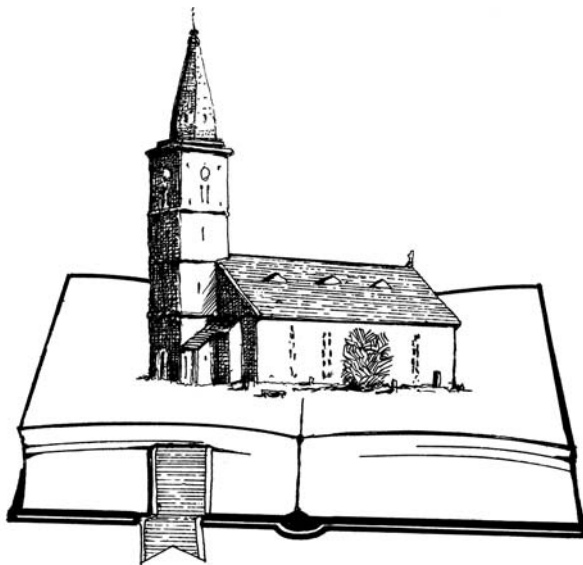

Markinch Parish Church Sunday Bulletin

30th March 2014

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



Order of Service

Welcome

Call to worship

Hymn 555 - Amazing grace! how sweet the sound

Prayers of Approach and Confession

With the Children

Hymn 193 - God is love: his the care

Reading: Ephesians Chapter 2 verses 1 to 10 p1174

Hymn 511 - Your hand, O God, has guided

Reading: John Chapter 3 verses 13 to 21 p1066

Hymn 392 - When I survey the wondrous cross

"Amazing Grace, Amazing Love"

Hymn 519 - Love divine, all loves excelling

Offering and Dedication

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession.

Hymn 396 - And can it be, that I should gain.

Benediction

Update on Union and Vacancy

Our congregation voted on the Basis of Union on 23rd March with 88 votes for, and 4 votes against the union. Presbytery will deal with the formalities at their next meeting on Tuesday 1st April in St. Bryce Kirk, Kirkcaldy at 7pm.

Members are cited to attend for their interest. Following this meeting, the Presbytery Clerk will submit documentation to the Law Department of the Church of Scotland and they liaise with OSCR concerning our new legal name and charity number. 42 days is allowed for this process. We can then proceed to a Service of Union. The date proposed by the Business Committee of Presbytery is Thursday, 5th June. During this time we will elect a Nominating Committee. By then we will be a united congregation, but the Nominating Committee should comprise of 4 members of the former Thornton congregation and 9 members from the former Markinch congregation.

One of the decisions to be made by the steering group is where the Service of Union will be held. This will be communicated in due course as there is a meeting planned for 6th April.

Spring Fayre and Daffodil Tea

A Spring Fayre and Daffodil Tea will be held in the church hall on Saturday 12th April from 2pm to 4pm. The hall will be open from 1pm for donations to the cake and candy stall to be handed in and for the setting up of all other stalls.

Donations for Tombola, Bottle Tombola, Craft and Cake & Candy stalls should be given to Karen Wood, Meg Sankey or Marianne Sankey or the people mentioned below as soon as possible.

Anyone wishing to help please see Karen, Meg or Marianne. If you would like to set up your own craft stall please contact Karen (07717023906). This will be our main fund-raiser for the first six months of 2014, so please give us your support.

Cake and Candy Stall
Chocolate Tombola Stall
Tombola Stall
Craft Stall

Donations for Tea/Coffee
Donations of Full bottles of Wine
or empty wine bottle with tops on
(for a Special Novelty Stall)

David Kerr
Fatima Johnston
John Sinski
Karen Wood, Meg Sankey
or Marianne Sankey
Sandra Ewing

Linda Paterson



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. Please note that Alistairs email address is changing with immediate effect to: alistairmcleod1936@gmail.com

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.

Craft Stall Please come along to the church hall any Sunday or Thursday from (10-11.30am) to see what is available on the church craft stall. There are plenty of great gift ideas especially some beautiful babywear and baby accessories. If you have any craft items you would like to donate please see Karen Wood, Meg Sankey or Marianne Sankey.

Life and Work magazines are ready for uplift.

Church Flowers If you would like a gift of flowers distributed to anyone in the congregation please contact the flower lady for March, who is Linda Paterson.

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.

Church Choir Anyone who is interested in joining the choir on a Sunday morning should speak to Alison Burns. The aims of the choir would be to support and lead Sunday worship with occasional individual contributions from the choir.

Spring Teas at Thornton Parish Church on Saturday 5th April from 10am to 12 noon. Ticket £2. Come along and meet our new friends.

Glenrothes Foodbank Food stocks have diminished alarmingly and an emergency appeal has been put out for more donations. Please help if you can.

Celebrate and Discover The Planning Team express their thanks to everyone who attended the event on Saturday at Kirkcaldy High School. It was an extremely well supported event with around 800 people attending.

The Easter Story St Kenneth's in Kennoway is hosting a musical performance of The Easter Story on Sun 13th April (Palm Sunday) at 7.30pm. Admission is free. More information from Richard Baxter on richard-baxter@msn.com

St. Mary's, Leslie are holding their annual Ecumenical Palm Sunday Stations of the Cross on Palm Sunday 13th April at 3.00pm. All are welcome.

St. Monans Community Choir The choir will be performing in the church hall on Friday 25th April at 7.30pm. Doors open 7pm. Tickets £6/£5 conc, refreshments included. Tickets now available from Karen Wood or Meg and Marianne Sankey.

Christian Aid Week 11th – 17th May There will be a Coffee Morning in aid of Christian Aid on Thursday 15th May 2014, posters will be ready for distribution soon. Books continue to be on sale for CA and we recycle ink cartridges and toners for CA. A Quiz Night is also organised for Friday 16th May 2014 in the Church Hall.