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CHURCH CALENDAR 1945-46

SUNDAYS-

11 a.m. - Morning Worship

Primary Sunday School, 11.30 to 12.15 in Lesser Hall. (Children under 8 brought to Church Service at 11 a.m. leave for Primary Classes after third singing).

12.30 p.m.—Junior Sunday School and Junior Bible Class.

6.30 p.m.—Evening Worship

Youth Club Fellowship Meeting at close of service (except on first Sunday of each month).

DATES TO REMEMBER

* Sun., Oct. 14. Eighth Anniversary Services.
Rev. A. IRVINE PIRIR, B.D., Presbytery Clerk, will conduct service at 11 a.m.

Tues., ,, 16. Congregational Meeting and Social—7.30 p.m.

*Sun., Nov. 4. Commuinon Services—II a.m. and 6.30 p.m.

*Sun., ,, 11. Remembrance Day Services.

Sun., Dec. 2. World Mission Sunday.

Fri., ,, 21. Youth Organisations' Concert at 7.30 p.m.

Christmas Parties: Junior Sunday School, 4th January, 7 to 9 p.m.

Primary Sunday School, 5th January, 3 to 5 p.m.

* Special Retiring Offerings.

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AN OPEN LETTER TO THE MEMBERS.

"Grant us Thy peace, Almighty God," was a prayer, spoken and unspoken, from many hearts during the tremendous years of war now ended. But, we may ask, what are we going to make of this peace? What are we of *Craigsbank* going to make of the peace?

Profound and grateful thankfulness that the miseries and horrors of war are over should unite us under God's roof. We should hearken to the words of the Psalmist:

"Come, let us to the Lord our God With contrite hearts return."

The courage and heroism of the dead, the wounded, the prisoners, and of all those happily spared to return should be a constant inspiration and incentive to us to prove worthy of their labour and sacrifice.

What better way could we find than to help in the upbuilding of the Church in our midst? The Kingdom of God will not be built in a day, and it will not be built without your help.

The day will come, though it may not be for some years yet, when a Church will be raised and dedicated at Craigsbank, We must all put our hands to the plough and not turn back. The task is heavy, and the labourers are few, but the reward will be splendid. The Minister and Session earnestly appeal to all members to consider, now that brighter and more settled days are in prospect, their duties to the Congregation. More frequent attendance at the Sunday Services and other meetings would be a double benefit; it would encourage the Minister, and it would give the member that direct and personal interest in the Church's welfare which the calls of national service have tended to blunt.

Craigsbank has, as its immediate task, the attainment of full status as a self-governing Congregation of the Church of Scotland. This can be achieved at the time of the General Assembly in May 1946, but only with the goodwill and support of all members.

Think on these things.

COMMUNION SERVICES

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed at both services, 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m., on Sunday, 4th November. Visitors' Cards may be had on entering.

The date of the next Communion is Sunday, 3rd February.

Note.—It is hoped to introduce special features in the 6.30 Evening Services this winter. This will be explained and discussed at the Congregational Meeting on Tuesday, 16th October, which all members and adherents are urged to attend.

Womans Guild,—The meetings begin on Tuesday, 9th October, at 3 p.m., and will continue fortnightly. There will be one afternoon and one evening meeting each month.

The dates are detailed for reference-

- Oct. 9. Dedication Service, 3 p.m.
 - ,, 23. Open Discussion, 7 p.m.
- Nov. 6. Home Mission Speaker, 3 p.m.
 - ,, 20. Social Evening, 7 p.m.
- Dec. 4. Work Party, 3 p.m.
 - ,, 18. Foreign Mission Speaker, 7 p.m.

It is hoped to continue the work for the Deaconess Hospital, namely, the knitting of small jackets and leggings for the patients in the Babies' Ward.

If any member of the Congregation would care to help in this work, would she be good enough to ask Mrs Little for more particulars of this scheme? We should be glad of more knitters.

A. Robb.

The Junior Sunday School commences on Sunday, 7th October at 12.30 p.m., and we hope for the record attendances which have been maintained during the past sessions.

We would like to thank those who have given their services in the teaching of the young, and would gladly welcome any who would care to assist in this work.

We would also take this opportunity of thanking parents and friends for their great interest, and for their donations towards Christmas Party and Church Picnic, both of which were greatly enjoyed by the children.

A. H. McMINN.

Brownies.—The following Brownies passed their First Class Test during the month of July, and will shortly be transferred to the Guide Company:—June Benham, Ann Hamilton, Jean Moss and Jean Walker. Well done, Brownies!!

We are very fortunate to have the valued help of Miss Margaret Bothwell as a Tawny Owl, and together with Miss Jean Robb and Miss Betty Walker, happy evenings are in store.

My thanks to parents and friends for past interest in Brown Owl.

Reports on the work of the other Youth Organisations will be included in a later Supplement.

Garden Fete.—Under the auspices of the Woman's Guild, a most enjoyable Garden Fete was held in the Church Grounds on Saturday, 23rd June. The opening ceremony was ably performed by Bailie W. Hamilton Gray who was accompanied by Mrs Hamilton Gray. Besides the various stalls and the tea room run by the Woman's Guild, the Youth Organisations provided an attractive selection of side shows. The total proceeds on behalf of Church Funds amounted to over £67.

CONGREGATIONAL REGISTER

MARRIAGES

- Sept. 1. At Craigsbank, John Thomas Mortimer (Bdr., R.A.), of Dovercourt, Essex, to Helen Pringle Johnston Hunter, 43 Featherhall Avenue.
 - ,, 8. At Craigsbank, Ronald Alexander Stewart of Carlisle, to Helen Ann Tully of Fochabers.

Roll of New Members

By Profession of Faith

Craigs House

Miss Jean Elizabeth Robb.

Maybury Road

3 Mr Ian Erskine Dean.

Corstorphine Bank Drive

43 Mr Philip Martin Robertson.

By Certificate

Maybury Road

3 Mrs J. A. F. Dean

Craigs Crescent

29 Mr and Mrs James G. Smith.

WEEK NIGHT ACTIVITES

MONDAYS-Dramatic Club.

TUESDAYS-Woman's Guild.

Wednesdays-Brownies' Meeting ages (7-11)

6 to 7.30 p.m.

Guides' Meeting (ages 11 +)

6.45 to 8.15 p.m.

THURSDAYS-Youth Club, 7.30 to 9.30 p.m,

FRIDAYS—Cubs' Meeting (ages 8-12), 6 to 7.30 p.m. Scouts' Meeting (ages 11 +)

6.45 to 8.30 p.m.