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A Message from Rev Dr Peter Donald



Dear friends,

The only way to begin is with a very big thank you! In the month of May there was great effort, a lot of fun and fellowship and much that I and I hope you look back upon with thanks.

On the first weekend came the Coronation, and on the Sunday our garden party which brought together many people of all ages. And we were able to donate a considerable sum of money to St Andrew's Hospice as well as raising some money for the church.

Quickly on the back of that our Boys' Brigade company rounded off its year with a celebration evening. Our thirteen boys have been so very regular through the year and we have been blessed by seeing them grow and flourish. Thank you to those who came out to support the evening, and not least to provide great refreshments. Thank you also to our officers and helpers – a happy and willing team. Later in the month we gladly had a wee night out together to look back and to think ahead.

Then we had a joint service, welcoming the folk of Cairnlea to join us at the 9.30 service, and the church was busy and everyone was very well catered for to stay on afterwards. The choir rose to the occasion then, and subsequently. Thank you for everyone being so willing and happy to sing. The choir rounded off its year of regular practices with a night out later in the month.

And then we had the May Fayre, again sterling effort by many in preparations and on the day itself. I'm not sure that many hands make "light" work, in that there's quite a lot to do, and yet it was beautifully and cheerfully done, and even if numbers out were not quite so high (probably because we had seen so many at the Coronation Garden party), a very respectable sum was raised for church funds.

And then, and it's neither last nor least, we continue to keep the rhythm strong of worshipping together. Sharing together in praise and prayer, sitting together over the Word contained in the Scriptures, it matters. It begins the week. It attends not just to our needs but to the many needs of others. I encourage you as ever to be part of this – to fly the flag so to speak, always hopeful and open to anyone coming in alongside us. We deliberately seek to follow the One who is Way and Truth and Life.

Yours, Peter



Pondering Parables

Just for a few weeks, on the back of someone's suggestion, a group is meeting at Cairnlea Church on a Wednesday afternoon (1.30 pm in Cairnlea House) to ponder the parables of Jesus. Familiar and short teachings, they also carry sometimes a degree of obscurity! And so it's very helpful to chew over them in company with others.

I mention it, as I have in church, since anyone can come. You would be most welcome.



Holiday Club

We are planning to host a Holiday Club for primary age children at the end of July – Monday 24th until Thursday 27th. Do pass the word around. The theme will be a "Cosmic Quest", and we are grateful to Valerie Sim from Scripture Union who will be helping to give a lead here. All those able to help out, even just for part of the time, are gathering on the morning of Tuesday 6th June at 9.30 am for an initial planning meeting.



A Pentecost Prayer

Wind of God,
blow far from us
all dark despair, all deep distress,
all groundless fears, all sinful desires, all Satan's snares,
all false values, all selfish worries, all wasteful worries.

Blow into us
your holy presence, your living love,
your healing touch, your splendid courage, your mighty strength,
your perfect peace, your caring concern,
your divine grace, your boundless joy.

Wind of God,
blow strong, blow fresh,
blow now.

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Make donations go further

Thank you to everyone who has signed up for gift aid.

The Church has received an additional £2339.26 on top of your donations.

Session Meeting

The Kirk Session will meet on Tuesday 13th June at 7pm





Happy Father's Day

1. The first Father's Day was celebrated in 1910.

*The first ever Father's Day was celebrated on 19th June, 1910.
It was originally invented by an American who wanted to celebrate her Father.*

2. America was the first country to celebrate it.

*As you have read above, Father's Day was first invented in America.
It started off in Washington and eventually spread across the world and is now celebrated in lots of different countries.*

3. It was invented by Mrs Sonora Smart Dodd.

*Father's Day was invented by an American called Mrs Sonora Smart Dodd.
Her Father had looked after his 6 children after their Mother sadly passed away.
After celebrating Mother's Day, Sonora believed that there should be a Father's Day too!*

4. Father's Day falls on the third Sunday in June each year.

*Father's Day is celebrated on the third Sunday in June each year.
This means that the exact date can change year to year.
Some other countries celebrate it on a different day though...*

5. This year Father's Day is on Sunday 18th June!

This year, Father's Day falls on 18th June 2023.

6. Thailand celebrates Father's Day on the King Bhumibol's birthday!

*Not everyone celebrates Father's Day on the same day as us.
In Thailand they always celebrate Father's Day on King Bhumibol's birthday.
King Bhumibol used to be the King of Thailand.
They see him as the Father of the nation.
His birthday was on 5th December which is when they celebrate Father's Day!*

7. Father's Day is the fifth largest card sending day according to Hallmark.

According to Hallmark, Father's Day is the fifth largest card sending day ever.

8. The word Dad dates back to the 1500s.

*It is believed that the word Dad dates back to the 1500s.
People aren't completely sure where the word comes from, but it's believed it comes from baby talk.*

9. The official flower of Father's Day is a rose.

*Did you know that there is an official flower for Father's Day?
The official flower is a rose.*

10. Father's Day became an official holiday in 1972.

*Father's Day became an official holiday in America in 1972.
President Richard Nixon signed it into law.*

**"Dad: A son's first
hero, a daughter's
first love."**

Unknown



May Fayre

We had a steady trickle of visitors to our May Fayre though not our usual large turnout. In spite of this we raised £1063 for Church funds.

Many thanks to all who helped in the preparations and who worked so hard to make this possible.

SMALL THINGS TO LOVE ABOUT JUNE



Sunshine
& breeze



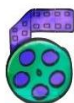
Beach day with
BFFs



Blooming
wildflowers



Waking up
with a loved one



Movie nights in
the backyard



June is the
gateway to summer

Volunteers for Garden Working Party

If you are able perhaps you could come along on Wednesdays from 10am till 12.30pm to help tidy the Church garden and grounds.





Coronation Party

The Coronation Party was a great success with many enjoying the lovely food and the children enjoying the bouncy castle and games.

We raised £800- half of which goes to Maggies Centre and half to the Church funds. The prize for the treasure hunt was won by Alexa McEwan.

Christian Aid

The Christian Aid gift envelopes have totalled to £128. Thank you for your kind donations.

Shine Youth Theatre

Shine Youth Theatre are performing Grease in Motherwell Concert Hall on Wednesday 14th September. Anyone wishing to go please see Joyce.

Also the Shine Touring Group will come to Calderbank Church on Wednesday 4th October at 7.30.



Newsletter

There will be no July newsletter but we will be back as normal in August.

Have a lovely Summer.





"In early June the world of leaf and blade and flowers explodes, and every sunset is different."
— John Steinbeck



"And what is so rare as a day in June? Then, if ever, come perfect days."
— James Russell Lowell



"June is the time for being in the world in new ways, for throwing off the cold and dark spots of life."
— Joan D. Chittister



"Of course, fresh flowers are the answer to any June gloom you may be feeling. Flowers really do solve all problems."
— Mia Moretti

Father's Day

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 N R O B I X F A P R O T E C T I V E T U U U E X

proud
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 brave
 love
 fun

wonderful
 unafraid
 sweet
 kind
 great
 dad
 amazing

giving
 encouraging
 supportive
 handy
 best
 hilarious
 cool

wise
 positive
 special
 handsome
 protective
 funny
 helpful

understanding
 loved
 smart
 strong
 caring
 loving





Father's Day Trivia



1. What is the most popular gift to give dads on Father's Day?
2. When was the word "dad" first recorded?
3. In Greek mythology, who is known for eating his own children to prevent them from overthrowing him?
4. Father's day is the fourth largest holiday for sending cards according to Hallmark. What three holidays are ahead of it?
5. Father's day is the fourth largest holiday for sending cards according to Hallmark. What three holidays are ahead of it? True or False
6. On "Married With Children" what was Al Bundy's job?
7. This movie dad declared "*Luke, I am your father.*"
8. Who is the father of Mickey Mouse?
9. Who was known as "The Father of Evolution" and also had 10 children of his own?
10. Which famous cartoon bear and friends was invented by a father for his son?

What lights
up a football
stadium?

A football

What did the
tomato say to
the other
tomato during
a race?

Ketchup

How do you
make an egg-
roll?

Push it



"If I had my way, I'd remove January from the calendar altogether and have an extra July instead."
— Roald Dahl



"If summer had one defining scent, it'd definitely be the smell of barbecue."
— Katie Lee



"Summer is singing with joy,
and the beaches are inviting
you with dancing waves."
— Debasish Mridha



"Live in the sunshine,
swim in the sea, drink
the wild air."
— Ralph Waldo Emerson

ANYONE FOR TENNIS

Wimbledon 3rd – 16th Julv



10 cool facts about the Wimbledon tennis tournament

1) Wimbledon is the oldest tennis tournament in the world

The first Wimbledon championship took place in 1877. Men's Singles was the only event played that year. Ladies' Singles and Men's Doubles events were introduced in 1884. The Ladies' Doubles and Mixed Doubles events were added to the tournament in 1913

2) Tennis is a British invention

The game was invented in the UK by Walter Clopton Wingfield and was originally called "sphairistikè" – an ancient Greek word meaning "the art of playing ball."

3) It's been on TV for over 130 years

The first televised airing of The Championships, Wimbledon was by the BBC on 21 June 1937

4) Matches can last forever

The longest match ever played at Wimbledon took place at the 2010 tournament. John Isner of the United States defeated French player Nicolas Mahut in a match that lasted 11 hours and five minutes and was played over the course of three days

5) The winners of Wimbledon do not get to keep their trophy

They remain on display at the All England Club's museum and the winners go home with a small replica of the trophy.

6) The record number of Wimbledon Singles wins is held by a woman

At the time of this article, the record for the most Wimbledon titles in Ladies' Singles belongs to retired Czech and American player Martina Navratilova with nine victories. In Men's Singles, the record for most titles is shared by William Renshaw, Pete Sampras, and Roger Federer, who each won the event seven times.

7) 250 people are tasked with keeping track of the balls

About 250 ball boys and girls – known as BBGs – are hired and undergo intensive training to keep track of all those fast-moving tennis balls.

8) 54,250 tennis balls are used during the tournament

The balls are replaced after every seven to nine games to make sure they're in perfect shape throughout the match. Those not in use are stored in a refrigerated container to keep them in tip-top condition

9) Wimbledon rules state that all players must be dressed almost entirely in white

Umpires can ask a player to change if they don't meet the dress code. For instance, in 2013, Wimbledon champ Roger Federer was told to switch his shoes for his next match because they had orange soles.

10) Wimbledon is the only Grand Slam event played on grass courts

The grass is tended to year-round. During the event, it's cut to an exact height of 8mm.

Tennis Anagrams

Can you find the **Tennis** Champions, old and new, scrambled up here?

VIVA MARTIAN NOT LARA	
DEER FOR GREER	
WAIVE A RIDING	
UM SEW IN VILLAS	
MISSILE NEAR AWL	
FITS GAFFER	
ADRESSING AA	
MAPPERS TEAS	
PREFER DRY	
I JINGLE BLANKIE	
AS PATCH	
ETCH RIVERS	
LOVE AN EGG NO GO ON	



Door Duty Rota



11 th June	Mrs J McPhee	Mr I Buchanan
18 th June	Mr D Findlay	Mr B Dunlop
25 th June	Mr J Currie	Mr D MacIver
2 nd July	Mr D Stewart	Mr B Kinniburgh
9 th July	Mrs J McPhee	Mr I Buchanan
16 th July	Mr D Findlay	Mr B Dunlop
23 rd July	Mr J Currie	Mr D MacIver
30 th July	Mr D Stewart	Mr B Kinniburgh
6 th August	Mrs J McPhee	Mr I Buchanan

Flower List



4 th June	Mrs Susan Campbell
11 th June	Miss I Hamilton
18 th June	
25 th June	
2 nd July	Mrs Ann Burns
9 th July	Miss Shona Gillies
16 th July	Mrs Jean Kinniburgh
23 rd July	Jim & May Ramsey
30 th July	
6 th August	Mrs Ann Burns & Mrs Jean Love



DATE		ACTIVITY
Wednesdays	10.00-12.30	Garden Working Party
6 th June		Holiday Club Planning Meeting
13 th June	7pm	Kirk Session
18 th June	All Day	Father’s Day
24 th -27 th July	TBC	Holiday Club
4 th October	7.30pm	Shine Youth Theatre



The next circulation of the newsletter will be on the
6th August 2023



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you would like to share please send to the

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Please pass any items to be included in the next edition
of the newsletter to me by **1st August 2023** at the latest.

Thank You

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