



St. Matthew's Church Perth

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Queens Platinum Jubilee Celebrations at St. Matthew's -- Update

We at St. Matthew's are planning to have a Street Party on **Saturday 4th June** 10 – 3pm together with a Jubilee Songs of Praise and Lunch on **Sunday 5th June** 2022.

On the **Saturday 4th June** of the Jubilee Weekend Tay Street will be closed for a Vintage Car Rally. This event last took place in 2018 when Tay Street was a hive of activity with visitors. St. Matthew's are working with the council to ensure this event will be better than ever in that we have agreed to sell teas and coffees at the foot of the High Street and at the church, as well as providing childrens entertainment burgers and ice cream in the church grounds.

On **Sunday 5th June**, there will be an open air Songs of Praise service on Tay Street at 11am followed by a lunch and entertainment indoors from Michael Ellacott, Rock Choir and surprise guests. Tickets for the lunch, priced £5, will be available from this Sunday. Please purchase your ticket as early as possible to help our catering team with the numbers.

This is going to be an exciting and busy weekend for the congregation and the community for which we need as much support as possible. You may already have received a phone call or a request to help please be as generous with your time as possible. This is a major opportunity to place St. Matthew's clearly at the centre of the community.



St. Matthew's Church

Songs of Praise

Jubilee Service & lunch

SUNDAY 5th JUNE 11am

Join us in front of St. Matthew's for an outdoor Songs of Praise service with surprise guests, followed by a tasty Jubilee lunch.

LUNCH TICKETS
ADULTS £5 KIDS £2
NOW ON SALE
AVAILABLE FROM CHURCH OFFICE 636757
OR ON A SUNDAY MORNING.

TEE SHIRTS

150th ANNIVERSARY T-SHIRTS

One of our Members, Jenni Wilson who is a graphic designer, has very kindly designed some t-shirts to commemorate our 150th Anniversary - one including our church logo for general purchase and the other for our walkers containing the Fife Pilgrim Way details also. Please see the link attached for Jenni's website.

These are £15.25 each.

<https://voice.teemill.com/collection/st-matts/>

If you would like to purchase one of these unique t-shirts at our special price please let me know either by e-mail or phone or see me at church by 15th May.

Thanks

Fiona Bruce

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It would be great if volunteers could wear their TEE SHIRTS when helping at the Jubilee Weekend and other church events.

ST MATTHEW'S CHURCH, PERTH



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Fife Pilgrim Way Walk
2021 - 2022



Perth Festival of the Arts

Once again St. Matthew's has been asked to be a venue for the Festival and we are pleased to be having **The " Cross Trust Artists of the Year" Concert**. This takes place on **Thursday 26th May at 7.30pm**. Tickets on sale at Perth Theatre Box office OR online at www.perthfestival.co.uk

In addition from **19th May to 22nd May** the **Perthshire Arts Association** return to St. Matthew's with their exhibition of paintings.



The Perthshire Art Association

(Charity Registered in Scotland - No. SC000045)

EXHIBITION

St Matthew's Church, Tay Street, Perth. PH1 5LQ

19TH - 22ND MAY 2022

FEATURING WORK BY LOCAL ARTISTS

PROFESSIONAL AND AMATEUR

Perth Festival of the Arts

CROSS TRUST ARTISTS OF THE YEAR

The Cross Trust Artists of the Year concert will feature outstanding Scottish musicians who benefitted from Cross Trust support early in their careers. Soprano **Amy Strachan**, pianists **Alan Benzie** and **Phillip James Leslie**, and saxophonist **Helena Kay** will present a rich and varied diet of musical classics, including lieder, original compositions, and numbers from the Great American Songbook.

The Trust, founded by Sir Alexander Cross, supports young people in their studies in all arts and science disciplines.

19:30 • THU 26 MAY
ST MATTHEW'S CHURCH
TICKETS £16.50
UNDER 16s £1

Doors Open at St. Matthew's

You will have noted that there have been requests for members and friends to come along to the church at various times during the week when the door will be open to visitors. We have not been greatly successful in getting volunteers BUT as we move into the better weather the footfall in Tay Street is starting to increase and the numbers coming through the doors are starting to increase.

A calendar of available dates and times can be found to volunteer in the café area. Please have a look and see what you can do to help. This is an enjoyable outreach to the community. Some people are happy to volunteer, with a book or knitting when things are quiet, and others take their stint as a chance to share coffee with a friend.

Following on from May /June Open days we move into the **Summer Gallery Months of July, August and early September** where the following programme of Exhibitions will be held in the Church. During that time we expect the church to be busy with visitors and as before we need members to be available to look after the café and general supervision. The artists involved will also be there looking after the exhibits and talking to visitors.

St. Matthew's Summer Gallery

Tay Street, Perth, PH1 5LQ

Sun 3rd July to Sat 10th September 2022

Changing exhibition programme throughout the summer.

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| <i>3rd – 8th July</i> | Paintings by Allan Perera |
| <i>10th – 22nd July</i> | Textiles by Kalamkari |
| <i>24th - 29th July</i> | <i>Available</i> |
| <i>31st July – 5th Aug</i> | St. Matthew's members annual exhibition |
| <i>7th – 13th Aug</i> | Paintings by Ruth and Ian Dunsire with Sheila Garden and Sheila Martin |
| <i>15th - 19th Aug</i> | Textiles by Stitch-Colour-Cloth |
| <i>21st Aug – 2nd Sept</i> | Photography by Tom Ryan and friends. |
| <i>4th – 10th Sept</i> | Lockdown Exhibition |

Free entry and café available within this 150 year old church building

Please visit to support St. Matthew's in the Community

“LOCKDOWN “ EXHIBITION

Janet Martin and I are organising an exhibition to run from **Monday 5th to Saturday 10th September** to include all the various activities and projects you have worked on over the last 2 years during the period of Covid restrictions.

What did you do? What did you achieve? What have you made?

Some people have already contacted me but we need more exhibits!

We would love to hear from you with any ideas and objects you have- or photos of anything too big to exhibit!

Please contact me on [FMBruce6@googlemail .com](mailto:FMBruce6@googlemail.com) or 07787 103531 asap.

The culmination of the week will be on the evening of **Saturday 10th September** when we are honoured to have actress, singer, poet and author, Gerda Stevenson talk to us about her film “ **The Stormwatchers**” which she made as part of the Orkney Festival during lockdown and we will then have a private showing of the film.

Fiona Bruce

