

23rd February 2014

Markinch Parish Church Sunday Bulletin

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



Communion Sunday

Order of Service

Welcome

Call to worship

Hymn 1 - How blest are those who do not stray

Prayers of Approach, Confession and Thanksgiving

Hymn 35 - O send thy light forth and thy truth

Readings: Leviticus Chapter 19 verses 1-2 and 9-18 p121

I Corinthians Chapter 3 verses 10-11, 16-23 p1146

Hymn 465 - Be thou my vision

Reading ; Matthew Chapter 5 verses 38ff p970

Offering and Dedication

Hymn 662 - Jesus, thou joy of loving hearts

"Christian behaviour in all its folly"

Hymn 664 (i) - Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face

Holy Communion

Hymn 333 - Now, Lord! according to thy word

Benediction

The Union of Markinch and Thornton Churches

The Basis of Union was approved by our Session last Monday, therefore we are now in a position to advise the next stage in the process. At the next meetings of the Ministries Committees of Presbytery and the Central Church, the union will be formalised. It is expected that this may take until the start of April, when we will then be given authority to start the vacancy procedures. We will not be allowed to start vacancy proceedings and call a minister until the union with Thornton takes place, so it is important that this runs smoothly.

In the meantime, the congregation has to vote on the union. There will be formal intimations 2 weeks prior to the actual voting day giving the congregation plenty notice of the vote. It is likely that voting will take place in 3-4 weeks. A ballot paper will be made available on the day, with a simple 'For' or 'Against' vote.

John Wood, Session Clerk

Choir

Anyone who is interested in joining the choir on a Sunday morning should meet in the church at 10.25am on Sunday 2nd March. The main aims of the choir would be to support and lead the singing in Sunday worship with the occasional individual contribution from the choir.

Fund-raising

A fund-raising meeting will be held in the church hall today at 12.30pm directly after communion. Please come along if you would like to help at any of this years fund-raising events or have any great ideas for raising funds for your church.

Rosyth Concert Band will be performing in the church hall on Saturday 15th March at 7.30pm. Doors open 7pm. Tickets £6/£5 conc., refreshments included. Tickets are available from Karen Wood, Meg Sankey or Marianne Sankey.

GROW (Glenrothes Regional Outreach Worker) are looking for a number of management committee members and/or trustees to add to their established team. Age or lack of experience working with young people is no barrier. For further information contact Chris Hay on 01592 741245 or email chris.hay@blueyonder.co.uk

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 John Wood.

Vestry Hour - Sundays 12 noon - 1.00 pm by appointment. Please contact our Locum Minister, Rev Alistair McLeod, on 01592 744558 or 07816 272628
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 Flowers If you would like a gift of flowers distributed to anyone in the congregation please contact Teresa Henderson on 01592 754892

The Flowers in Church Today are in loving memory of George and Davina Hopkins. They are gifted by Beth and Bertie.

Life and Work - This month's edition is now ready for uplift.

Youth Club - The youth club are collecting Sainsbury Active Kids Vouchers 2014 for Markinch Primary School. There is a collection box in the church hall for you to donate any vouchers you may have.

Glenrothes Foodbank Food stocks have diminished alarmingly and an emergency appeal has been put out for more donations. The only items not required at this moment are beans and pasta. Please help if you can.

Glenrothes and District Christian Aid Committee Big Book Sale will take place March 31st to April 5th daily from 11am to 3pm in St Columba's Church, Glenrothes

Holy Whitewater Scott Burton Minister of St Matthew's Church in Perth, will be speaking about his book 'Holy Whitewater' on Thursday 27th February at 7.15 pm in St Bryce Kirk Centre, Kirkcaldy. £3 donation to cover expenses.

Kirkcaldy Presbytery's 'Celebrate and Discover' day will be taking place in Kirkcaldy High School on March 22nd and everyone in our church is invited. Our church will have a display stand there. Look out for more information over the coming weeks. Please contact Ken Wilkie if you have any ideas for our display or if you are able to help on the day.

Christian Aid Week 11th – 17th May

During the past years we at Markinch Parish Church have supported CA and this year we will once again be promoting the need of others less fortunate than us. Christian Aid Week 2014: give people a future without fear. War tears lives apart. We can help put them back together. For a growing number of people across the world, the horror of war is part of daily life.

There will be a **Coffee Morning** in aid of Christian Aid on **Thursday 15th May 2014**, posters will be ready for distribution soon. A **Quiz Night** is also organised for **Friday 16th May 2014** in the Church Hall. Books continue to be on sale for CA and we recycle ink cartridges and toners for CA. With our efforts, many more people can look forward to a future free from poverty.