaving aside in the meantime the large window on the north wall. This actually means our total project will now cost in the region of £85,000 but we are hoping to obtain grants to pay for the bulk of this. If grants are not forthcoming then we will have to scale back the number of windows which will be replaced at this time.

As I have said before, grants will only be forthcoming if we can demonstrate we are making an effort to raise funds. Let me say how much I appreciate the response from the parish which, at this date, has meant we have raised over £12,000. I believe that it would be reasonable for us to be looking to raise £20,000 through our own fundraising efforts so we are more than half way to towards that figure.

Until the project is completed, it is my intention to keep our website homepage updated with the latest information on both the progress of the work and the success of the Appeal so for those of you with computers you can always check there for the latest news. Those who do not surf the web will have to wait till the next Bulletin to get the latest news.

Your friend and minister

Rodger Nailor

STUDY CLEANINGS

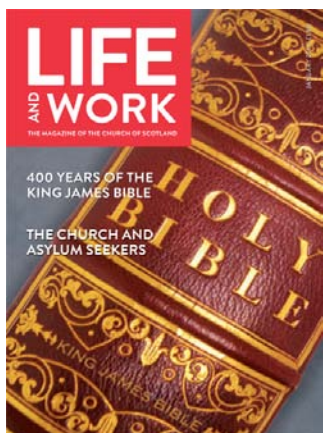
on the subject of FAMILY

The best way for a husband to clinch an argument is to take her in his arms.

One reason why a dog is such a lovable creature is that his tail wags instead of his tongue.

One of the mysteries of life is how the boy who wasn't good enough to marry the daughter can be the father of the smartest grandchild in the world.

Friends are made by many acts - and lost by one.



JANUARY ISSUE OF THE MAGAZINE OF THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

400 years of the King James Bible

A new campaign encouraging people to experience the Bible afresh *and* Ian Campbell considers the cultural impact of the Bible on Scottish literature

Bridging the Gap

Jackie Macadam learns about the church's work with asylum seekers in Glasgow

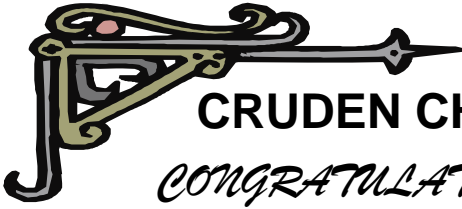
New Features

View from the Pew Andrew Williamson looks at the vexed topic of presbytery planning. **A Month in the Life** of a Workplace Chaplain. **Bible 'Oddbits'** The Rev Laurence Whitley explains the mystery of the missing verse in Luke's Gospel. **The Big Question** What are your hopes for 2011? **Music and Worship** The Rev Alastair Cherry explains the history of the Music Committee

New Writers

John Purves reflects on the value of New Year promises and **Fiona Mathieson** looks at the role of volunteers in congregations

Plus the Moderator, James Simpson, John Hume, Growing Church, prayer, poem, letters, reviews and crosswords – all for just £1.80



CRUDEN CHURCH FAMILY

CONGRATULATIONS

to **Mr James Brown, 6 Manse Road, Hatton** who celebrates his 90th Birthday this month.

to **Colin and Betty Moir, 9 Main Street, Hatton** who will be celebrating their Ruby Wedding this month.

We are _____ pleased to print the following received by email.

Hi - I wonder if it was possible to include the following in your church magazine

Golden wedding:

At the Old Parish Church, Peterhead, on 12th November, 1960 by the Rev Stanley Menzies, James Hay (formerly of Myres Farm, Cruden Bay) to Marlene Watson of Peterhead.

*I used to be a member of the Church and Hatton Boys Brigade
James Hay, 19 Raeburn Meadow, Selkirk TD7 4HL*

James, Cruden Church happily passes on its congratulations and best wishes to you and Marlene on reaching your golden anniversary.

The minister would welcome, in writing please, e-mail preferred, any news for this feature in the Bulletin so that it is not just a list of anniversaries and birthdays.



From Poppy Scotland

Awarded to Cruden Parish Church

In recognition of the outstanding work carried out on behalf of Poppy Scotland and for making a real difference to the lives of veterans and their families.

Amount collected £75 Awarded on 23 November 2010

(Obviously the amount is less than usual because fewer people attended the Remembrance Sunday service which was in the Hall.)

CHRISTMAS BLUES

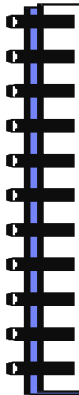
As I look out of my study window I can hardly believe the depth of snow lying. Alison measured it two days before Christmas and it was at least 8 inches deep. Since then more has fallen and even more forecast. I find it incredible that we have had only two services between Remembrance Sunday and Boxing Day – and it remains to be seen whether the latter service will go ahead! So many other events have been cancelled.

When the Social Committee decided the Senior Citizens Party would not go ahead, it was not so much a cancellation but a postponement. What is now being planned is an Afternoon Tea with entertainment in the spring. With the way this winter is going, that will probably be late Spring!

Leaving aside a service in Sunnybank Home and a School Assembly, the only carol I have sung before Christmas was the one with which we finished the service on 12 December. This has certainly been a Christmas that has had to be celebrated within our own homes. I hope that you have been able to do that.

Rodger Neilson

PS And because so many events have been cancelled, I have hardly had a mincemeat pie over the festive season. However as I write this Santa is still to come



VOLUNTEER'S CORNER

Do you have some time to spare?

WANTED

We are looking for more people to join the rota of those willing to help keep our buildings clean and tidy outside as well as inside. If interested, please phone the Minister (841229) for further information.

TO HELP YOU SMILE *Question* What does the word “benign” mean? *Answer* Benign is what you will be after you be eight!

Question Use the word judicious in a sentence to show you understand its meaning. *Answer* Hands that judicious can be soft as your face. (*You might have to be of a certain age to appreciate that.*)

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The Social Committee was delighted to welcome sufficient people to form 8 teams at the Quiz Night in the Church hall on 19 November. The Quizmaster was Jon Roberts and the Marker was Rosemary Pittendrigh.

Winners were John Lamb, David Lamb and Fred Coutts and refreshments were served by the Social Committee. £270 was passed on to the Property Project. Warm thanks were extended to all who helped to make the evening a success. *Beatrice Fawkes*

FAIR TRADE FORTNIGHT

**22 February – 7 March.
2010.**

Fairtrade Fortnight 2011 will take place from 28th February to 13th March.

Once again we will be encouraged to think about TEA but adding a touch of sweetness as we hear the story of how Traidcraft is helping beekeepers all over the developing world.

More details later.

LATEST NEWS – AND IT IS GOOD NEWS GENERAL TRUSTEES GRANT CONFIRMED

2010/2011 PROPERTY PROJECT APPEAL

We are grateful to all who have so far contributed.

<u>Direct Donations</u>	Kirk Session	2,790
	Parish Appeal	9,375
<u>Fund Raising</u>	Quiz Night	260
	Miscellaneous	125
<u>Grants</u>	Aster of Hever Trust	200
	General Trustees	20,000

Total to date £32,750

Since the latest target to replace all but one of the sanctuary windows requires us to find a total of approximately £85,000, we still have a long way to go.

Week Of Prayer For Christian Unity 18 – 25 January 2011

One in the Apostles' teaching, fellowship, breaking of bread and prayer (See Acts 2 : 42 – 47)

Churches around the world traditionally mark the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity from 18 to 25 January in the eight days between the feasts of St. Peter and St. Paul but these dates need not be strictly kept.

The 2011 prayers for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity have been prepared by Christians in Jerusalem, who chose as a theme Acts 2:42, *'They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.'* This theme is a call for inspiration and renewal, a return to the essentials of the faith; it is a call to remember the time when the church was still one. Within this theme four elements are presented which were marks of the early Christian community, and which are essential to the life of the Christian Community wherever it exists.

- Firstly, the Word was passed on by the apostles.
- Secondly, fellowship (koinonia) was an important mark of the early believers whenever they met together.
- A third mark of the early Church was the celebration of the Eucharist (the 'breaking of the bread'), remembering the New Covenant which Jesus has enacted in his suffering, death and resurrection.
- The fourth aspect is the offering of constant prayer.

These four elements are the pillars of the life of the church, and of its unity.

WILL YOU VOLUNTEER?

In recent years around a dozen people have responded to a Bulletin invitation to take part in the Week of Prayer. All they had to do was look at the daily readings for eight days in their own time and at their own convenience.

If **YOU** want to volunteer, all you need do is work your way through each day. It should only take about 10 - 15 minutes. Don't worry if you miss a day, just catch up in your own time.

- Look at the questions that begin each day.
- Look up the readings in your bible (If anyone would like to borrow a Good News Bible from the church, contact the minister.)
- Still keeping the initial questions in mind, slowly read the passage for reflection and the prayer that finishes it.
- Then spend a few moments in thought and prayer.
- Finally consider the invitation on the Bulletin page opposite

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Those who have been involved in previous years in the Week of Prayer have had the opportunity to come together to chat about their experience of reading through the material and to share in an informal act of worship created by the writers of the readings and prayers. This year an invitation goes out to all our church members to come to an act of worship at the end of the Week of Prayer. This will take place

in the Manse at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 25 January.

Whether you have worked through the readings each day or not, you can still come along and join in the songs and prayers. If intending to come, please inform the Minister. **WILL YOU COME?**



Week of Prayer for Christian Unity January 2011

Over 8 days, the 2011 theme, explored through readings and prayers, will be **“One in the apostles” - teaching, fellowship, breaking of bread and prayer** (from Acts 2 : 42 – 47).

Day 1 -The Church in Jerusalem

Day 2 -Many members in One Body

Day 3 -Devotion to the Apostles' Teaching Unites

Us

Day 4 -Sharing, an Expression of Our Unity

Day 5 -Breaking the Bread in Hope

Day 6 -Empowered to Action in Prayer

Day 7 -Living in Resurrection Faith

Day 8 -Called for the Service of Reconciliation

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER TO BE INVOLVED OR WOULD SIMPLY LIKE TO SEE THE MATERIAL, PHONE OR EMAIL THE MINISTER BEFORE 18 JANUARY.