



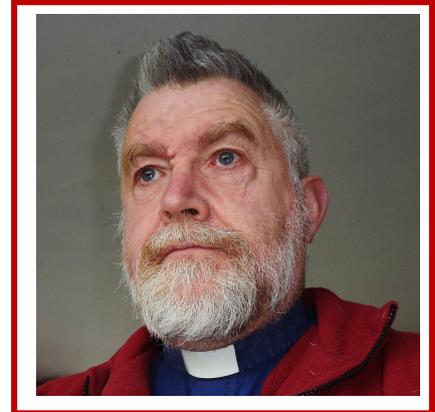
## LOGIE & ST. JOHN'S (CROSS) PARISH CHURCH

### NEWSLETTER No.29

Dear Friends,

I am writing to introduce myself as your new Interim Moderator.

As you may know, I have recently retired from St Luke's & Queen St Church in Broughty Ferry. Indeed, it was during my clearing of the Manse's study that I came across my 'nostalgia' file. In it, I had stored away cards from members that had affirmed me in my nearly 20 years of ministry. There were also congratulatory letters from senior Royal Naval officers at the time of my promotions during my previous career.



However, particularly prized were the various communications from the time of my acceptance for the Ministry of Word and Sacrament by the Church of Scotland.

Let me explain further. On leaving the Navy, I decided to undertake my BD degree on my own resources and prior to applying to the Church. It was only when I completed a year of studies that I attended the dreaded 'Selection School'. This took place in St Colm's in Edinburgh. And, as you can imagine, each candidate had a lot riding on the selectors' decision. Long story short, they sustained my sense of call to full-time ministry and the rest is history.

However, St Colm's was originally the training college for the Church's missionaries. In each bedroom, there was a small notebook in which each occupant had written a few words. So, despite my nerves, their comments encouraged me greatly. For it was humbling to think of those past generations who had gone abroad to take Christ's good news to places of significant danger and challenge. I simply wrote- 'In God's hands'.

In these most difficult of times, let us again give our lives and witness into God's hands. Let us be sure he has a plan for us. Let us again hear the words that Jesus gave to his frightened disciples and which turned them into fearless apostles:

*Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age. (Matthew 28.19-20)*

With every blessing

*Graham*

### WORSHIP

This Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> October, we will have online worship with John Dent leading the reflection.

Next Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> October, Rev David McLeod will speak to us in the church (No Zoom coffee)

### 'ZOOM COFFEE & CHAT'

If you haven't done so yet and would like to join us for a coffee and chat at 11.45am on online service days, please email [administrator@logies.org](mailto:administrator@logies.org).

## INTIMATIONS

### **Death of Mavis Rea**

Mavis Rea died last week. She was a longstanding member of the church (since 1961) but had been unable to attend for several years. Mavis and her sister Maureen were stalwart helpers in the RVH Shop.

### **Midweek meetings**

If you would like to join the Tuesday evening Zoom meetings please email [administrator@logies.org](mailto:administrator@logies.org) to ask for the access information. (We're looking at John's Gospel)

### **Still time to join a virtual choir or orchestra for the Dundee Nativity 2020.**

This year The Dundee Nativity will be in the form of a film, with music recorded remotely. Weekly Zoom rehearsals are on Monday evenings. These are a little weird - but they can work. No-one hears you so you are not "on the spot". If you want to be involved email [jmcauley@kilgraston.com](mailto:jmcauley@kilgraston.com).

### **Garden open for Charity: Sat 17<sup>th</sup> & Sun 18<sup>th</sup> October, 2pm – 8 pm**



John and Frances Dent invite you to the garden of **12 Glamis Drive, DD2 1QL**. Enjoy the autumn colours by daylight and/or by coloured floodlighting. Open under Scotland's Gardens Scheme. Donations to UK Committee Dr Graham's Homes, Kalimpong, India and SGS beneficiaries. BYOM (bring your own mug) for tea/coffee. Opening complies with Covid guidelines. All Covid regulations must be followed. For more information and last minute changes see [scotlandsgardens.org](http://scotlandsgardens.org) or phone 01382 668700.

## FOR OUR YOUNG MEMBERS (AND YOUNG AT HEART)

Have you seen the photo of Rev Graham Taylor?

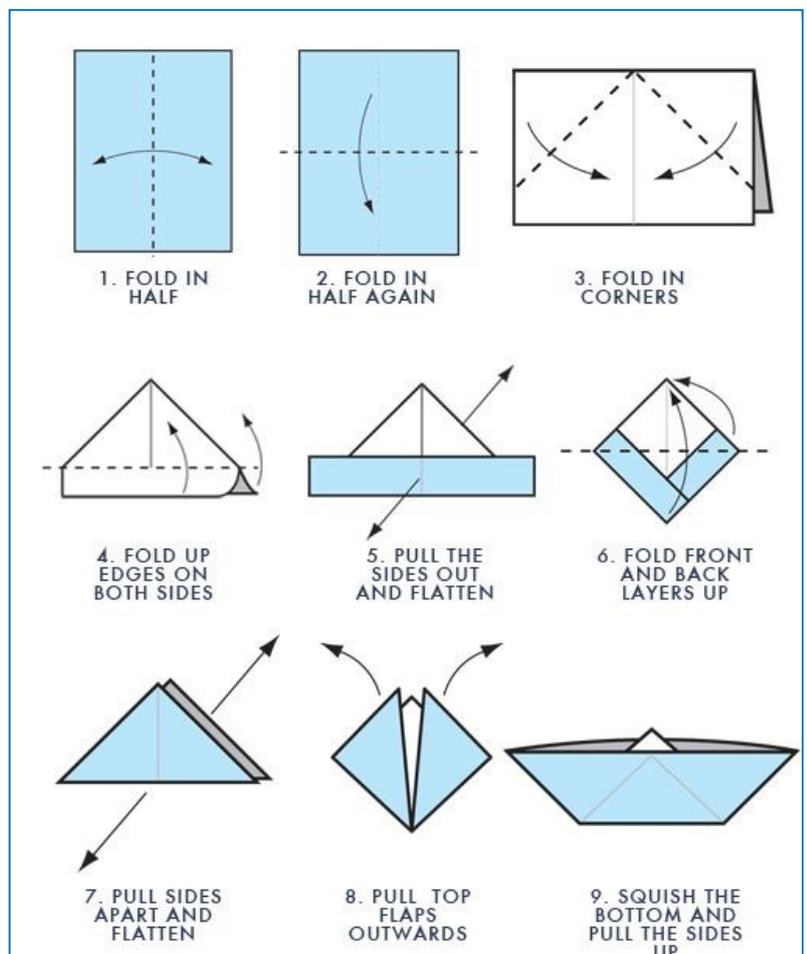
Before he was a minister he was in the Royal Navy and I expect he sometimes had to lead his ship through stormy seas. Do you know the Bible story about when Jesus was in a boat with some of his disciples? Jesus was asleep when a bad storm blew up. The disciples were afraid, but when they woke Jesus he was able to order the wind and the waves to calm down. This showed that he could do what only God could do.

You can read this story in Mark's Gospel, at the end of chapter 4.

Can you make a paper boat which will float?

Send in a photo of your boat in water for next week's newsletter. [administrator@logies.org](mailto:administrator@logies.org)

The answer to last week's puzzle was **Bee E**



**PASTORAL CARE** If you are, or know of anyone else, in need of immediate pastoral care please contact our Session Clerk, Mike Duffy by emailing [sessionclerk@logies.org](mailto:sessionclerk@logies.org) or leave a message on the church answerphone 01382 668514.