



THE RECORD

Going anywhere interesting?

One of summer's delights is the opportunity to travel and see new sights. We come across things we'd never have expected, some of which might influence what we see and do back home.

I hope that, over the summer and to prepare for our congregational conference on Saturday 2 September, we might arrange some trips out and possibly have some visitors in. Many churches within easy travelling distance have developed new initiatives in recent years. It's likely they will willingly share what they do, how they went about it, what has been good – and what was challenging. We could learn from them, not simply by imitating but to glean ideas, discover new ways of thinking, talk and take pictures.

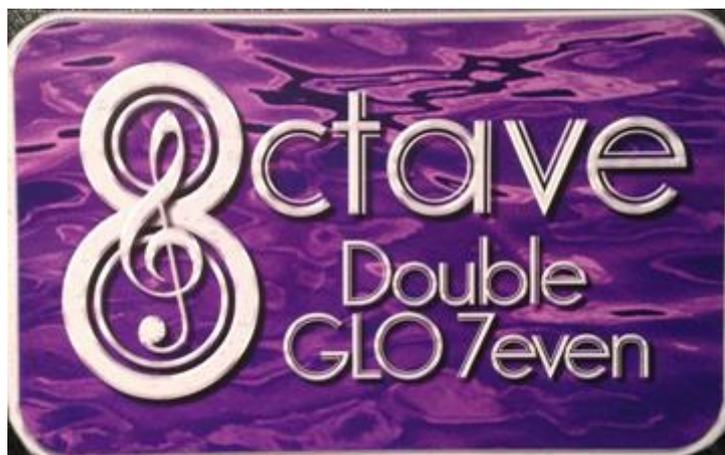
Would you be willing to be a tourist on one or more of these trips? Give up a day or an evening, and perhaps go with a small crowd to look, ask, listen, photograph and think about what you come across? It's highly unlikely any of these projects could be transplanted wholesale here. But wouldn't it be great if we had available some thoughts and pictures to help us discern our common (and unique) vision for Orchardhill as we gather to work out not just who we should become but what we need to start doing now?

Moses was instructed to send explorers from all the tribes to find out what the Promised Land was like (Numbers 13). God's people didn't simply meet in worship and thank God for the land they would receive, and they didn't simply write vision statements for faithful stewardship in the God-given place they anticipated. They went and looked and brought back stories and grapes. (Photos might suit us better than fruit.)

We'll be working on possible destinations and guests very soon, and let you know about these during church services and on the website. It would be great to have as many as possible join in making discoveries together.

When Jesus sent the twelve out to preach and heal, they weren't so much taking God to the people as discovering what the already-present God was doing there. We are much the same, and, just like them, we could return and be energised with a clear vision of what God calls us to do – together, here.

Grant Barclay, Minister



Variety of Music in Double GLO 7even!

Octave, the award-winning singing group led by David Fisher, are now well-known in Orchardhill, having performed fundraising concerts in the church over the years.

Tickets are now on sale for "Double GLO 7even" - Octave's own concerts which will run from Wednesday 6 to Saturday 9 September at 7.30pm in Motherwell's GLO Auditorium. The group are rehearsing an all-new programme. There will be songs from Broadway and the West End, a little classical and pop, and, yes, even some Bond! But, as always, something to suit all tastes.

This year the group are delighted to be supporting Pancreatic Cancer Scotland as their chosen charity.

Tickets priced £12/£13 are available from David or Shona Fisher (01698 721607: shona.fisher2@mail.com). The Friday and Saturday evenings in particular are very popular: so please book early to avoid disappointment.

Easter Collection

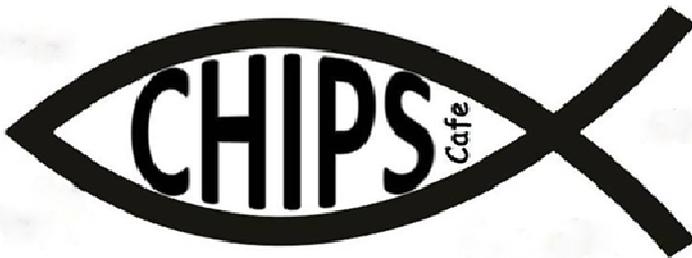
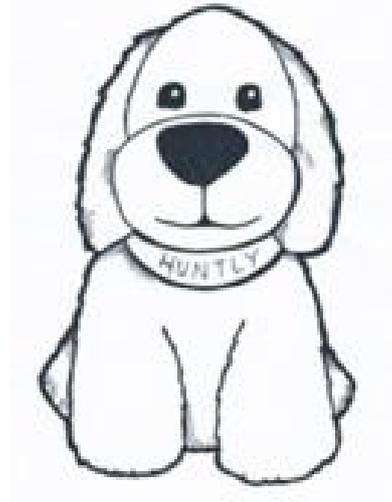
Orchardhill's Easter collection for the Lodging House Mission over the two Sundays before Easter raised £428. Thanks to all who contributed.

Eastwoodhill Fund-raiser

A final total of £1407.17 was raised by the Friends of Eastwoodhill from the coffee morning in Giffnock South Church in April as well as associated events, including the ever-popular quiz. Thanks to all who supported the event and ventures. The money raised will go towards developing a games room in Eastwoodhill Care Home at Eastwood Toll.

Summer Mission

Plans are now underway for this year's Summer Mission. During the week 7-11 August in the mornings we are all going "on to the Ark with Huntly". So if you are in primary school come along with the tigers, monkeys, rhinoceros and zebras to join in the fun. There will be crafts, games and stories as well as fun, friendship and laughter.



For those of secondary school age CHIPS will be running during the evenings of the same week. Everyone is welcome to join in the fun, games and activities and to listen to our speakers. Late Night Live again will run after CHIPS, where there will be some lively debate.

Anyone wishing to help either in the morning or at night with any activity is most welcome. Please contact Fiona Carmichael (dncarmichael@ntlworld.com) for further information.

Orchard Café's Strawberries

On Tuesday 13 June the Orchard Community Café will be having the extravaganza of strawberries (or raspberries if you are allergic!). Your company is requested. Come along and bring a friend from 10.00am till noon. Soup will not be available that day.

This will be the Café's last day before the summer holidays, and we thank all our customers, bakers and "soupers" for a great year. We have been able to make donations to many charities because of your generosity.

Have a lovely summer! Take care and see you again when we open on Tuesday 5 September.

Boys' Brigade Presentations



Orchardhill's 86th Company Boys' Brigade held the annual parents' evening and presentation of awards for the Junior Section and Anchor Boys in the church hall on Friday 12 May.

Our Visiting Elder, Dr Richard Park, presented Attendance Medals and Endeavour and Improvement Awards. Mr David Howard, our District Convenor, presented Gold Badges to Robert Worthington and Josh McConville. Our Chaplain, Rev Dr Grant Barclay, presented Good Conduct Awards to some of the boys as well as the boys in the Best Squad. The runners-up to Best Boy were Anchor Boys David Worthington and Andrew Duff. The Best Anchor Boy for 2016-2017 was Ruaridh Husband. The runner-up to Best Boy in the Junior Section was Ewan Calderwood, with Robert Worthington being awarded Best Boy for 2016-2017. These awards also were presented by Dr Barclay.

Robert Worthington and Josh McConville received their Promotion Certificates from Junior Section to Company Section from our Captain, Mr Stephen Bennett, and we wish them every blessing as they continue their BB careers up in the Company Section.

As you can see from the photographs, great fun was had by the boys and their parents.

Thank you all for your support during the past year.

Margaret Howard

Junior Section and Anchor Boy Leader

Local MP Opens BB Enterprise

Orchardhill's Boys' Brigade are delighted to announce The Black Door Shop opened in late April for the first time, and many people, drawn by local advertising, came to experience the first one-stop shop for recycled children's items. The local community had backed the initiative by providing a vast and wonderful range of stock.



The area at the back of the Memorial Halls, previously used as a store, has been converted by the Boys' Brigade into a retail environment with shelving and rails installed along with carpet and upgraded lighting to produce a retail environment. Local MP Kirsten Oswald opened the shop and wished the community initiative well.

The shop was opened for three hours, during which time income of £272 was raised from the sale of stock, tuck and activities outside, which included a bouncy castle, Beat the Goalie, and Splat the Rat. A raffle was also held for BB funds, which raised a further £132. This was a fantastic start to providing a community initiative that is not available anywhere else in west central Scotland. We thank all those who came and supported the opening, and we hope that word spreads.

Special thanks must also be made to the Minister for his support and to Richard Park, Ian and Dorothy Cartlidge, and Liz Hendry, who transformed the area at the shop door into a lovely bed of mixed flowers that has greatly enhanced the area.

The Black Door Shop is now open on Saturdays between 10.00am and 2.00pm and after the Sunday Service for an hour. If you haven't yet had a chance to visit the shop please do so. In addition to the recycled items, bio bags and sweets, crisps and juice are also available.



Eastwood MP Kirsten Oswald with Rev Dr Grant Barclay and Stephen Bennett

Orchardhill Guild Outing



Members of Orchardhill's Guild at their outing to Piersland House Hotel in Troon

Flower Delivery

Thank you to all who have helped with flower delivery over past months. Your continued assistance over the next few months is appreciated. The weekly list is located on the board at the Tower Door. Please add your details to your chosen date.

Badminton Successes

Another successful season has come to an end at the Orchardhill Senior Badminton Club. With 21 members, the club meets every Tuesday evening in the Memorial Halls for fellowship and competitive games.

Throughout the season, we host a variety of events including a crazy tournament, the Belfast Shield, and a social night out in January which culminates in a highly competitive quiz at the Byrne household.

The singles competition took place on 28 March in the Memorial Halls. The winners were:

- Gillian Van Looy (runner-up Ruth Flockhart)
- Kevin Ormond (runners-up Graeme Stewart)

Throughout the season, we played matches in the Langside League and Glasgow and District Churches League. Our second mixed team, captained by Judy Byrne, stormed to victory in the Henderson Cup against Newlands South/South Shawlands with a convincing performance.

At the end of the season, club members participate in the Thornlee inter-church competition. This year Orchardhill were joint winners of the overall trophy as a result of winning points for victories in ladies' doubles, ladies' singles and consolation ladies' singles. Orchardhill dominated the junior tournament.

The club has a rest over the summer months, restarting on the first Tuesday of September in the Memorial Halls. If you are interested in finding out more about the club or would like to join us, please contact Shona Fletcher on 07763 938 998 or by emailing shonafletcher@btinternet.com.

All new members are welcomed regardless of current skill or experience. Friendly but competitive matches are available, providing social opportunities and for helping you keep fit and active.

Henderson Cup Winners – Orchardhill Badminton Club



(Left to Right)
Helen Black, Iain Bennett,
Kevin Ormond,
Judy Byrne (Captain),
Shona Fisher, Pete Chan
and Fiona Carmichael

Summer Welcomers

Entrance	Sanctuary	Welcome Desk	Greeters/Ushers
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JUNE

4	Anne Barr	Maureen Park	Shona Cook	Sandra Cherrie and Willie Hendry
11	Willie Hendry	Maureen Park	Anne Barr	Shona Cook
18	Irene Kinniburgh	Shona Fletcher	Willie Hendry	Anne Barr
25	May Liddle	Shona Fletcher	Irene Kinniburgh	Willie Hendry

JULY

2	Irene Kinniburgh	Angela Peacock	May Liddle	Nanette Davidson and Neil Mackenzie
9	May Liddle	Angela Peacock	Irene Kinniburgh	Nanette Davidson
16	Nanette Davidson	Willie Hendry	Neil Mackenzie	May Liddle
23	Neil Mackenzie	Willie Hendry	Nanette Davidson	Alex Mall
30	Alex Mall	Gordon Ross	Jo Weir	Neil Mackenzie

AUGUST

6	Jo Weir	Gordon Ross	Alex Mall	Jim Blair and Jim Mackinnon
13	Jim Blair	David Evans	Jo Weir	Alex Mall
20	Jo Weir	David Evans	Jim Blair	Shona Cook
27	Shona Cook	Bill McMurtrie	Jim Mackinnon	Jim Blair

Scripture Readers

JUNE

4	11	18	25
Shona Cook	Donald Carmichael	Margaret Howard	Ian Cartlidge

JULY

2	9	16	23	30
Angela Peacock	Ian Anderson	Marion Simpson	David Howard	Judy Byrne

AUGUST

6	13	20	27
Colin Williamson	Summer Mission	Anne Barr	Jim Blair

Offering Rota

JUNE

4	Maureen Park 638 0273; Norma Hannah 638 7515; Anne Anderson 563 2395
11	Maureen Park; Hilary Kennedy 638 6114; Anne Anderson; Roseanne Henderson 571 7375
18	Shona Fletcher 639 4523; Colin Williamson 571 9119; Lisel Tait 638 8345
25	Shona Fletcher; Colin Williamson; Lisel Tait

JULY

2	Angela Peacock 638 0026; Norma Hannah 638 7515; Nanette Davidson 638 1570
9	Angela Peacock; Norma Hannah; Nanette Davidson
16	Willie Hendry 644 0351; Hilary Kennedy 638 6114; Nanette Davidson
23	Willie Hendry; Allan Rennie 882 9703; Nanette Davidson
30	Gordon Ross 638 1207; Allan Rennie; Jim Kerr 638 2747

AUGUST

6	Gordon Ross; Valerie Clarke 638 6148; Jim Kerr
13	David Evans 571 7846; Valerie Clarke; Roseanne Henderson 571 7375
20	David Evans; Norma Hannah 638 7515; Shona Cook 644 1354
27	Bill McMurtrie 571 2512; Norma Hannah; Shona Cook

Orchardhill Record on Holiday

The *Orchardhill Record* will take a summer holiday with no publication in July and August. It will resume with the September edition.

Please note that September's deadline will be Sunday 13 August. If you wish to contribute to that edition, please don't wait till August. Send it now, and we'll hold it on file.

Memories of Sunday School Picnics

Our Minister, Rev Grant Barclay, features in the June edition of Life and Work, the Church of Scotland's monthly magazine. He is among six folk recollecting memories of Sunday School picnics.

Life and Work includes also an interview with Bill Stevenson, the new Scottish director of the Boys' Brigade. In the article he is quoted as say: "I see the BB as my 'ministry.'"

Other features include:

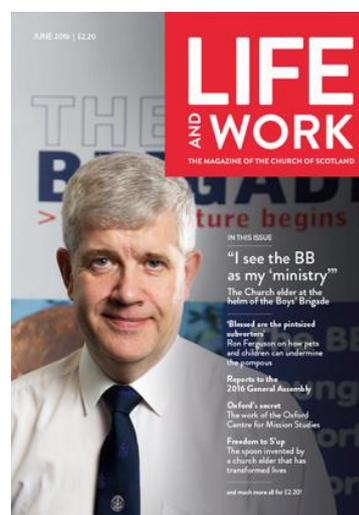
A spoon invented by a Church of Scotland elder which is transforming mealtimes for people with disabilities

Four pages rounding up reports to the General Assembly.

The role of a Church of Scotland partner in rebuilding peace in Sri Lanka.

Lessons drawn from working with deaf children among the impoverished in Tanzania.

The legacy the Church of tomorrow might receive from the Church of today.



New Presbytery Clerk

Rev George Cowie, Minister of Aberdeen South Holborn, has been recommended as Glasgow's new Presbytery Clerk. Subject to approval at Presbytery's June meeting, Mr Cowie will take up the new role in late August or early September.

Earlier this year Her Majesty the Queen appointed Mr Cowie to be one of her 10 Chaplains-in-Ordinary. He is a former joint clerk of Aberdeen Presbytery and was acting Depute Clerk for the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland in 2014 and 2015. He is currently convener of the Church of Scotland's Legal Questions Committee.

One of Glasgow's two Presbytery Clerks, Very Rev Bill Hewitt, is to retire next month. The other joint clerk, Rev Dr Graham Blount, will remain in post until Mr Cowie's arrival

Communion Roll

NEW MEMBER

We welcome into our Fellowship and Service:

Mrs Vivian Scott, 27 Gordon Crescent, Newton Mearns G77 6HZ (district 1)

Congregational Register

MARRIAGE

On 31 March 2017 Fiona Jane Davidson and David John Richmond, 20 Coynton Road, Newlands, Glasgow G43 2TB

New Congregation in Glasgow

In these days of falling numbers within the Christian churches, it makes a welcome and happy change to hear news of a move in the opposite direction. A new congregation has officially come of age at Robroyston in north-east Glasgow.

Robroyston Church has been growing since its birth in 1999 as a New Charge Development. Now it has been granted full status. Glasgow Presbytery agreed to that promotion at the May meeting.

Beginning in such a small way that services were held in the manse, Robroyston developed steadily and confidently so that a new purpose-built church was opened in 2012. The congregation have confidence in continuing to grow with strong youth involvement, including Boys' Brigade and Girls' Brigade companies.

Riot in St Giles

Following on from last month's note about Covenanters, it is worth noting that 23 July will be the 380th anniversary of the riot which erupted in St Giles High Kirk in Edinburgh, when Jenny Geddes threw her stool at the pulpit when Rev James Hannay began reading from Archbishop William Laud's Liturgy. It was the first act in what became the Covenanting years.

Orchardhill Calendar

JUNE

Sun	4	10.30am	Pentecost Family Worship (followed by Elders' conference)	Rev Grant Barclay
		6.30pm	Songs of Praise	
Sun	11	10.30am	Sacrament of Lord's Supper	Charles Foxon
Sun	18	10.30am	Stepping Stones' Gift Service	
Sun	25	10.30am	Family Worship	Rev Grant Barclay
Tue	27	11.00am	Giffnock Primary School Summer Service	
		7.30pm	Congregational Board	

JULY

Sun	2	10.30am	Family Worship	Rev Grant Barclay
Sun	9	10.30am	Family Worship	Rev Grant Barclay
Sun	16	10.30am	Family Worship	Rev Grant Barclay
Sun	23	10.30am	Family Worship	Rev Grant Barclay
Sun	30	10.30am	Family Worship	Rev Grant Barclay

AUGUST

Sun	6	10.30am	Family Worship	Rev Grant Barclay
Monday-Friday (7 th -11 th)		Summer Mission Week (On to the Ark with Huntly 10.00am-noon: CHIPS Café and Late Night Live in the evenings)		
Sun	13	10.30am	Summer Mission Service	
Sun	20	10.30am	Family Worship	Rev Grant Barclay
Sun	27	10.30am	Family Worship	Rev Grant Barclay

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