

**LOGIE & ST. JOHN'S (CROSS) PARISH CHURCH**  
**WEEKLY NEWSLETTER: 29<sup>th</sup> May 2022**



**WEEKLY SUNDAY SERVICE at 11am**  
**MINISTER: REV. G. MACLAUGHLAN**



I may have shared before that I grew up knowing that it was disappointing to my mum and grandpa that I couldn't (and still can't) keep a tune while singing. Mum still has a lovely voice and choirs and operatic societies were very much a part of life. The nearest I got to our church junior choir was acting as a puppet as they sang the Eurovision song 'Puppet on A String' at a church social. However, it hasn't stopped me singing and to this day I love nothing better than joining with others in song and there is something about standing with others in the pews 'giving it laldy'! These last few weeks, with the majority singing without masks, has been great and I'm sure this week will be no different. (PS That disappointment waned somewhat when our two daughters developed beautiful singing voices!)

### **SUNDAY SERVICE**

Grant has been attending the General Assembly this week. Our service on Sunday will be led by some Elders with contributions from other members. It will take the form of a 'Songs of Praise'.

We continue to offer one side of church (the pulpit side) for those who prefer to wear a face covering throughout the service. In addition to this we are still only using every second pew. We hope these measures will allow everyone to feel safe at LSJC.

Coffee, tea and biscuits and most importantly the chance to chat with each other is offered in the Hall following the service. Please go through and enjoy this time of fellowship

### **SUNDAY CLUB**

Sunday Club will meet on this week. Sunday Club is for our younger members (those still in school) and they meet in the Vestry at 11am before coming into the church towards the end of the service to share with the congregation what they have been learning that day.

### **CONNECT GROUPS**

**CONNECTING WITH GOD, CONNECTING WITH EACH OTHER:** Tuesday 31 May in Meeting Room 1 upstairs.

**GUILD PLATINUM JUBILEE PARTY:** On Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> June the Guild will be celebrating the Jubilee with an Afternoon Tea

### **BEREAVEMENT SPACES FOR LISTENING**

**Monday June 6<sup>th</sup> 2pm-3:30pm.**

Last month 5 people gathered to share their story and experience of grief. It was a time when we remembered loved ones, shared a little about the experience of our journey through grief and benefited from being with people who understood where we find ourselves. If you have experienced a bereavement, however long ago, you are welcome to come and be part of this group. During our time together you will be invited to share your memories and speak about your experience of grief and loss. Your story will be listened to and respected. No one will be trying to fix or change you. It is a safe space where you can be honest about how you are feeling.

If you are coming to this group and you have a photograph of your loved one, please bring that with you, so we can hear their name and see their face. If you have a photograph of a happy memory or a special time please bring that as well as we will spend time remembering together happy moments.

Please let Grant know in advance if you would like to join this time. This is so that he can plan for the session. Contact him at [GMaclaughlan@churchofscotland.org.uk](mailto:GMaclaughlan@churchofscotland.org.uk) or call him on 07507 710871 or speak to him after the service on Sunday.

## **KIRK SESSION MEETING**

The next Kirk Session meeting will be on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> June. This is going to be the first **in person** meeting since 2020 and will take place at 7.30pm in Room 1 upstairs in the church building. Kirk Sessions are public meetings and members of the congregation can attend however cannot contribute to the discussion and debate and where items are taken in private for reasons of confidentiality non-elders need to withdraw from the meeting. If you would like to observe this meeting then please let Grant or Mike Duffy, Session Clerk, know beforehand.

## **THREE GARDENS OPEN IN AID OF DUNDEE MAGGIE'S CENTRE**



In recent years many of us have enjoyed wandering around John and Frances' garden during one of their Garden Open Days. This weekend we can experience the same again with the added bonus of also visiting two neighbouring gardens.



## **PASTORAL CARE**

If you, or anyone you know, needs pastoral care then please contact Grant by mobile: 07507710871 or by email: [GMaclaughlan@churchofscotland.org.uk](mailto:GMaclaughlan@churchofscotland.org.uk)

Sometimes, just talking to someone else can be a comfort. Grant is more than happy to listen and chat if that would help.

## **THANK YOU**

Glyn, our Treasurer, recently received a 'thank you' from Bethany Trust for our donation at Christmas time.

Thank you very much for relaying the recent donation of £484.50 from Logie and St John's (Cross) Parish Church's winter appeal which we received on 11/5/22. We are truly grateful for Logie and St John's (Cross) Parish's continued support of our work and we hope your congregation are aware of just how much their kind generosity and compassion is helping us to provide life-saving and life changing services for people at risk of and experiencing homelessness this year.

Without support from churches like yours, we would not have been able to operate many of our key services this year. From crisis intervention through the Rapid Re-accommodation Welcome Centre, to homelessness prevention in strengthening communities across Scotland and supporting people to maintain their tenancies through Bethany Homes, your support is helping us give people hope to face the pressures of the rising cost of living and hopefully end homelessness in Scotland, one person at a time.

## **FOR THE YOUNG AND YOUNG AT HEART**

Answers to last week's quiz:

1. 1945. 2. 1957. 3. The Inter Church Aid and Refuge Centre 4. Lambeth 5. Over 27000

