



# St. Matthew's Church Perth

## e- Newsletter No. 48

### Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> Sept.

Dear All

Great news!

As intimated this morning at church, I am delighted to let you know that the Nominating Committee have asked **Rev Fiona Bullock**, currently Minister of Dun and Hillside Church in Angus Presbytery, to preach as Sole Nominee at St Matthew's Church on **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> October**- more details to follow on this but please put this date in your diary now!

There will be an Edict read out at church on 2 Sundays prior to 24<sup>th</sup> October concerning this.

The Kirk Session have thanked the Nominating Committee and, in particular, Tom Morrison as Convenor and Raymond Young as Clerk for the speedy, efficient and diligent carrying out of their duties. I think everyone would agree that it was a harmonious experience when we were privileged to meet several excellent candidates who gave the Committee great hope for the future of the Ministry of Word and Sacrament with the Church of Scotland.

#### **PRAYER by Andrew**

Dear God

Harvest is about thanking Jesus for all the food that He has created for us and we are very thankful for it.

I just want to thank Jesus for making me feel at home with my church family and for my family and friends.

We pray that people will have peace of mind at this difficult time

Amen



## DIARY

**Sunday: Live streamed Worship** from 10.45  
ID 953 7532 1288 Pass code 058724

The above can be accessed using the telephone by dialling : 0131 460 1196 And enter ID, and Pass Code where required, above when requested.

To Unmute yourself press \*6

Quick link for Sunday Worship

<https://zoom.us/j/95375321288?pwd=Z0ZQckF2dEVpcmNUTWtPdmZxeUhGQT09>

**NO NEED TO BOOK FOR CHURCH NOW .**

**Why not copy the above to take on holiday with you and always be able to join your friends at St. Matthew's whilst you are away from home.**

**" If you would like to contribute to a presentation to our Church Caretaker, Paul Moran, please contact Session**



**Clerk, Fiona Bruce, with this by**

**31 October 2021."**



## FLOWER DONATING ROTA

Please find listed below the names of members who are donating the flowers for the next three months.



October

3<sup>rd</sup> Joyce

Thom

10<sup>th</sup> Jean Sayer and Betty Lindores

17<sup>th</sup> Evelyn McLaren

24<sup>th</sup> Rosemary Tait

31<sup>st</sup> Nicola MacNee

November

7<sup>th</sup> Marjorie Clark

14<sup>th</sup> Helen Dewar and Isobel Morrison

21<sup>st</sup> Sheena Beange

28<sup>th</sup> Maureen Fraser

December

5<sup>th</sup> Eileen Montgomery

12<sup>th</sup> David Wright

19<sup>th</sup> Ina Soreide

26<sup>th</sup> Tom Morrison

## HARVEST THANKSGIVING

We had a delightful Harvest Display this morning thanks to **Roy Nicoll** and **Ronnie Soreide** complete with hens who lay eggs in the church and a new water feature!

Thanks to members of the congregation who brought in a huge number of bags for the **Foodbank** and to those who transported the bags there.

Thanks also to Norma Wright for her lovely Autumnal floral displays with sunflowers adorning the tables in the Sanctuary too.



Photo Andrew Davies

## NOTICES

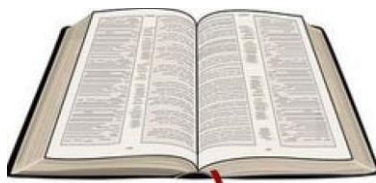
### Raymond Adam

Moira and Christine extend an invitation to “ a service to celebrate

Raymond's life which will take place in Perth

Riverside church on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October at 3.15 pm,

All welcome. Please wear something bright. There will be a box should you wish to make a donation to British Heart Foundation and Air Ambulance ”



### Happy 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday Wishes

**David Firth** ( Barbara's running half ) on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October



### WALKING GROUP



The next walk takes place on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> October and is the “Lindores Loch Circuit” led by Fiona, Alan and Andrew.

This is a walk of around 4 miles with lovely views through varied countryside and was one of our favourite walks over lockdown.

Please meet at 9.30am at Broxden Park & Ride; those who are happy to share their cars can do so and others can follow on their own.

Bring a mid-morning snack and packed lunch and we will finish off in a tea-room somewhere!

If you plan to be there please let Fiona know on [FMBruce6@googlemail.com](mailto:FMBruce6@googlemail.com)

## CHURCH GUILD NEWS

A new session – a new Strategy: Very suitable for us in St Matthews this year, the Guild is **Looking Forward in Faith**, and for the first of the 3 years, we are encouraged to look at **Lights and Bushels**. So let's shine our light with our programme for the first half of the 2021-22 session:



All our meetings will be in the Sanctuary at 2 pm on Monday afternoons. The committee has planned for the winter, and hope to see our members venturing out, and maybe even some newcomers. All will be welcome.

Beginning on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October, our first talk will be on our chosen project **Chocolate Heaven**, and Ruth Box will be coming to our Guild to tell us about her work as a Mission Mentor with Pioneers UK.

On Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October we will have a talk about the origins of **World Day of Prayer**, and how it is going forward. The speaker will be Marjorie Paton.

On Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November **Normal** Wright is going to give us some advice and a demonstration on how to make the best of **Flowers for our homes at Christmas**.

On Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November Lorna will tell us how she got involved in stitching on the **Great Tapestry of Scotland**, and show pictures of the Tapestry and its new home in Galashiels.

On Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November we will have a film show from the **Film-Makers club** in Perth. Short and long films, fun and serious, an entertaining afternoon.

And then we come to December and we will have a **Christmas lunch** or entertainment, depending on what COVID restrictions we may have by then.

**Lorna Morrison, Convenor.**

## WORLD'S BIGGEST COFFEE MORNING

### Macmillan Coffee Morning

On the **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> September** the Guild hosted a coffee morning as part of the **Macmillan Coffee Morning Appeal**.

**We are delighted to report that the efforts raised £403 for Macmillan.**

**It was a coffee morning with a difference, NO home baking, however the Covid compromise of wrapped biscuits and cake worked well. Many thanks to the Guild Ladies who served us so well.**

**Tom Morrison**



**We are delighted to advise that Teas & Coffees will resume at the end of the Sunday service commencing Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October.**

The next edition of the Newsletter, No. 49 will be on **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2021**. All contributions to [FMBruce6@googlemail.com](mailto:FMBruce6@googlemail.com) by Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2021