

The Bulletin



Cruden Parish Church Autumn 2017

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Diary Dates Autumn 2017

Worship services will continue every Sunday in the Church at 10 am

SEPTEMBER

Sunday 3rd	Time for Prayer – Vestry 11.15am
Tuesday 5th	Craft Group in Hall 1.30 pm
Wednesday 6th	Choir Practice 7.30 pm in Hall
Sunday 17th	Congregational Walk leaving church hall at 11.30 am: Forvie Nature Reserve
Tuesday 19th	Craft Group in Hall 1.30 pm
Thursday 21st	Messy Church Hatton in Public Hall 3.30 pm
Monday 25th	Guild in Hall 7.30 pm – Trussell Trust Food Bank Jeannie Price

OCTOBER

Sunday 1st	MORNING SERVICE Sacrament of Holy Communion Time for Prayer – Vestry 11.15am
Tuesday 3rd	Craft Group in Hall 1.30 pm
Wednesday 4th	Choir Practice 7.30 pm in Hall
Sunday 8th	Congregational Walk leaving church hall at 11.30 am: Peterhead Town Trail -Part 2
Thursday 12th	Guild Presbyterial Council Meeting New Aberdour Parish Church 7.30 pm
Tuesday 17th	Craft Group in Hall 1.30 pm
Thursday 19th	Messy Church Hatton in Public Hall 3.30 pm
Sunday 22nd	HARVEST THANKSGIVING Conducted by Elders
Sunday 29th	MORNING SERVICE Conducted by Elders

Monday 30th Guild in Hall 7.30 pm – Cyrenian Project
Lois Murphy

Tuesday 31st Craft Group in Hall 1.30 pm

NOVEMBER

Wednesday 1st Choir Practice 7.30 pm in Hall

Sunday 5th **Time for Prayer – Vestry 11.15am**

Sunday 12th **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 10.30 AM**
Rev Fred Coutts

Tuesday 14th Craft Group in Hall 1.30 pm

Thursday 16th Messy Church Hatton in Public Hall 3.30 pm

Sunday 19th **MORNING SERVICE**
Conducted by Cruden Church Guild

Sunday 26th **MORNING SERVICE**
Sacrament of Holy Communion

Monday 27th Guild in Hall 7.30 pm – Guild Theme “Go in
Love” Rev Fred Coutts

Tuesday 28th Craft Group in Hall 1.30pm

DECEMBER

Wednesday 6th Choir Practice 7.30 pm in Hall



CHANGE OF TIME:

Please note that the service on
12th November, **Remembrance Sunday**
will begin at the later time of 10.30 am

*The September Communion this year will now take place on
1st October.*

CRUDEN CRAFT GROUP

The Craft Group has continued to meet regularly throughout the summer and although some members have been missing due to holidays, there has been no shortage of work produced. Recently we were delighted to be able to help our friends from the Congregational Church in Peterhead by donating blankets, children's jumpers, hats and mitts which were added to their shipment leaving for Syria at the end of July. The ladies in the church very kindly sent us pictures of the recipients from a previous trip and we were all so pleased to be able to help in a small way to alleviate some of their suffering. Cruden Craft Group meets every second Tuesday in the church hall and any new members would be made most welcome.

Carol Paul

CATCHING THE WIND

I walked up to Slains Castle the other day. The weather was beautiful with fluffy white clouds in the sky and the sea a bright blue. Looking out past the ruins, there on the horizon I could see quite clearly the huge floating turbines of the new off-shore wind farm. We are quite familiar with turbines in Aberdeenshire, not least round our church which is guarded by five of them.

Some people love them, some people hate them, but what is clear, they are helping provide a renewable source of energy for us all. I am sure that I have heard recently that there was one day when all of Scotland's power needs was provided for by renewable sources.

As I stared out to sea to the big turbines my mind went to the conversation which Jesus had with Nicodemus where Jesus spoke about the power of the Spirit being like the wind: *The wind blows wherever it wishes; you hear the sound it makes, but you do not know where it comes from or where it is going.* (John 3:8) That mysterious, invisible power of the Spirit is there for us all, if we can but harness it, like the blades of a wind turbine catching the power of the wind. God provides us with a power to do more than we think we could ever manage. All we have to do is to open ourselves up and catch the wind of the Spirit. Then great and wonderful things can happen!

Fred Coutts



John Lamb, a former elder of Cruden Church, was married in King's College Chapel on 29th July. His bride is Marie-Christine Noguera from France. John's best man was his brother David. The photograph shows how very happy John and his bride were on the day.



CAKE & CANDY

The amount raised at the three Cake & Candy Stalls over the summer months was an amazing £525. This will be forwarded to Christian Aid.. As always grateful thanks are expended to all who contributed in any way to this fundraising.

People all over the world from New Zealand to America, from Sweden to Spain, from Auchnagat to Whitley Bay, are reading about Cruden Parish Church on our new Facebook page.

If you or family members use Facebook, make sure you follow Cruden Parish Church on Facebook, and share with our world-wide audience what is going on in our Church. Since we created the page on 11 July there have been nearly 1000 visits from all over the world.



SHOE BOX APPEAL

During September and October covered shoe boxes will be available. Please consider filling one as they give great pleasure to people who have very little. Full boxes can be handed in at church or to Rosemary Reid, 11 Manse Road, Hatton.

There will be a box in the welcome area for items to add to boxes if you do not feel you can fill a box. Another way to contribute is by giving a donation, in the envelope attached to the leaflet, to help with transport costs.

Any questions. Contact Rosemary Reid: 01779841531

PRAYER TIME

One of the main foundation blocks of any individual's Christian faith is prayer, it is one of the main ways we communicate with God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. As a way to help develop our prayer witness as a congregation the Session agreed that we establish a Time of Prayer on a regular basis when those interested can come together and share a short time of prayer and reflection. It is planned to hold these meetings on the first Sunday of the month after tea/coffee.

There will be no obligation on anyone to actually pray out loud, however your presence will be a great support in this initiative. If you feel in any way interested in this initiative then please come along on the first Sunday of the month and join us or contact Robert Esson (Tel 01779 813049) for more information.

CRUDEN WALKING GROUP

Den of Maidencraig

Eleven walkers set off on 18 June in beautiful sunshine for Den of Maidencraig , Aberdeen where we enjoyed our picnic lunch. Eight of the group walked the four mile circular route from Dobbies Garden Centre to Kingswells and back to the Garden Centre where they met up with the rest of the group who did a leisurely walk round the Den of Maidencraig where they saw a moorhen and ducks in the pond. The yellow irises were also in full bloom along with other wild flowers. Refreshments were enjoyed at the Garden Centre.

Duff House to Bridge of Alvah

Sunday 23 July saw eight walkers travel to Banff. After our picnic lunch five members set off on the longer walk from Duff House, an art gallery and historic house in Banff. It began with a visit to the Ice House and then the

Mausoleum from where they continued on their way through the woods to the Bridge of Alvah. After crossing the River Deveron the walk continued along farm tracks and started to climb slightly. The next section is in more open countryside along a narrow road lined with honeysuckle, lilac, wild roses etc. The route then leaves the tarred road, climbs slightly and then descends along a grassy lane lined with mature trees. The walk then descends to sea level passing by Macduff Distillery before re-crossing the river and returning to Duff House. Those doing the short walk had a leisurely walk along High Street and Castle Street towards the sea then past the Marina and back to Duff House via Low Street. A lovely cuppa was enjoyed in the Café at Duff House along with a fine piece.

Maureen Esson

MESSY CHURCH

Messy Church resumes on September 21st after the summer break when *I am the true vine* will be the theme. Do you want to know what this means? Come along and enjoy the activities we provide and find out.

Messy Church meeting dates: 19th October, 16th November, 21st December.



The Messy Church Team



Baasandorj is carefully transferred to MAF's Cessna 206 Caravan

IN THE NICK OF TIME

Mongolia, one of the 26 developing countries served by MAF, has many vast, inhospitable areas. So when a young boy fell badly during an important race, our 'Jesus plane' was the only way he could receive the help he needed

The call came through for an urgent medevac flight in mountainous Tosontsengel. A boy had been severely injured having fallen off a horse during the annual Mongolian festival Naadam. The summer festival, dating back to the time of Genghis Khan, has three main events – wrestling, archery and horse racing.

Baasandorj had suffered trauma to the head and was unconscious. An arduous 466 mile road trip wasn't an option, but fortunately Tosontsengel has a gravel airstrip which is regularly used by MAF.

Our team swung into action: co-ordinating the flight with hospitals and doctors, filing paperwork, checking weather conditions and ensuring that there was adequate fuel for the flight.

There was just one problem – the weather! At Ulaanbaatar, ominous dark clouds and a potential thunderstorm were looming, though the forecast for the area was still favourable.

In the afternoon, MAF Pilot Roy Rissanen left Ulaanbaatar with two local doctors, having prepared the aircraft to accommodate a stretcher, the doctors

and the family members who would be accompanying the 13-year-old boy.

Although there was heavy rain and lightning around Tosontsengel, this was still far enough away to make approach and landing possible – our light aircraft finally reaching the remote airstrip safely after a 2½-hour flight.

To make it back to Ulaanbaatar the same day, Roy had to comply with the rules for being on the ground well before sunset. But the patient was still in the local hospital, and wasn't ready.

With only 40 minutes to go before it was necessary for our plane to depart, time was at a premium, so the doctors hurried to the hospital.

Just as it started to look as if Roy might need to delay the flight until morning, a four-wheel drive was spotted bouncing towards the airfield. Wrapped in a blanket, and with his head immobilised with a neck support, Baasandorj was transferred to the waiting plane.

Though it was urgent we got him airborne as soon as possible, it was necessary for the stretcher to be handled as carefully as possible to prevent further injury.

Having loaded the critically ill patient on to the plane, the MAF pilot started the engine.

With a clear sky and a favourable wind, the flight was eventually completed in the nick of time.

As soon as the aircraft landed in Ulaanbaatar, the patient was met by an ambulance. The doctors there commended us for doing an excellent job and rushed Baasandorj to hospital to receive advanced care.

We later learned that Blue Sky Aviation – as MAF is known in Mongolia – had been praised on social media and various websites.

Baasandorj is one of the thousands of ill and injured people MAF has airlifted throughout the developing world



To find out more about MAF's work and the people they serve in remote, hard-to-reach or isolated areas, visit their website

www.maf-uk.org



PARISH REGISTER

DEATH

Mrs Betty Smith, Deen Chavvin, 29 Slains Crescent, Cruden Bay

Mrs Amy Taylor, 3 St Olave Place, Cruden Bay

HOLY COMMUNION

1 October 10 am

Duty Elders Betty May, Beatrice Fawkes, Mary Bratton,
Kate Clark, Peter Slamaker, Robert Petticrew, Adrian
Smith, Kathleen Craig, Joyce Willox, Robert Esson.



26 November 10 am

Duty Elders Irene Will, Wilma Moir, Betty Forrester, Jim MacDonald, Adrian
Smith, Beatrice Fawkes, Robert Esson, Maureen Esson, Rosemary Pittendrigh,
Peter Slamaker.

**Please note that the September Communion
will now take place on 1st October.**

The next issue of the Bulletin will be
published at the beginning of December.

Please send all material to be included
before **Sunday 19 November 2017** to:

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Ladebank, 1 Manse Place,

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Harvest Thanksgiving Service
donations this year will go to
Trussell Trust Food Bank



Sunday Morning Duties 10 am

Date	Door	Flowers	Teas	Children
3 Sept	Maureen Esson Marilyn Samways	Trish Smith	Iris Durno Jennifer Emslie	Katherine Hyman Maureen Reid
10 Sept	Maureen Esson Marilyn Samways	Rosemary Reid	Norma Forman Beatrice Fawkes	Betty Forrester Helen Smith
17 Sept	Margaret Bruce Ken Bruce	Maureen Esson	June Manning Wilma Moir	Katherine Hyman Joyce Willox
24 Sept	Margaret Bruce Ken Bruce	Marilyn Samways	Irene Stott Fiona Stephen	Helen Smith Maureen Reid
1 Oct	Kathleen Craig Kate Clark	Rosemary Pittendrigh	Margaret Adams Rosemary Reid	Helen Smith Katherine Hyman
8 Oct	Kathleen Craig Kate Clark	Watson Family	Marilyn Samways Mary Bratton	Katherine Hyman Beatrice Fawkes
15 Oct	Fiona Stephen Irene Stott	Betty Morris	Doreen Buchan Liz Carnie	School Holidays No Junior Church
22 Oct	Fiona Stephen Irene Stott	Joyce Willox	Kathleen Craig Elma Cumming	School Holidays No Junior Church
29 Oct	Beatrice Fawkes June Manning	Trish Smith	Margaret Bruce June Manning	School Holidays No Junior Church
5 Nov	Beatrice Fawkes June Manning	Betty Forrester	Jennifer Emslie Beatrice Fawkes	Helen Smith Maureen Reid
12 Nov	Joyce Willox Adrian Smith	Mary Bratton	NO TEAS	No Junior Church
19 Nov	Joyce Willox Adrian Smith	Mary McNaughtan	Wilma Moir Marilyn Samways	Katherine Hyman Helen Smith
26 Nov	Doreen Buchan Liz Carnie	Marilyn Samways	Fiona Stephen Irene Stott	Katherine Hyman Rosemary Reid
3 Dec	Doreen Buchan Liz Carnie	Mary Bratton	Rosemary Reid Margaret Adams	Helen Smith 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 Ali MacLeod

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Session Clerk		Robert Esson	
Treasurer		Rosemary Pittendrigh	
Contact Elders		Betty Forrester	Hatton
		Beatrice Fawkes	Hatton
		Joyce Willox	Hatton
		Muriel Cantlay	Rural
	01771	Robert Petticrew	Rural
		Robert Esson	Peterhead
		Maureen Esson	Cruden Bay
		Kate Clark	Cruden Bay
		Kathleen Craig	Cruden Bay
		Betty May	Cruden Bay
Gift Aid Treasurer		Muriel Cantlay	
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		bulletin@crudenchurch.org.uk	
Christian Aid		Rosemary Pittendrigh	
Cleaning		Rosemary Pittendrigh	
Communion		Joyce Willox	
Flowers		Betty Forrester	
Guild		Rosemary Pittendrigh	
Junior Church		Katherine Hyman	
Life and Work		Rosemary Pittendrigh	
Organist		Stephen Calder	
Presbytery Elder		Robert Esson	
Press Officer		Mary Bratton	
Roll Keeper		Mary McNaughtan	
Safeguarding		Kathleen Craig	
Teas		Beatrice Fawkes	
Transport		Robert Esson	Hatton
		Rosemary Pittendrigh	Cruden Bay
Walks		Maureen Esson	
WFO Treasurer		Carol Paul	
Committee Conveners			
	Finance	Rosemary Pittendrigh	
Membership and Outreach		Kathleen Craig	
	Property	Robert Esson	
	Social	Betty Forrester	