Pentecost 19th May 2013



Markinch Parish Church Sunday Bulletin

Our Mission To Worship God, Share His love and Serve His World



Grace To You And Peace

During the organ prelude please quietly prepare yourself for sharing in the service by offering a prayer and reading the lessons set for today.

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We enter to worship

Prelude - music for prayer and meditation

Welcome & Intimations

Hymn 582 O day of joy and wonder

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Learning Together

Hymn 194 This is the day

Psalm 104:24-34 & 35b

Acts 2:1-21

John 20:19-23

Hymn 724 Christ's is the world in which we move

Prayers for help and healing

Hymn 600 Spirit of God, unseen as the wind

Sermon

The offering

Hymn 622 We sing a love that sets all people free

The Blessing & Choral Amen

Postlude - music for prayer and reflection

We depart to serve

Coffee & Conversation in the Hall

On 21st July 2013, Rev Alex Forsyth will celebrate 40 years as an ordained minister.

There will be a special Sunday Morning service led by the Revd. Ken Froude, minister of St Bryce, Kirkcaldy.

Jean Forsyth is hosting lunch in the church hall immediately after the service and is inviting everyone to come and be her guest.

To give the outside caterer some idea of numbers she needs your reply to this invitation by the end of June.

If you intend to come please confirm and phone Jean on 01592 758264 - soonest.

Picnic and Hamper Auction

Join us for a picnic lunch on Sunday 23rd June at 1pm in the Church Hall Garden. If the weather is not kind, we will be in the hall. Please bring your own food and beverage for this fellowship meal.

For anyone wishing to attend, but who would prefer to eat a special picnic prepared by someone else, there will be a number of special picnic lunches up for auction at this event. Highest bidder wins.

Looking forward to seeing you there.

An Appeal From Glenrothes YMCA for Food Donations

"Now that the new benefit system is starting to have an effect on those who claim benefits we are finding that requests for food parcels are increasing due to many reasons.

As we rely on kind donations we are appealing to your congregation once again to help us with these requests. Food parcel requests will increase as the new benefit system starts to hit all those on benefits and people find themselves financially stretched.

We appreciate greatly your help over the years and hope you are in a position to help us again with this request."

Yours sincerely, Mary B Hill, Director

"PS at the moment we have a good supply of soup, dried pasta and tea-bags but anything else would be much appreciated".

In response to this appeal, there will be a box in the vestibule. If you would like to make a donation of non-perishable foods, please place it in the box on a Sunday, and we will ensure that it is delivered to the food bank on Monday.

Update

Welcome. We hope you will feel at home and among friends Visitors please sign our visitors book in the church vestibule. After the service join us for coffee and a chat in the hall.

If you would like information about the Church or any of the organisations please see a member of the welcome team. The reader today is lan Watt.

As Rev. Alex Forsyth is at the General Assembly this week, please welcome Rev. Christine Houghton who will lead us in worship today.

Ministers Vestry Hour 12 noon - 1.00 pm. Please contact the Minister for an appointment - phone 01592-758264 or E-mail *alex@arforsyth.com* In the event of hospitalisation, serious illness, family anxiety, bereavement or personal difficulty the Minister is readily available to visit **but you have to let him know if he can be of help.**

Coffee Mornings on Thursdays from 10.00am-11.30am in the church hall. Join us for tea or coffee and a chat. You are always welcome.

Church Newsletter Elders please note that their copies of the May edition of *News From The Pews* can be collected from the session house from today.

The Flowers in Church today are dedicated to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Nan Steedman. They are gifted to the church by her daughter, Jean Forsyth. There are also flowers gifted to the church by Alex and Muriel Craig in loving memory of both sets of parents.

Life and Work magazine is now available for collection from the Session House **Church Lunch** Just to remind you that the lunch is at Balbirnie Golf Club on Saturday 8th June, 12.30 for 1.00pm. Total cost is £16.50. A deposit of £6.50 per person is required by Jean Forsyth, followed by the balance of £10.00 per person to be paid by next Sunday 26th May at the very latest.

The Markinch Parish Church Cookbook Volume 2 is now on sale. Available from Jean Forsyth at Thursday Coffees or in the hall after Sunday service.

Craft Items are available for sale in the hall for church funds. If you have any unwanted craft items, fabric, threads, wool, half finished kits or projects that you would like to donate to the fundraising effort, please contact Marianne Sankey, Meg Sankey or Karen Wood.

Alison Taylor is delighted to announce that **having** completed the Loch Leven Walkathon in aid of Chest Heart and Stroke Scotland she has raised the magnificent total (so far) of £1303.10. She would like to sincerely thank all family, friends and church family who have given so generously to this worthy cause. Without your donations this amount would never have been reached. God bless you all.

Top 10 Hymn Service Nomination sheets available from Marianne Sankey, Karen Wood and Meg Sankey at a cost of £1. There are spaces for you to nominate your 10 favourite hymns in order of preference 1-10. These must be returned to us no later than 11th August 2013 and they will then be collated. The 10 most popular hymns will be sung at an evening praise service on Friday 6th September. There will be tea, biscuits and cake in the hall after the service.

The Minister and Kirk Session invite you to join them in the celebration of Holy Communion next Sunday, 26th May at 11.00am