

Newlands and Kirkurd



Parish Magazine

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Services			
	West Linton 11.15 am	Carlops 10.00 am	Newlands 10.00 am
2 Sep	Mary McElroy	Rev Stewart McPherson	Mary McElroy
9 Sep	Rev Stewart McPherson	Rev Stewart McPherson	David Henderson-Howat
16 Sep	Kevin Scott	Kevin Scott	Rev Stewart McPherson
23 Sep	Rev Stewart McPherson	Rev Stewart McPherson	David Henderson-Howat
30 Sep	Rev Stewart McPherson	Mary McElroy	Rev Stewart McPherson

Elders Rota: Sept. David & Jean Henderson Howat
 Oct. Ilka Roehe & Rosie Sim

Church cleaning: Sept. Fay Young/Rosie Sim
 Oct. Margaret Adamson

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INTERIM MINISTER'S LETTER



I would like to begin my first letter to you with a sincere 'Thank You' for the warmth of the welcome you have offered me at the Service of Introduction, Sunday worship, and in the homes of the people I have met so far. This means much to me, as well as my family. I imagine there has also been a little anxiety around as you wondered who this person was and what he might be like. After all, one of the major differences, if not THE major difference, between an Interim Minister and a Parish Minister is that you did not call me here. Where a minister is "called" to a parish, there's been a process of interviews and hearing the minister in action, whereas with Interim Ministry, someone lands in the community, journeys with you for 18 months, and then disappears before a new minister is properly called and inducted! Although behind my appointment there have been many conversations, meetings, votes, and wondering about the right fit for the congregations, there has also, I am pleased to say, been much prayer. I can assure you I have prayed much about this ministry and this new journey we make together.

There is, of course, an element of risk involved in all of this, and most of us are often hesitant of risk and uncertainty. But sometimes, in faith we find ourselves stepping on to a new path believing we are following the assuring sound of Jesus' voice and feel that call is stronger than any fears we may have. And sometimes God likes to take risks, as his story tells us time and again. I felt a growing and strengthening call to Interim Ministry, a recognition of my gifts, and the affirmation of that by the church through interview and conversations with other Interim Ministers. At the same time you have been journeying through discussion, question, hesitancy, and faith towards this point where we both now meet. Maybe you have not 'called' me here, but as we both have journeyed seeking to respond to Jesus' voice, perhaps he has called us together. It is in that faith and discernment that we walk together now. And may we always remember whose call we each follow.

With every blessing,
Stewart McPherson



You are invited to a **Harvest Celebration** at Newlands Church on Sunday 30 September.

All ages are welcome from babies to those in their nineties!

We will start at 10am and finish at 10.45 with coffee and tea in the church.

We will also be collecting food for Bethany Christian Trust, which supports homeless people, so any donations will be much appreciated.

We will be holding the **Harvest Supper** on Saturday 29th September at 6pm and it will follow the usual format of a pot luck supper in the church.

Everyone in the parish is warmly invited to come along to the Harvest Supper and your elder will be distributing invitations. Just let us know if you would like to come, and bring a plate of food to share. For more information contact your elder or Jean Howat. 01968 660677.

Communion

We will celebrate Communion on Sunday 16 September at our 10am service. Everyone is warmly invited to attend.

THE GUILD

Newlands Guild begins its new session this September, and we will be following the agreed theme of the year – ‘seeking the Way’.

First there is the Dundee Annual Gathering on Saturday 1st September – always an impressive and enjoyable day. For those who would have liked to attend but can’t, there will likely be the chance to watch the DVD of the occasion at some later date in the year.

Next is our Presbyterial Guild Council’s meeting for all the Guilds in our Presbytery of Melrose and Peebles. This will be held in St Paul’s Old Church in Galashiels on Wed 12th September at 2.30, when the speaker will be Dr Pam Cairns who helped to set up one of the charities which is one of the 6 new projects being supported by the Church of Scotland Guild over the next 3 years. This is Seema’s Project which is involved in helping the children of prostitutes in Poona, India.

Then we hold our first meeting of our local Guild. This will be on Wed 26th September in the Old Church Hall at 7.30pm. Rev Stewart McPherson, our new interim minister, will be speaking on our theme of Seeking the Way. To this, as to every meeting, everyone is very welcome to attend – no need to be a Guild member, and there’s always a spot of worship to start, and a cup of tea to finish with something interesting between.

Margaret Habeshaw

KIRKURD SWI



Thank you to everyone who gave up some valuable time to steward at the Peebles Agricultural Show in August. Kirkurd was placed 4th. in the industrial section. Congratulations to all who participated and won prizes. Members have also participated at some of the local flower shows over the past few weeks, winning some prizes and trophies.

The first meeting of the winter programme is:

Wednesday 3rd. October, when Martin Odwyer will talk about his life as a pharmacist.

Competitions: Pill Box Outdoor flower of the month.

Monday 8th. October Meeting with Raymond Pratt, General Secretary of SWI, to discuss current issues within the SWI. St. Andrew's Leckie Church Hall, Peebles. 7:00p.m. This is open to all SWI members.

Wednesday 10th. October Invitation to Newlands WI at the Hub, Lamancha, 7:30p.m. when they are having a talk about the work of CHAS.

Please let me know if you would like to go to this.

Wednesday 7th. November Belly Dancing with Celia Buchan, Penicuik.

This lady does not drive and will require transport from Leadburn and all the way back to Penicuik. Offers of transport would be appreciated nearer the time.

Competitions: A Scarf 2 Cereal Bars

We look forward to seeing everyone again at the first meeting and to welcome any new members who would like to join us.

NEWLANDS AND KIRKURD FLOWER SHOW



Our annual flower show takes place this year on Saturday 1st September at Newlands Centre.

Doors open at 2.00 pm and the presentation of prizes will be at 2.30 pm. Teas with home baking will be served throughout the day and the auction will start at 3.30. Come along and enjoy the day.



MOTHERS & TODDLERS

Hope you have all enjoyed the lovely summer and we look forward to seeing you and any new members soon.

We started up again on

Thursday 23rd. August in Netherurd Hall

10:00 - 11 :30

Adults £2 50p per child

Peggy Wills 01968 682231

Pat Graham 01721 752205



Newlands & Kirkurd Early Learning Centre

We have spaces available at our wonderful country nursery!

We are a rural nursery with opportunity to explore and play outdoors. We spend many hours tramping through woods and fields discovering nature around us. We have a mud kitchen too!

- We have vacancies now for 2.5 years and up!
- Opening hours are Monday-Wednesday 8:30 to 14:50.
- Children 3 years and over are eligible to receive 600 fully funded hours per year of early learning and childcare.

The nursery works within the Scottish Government's curriculum for excellence.

No-one is plunged right in at the deep end and we encourage you to put a “toe in the water” first by coming to a pre-start session where you can meet other children, parents and the staff.

For more information to arrange a meeting or an informal chat phone us on 01968 660367 or email Gill at gill@newlandskids.org.uk

Visit our website at www.newlandskids.org.uk

Don't forget to try to find the church mouse hiding somewhere in this magazine!





3rd West Linton Rainbows, for girls aged 5 and 6 years old, is starting Sunday afternoon meetings once a month from September. Please contact Alison Turpie with your interest. Telephone **07967 591406** or email **aturpie@live.co.uk**

This is also a great opportunity for any Guides wanting to assist or Young Leaders wanting to gain qualifications.

We also welcome parent volunteers and would hope that this new timing of only one commitment per month would allow more parents to become involved too.

Netherurd Memorial Hall

Tuesday 18th. September
MP Surgery 10:30 - 11:00

Pudding Night, Friday 2nd. November

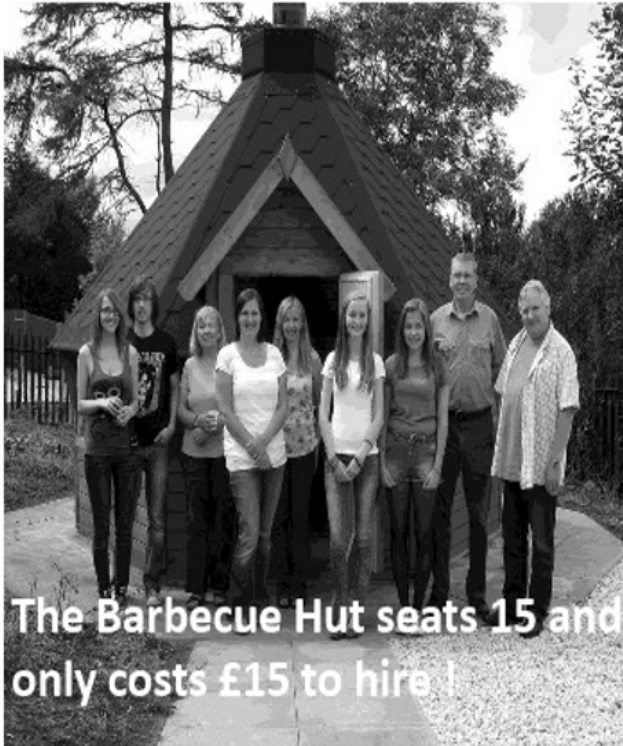


7:00 for 7:30 until the puddings are finished.

Tickets Adults £6 Children up to 12 £4
Tickets available from committee from
1st September

LAMANCHA **hub** COMMUNITY

Lamanca Hub is a family-friendly community centre which has two multi-purpose halls (recently re-decorated), a community garden, a children's play area and a Scandinavian Barbecue Hut. Recent events at the Hub include a Christening Party and birthday parties where the BBQ hut was included in the package. We also have first-aid courses organised by a fully qualified paramedic.



Defibrillator available outside Lamancha Hub on the wall inside the gates.

What's on at the hub

Tuesday: Mindful Yoga

7.30pm

Classes full!!

Thursday: Hatha Yoga 9.30am

Classes full!!

Thursdays Pilates! Beginners and intermediates. First class starts 6.15pm - Second class 7.15pm

Classes full!!

Drumming lessons: call Ian 07847 486074

NEW! Poly tunnel for use by the community! Located behind the BBQ hut!

Tel: 01968 660008

Email: info@lamanchahub.org.uk

Run by the Lamancha & District Community Association, a charity reg in Scotland, no SC035299 & a company limited by guarantee reg in Scotland no SC263766. Reg office is: Old School House, Old Moffat Road, Lamancha, Peeblesshire EH46 7BD

Key dates for your diary

Date	Details
1st Sept	Flower Show 2pm Newlands Centre
1st Sept	The Guild Dundee Annual Gathering
1st Sept	Tickets available for Pudding Night!
12th September	Presbyterial Guild Council's meeting St Paul's Old Church in Galashiels at 2.30,
16th September	Communion 10am Newlands and Kirkurd Church
18th September	MP Surgery Netherurd Memorial Hall 10.30 to 11.00
26th Sept	Meeting of Local Guild. Old Church Hall at 7.30pm
29th Sept	Harvest Supper
30th Sept	Harvest Service
3rd Oct	First Meeting Kirkurd SWI
8th October	Kirkurd SWI. St. Andrew's Leckie Church Hall, Peebles. 7:00p.m. This is open to all SWI members
10th October	Kirkurd SWI at Newlands WI at the Hub, Laman-cha, 7:30p.m. Talk about the work of CHAS.

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