

The Bulletin



Cruden Parish Church Winter 2016-2017

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Diary Dates Winter 2016-17

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

DECEMBER

Monday 12th	Guild Christmas Party – St Olaf 7 pm
Thursday 15th	Messy Church in Hatton Public Hall 3.30 pm
Sunday 18th	Christmas Family Service – 10 am Songs of Praise – St James' Church 4 pm Christingle Service - 5.30 pm
Saturday 24th	Christmas Eve Service - 11.30 pm
Sunday 25th	Christmas Day Service – 10 am

JANUARY

Monday 9th	Watch & Talk Group, Main St, Cruden Bay 7.30 pm
Tuesday 10th	Craft Group in Hall 1.30 pm
Thursday 19th	Messy Church in Hatton Public Hall 3.30 pm
Tuesday 24th	Craft Group in Hall 1.30 pm
Sunday 29th	MORNING SERVICE Sacrament of Holy Communion
Monday 30th	Guild in Hall 7.30 pm DVD of the Annual Guild Assembly

FEBRUARY

Wednesday 1st	Choir Practice in Hall 7.30 pm
Monday 6th	Watch & Talk Group, Main St, Cruden Bay 7.30 pm
Tuesday 7th	Craft Group in Hall 1.30 pm
Thursday 16th	Messy Church in Hatton Public Hall 3.30 pm
Tuesday 21st	Craft Group in Hall 1.30 pm
Sunday 26th	Morning Service conducted by Rev R Neilson Presentation of Long Service Certificates

Monday 27th

Guild in Hall 7.30 pm

Guild Theme "Go in Joy – Rev Sheila Kirk

MARCH

Wednesday 1st

Choir Practice in Hall 7.30 pm



Christmas Services

This year our **Christingle Service** will be held on Sunday 18 December at 5.30pm .

The **Christmas Eve Service** will begin at 11.30 pm.

Christmas Offerings

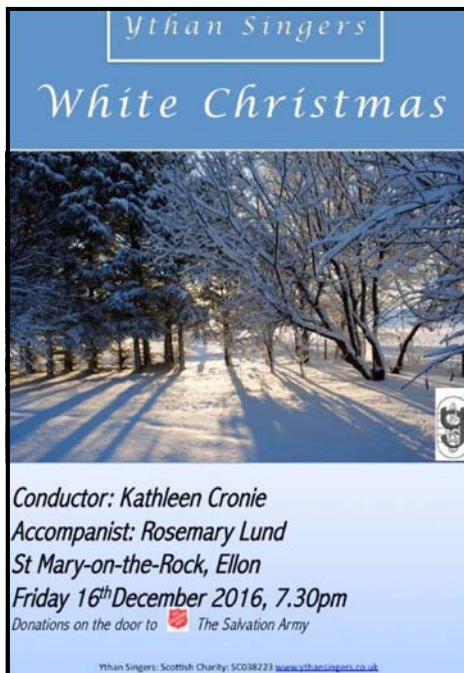
The Kirk Session has decided that the charity to benefit from the offerings at Christmas services this year will be Mission Aviation Fellowship. MAF is a Christian charity who use light aircraft to deliver aid, both spiritual and physical to people living in some of the most isolated communities in the world.



CHRISTMAS CONCERT


The Ythan Singers' Christmas concert "White Christmas" is on Friday 16th December at 7.30 pm in St Mary-on-the-Rock, Ellon. It will be the Singers first concert under the baton of Kathleen Cronie, their new musical director. Kathleen Cronie is originally from Dingwall, and studied for an MA in French and Gaelic Studies at the University of Aberdeen before moving on to graduate with a Bachelor of Music (first class honours) from the Ian Tomlin Academy of Music at Edinburgh Napier University. As Kathleen has a real passion for singing she decided to return to the North East to the University of Aberdeen to study for an MMus in vocal music and is currently undertaking a PhD in "Conducting and Vocal Technique". The concert features many Christmas favourites such as "Ding Dong Merrily on High", "Good King Wenceslas", and "Quem Pastores Laudavere" and of course "White Christmas". All are welcome and it is certainly a concert not to be missed.

There will be a collection at the door for The Salvation Army.



The poster features a blue header with the text "Ythan Singers" in a white box and "White Christmas" in a white script font. Below the header is a photograph of a snow-covered path lined with trees. At the bottom, the text reads: "Conductor: Kathleen Cronie", "Accompanist: Rosemary Lund", "St Mary-on-the-Rock, Ellon", "Friday 16th December 2016, 7.30pm", and "Donations on the door to The Salvation Army". A small logo is visible in the bottom right corner of the photo area.

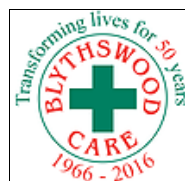
Ythan Singers
White Christmas

Conductor: Kathleen Cronie
Accompanist: Rosemary Lund
St Mary-on-the-Rock, Ellon
Friday 16th December 2016, 7.30pm
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Ythan Singers: Scottish Charity: SC038223 www.ythansingers.co.uk

Shoobox appeal

Thank you to everyone who helped fill the 34 boxes delivered to the Blythswood lorry and to those who gave generous donations to wards transporting them. You have brightened Christmas for 34 people with your thoughtful boxes.



Rosemary Reid

CRUDEN GUILD



26th September 2016

The speaker for our opening meeting this year, due to illness, had to cancel, so we were most grateful to

Robert Esson, for agreeing to come along at short notice. Robert with the help of slides presented an excellent and informative talk about the work of MAF (Mission Aviation Fellowship) a charity which is very close to his heart.

Robert brought home to us how the work and aid that MAF provides, brings much needed help and support to those in poor outlying areas. We in the Western World, could never understand the difficulties that exist in these remote areas in getting medical help. Robert's presentation certainly gave us all food for thought and left us feeling grateful for all that we have and often take for granted.

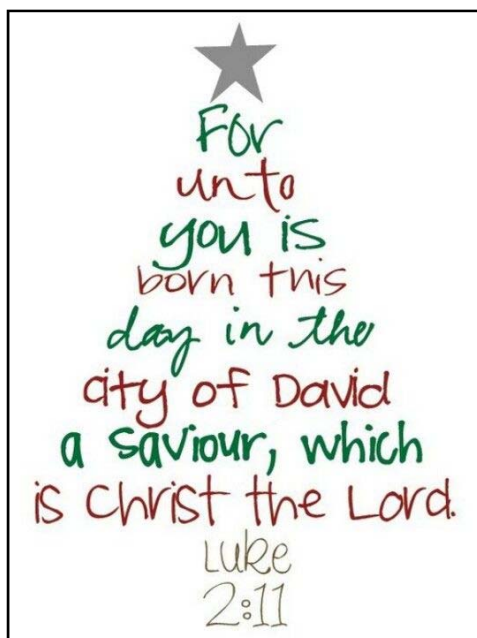
31st October 2016

Rosemary welcomed members to another well attended meeting and after devotions, introduced Mr

Stewart Paul, who transported us with his beautiful photos and excellent talk to Hong Kong.

As this is Stewart and Carol's favourite haunt, having had three visits, we were treated to a truly interesting and descriptive tour of Hong Kong. With excellent slides and a well documented history, Stewart's teaching experience was evident and he provided a most enjoyable evening. We very much look forward to hearing where Stewart and Carol are heading next.

Lorraine Neilson





This Autumn we watched
"Jerusalem: The Making of a
Holy City. No 1 and No.2" and
"Trouble in Amish Paradise."

From the earliest times, when a
source of water was discovered,
Jerusalem became a desired
settlement for many different
tribes. First the Jews made it

their Holy place but later Moslems and Christians also centred their faith
in the city, building beautiful places of worship for their followers.

Conflicts arose, and as a result, the buildings and religious symbols of
opposing faiths, were destroyed and whole communities had to leave.
Jews, at one time, in their history were banned for one thousand years.

At other times the city flourished and today, in spite of many wars, it
remains the Holy City for the three most important world faiths.

"Amish Trouble in Paradise." Took us to the beautiful countryside of
Philadelphia where the Amish community try to maintain a way of life
brought from Europe 300 years ago. The community, ruled by church
elders, are only allowed to read the Bible written in an ancient form of
German. The DVD describes the dilemma of two young Amish men who,
when they read the modern Bible find they can no longer accept the rigid
rules of the church elders.

Excommunicated, they turn to other churches but when a crisis occurs in
one family they find the Amish church community supports them
although they can no longer worship as before.

We found these three DVDs to be interesting and enlightening and they
evoked good discussions each evening.

We meet again on January 9th and would welcome more friends to join us.

Annette Garden



Happy Birthday, Margaret!

Around fifty friends of Margaret Cruickshank gathered in the Church Hall in October to celebrate her 96th Birthday with Afternoon Tea. She is photographed with her long time friend Violet Penny and also with those in the company who had known her for more than fifty years.



Pastoral Care

Your Kirk Session is continually looking at ways to improve our provision of Pastoral Care for our members. We recognise, as a Church, that this can be a delicate and sensitive area for many and it is important that we recognise the wishes of people and will only visit when requested to do so. However, for Pastoral Care to be meaningful and effective, we need members to inform us if they wish a pastoral visit from one of our Elders. We also need you to inform us if there are any of our members that you feel may be in need of a visit.

If you want a visit then please contact one of the District Elders named on the back page of the Bulletin or Robert Esson, Session Clerk.

CRUDEN CHURCHES' WALKING GROUP

After a picnic lunch at the old railway station at Maud nine walkers set off on a nice sunny day in September for Strichen along the Buchan Way. As we were on the old railway line the walk was quite straight forward and in no time at all we arrived at Strichen where we met up with two other walkers who had gone on a shorter walk. Refreshments were enjoyed at The Lodge, Strichen.

On Sunday 9 October 21 walkers took the short journey to Peterhead where we met up with Stephen Calder who walked with us round a short part of the Peterhead Town Trail. Stephen has a vast knowledge of how Peterhead looked back in the eighteen hundreds and was able to show us where the first churches were built along with the history of buildings which are still standing today. After a very interesting couple of hours it was time for a cup of tea. Thanks go to Stephen for all the work he did organising this walk.

Maureen Esson

Blood Donor

Sessions

Palace Hotel, Prince Street,
Peterhead

Thursday 15 December
2016

2-4.30 pm & 6-8 pm

Monday 19 December 2016

2-4.30 pm & 6-8 pm

PLEASE NOTE VENUE

2017 FLOWER CALENDAR

The Calendar for the Church will now be found on the notice board at the Church and members are invited to add their name beside any date on which they would wish to place flowers on the communion table. The gift of such flowers is always greatly appreciated. In particular, it is hoped that the early months of next year will soon be filled up.



MESSY CHURCH

Messy Church is going from strength to strength. We have around 30 children who all enjoy the activities we provide. Children come along because their friends tell them they have fun at Messy Church. We are grateful to the enthusiastic volunteers who help us and more are always welcome.

Dates for the diary.

- December 15th Christmas Party
- January 19th
- February 16th

Best wishes for the Festive Season
from the Messy Church team.



CRUDEN CRAFT GROUP

The Craft Group met at the beginning of November, after a break due to the sudden and untimely death of Kathryn Anderson. We were all very sad that afternoon but shared our happy memories of her time in the craft group, remembering how she was always willing to help anyone learn a new craft or offer advice and of course all the many beautiful garments she produced, such were her exceptional skills in both knitting and crochet. She will be greatly missed by all of us.

The group continues to produce blankets, jumpers, hats, scarfs, baby garments etc., and as usual these have been distributed to a number of local charities. The time of the group has been changed to 1.30 – 3.30 to allow drivers to travel home in daylight. If these new times prove popular, they may become a permanent feature. There will be a break in December with the next meeting being 10 January 2017. Anyone wishing to come along and see what we do would be made most welcome.

Carol Paul



PARISH REGISTER

DEATHS

Mr George Morris, Mossgiel, Parkview, Hatton.

Mrs Kathryn Anderson, West Byreleask Steading, Slains, Ellon.

BAPTISMS

Eva Manresa Johnson, 12 Blackcraig Road, Cruden Bay.

Kyle Alexander Mackie, 10 Morrison Place, Cruden Bay.

WEDDING

Michael Noble and Anne Cantlay, Hillview, Parkview, Hatton

HOLY COMMUNION



29 January 10 am

Duty Elders Irene Will, Kathleen Craig, Annette Garden, Kate Clark, Betty Forester, Jim MacDonald, Beatrice Fawkes, Peter Slamaker, Joyce Willox, Maureen Esson.

The next issue of the Bulletin will be published at the beginning of March. Please send all material to be included before

Sunday 19 February 2017 to:

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Sunday Morning Duties 10 am

Date	Door	Flowers	Teas	Children
4 Dec	Norma Forman Iris Durno	Mary Bratton	Jennifer Emslie Marilyn Samways	Karla Buswell Maureen Reid
11 Dec	Rosemary Reid	Betty Forrester	June Manning	Katherine Hyman Helen Smith
18 Dec	Rosemary Reid Coreen Phillips	Beatrice Fawkes	Norma Forman Beatrice Fawkes	Karla Buswell Katherine Hyman Helen Smith
25 Dec	Margaret Adams Kate Clark	Beatrice Fawkes	No Teas	School Holidays No Junior Church
1 Jan	Margaret Adams Kate Clark	Muriel Cantlay	No Teas	School Holidays No Junior Church
8 Jan	Shonah Taylor Wilma Moir	Muriel Cantlay	Elma Cumming Kathleen Craig	Kathrine Hyman Maureen Reid
15 Jan	Shonah Taylor Wilma Moir	Fiona Stephen	Fiona Stephen Irene Stott	Karla Buswell Helen Smith
22 Jan	Irene Stott Fiona Stephen	Marine Bruce	Margaret Adams Rosemary Reid	Katherine Hyman Rosemary Reid
29 Jan	Irene Stott Fiona Stephen	Atholene Ritchie	Marilyn Samways Liz Carnie	Katherine Hyman Helen Smith
5 Feb	Muriel Cantlay Mary McNaughtan	Trish Smith	Mary Bratton Doreen Buchan	Karla Buswell Maureen Reid
12Feb	Muriel Cantlay Mary McNaughtan	Trish Smith	Kathleen Craig Margaret Bruce	School Holidays No Junior Church
19 Feb	Michael Buchan Kathleen Craig	Betty Forrester	NO TEAS	Katherine Hyman Helen Smith
26 Feb	Michael Buchan Kathleen Craig	Betty Forrester	Liz Carnie Elma Cumming	Karla Buswell Jennifer Emslie
5 Mar	Beatrice Fawkes Robert Petticrew	Mary Bratton	Jennifer Emslie Iris Durno	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
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Session Clerk		Robert Esson	
Treasurer		Rosemary Pittendrigh	
District Elders		Betty Forrester	Hatton
		Beatrice Fawkes	Hatton
		Muriel Cantlay	Rural
		Robert Petticrew	Rural
		To be appointed	Peterhead
		To be appointed	Cruden Bay
		To be appointed	Cruden Bay
		Betty May	Cruden Bay
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		Joyce Willox	
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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		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