

CARNOUSTIE TRINITY CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

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SERVICE OF UNION ON 17 JANUARY 2024



Pictured from left to right are the Rev Dr John Ferguson, Presbytery Clerk, the Rev Donna Hays Moderator of Presbytery,

the Rev Mike Goss, the Rev Annette Gordon and the

Rev Lorna Tunstall, who preached the sermon

www.carnoustietrinity.co.uk but that does not yet link to www.panbridecchurch.co.uk or www.barryparishchurch.co.uk

Work will be underway shortly to rectify this

You can access face-book with either carnoustietrinity or carnoustiepanbride

A Magazine for Carnoustie Trinity Church

At the inaugural Kirk Session Meeting (KS) it was decided that there should be one magazine for Carnoustie Trinity Church. There were significant differences in the magazines which were produced by the 3 legacy congregations in most aspects of production e.g. frequency, size, content, distribution. A report is being prepared for the next KS, due on 21st February2024, and will aim to provide a framework for discussion on how to proceed.

It was also agreed at the inaugural KS that every effort should be made to produce a magazine by the end of February and what you have received, is not named. The content has been compiled from articles provided from a number of sources and my thanks go to all who have contributed.

It aims to let the congregation know what has been agreed so far, who will lead in the various teams. It also includes short articles by both ministers, the latest information on projects currently underway, a congregational register and key dates /events for forthcoming services and events, a prayer and an article on coping with change.

At this stage it has been assumed that Elders and magazine distributors who delivered the magazine for the legacy congregations will be willing to continue doing so on this occasion.

If any member of the united congregation would like to assist with the compilation, printing or delivery of the magazine in the future they can contact me by telephone (01241 853919) or by e-mail (dmct1@btinternet.com) to let me of their interest in joining a magazine team.

David Taylor Magazine Convener.

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Musings from the Manses



As I write this letter it is a chilly minus 2 degrees outside and some places in Scotland have snow. We are still very much in the grip of winter. However, in the church garden there is a little blanket of snowdrops and even a whisper of purple crocuses. Spring is coming once more, and we can look forward to longer days and lighter nights.

The cold, dark days of winter are almost behind us.

As a congregation, we have so much to look forward to in the spring and summer months.

Mike and I have been busy planning the Holy Week and Easter services with the other church leaders in the town.

And as Carnoustie Trinity, there will be so much for us to offer our congregation and

our community.

Already in the pipeline are various joint services, one of which is a Souper Sunday at Newton Panbride with proceeds going to the Church of Scotland's HIV Programme. Our churches will also be the venue for community events such as the Spring Concert by the Carnoustie Community Choir at Carnoustie Church and a concert by Ian White and the Inspiration Orchestra at Newton Panbride Church as well as other events later in the year.

As we move through this season of transition, let us walk in the light together. From the words of scripture read at our Service of Union in January,

'But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son, purifies us from all sin.'

(1 John 1: 7)

Blessings Annette

Annette and I may not both be writing for every newsletter, but it seems worthwhile for us both to say 'hello' for the first newsletter for Carnoustie: Trinity!

At this stage we have only had one Kirk Session meeting, and there seems to be so much to get organised, so many things to decide. Hopefully we'll settle down into a new pattern of working together that will help us move the mission of Christ's Church forward in Carnoustie and the surrounding countryside.

All around us the Presbytery Mission Plan is having an impact on congregational life and ministry. We seem to have a plethora of Union services and inductions planned for the Presbytery of Perth. Indeed, at the time of writing I was preparing to go to Gardner Memorial church as Adriaan van Tonder was to be inducted as the new Minister of Brechin and Farnell Parish (another new union) on February 13th.



At the end of February I am looking forward to being discharged from my duty as Interim Moderator at Arbroath: Old & Abbey, as the new Union of Arbroath & District will be formed on the 29th. It has been a long journey of almost three years, ending with the closure of the sanctuary in West Abbey Street just after Easter, but also marking a new adventure for eight (and perhaps soon to be nine) congregations being brought together into that union.

Meanwhile, we are getting to know each other in Trinity – much will remain familiar at first, but I look forward to new opportunities for worship and witness with our combined strengths. It was certainly great to hear our combined choir at the Union service in January!

"How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!... It is as if the dew of Hermon were falling on Mount Zion. For there the LORD bestows his blessing, even life for evermore." – Psalm 133: 1,3

Mike Goss

Treasurer's Report

With the Union of the 3 congregations of Carnoustie, Carnoustie Panbride and Barry as of 1st January 2024 the finances of the 3 congregations are now effectively one being managed by a team made up of Pat Thornton (Treasurer), Malcolm Sim, Audrey Duncan, Pat Hay, Stan Beattie and myself (Finance Convener) supported by Mike and Annette. The team is meeting monthly. As you can imagine this is not a straight forward transition and we will be taking a phased approach.

A new Virgin bank account has been opened and will be the main current account. All outgoings are now being paid from this account. For the time being all existing bank accounts are being retained and renamed Carnoustie Trinity.

The 2023 accounts of each congregation will be prepared individually and will be approved by the Carnoustie trinity Kirk Session prior to submission to Presbytery and OSCR.

We would be grateful if all donors could amend the bank details on their standing order to our new Virgin account sort code 82-11-07 account number 60573210 in the name of Carnoustie Trinity Church of Scotland. Existing gift aid forms are still valid however if your tax status has changed please let us know.

Should anyone have any queries please do not hesitate to contact one of the finance team.

Many thanks,

John Gray (Finance Convener) & Pat Thornton (Treasurer)

Congregational Roll Keeper

At the inaugural Kirk Session meeting, I was appointed as Roll Keeper for Carnoustie Trinity Church.

I have some past knowledge of the duties of Roll Keeper but there is no prescriptive format within the Church of Scotland. I am anticipating therefore that there will be differences in the systems used by the legacy congregations. As a first step therefore, it will be necessary to decide the format that will be used, for Carnoustie Trinity before work can commence to transfer member's details into the roll for the united congregation.

As I now have, the Carnoustie roll any changes of address and/or contact numbers should be notified to me. My contact number will be found in the Church Directory on page 12 of this magazine.

For the other two legacy congregations it would be helpful, for the immediate future, if any alteration to members contact details could continue to be go to their existing roll keepers who are Jan Scott for Barry. She can be contacted by telephone on 852884. For Panbride the roll keeper is the church secretary and she can be contacted by e-mail at secretarypanbride@hotmail.co.uk

Dougal Edwards Congregational Roll Kepper

Fabric

I was appointed as Fabric Convener Carnoustie Trinity Church. Whilst I have a vast knowledge of the Newton Panbride properties help will be required getting to know the properties at Barry and Carnoustie. In that respect Edwin Hughes will alert me to items requiring attention at Barry and Sandy Thornton will assist with Carnoustie.

The team who have managed the project at Carnoustie church will continue in this role. Irene Hoar has advised Magazine Convener that there no fresh developments since the last issue of Contact in November.

I would be delighted to hear from any member who would like to join the Fabric team

John Porter Fabric Convener

Friendship Circle Newton Panbride

We have enjoyed a wide variety of wonderful talks this season, all well attended whatever the weather. On 6 February we are looking forward to learning about the amazing work of Peter and Janie White, the 'Prop Magicians' of Carnoustie Theatre Club and on 20 February we will hear about the work of PAT dogs. Propagating skills and 'Dundee and the Home Front - The Role of Women' are future topics in our diverse programme.

Meetings are held in the Panbride Hall at Newton Panbride Church from 2.00 - 3.30pm on the first and third Tuesday of each month from October to April inclusive. We are always happy to welcome new members and non-members who want to hear specific speakers and join us for a chat over tea/coffee and sweet treats afterwards.

Susan Hamill

Guild News from Barry

On 1st Feb our meeting was a very interesting talk and film from Peter Hay from Broughty Ferry R.N.L.I.

7th March will be a talk from Kerry on our project Beat which is about Eating Disorders please note that it is an evening meeting 7.30pm

4th April Afternoon Tea in the Country outing.

2nd May. A.G.M. and talk from Grant Wilson from Carnoustie on his time on Quiz Show Tipping Point.

ALL WELCOME TO OUR MEETINGS

Shirley Murison

Guild News from Carnoustie

We ended 2023 when, happily, 12 members plus the Minister joined again for Christmas Lunch in the Station Hotel for a delicious meal.

In January Audrey Docherty spoke about Physiotherapy over the years and then in February gave craft demonstration.

The March meeting the talk is entitled Memorabilia and will be about the guild through the years - recognising others?

In April there will be the AGM followed by Games. In May Mike Goss will be the speaker but the subject is still to be confirmed.

Pru Milne

Organ Recital – Carnoustie Church Sunday 13th February

A fundraising organ recital was given to an appreciative audience in Carnoustie Church on the afternoon of Sunday 13th February by Mark Spalding, in aid of the church's Redevelopment Project. Mark, a former organist of Barry Parish Church, is well known in Angus and beyond as a skilled organist, pianist and harpsichordist. His well-chosen programme comprised works by Purcell, Bach, Mendelssohn, Neilsen and Elgar and showed off the tonal and dynamic range of the church's organ to the full. A sum exceeding £350 was raised from donations, yet to be augmented by Gift Aid.



Peter Thornton

Fund Raising and Social

At the first Kirk Session meeting of Carnoustie Trinity Church I was appointed as convener of the Fund Raising and Social events. Specific projects that are currently underway will have their own funding. Generally events organised as fund raising funds will be for day to day costs associated with the life and work of the congregation and the buildings we occupy. Social events will not be designed to make a profit.

Our first event held in Panbride Hall on 17th February was a coffee and pancake morning with additional stalls and £750 was raised for church funds. A very busy morning, as you will see from the photos but what a wonderful result.

If you would be willing to join the team - not restricted to ladies only - please contact me by telephone 01241 854334 or e-mail weejoyce53@btopenworld.com. The saying "Many Hands make Light work" may date back to the 16th century but it is just as true now as it was then.

I will be organising a meeting shortly to discuss the programme of events for the rest of the year. It would be good to hear of any new ideas about different events that we could consider. At this stage there are provisional dates for a coffee morning on 18th May and profit would be used to help meet the costs of a congregational outing on 29th June.

Joyce Brown Convener









Barry Community Group (BCG)

Community Action Plans (CAPs) allow communities to identify realistic and deliverable actions on priorities that they want to achieve, what activities are required and what resources are needed to be successful. A CAP is a community-led process with short, medium and long term goals to be met through community and partnership activity.

The Barry Community Group was formed following an invitation from Angus Rural Partnership to the Barry Community to be involved in developing a CAP.

Consultation took place locally in early 2023 via a household survey which was delivered in person to residents between the railway line and as far up as the A92, approximately 160 houses. A meeting and a drop-in session were also held to publicise the project and to gather people's views.

The survey covered 14 themes, including public transport, traffic and parking, facilities, amenities and social interaction and the response rate was just over 64%.

From this, the BCG now meets monthly. We are keen to welcome people living in Barry and the local area to be involved in this initiative which has the potential to influence Angus Council decision-making and provide additional features for our Community.

For more details, please contact Jan on 01241 852884 or simon.jan@blueyonder.co.uk

What's On - Make a note in your diary

Prayer Meetings Every Monday	Carnoustie Manse	10 – 11 am
Coffee and Chat Every Wednesday	Panbride Hall	10 11 am
Service Every Sunday	Barry Church	09 30 am
	Carnoustie Dundee St	11 00 am
	Newton Panbride Arbroath Rd	11 00 am

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Sun 25	Lent Bible Study	Newton Panbride Manse	7 – 8 pm
Mon 26	Coffee & Chat	Dundee St	10 am – 12 noon
Thur 29	Arbroath Union Service	Arbroath: St Andrews	6.45 pm for 7 pm
March			

March

Fri 1	World Day of Prayer Servi	ce	Dundee St 7 pm
Sun 3	Messy Church	Newton Panbride Hall	2 – 4 pm
Sun 3	Lent Bible Study	Newton Panbride Manse	7 – 8 pm
$4^{th} - 10^{th}$ March	Annette on holiday		
Tus 5	Meedles and Pins	Newton Panbride Session Rm	10.30 1130 am
Sun 10	Lent Bible Study	Carnoustie Manse tbc	7 – 8 pm
Sun 17	Lent Bible Study	Newton Panbride Manse	7 – 8 pm
Tus 19	Needles and Pins	Newton Panbride Session Rm	10.30 11.30am
Sat 23	Coffee & Chat	Dundee St	10 am – 12noon
Sun 24	BB & GA Afternoon Quiz	BB Hall	2 pm – 4 pm

Sun 24th March (Palm Sunday) – Sun 31st March (Easter Day)

Details of all Easter services on Page 10

April

Holy Week

Tus 2	Needles and Pins	Newton Panbride Session Rm	10.30 11.30am
Tus 16	Needles and Pins	Newton Panbride Session Rm	10.30 11.30am
Sun 21	Souper Service		
	United Congregation	Newton Panbride	11 am
Sun 28	Communion	Barry Main St	9.30 am

Hall Lets

Barry and Newton Panbride have various sizes of Halls and rooms which are available for hire.

In the first instance contact should be made with Jan scott01241 852884 for information relating to the Hall at Barry church.

At Newton Panbride the first contact should be by e-mail to secretarypanbride@hotmail.co.uk

News of the Younger Generations

JAFFA - Jesus And Fun For All

Our JAFFA group has been discussing the guidance which can be found in familiar bible stories to help address issues faced by young people in today's world. When it gets a bit warmer we will be working on our JAFFA garden again and we are planning a fun bowling trip soon.

We would love more Senior School pupils to join us on the second and fourth Sundays of each month at 11.00am in the Panbride Hall at Newton Panbride Church, 10 Arbroath Road, Carnoustie. If you would like to find out more about JAFFA just come along or phone Susan 854944.

Thank you, Susan and Janie

F.O.G Squad (Friends of God)

It has lovely to have the children back after Christmas and continue our Animals of the Bible theme. Since returning we have looked at Porcupines, worms, Katydid and turtles. We have enjoyed hearing facts about the animals and reading well known stories as well as identifying where they come into the Bible.

Did you know?:

- The African giant earthworm can grow to twenty-two feet long.
- A porcupine may have thirty thousand or more quills.
- Most turtles can go days, even weeks without eating!



Alison Stuart

Flower Calendars

Carnoustie				Newton Panbride		
Month	Date	Names	Month	Date	Names	
February	25th	Mrs A Green; Mrs R Ower; Mrs G Roger	March	3rd 10th 17th	Marion Palmer & Dougal Grant Karen Penrose Pat Sawyers	
March	31st	Mrs A Gall; Mrs G Doherty; Mrs I Johnston	April	24th 31st 7th	Lesley Thomson Joan Davidson Beth Lee Smith	
April	28th	Mrs J Brown; Mrs S Dow; Mrs S Lindsay		14th 21st 28th	June Black & Susan Hamill Rosanne Porter Dorothy Blacklaws	
May	26th	Mrs E Baker Mrs L Cook Mrs I Morrison	May	5th 12th 19th 26th	Val Nicoll Dorothy Booth Gill Manson Kathleen Fulton	

Barry

There is a calendar at the church door. If you would like to donate flowers please check that for available dates

Thanks to everyone who supplies and arranges flowers for the Church. New contributors to the Flower Ministry would be welcome. Anyone who would like to join the flower rota, or would like more information please contact Dorothy Booth in person or phone 01241 852061 or 07922 084036

Changing Times

It seems like the whole world is in a period of change. Wars are raging, natural disasters occur more frequently and our climate is changing. We learn of these things on a daily, if not hourly basis, as we are bombarded with information from a huge variety of news outlets. Gone are the days when a choice of four channels and a news bulletin at 6pm and 10 pm seemed a lot!

Closer to home, there are big changes in our church community. Already there are new beginnings as we are now Carnoustie Trinity Church. The name change is the obvious outer sign of what is bound to be a different future. There are people working tirelessly behind the scenes to enable the changes which lie ahead. These practicalities, I'm sure are many and varied and will involve a great deal of time and effort.

However, this change is happening and as individuals and a church community we have to deal with it. Change can make us fearful and anxious as we are uncertain as to what might happen. We have to find ways to adapt.

"When we are no longer able to change a situation, we are challenged to change ourselves."

Viktor Frankl. (1)

We can deal with changes by being positive where we look for the opportunities which may arise and see the benefits of those. We can be negative and focus on what might go wrong and look for problems. We can be creative and try to help generate ideas and find solutions. We can be emotional and follow our gut instinct and be empathetic to the reactions and ideas of others. We can be analytical and focus on practicalities and make rational decisions based on the information available. We are human, no single approach will help us adapt as we will have a mix of feelings and emotions. Some things will be easier to adapt to than others. However, we can be open and willing to embrace change.

Thankfully, in these changing times we are not alone. We have our church family and the support and love of God. We have God to guide us and help us in these changing times. We can trust in God as these changing times evolve knowing He goes before us.

(1) Man's Search for Meaning by Viktor Frankl.

Gillian Cook February 2024

News from CrossReach

The January mailing has arrived from CrossReach. It's glossier and more colourful this time. So the 10 copies of the newsletter and the 5 copies of the Prayer diary are available for the congregation of Carnoustie: Trinity Church, Dundee Street. Copies are also available at Newton Panbride Church door.

I've also had a lovely thank-you e-mail for the large order of Calendars and Christmas cards. Well done and thanks to all who took part in that.

Anyone else interested in seeing, reading or ordering either of these, please let me know.

Sandra Dow



HOLY WEEK SERVICES 2024

Palm Sunday 24th March 7.00pm St Anne's Church

Monday 25th March - Friday 29th March

10.15am Short Service of Reflection in Panbride Hall, Arbroath Road

Monday 25th March

7.00pm Erskine United Free Church

Tuesday 26th March

7.00pm Carnoustie Trinity at Barry

Wednesday 27th March

7.00pm Carnoustie Baptist Church

Maundy Thursday 28th March

7.00pm Carnoustie Trinity at Carnoustie

Good <u>Friday 29th Marc</u>h

11.00am Walk of Witness from Carnoustie Trinity at Newton Panbride to Holy Rood Church 12noon Holy Rood Church Shared Service 7.00pm Carnoustie Trinity at Newton Panbride Church

Easter Day Sunday 31st March

6.40am Sunrise Service meet at
Leisure Centre Car Park
8.30am Early Morning Service Carnoustie Trinity at Newton
Panbride Manse Gardens with Easter Egg Hunt/Rolling and
breakfast in Panbride Hall

Congregational Register

Deaths:

Mrs Muriel Webster* 2/12/2023

Mrs Margaret Peffers 6/12/2023

Mr Allan Ferguson* 10/12/2023

Mrs Dorothy McCallum* 10/12/2023

Mrs Joan Rose 13/12/2023

Mrs Margaret Black* 18/12/2023

Mrs Helen Anderson 6/1/24

Mrs Freda Waddell* 6/2/2024

* Member of Congregation

Funerals:

"Jesus said, 'I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me shall not perish, but have everlasting life."

Nov 22 Norma Murdoch,* Carnoustie. (Elder)

23 Diane Ramsay

Jan 8 Peter Burns

17 Thomas Maxwell

24 Eric Kinnear

Feb 13 Andrew Cochrane

New Member by Profession of Faith

"Jesus said to his disciples, 'Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me."

Dec 10 Arran Walker Carnoustie

Norma Murdoch

Norma came to Carnoustie in 2007 following the death of her husband Robert, moving to her wee house beside her daughter's garden. She threw herself into the life of Carnoustie Church, joining the Guild and the choir, and getting involved in outreach to children through Messy Church and Holiday Clubs. She had been ordained an Elder in Alloway Church and was admitted to Carnoustie Session in May 2011, playing a full part until recent frailty meant she had to retire. Norma was a dear friend to many in the congregation, not least to Margaret Ramsay, and was sorely missed following her death on November 9th 2023.

Prayer from Life & Work

Almighty God,

We may not see the days lengthening In this often-empty month; But they are. We may not see the world greening quickly, But the spring flowers already Pin-prick the frost-bound earth.

We may not see faith,
Yet around us people of faith
Witness to You and continue to challenge the world.
We may not see hope,
Yet rainbows of promise arc over the horizon,
Reminding us of a brighter future.
We may not see love,
Yet the warmth of a caring hand from loved one or stranger
May rest upon our shoulder and give the comfort we need.

As the seasons of nature and life
Reorder themselves from one to another,
There may be much we do not see.
Yet You, Lord God,
Have gifted us with other senses
That enable us to comprehend
The way Your presence finds us
Wherever we are.
We may not see, but we might feel,
We may not feel, but we may smell,
We may not smell, but we may hear.

Let our prayer be that we,
Engaging all our senses as this coming Spring unfolds,
May find revealed to us a present God,
By our side, leading us onward,
Into brighter days,
Through the gift of Your Son, our Saviour,
Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Newton Panbride

Musical Memories

The group continues to enjoy singing along to familiar songs with all the words provided either in an A4 folder or on screen with the enthusiastic use of tambourines and maracas adding to the fun. Some of our members have always been keen dancers and they are up on their feet or being whirled in their wheelchair by their carers as soon as the music starts, only sitting down at the break to enjoy a cuppie, chat and sweet treats with the group.

Our meetings are enjoyed by those with dementia and their carers, people who are isolated or lonely and others who just love to sing happy songs. We have a team of lovely helpers whose aim is simply to create a fun, relaxed, family atmosphere where everyone leaves with a smile on their face and a spring in their step.

We would love to welcome more folk to join us on the last Wednesday of each month from 2.00 – 3.30pm. Please phone Susan for more information 854944



Needles and Pins

After our stall at the pre Christmas coffee morning, we were asked along to Carnoustie Church's Christmas fundraiser for their building renovations appeal, We gave a donation to the appeal. The ladies have been busy again and another successful pancake morning was had. We handed over £70 for Church funds.

We meet in the Session room at Newton, on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday morning at 10.30 till 11.30 We would be delighted to welcome new members to our group. Further details from Pat Taylor 853919

28 January 2024

Presentation of Long Service Awards or Certificates of Appreciation for their Service as Elders Carnoustie Barry





Similar service at Carnoustie Panbride May 2023



Church Directory

Ministers	Rev Annette Gordon	8 Arbroath Road	01241 854478	
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Fabric Convener	Mr John Porter	Mr John Porter		
Fund Raising & Social Convener	Mrs Joyce Brown		01241 854334	
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