

# *Kirkurd & Newlands Parish Magazine*



Alte Kirche Sargenzell: Fruchteteppeich: Daniel in der Löwengrube

This wonderful piece of art is made by volunteers using fruits and seeds.

(4.5 m x 6 m)

*November 2021*



## All Services back in Church

We are now holding weekly services back in church again and everyone is very welcome to attend. Zoom services are still being held at Carlops at 10am and St Andrews West Linton at 11.30am. For more information contact Jean Howat. [howat-jean@gmail.com](mailto:howat-jean@gmail.com) 01968 660677

<i>Date</i>	<i>Carlops</i>	<i>Kirkurd &amp; Newlands</i>	<i>West Linton</i>
07 November 2021	Rev Tony Foley	Steven Whalley	Rev Tony Foley
14 November 2021	Rev Chris Levison <i>Remembrance</i>	Rev Tony Foley <i>Remembrance</i>	Rev Tony Foley <i>Remembrance</i>
21 November 2021	Sheena Livingstone	Kevin Scott	Kevin Scott
28 November 2021	David Howat	Colin Herd	Colin Herd
05 December 2021	Rev Tony Foley	Mary McElroy	Rev Tony Foley

Duty Elders: David Habeshaw and Janette Raeburn

Church Cleaning: Sheila Chapman

### Remembrance Service – Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November 9.30am



This service will be held at 9.30 am and will be led by the Rev Dr Tony Foley. Immediately following the service wreaths will be laid first at the Newlands war memorial and after that – at about 10.30 - at the memorial at Blyth Bridge. Guides, Brownies, Cubs and Scouts are invited to attend in uniform.

## Service of Induction for Rev Dr Tony Foley

West Tweeddale – Monday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2021

### Welcome to the Rev Dr Tony Foley

The Induction Service for Tony Foley took place at St Andrews West Linton on 25<sup>th</sup> October and we are delighted to welcome Tony as our new minister. It was a lovely service. We look forward to meeting him and working with him as he starts his ministry in West Tweeddale.



Following Monday evening's lovely service of induction at St Andrew's we now have a recording of the service available which can be found by using the link below.

Our many thanks for recording the service go to Neil Robinson and Bob Hunter:

[http://www.uppertweeddale.org.uk/videos/induction\\_720\\_low\\_i.mp4](http://www.uppertweeddale.org.uk/videos/induction_720_low_i.mp4)

## **Farewell and Thank-you to Nancy Norman**

We have so much to thank Nancy for as she has worked tirelessly as our locum minister over the past year. She has touched the hearts of so many people with her inspirational services which are characterised by her wonderful way with words – weekly on Sundays and at funerals, weddings and baptisms as well as the Joint Outdoor Communion Service. But it's not only the services it's also the warmth of her friendship and support that so many have experienced in conversations after church and on the many visits that she has made to people's homes. We will all miss her.

## **Farewell and Thank-you to Calum Macdougall**

Calum has done a terrific job guiding and supporting us as our Interim Moderator for the last few months which have been hectic to say the least. He has chaired multiple meetings, usually on Zoom, with sensitivity and wisdom and it is no small part due to his hard work that we have now appointed Tony Foley as our new minister. It has been a pleasure to work with him.

## **From the former Interim Moderator**

Janet and I want to express our most grateful thanks to the congregation and Kirk Session for your overwhelming generosity to us both, in the presentations made following Dr Tony Foley's induction service.

It has been a very great privilege to work with the office bearers and members of the six congregations, as we have moved to the creation of the new linking and the appointment of Tony as minister. It has been such a joy, thank you, all of you.

I could scarcely believe my eyes when I got home and opened the envelope and I struggle to find words, adequately to express my gratitude. Please be assured that your gift is most sincerely appreciated and will be used in such a way as to provide a constant reminder of your kindness.

Janet is thrilled with the beautiful bouquet which now occupies a prominent spot in our home in Broughton.

God bless you all as we move forward together.

With love,

*Calum.*



## Peeblesshire Youth Trust Christmas Hampers



Once again PYT will be assembling Christmas hampers to be delivered to families who are struggling in the Tweeddale Area. We have been asked to donate shampoo. This can be brought to the church at a Sunday service.

### *Blythwood Christmas Shoebox Appeal*



Many thanks to all who contributed to the 22 boxes/bags and 3 large bags of 'extras' which were delivered to Peebles on 25 October.

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### The Open Gate

The Open Gate phone is still always available for anyone of any age, to ask for some counselling help. Appointments can be arranged for a time to suit during the week, and are free. The approach used is Solution Focussed Brief Therapy which helps quickly and pleasantly.

Why wait? There's nothing to lose, and life could be a lot happier for those who are feeling anxious or 'down' or in need of emotional support.

Phone or text 07535 898 244

***Lamancha, Newlands and Kirkurd***

***Community Council***



The next meeting is at **7.30pm on Wednesday 17 November**  
**and due to the high COVID-19 figures the meeting will return to online.**

To register to attend, please email **lnkccchair@gmail.com** by noon on  
Monday 15 November with the subject heading Meeting Registration.

**MINUTE SECRETARY:** LNKcc is looking for someone to produce the minutes of our meetings. We meet on nine months of the year (no meetings in July, August and December) and our AGM in May means we hold ten meetings. We can offer an honorarium of **£10 per meeting which is £100 a year.**

If you are interested, please email **lnkccchair@gmail.com** with the subject heading Minute Secretary.

**JOHN'S PATH MAINTENANCE:** We are looking for volunteers to help clear the pathway. Interested? Please email with the heading John's Path.

**We have a new Facebook page which will keep you up to date on meetings and local issues.**

### ***LAMANCHA COMMUNITY HUB***

Cafe proving popular. Coffee, teas, choice of 3 soups, bacon rolls, cheese scones and cakes all available from 10 till 2 every Wednesday.

We are closing on 11th December until the end of January. We open again on 2nd February.

Meanwhile the winter games nights will resume on Friday, 5th November. You can play darts, pool, or table tennis. Starting at 7pm. All welcome.

The Yoga classes are still on Thursday and Friday mornings from 9am.

Rooms are available for hire. Email [info@lamanchahub.org.uk](mailto:info@lamanchahub.org.uk)

Cilla Davidson

## **NETHURURD MEMORIAL HALL**

**Notice of a public meeting at 7.00pm on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> November, at Netherurd Memorial Hall, to discuss the Hall Committee's unanimous decision to discontinue with the use of the Hall subjects as a Village / Memorial Hall at Netherurd.**

Netherurd Memorial Hall was dedicated in 1926 by the Nicol family, in favour of the original Trustees, for the "association of the employees of Netherurd, parishioners of the parish of Kirkurd, and inhabitants of the village of Blyth Bridge". The governance of Netherurd Memorial Hall is currently determined by a 1969 "Deed of Trust", originally overseen by Hall Trustees, and whose successors are the current Hall Committee and its Office bearers.

Despite the best efforts of the current Committee, many of whom have a very close association and fond memories of events at the Hall over many years, it is now the unanimous view of the Hall Committee that, based on the lack of current usage, it is not justifiable to seek or spend the capital expenditure that the building now needs to be maintained as a safe, weatherproof and structurally sound facility. This is not a view that has been reached without a good deal of thought and soul searching.

The current Deed of Trust provides that "if the Committee decide by majority at any time that on the grounds of expense or otherwise it is necessary, or advisable, to discontinue the use of the Trust subjects", "they shall first call a public meeting to seek the majority support of the parishioners of the said parish and District by a vote".

If the parishioners are not inclined to approve the Committee's proposal, having listened to the reasoned argument put forward by the current Trustees, then the Legal advice is that that the Committee Office bearers demit their positions, and defer to others to step forward and take up the mantle of managing the building, as Office bearers of the Committee.

If the parishioners are inclined to support the view of the current Committee, then further discussions can then follow between the Hall Committee, Scottish Borders Council and the Office of the Scottish Charities Regulator, as the Hall has charitable status.

**Netherurd Memorial Hall Committee** – currently comprising Martyn Blissitt, Peggy Wills, Dryna Donald, Andrew Adamson, Margaret Adamson, and Seb Rose.

**October 2021.**

Members met on 6<sup>th</sup>. October to discuss the winter programme and the bulb show to be held in March. Although our numbers are few, after much deliberation it was decided to carry on to the AGM in April and hopefully recruit some new members. Meetings will be held at Newlands Centre at 7:30p.m. Further information from Mo Lamb, Margaret Adamson or Viv Thomson.

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup>. November:** Luis Molero, government bee inspector will talk about bees and bring various types of honey for sampling.

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup>. December:** Practical evening making Christmas door wreaths and swags with Margaret Adamson. Materials list will be available at November meeting or contact any member.

### Abbey Biscuits

5 oz sugar	1 teaspn syrup	5 oz margarine
5 oz plain flour	1 tablespn milk	4 oz rolled oats
1 teaspn bicarbonate of soda		

Method: Oven 150C

Cream together sugar and margarine, add milk, bicarbonate of soda and syrup.

Add flour and oats and mix well.

Roll into small balls and bake on baking tray for approx. 25 mins until golden brown.





## *Garden Ramblings*



Well, we are at the end of October and should expect some rain but not bucketfuls like today. Overnight our rain gauge read 2 inches. The plants don't seem to mind though as we have only had one night of frost which means some of the bedding has survived until now. I had 6 pelargoniums in a window box and one by one I have been potting them up to bring indoors to try and save them over-winter. I always say to the remaining ones that they will be next! Be honest, how many of you speak to your plants?

I have bought some tulip bulbs and also some of those lovely mini daffs called pipit. Haven't those lemon Rudbeckias done well in all our gardens this year? Reminder to myself to buy more for next year. I have one with a green centre and noticed the West Linton display have that variety too. Highly recommend this one.

My Rosa Rugosa has gone from green to yellow and looks stunning with the big rosehips and are already being eaten by the many birds in Lamancha. My Pigeon has appeared again after several weeks and sits on the roof till I put out some seed for her. My wee Silkie bantams are today huddled in the coop with the 3 rescue hens. They don't like this rain. Thanks go to them for fertilizing the soil thus saving a fortune in compost.



The little Christmas tree I bought from Rona at Quercus a few years ago is waiting in the wings in its wee pot ready to come into the limelight in a bigger pot with some lights for outside the front door. (An excuse to visit a garden centre for some solar ones.)

Cilla Davidson

*NEWLANDS WI*



Our October meeting was held in the cafe at Lamancha Hub and we all had a nice informal evening with a lot to catch up on. There were 11 of us in attendance with 3 apologies so we have a healthy membership and will continue as a group. Lyn Lusk gave us all a quiz paper to fill in for next time with a prize for the winner. We also held the popular raffle.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday, November 10th at 7.30 pm where there will be a gardening demo on how to keep that winter interest going in a window box or doorstep planter by Joanna who sells plants in West Linton.

Looking forward to December we will have a wreath making demo by Margaret Adamson on December 8th at 7.30pm.

Cilla Davidson

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Please contact your elder or Ilka Roehe by email if you would like a digital copy or large-print copy of the Parish magazine sent to your email address.

Material for December/January magazine to [ilka.roehe@btinternet.com](mailto:ilka.roehe@btinternet.com) by Tuesday, 23 November 2021.



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