

The Bulletin



ANNUAL STATED MEETING

of

CRUDEN PARISH CHURCH

Sunday 13 March 2016

(as part of the morning service)

PRESENTATION OF ACCOUNTS

ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO SERVE ON SESSION COMMITTEES

Cruden Parish Church of Scotland

Spring 2016

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Diary Dates Spring 2016

Worship services will continue every Sunday morning in
Cruden Parish Church at 10 am

MARCH

Wednesday 2nd	Coffee & Chat in Hall 10.30 am
Friday 4th	World Day of Prayer in Cruden Parish Church 7 pm
Tuesday 8th	Craft Group in Hall 2 pm
Wednesday 9th	Choir Practice in Hall 7.30 pm
Thursday 10th	Guild Presbyterian Council AGM Cruden Parish Church – 7.30 pm
Sunday 13th	Morning Service Annual Stated Meeting Sacrament of Holy Communion
Monday 14th	Watch & Talk Group - Main St, Cruden Bay 7.30pm
Thursday 17th	Messy Church in Hatton Public Hall 3.30 pm
Sunday 20th	PALM SUNDAY SERVICE
Tuesday 22nd	Craft Group in Hall 2 pm
Friday 25th	GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE 7 pm Service conducted by the Rev Allan Fawkes
Sunday 27th	EASTER SERVICE
Monday 28th	Guild in Hall 7.30 pm “My Garden” - Piers Claxton
Wednesday 30th	Choir Practice in Hall 7.30 pm

APRIL

Tuesday 5th	Craft Group in Hall 2 pm
Wednesday 6th	Coffee & Chat in Hall 10.30 am
Monday 11th	Watch & Talk Group - Main St, Cruden Bay 7.30pm
Wednesday 13th	Choir Practice in Hall 7.30 pm

Tuesday 19th Craft Group in Hall 2 pm
Thursday 21st Messy Church in Hatton Public Hall 3.30 pm
Monday 25th Guild AGM in Hall 7.30
 Cruden Parish Church Choir and Committee

MAY

Tuesday 3rd Craft Group in Hall 2 pm
Wednesday 4th Coffee & Chat in Hall 10.30 am
 Choir Practice in Hall 7.30 pm

Tuesday 17th Craft Group in Hall 2 pm
Thursday 19th Messy Church in Hatton Public Hall 3.30 pm
Sunday 22nd SERVICE AT ST JAMES' 9.30 am
Sunday 29th MORNING SERVICE
 Sacrament of Holy Communion
Tuesday 31st Craft Group in Hall 2 pm

CELEBRATING EASTER

Come and join us celebrate **Easter** at Cruden Church.

During the evenings of Holy Week there will be a series of **Bible Study** meetings beginning on Sunday 20 March at 7 pm in the Hall. We will be working our way through a booklet entitled "**Jesus' Final Week**" If you are interested in attending the study please contact Robert Esson, There will be no Bible Study on **Good Friday** or **Easter Saturday** and the final study will be on **Easter Sunday**. Booklets cost £3.88.

On **Good Friday** we will have our usual informal Communion Service beginning at 7 pm which will be conducted by Rev Allan Fawkes.

Our **Easter Day** service will be conducted by Mrs Elaine Taylor at the usual time of 10 am.



CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

15-21 MAY 2016

The Buttery Morning will be on Saturday 14 May from 10.00 am until 11.30 am in the Church Hall. Raffles will be on sale as usual. Also a tombola.

The House-to-House collection, to be organised by Mary Bratton in Cruden Bay and Rosemary Reid in Hatton, will take place during the week of 15 - 21 May.

Every year we need to recruit a few different collectors. Even if you can only do one evening or a couple of hours collecting, that would be a big help. Please think about offering your services to either of these two ladies.

We appeal to those who are tax payers to complete the Gift Aid part on the envelope - this has a value of 28% currently, which means for every £10 gifted, we can claim another £2.80 from the government in tax, which is a very worthwhile boost for charities.

MESSY CHURCH

Monthly meetings in Hatton Hall are proving very popular with several new families joining us. The February meeting based on the story of Hanna had the usual mix of activities. The children are proud to take the results home. We hope to have a banner to put up outside the hall to remind people of the next meeting. So look out for it and do come along. We are looking for more helpers. If you enjoy craft and like children, Messy Church is the place for you.

Next meetings: 17 March , 21 April, 19 May.

The Messy Church Team.

ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

With this Bulletin, members should find the annual commitment card. Members are asked to participate in the campaign by returning a card when their visitor calls in the next three weeks. Also included is a short questionnaire which the Kirk Session encourage you to give some thought to and return in the hope that we can improve our support and commitment to you our members.

Development of the Hatton Site

The land owned by the Church in Hatton, the site of the manse, former West

Church, garages and adjacent land, has been on the market for sale for some time now and to date there has been no interest shown by any developers. Due to this lack of interest the Kirk Session has decided to explore the possibility of developing the site ourselves by selling serviced plots and using the income to build a new modern manse. By adopting this approach it is believed that we can maximise the return for the Church.

Discussions are ongoing with the General Trustees and we have been encouraged by their response and support. A fully budgeted draft proposal is currently being prepared which will in due course be presented to Presbytery and the General Trustees with the hope that the project will be given the go ahead in the not too distant future.

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 Lorraine Neilson, Mrs Janice Hutchinson, Mr Ken Bruce

Members who continue to serve on our Session Committees are:

Mrs Kathryn Anderson, Mr James Hyman, Mrs Debbie Mackintosh, Mrs Maureen Reid, Mrs Helen Smith, Mrs Fiona Stephen.

As always, those nominated at the Annual Stated Meeting 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.

World Day of Prayer

A warm welcome awaits you in Cruden Church

Friday 4 March 2016 at 7pm

'Receive children, receive me'

Written by Christian women of Cuba

Will YOU join us?

Year ended 31 December 2015

	Note	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>			<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Endowment</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Total</u>
		2015 General	2015 Fabric/Organisation	2015 Activities (see over)	2015 Project 15	2015 Fund Burnett	2015	2014
<u>Receipts</u>								
Donations	4	48,911.44	400.00	896.96	0.00	0.00	50,208.40	52,477.26
Legacies		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Funds Generation		802.00	0.00	893.00	4,240.50	0.00	0.00	16,253.68
Interest		25.95	0.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	27.87
Investment income		99.38	550.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	649.38	678.60
Rental of premises		375.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	375.00	435.00
Weddings & Funerals		350.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	350.00	840.00
Grant and Loan		0.00	0.00	0.00	18,000.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00
Other Receipts		0.00	0.00	1,974.72	9,011.52	0.00	0.00	300.00
<u>Total Receipts</u>		50,563.77	950.30	3,764.68	31,252.02	0.00	86,530.77	73,012.41
<u>Payments</u>	5							
Costs of generating funds		351.87	0.00	0.00	710.79	0.00	1,062.66	797.06
Charitable activities		39,351.48	1,928.05	2,389.89	18,000.00	0.00	61,669.42	101,449.20
Loan Repayment		0.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	0.00
<u>Total Payments</u>		39,703.35	1,928.05	2,389.89	20,710.79	0.00	64,732.08	102,246.26
Surplus for the year before transfers		10,860.42	-977.75	1,374.79	10,541.23	0.00	21,798.69	-29,233.85
Transfers		1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Surplus for the year		£9,860.42	£22.25	£1,374.79	£10,541.23	£0.00	£21,798.69	-£29,233.85

2015 ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

The Office of the Scottish Charities Regulator has laid down its requirements for the presentation of charity accounts. Compliance is required to maintain charitable status. All Church of Scotland congregations are obliged to present an Annual Report which involves much more than the presentation of figures. The Kirk Session has decided that because of the size of the annual report, only the two page summary in the middle of this Bulletin will be issued to members. A full copy of the Annual Report can be had from the church welcome area or by requesting a copy from the Treasurer.

Cruden Parish Church**STATEMENT OF BALANCES****Year ended 31 December 2015**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds			Restricted	Endowment	Total 2015	Total 2014
		2015 General	2015 Fab/Org 12 & 13	2015 Activities	Fund 2015 Project 15	Fund 2015 Burnett		
Bank Balances								
Brought forward		24,834.60	574.82	2,675.16	5,286.34	930.46	34,301.38	63,535.23
Surplus for the year		9,860.42	22.25	1,374.79	10,541.23	0.00	21,798.69	-29,233.85
Carried forward	7	£34,695.02	£597.07	£4,049.95	£15,827.57	£930.46	£56,100.07	£34,301.38
Investments at market value	Note							
(cost £ 8,352.20)	8	4,075.60	12,540.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	16,615.60	17,703.11
Assets								
Gift Aid Receivable			0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Liabilities	Note							
Loan repayment	11	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

The accounts approved by the Kirk Session on 28 January 2016

Signed for and on behalf of the Kirk Session

Robert M Esson

Session Clerk

Rosemary Pittendrigh

Treasurer

Income	Activities Funds					Totals
	Ekwendeni	Junior Church	Guild	Flower	Messy Church	
Donations	0.00	12.00	396.00	26.00	462.96	896.96
Legacies	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fundraising	0.00	0.00	893.00	0.00	0.00	893.00
Bank & Deposit interest	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Grants	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other receipts	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,974.72	1,974.72
	0.00	12.00	1,289.00	26.00	2,437.68	3,764.68
Expenditure						
Charitable activities	0.00	247.82	1,536.70	0.00	605.37	2,389.89
Other costs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	247.82	1,536.70	0.00	605.37	2,389.89
Surplus	0.00	-235.82	-247.70	26.00	1,832.31	1,374.79
Opening Balance	<u>378.74</u>	<u>607.05</u>	<u>921.75</u>	<u>103.39</u>	<u>664.23</u>	<u>2,675.16</u>
Closing Balance	378.74	371.23	674.05	129.39	2,496.54	4,049.95

CRUDEN CRAFT GROUP

In November and December 2015 the Craft Group was busy fundraising through the sale of peg bags, twiddlemuffs, a raffle and a sales table. As a result the sum of £152 was donated to the Project Fund. The total number of knitted and crocheted items donated to a variety of charities and organisations during last year was 1074. After a most enjoyable Christmas Party, a four week break followed before the group met again in January. We were very aware of how fortunate we had all been in escaping the devastating floods and decided to make a donation of £180 to an Aberdeenshire flood appeal to help others affected.

We have recently been gifted lots of lovely wool from a church member on behalf of her late mother. We are very grateful for her generosity and look forward to using this donation. At our last meeting we were delighted to be joined by one of our elders, handing in some knitted items and wool. She was persuaded to stay for tea and a fine piece! A warm welcome awaits anyone who would like to pop in.

We are all very sorry to lose Janice Hutchinson from our group. She has been the mainstay of the craft group for almost two years and will be sorely missed, however we wish her well for her move to Aberdeen.

Carol Paul

CRUDEN GUILD

Since the last report, the Guild has been busy.

On November 20th as part of Guild Week, four members travelled to Dunfermline Abbey to join in the Big Sing. The Abbey made a most wonderful setting for the event and the singing was truly memorable. High Tea on the way home followed by a sing song on the bus brought an enjoyable day of fellowship to an end.

At our November meeting, Stuart Jamieson spoke to us of his travels in Texas and New Zealand. We learned a lot that evening about different methods of



sheep/cattle farming, comparing the vastness of Texas and New Zealand herds, and their stations, with the ones here in Scotland. (a bit like 'The Mart' but with sun!!!!)

His witty and interesting presentation made for a very pleasant evening.

Once again the St Olaf Hotel did us proud, where we enjoyed a lovely Christmas meal, followed by a bit of fun before ending the evening with a Christmas sing-a-long to set us all in Festive mood.

At the first meeting of the New Year we were joined by Hannah Goodlad, the Youth Moderator of the General Assembly. Her inspiring talk focused on how members of the Youth Assembly are trying to encourage young people to become part of the church fellowship, a difficult task at anytime. She told us what is expected of her during her year as Moderator, the emphasis being on fundraising. We 'oldies' enjoyed a breath of fresh air in the company of a most dedicated young lady.

Lorraine Neilson

CRUDEN WALKING GROUP 2016

A lively discussion at our February planning meeting when we considered a number of possible walks has resulted in the following being agreed.

Sunday 20 March	Sculpture Trail, Aberdeen
Sunday 24 April	Inverugie/Ravenscraig (with the Guild)
Sunday 22 May	Udny Station to Ellon
Sunday 19 June	Burn o' Vat/Loch Kinord
Saturday 16 July	Gordon Way
Sunday 14 August	Scolty Hill Banchory
Sunday 11 September	Maud to Strichen
Sunday 9 October	Peterhead Heritage Trail

Walks vary in length from 2 miles to 6 miles with the exception of the Gordon Way which is 12 miles in total with the option to do only half of it. For the March walk, as is usually the case, we will leave the Church Hall at 11.30 am. Bring a picnic and have a good afternoon. If you require more information please contact Maureen Esson on 01779 813049.

PARISH REGISTER

DEATHS

Mr Norman Stewart, 5 Kilmarnock Drive, Cruden Bay

Mr Alex John Mutch, Grangepark Nursing Home, Peterhead.

WEDDING

Kenneth Michie and Sarah Cantlay, Lower Springbank, Park Crescent, Maud.

HOLY COMMUNION

13 March 10 am

Duty Elders Annette Garden, Irene Will,
Mary Bratton, Kate Clark, Peter Slamaker,
Beatrice Fawkes, Adrian Smith, Sandy
Smith, Robert Esson, Jim MacDonald.



Please note Change of date

Sunday 13 March NOT Sunday 27 March

29 May 10 am

Duty Elders Robert Esson, Adrian Smith, Robert Petticrew,
Mary Bratton, Wilma Moir, Kathleen Craig, Annette Garden,
Beatrice Fawkes, Shonah Taylor, Irene Will.

The Summer issue of the Bulletin will be published at the beginning of June.
Please send all material to be included before Sunday 22 May 2016 to:

Fred Coutts

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Sunday Morning Duties 10 am

Date	Door	Flowers	Teas	Children
6 Mar	Isobel Young Jack Young	Rosemary Pittendrigh	Kathleen Craig Janice Hutchinson	Katherine Hyman Maureen Reid
13 Mar	Shonah Taylor Annette Garden	Beatrice Fawkes	Margaret Bruce Marilyn Samways	Karla Buswell Helen Smith
20 Mar	Shonah Taylor Annette Garden	Atholene Ritchie	Norma Forman Beatrice Fawkes	Katherine Hyman Maureen Reid
27 Mar	Norma Forman Liz Carnie	Robert Esson	Fiona Stephen Irene Stott	School Holidays No Junior Church
3 April	Norma Forman Liz Carnie	Mary McNaughtan	Margaret Adams Rosemary Reid	School Holidays No Junior Church
10 April	Muriel Cantlay Sandy Smith	Elma Watson	Jennifer Emslie Wilma Moir	School Holidays No Junior Church
17 April	Muriel Cantlay Sandy Smith	Beatrice Fawkes	Mary Bratton Iris Durno	School Holidays No Junior Church
24 April	Iris Durno Robert Esson	Beatrice Fawkes	June Manning Liz Carnie	Karla Buswell Helen Smith
1 May	Iris Durno Robert Esson	Trish Smith	Doreen Buchan Elma Cumming	School Holidays No Junior Church
8 May	Margaret Adams Jim MacDonald	Anne Smith	Janice Hutchinson Kathleen Craig	Katherine Hyman Maureen Reid
15 May	Margaret Adams Jim MacDonald	Anne McNaughton	Marilyn Samways Margaret Bruce	Karla Buswell Helen Smith
22 May		SERVICE AT ST JAMES'		Katherine Hyman Maureen Reid
29 May	Margaret Bruce Ken Bruce	Irene Stott	Irene Stott Fiona Stephen	Karla Buswell Helen Smith
5 June	Margaret Bruce Ken Bruce	Jean Beedie	Rosemary Reid Margaret Adams	Katherine Hyman Maureen Reid

Reminder to those on duty. If you are unable to do door or tea duties, please endeavour to find someone to do them for you.

Interim Moderator Rev Bob Fowlie
 01771 622228 bob.fowlie@googlemail.com

Session Clerk		Robert Esson	
Treasurer		Rosemary Pittendrigh	
District Elders		Betty Forrester	Hatton
		Beatrice Fawkes	Hatton
		Muriel Cantlay	Rural
		Robert Petticrew	Rural
		Sandy Smith	Peterhead
		To be appointed	Cruden Bay
		To be appointed	Cruden Bay
		Betty May	Cruden Bay
Bond Treasurer		Muriel Cantlay	
Bulletin	841320	Fred Coutts	
		bulletin@crudenchurch.org.uk	
Christian Aid		Rosemary Pittendrigh	
Cleaning		Rosemary Pittendrigh	
Communion		Adrian Smith	
		Joyce Willox	
Flowers		Betty Forrester	
Guild		Rosemary Pittendrigh	
Junior Church		Katherine Hyman	
Life and Work		Isobel Young	
Organist		Stephen Calder	
Presbytery Elder		Robert Esson	
Press Officer		Mary Bratton	
Roll Keeper		Mary McNaughtan	
Safeguarding		Kathleen Craig	
Teas		Beatrice Fawkes	
Transport		To be appointed	Hatton
		Rosemary Pittendrigh	Cruden Bay
Walks		Maureen Esson	
WFO Treasurer		Annette Garden	

Committee Conveners

District Elders	To be appointed
Education and Worship	To be appointed
Finance	Rosemary Pittendrigh
Membership and Outreach	Kathleen Craig
Property	Robert Esson
Social	Betty Forrester