



Meldrum & Bourtie

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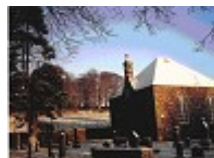


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Kirk News

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Hello,

With the cost of living rapidly rising in the UK and a lack of support for those who need it most, millions of people are at risk of being pushed into poverty by a difficult winter.

Around the world, the twin challenges of climate change and Covid recovery mean that many countries already struggling with high levels of poverty are being held back from development. Where is the Good News of Christmas in this context? When Mary the mother of Jesus, sings her praises to God in Luke 1, she declares:

“He has shown strength with his arm;
he has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He has brought down the powerful from their thrones

and lifted up the lowly;

he has filled the hungry with good things
and sent the rich away empty.”

We believe in a God who fills the hungry with good things, even in the darkest of times. This is the message we celebrate with the birth of Christ the light this Christmas. A God who fills the hungry with good things. This year that means a reality closer to home than maybe ever before. As individuals and families decide to eat or heat. As Christians we are called to embody the Good News. Yet even those of no or little faith, we all as a people, as a community understand the need to embody to Christmas Message of ‘peace and goodwill’ to all. I am so proud of our community in Meldrum, as we all muck together to help support and care for one another. Thank you to all who help, in whatever way that is. And for those struggling, please reach out your

hand, to the Meldrum Kirk, to the community pantry at the British Legion, anywhere possible, hands are ready and willing to reach back and give support.

I want to warmly wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Rev. Alisa McDonald

Alisa.McDonald@churchofscotland.org.uk

Advent Series

This Advent at Meldrum and Bourtie Church we are following a series called 'Out of the Blue' as we go on an extended journey through Advent. We have easy to follow weekly devotionals that can be used as a family, a couple, or individual. Copies are available at the church, but can also be emailed out if you would like a copy (email: Alisa.McDonald@churchofscotland.org.uk)



Meldrum Warm Hub

This winter we might all feel the strain of heating our homes. The space at Meldrum Church is here to provide a Warm Hub for **everyone!** We are open every Monday – Wednesdays from 11am – 4pm. Free Tea/Coffee, biscuits, soft seats, tables, books, games, kid's corner and Wi-fi available. We

are registered with the Warm Space Promise, which means it is an inclusive, non-judgmental space where all are welcome.

Please come along and enjoy the Warm Hub.

Please spread the word! We

can arrange taxi transport to and from and church for all those in need. If that will help you in any way, please get in touch. Also, if you would be interested in volunteering to help at the Meldrum Warm Hub please get in touch. Phone: 07968000610 or email info@meldrumandbourtiechurch.com



Community Connect Café

A café run jointly with the church and you the community! On the second Saturday of the month the café will run out of Meldrum Church Hall, on Albert Road. We warmly invite local charities/groups/organisations to help in running the café on a given Saturday as a fundraiser. Your charity will be able to 'run' the café (serve tea/coffee, baked goods, etc.) and set up the space with fundraising stalls. We provide the stock, support and as much guidance as needed. The goal of the Café to serve as a fundraiser for both the church and our local groups/charities as well as serving up a nice cuppa, a smile and perhaps a yummy treat or two. Please get in touch if you would like to get your charity/organisation involved and to discuss dates!

At EVERY Café our School Uniform Swap Shop is also available. It is full of gently used Nursery, Primary and Academy Uniform that you can Take/Swap/Donate.



**SCHOOL
UNIFORM**
SWAP SHOP
TAKE//SWAP//DONATE

A Meldrum Kirk Community Project

2ND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH
10AM - 12NOON
CHURCH HALL,
ALBERT ROAD
ALL WELCOME

The Guild



The Guild had a bus outing to Macduff on the 26th September. We had a delicious meal at the Knowes Hotel where we were joined by Rev Hugh O'Brien and his wife Valerie. Despite the wet and windy weather we all had a lovely time together.

The Guild met on the 10th October and the Speaker was Jane Blake who gave a talk on Street Pastors. Street Pastors have been operating in Aberdeen for 15 years and go out on a Friday and Saturday. They meet in the Credo Centre at 9.30pm and stay out until 3am. They work in groups of three and Jane has been part of the group for 11 years. They carry a First Aid kit, Back Pack and Flip Flops and offer a safe space on their bus. Street Pastors have to take part in training, they all have a church connection and their motto is Listen, Care and Help. A very informative talk which was enjoyed by all.

The Guild met on 14th November and the Speaker was Wendy Fretwell from Perfect Flowers who gave a talk and demonstration on Christmas Floral Arrangements. She made a Wreath using Spruce, a Table Decoration and a Willow Ring, which was a very modern design using Conifer and Spruce. Wendy made it look easy and the results were beautiful.

The Guild Christmas Party will be held on 12th December at 12.30 pm in Morris's Hotel. Could members please remember to bring a gift to the value of not less than £7 for the Secret Santa.

The next meetings of The Guild:

19th January 2013

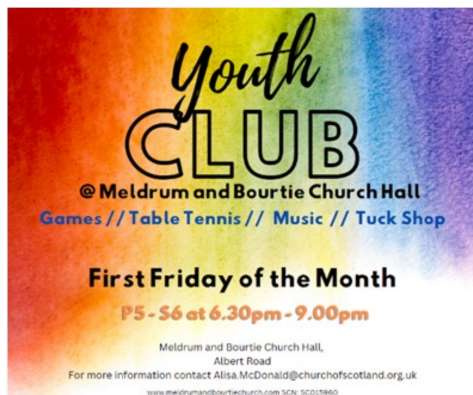
Speaker - Norman Grant, Aberdeenshire Council

Talk on Recycling Waste

13th February 2023

Speaker - Rev. Alison Jaffrey

A trip to Iona



Youth Club

On the first Friday of the Month is Youth Club!! Come along to enjoy an inclusive welcoming space for anyone P5-S6 from 6.30pm-9.00pm.

We have pool tables, table tennis, games, Lego, Minecraft, music, tuck shop and much more. It is a fun, safe space for all.



STORY & PLAY

Story & Play is an inviting and welcoming time of interactive story followed by fun, creative, and sometimes messy play based on the story. We have tuff trays with interactive small world play, loose parts and engaging textures! For All Ages Story & Play we include watercolour, finger labyrinths, focused crafts and more. Please come along and have FUN!



Preschool/home-school Story & Play

Fridays 2.00-3.10pm Church Hall, Albert Road



All Ages Story & Play

1st Sunday of the Month, 3.00-4.15pm
Church Hall, Albert Rd

** Note the next 2 Story and Play All Ages will be on the 2nd Sunday due to the Holidays.



With 11th December a
Special Messy Church
Christmas Themed Story and Play!



2nd Annual Christmas Tree Project

Come and Join in the Christmas Cheer

Open Day Saturday, 17th

December 10.00am-3.00pm

Christmas Community Concert,

Saturday 17th December 5.00pm



We are inviting everyone in the community to take part in a Community Christmas Tree Project. Any local businesses, clubs, societies, charities, school classes, families and individuals are invited to contribute elegant, quirky, or entertainingly decorated trees which transform Meldrum Church and Hall into a Christmas wonderland. The church will be open for various events throughout the month of December for the trees to be on display. But our main open day is on the 17th of December from 10.00am – 3.00pm. Most of our trees are already up but don't let us stop you if that creative inspiration just hit you. **Would you like to make a tree?** If so, let us know ASAP.

Please come along on Saturday the 17th to enjoy the beauty of all the trees, vote for your favourite, and enjoy a hot cuppa! In the evening everyone is invited to a Christmas Carol Sing-a-long. We will sing favourites new and old in the glow of all the wonderful Christmas trees. As it is Christmas Community Concert, if you would like to perform in any way please let us know. Maybe a poem, reading, singing group, instrument or more. Just email:

Alisa.McDonald@churchofscotland.org.uk

Let's all join in the Christmas Spirit!



KIRK NEWS to MELDRUM CONNECT!

At Meldrum and Bourtie Church we have made the decision to reformat and restructure our Kirk News into something that can better serve the whole Meldrum Community. This will therefore be our last edition of the Kirk News. Starting in the new year we will be producing the Meldrum Connect, a quarterly newsletter distributed to the whole community. It will be open to local groups and organisations to share and publicise. We are making this move in hope that it helps as a whole community to share information. In addition, we will have space for adverts. Local charities can advertise for free and local business for a small charge depending on size. As we make the move to our new format we look forward to the new direction! Deadline for our new Meldrum Connect is the 19th February 2023 please contact Fiona Morris our community editor at meldrumconnect@gmail.com



Pastoral Visiting in the Parish

As part of our move to the Meldrum Connect we are changing the way we do pastoral visits in Meldrum. Elders District's will cease to exist and new Visiting List & Team will be created. The old pattern of Elder's visits won't happen the same way. If you are a member and would like to continue that contact with a home visit every so often please let either your Elder or Email Billy. At Meldrum and Bourtie Church we are here to offer care and support to all those in need. If you would like a wee visit every now and then from someone, please let us know. Email: info@meldrum@boutiechurch.com

Meldrum Connect Articles

All items for the March / April / May 2023 issue of Meldrum Connect should be in the hands of the Editors, Brian Reid, or Simon Hill by Sunday, 19th February 2023.

Community articles/adverts should be directed to Fiona Morris.

Lots more to see and catch up with on our Facebook page and Website. *News and events link:*

@<https://www.meldrumandbourtiechurch.com/news-2>

You will now find 'all in one place' everything that is happening and being promoted at Meldrum & Bourtie Parish Church. If you have any news or stories, you would like published in our Email newsletter, our Meldrum Connect, or on our News & Events website page, please forward them to William Dalzell, Session Clerk at info@meldrumandbourtiechurch.com

Church Hall Hire

A **spacious** hall perfect for any function

About:

a versatile space

The Church Hall at Oldmeldrum is a versatile space. The hall is used for a variety of regular community events including Toddlers, Story & Play, Youth Group, Connect Café, Guides, Brownies & Rainbows, Yoga classes WRI and other groups.



Some quick facts:

- Fully accessible
- Fully fitted spacious kitchen
- Fully heated
- Parking
- Conveniently located
- Chairs and tables available
- Smaller private lounge area – suitable for small business meetings – 10/12 people
- TV screens - & stand
- Wi-Fi (available on request)
- Outside play area – perfect for that summer party
- Tent and/or gazebo available (small extra charge)

Perfect for any function

Whether you're looking to host a one-off meeting or a weekly/monthly class or group, the hall has a range of facilities to accommodate most uses. **Just get in touch to find out more.**

Great for:

meetings & seminars, Wi-Fi, TV, tables and chairs available on site
 dance, yoga & fitness, ample space for class sizes of 30+
 parties and celebrations – children’s parties, family celebrations &
 more!

classes & training events. Parking, power sockets seating

To book the hall or private lounge area please use our booking form
 available on our website – just follow this link - [https://
 www.meldrumandbourtiechurch.com/hall-booking-details](https://www.meldrumandbourtiechurch.com/hall-booking-details)

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DIARY

DECEMBER

- 2 14.00 **Story & Play** @ Meldrum Hall
- 2 6.30-9.00pm **Youth Club** @ Meldrum Hall
- 4 10.00 Morning Worship @ Bourtie Church
- 4 11.00 Morning Worship @ Meldrum Church
- 7 11.00 Mid-Week Worship @ Church
- 9 14.00 **Story & Play** @ Meldrum Hall
- 10 10.00am-Noon **Community Connect Café** @
Church Hall
- 11 11.00 Morning Worship @ Meldrum Church
- 11 14.00 Stillness & Peace Service at Meldrum
- 11 15.00 **MESSY CHURCH Story & Play All Ages**
@ Church Hall
- 14 11.00 Mid-Week Worship @ Church
- 16 14.00 **Story & Play** @ Meldrum Hall
- 17 10.00-3.00pm **Christmas Tree Project Open Day**
and Voting @ Church
- 17 5.00pm **Community Christmas Carol**
Concert & Sing-a-long @ Church
- 18 9.45 am Christmas Nativity @ Rothienorman
- 18 11.00 am Christmas Nativity @ Church
- 21 11.00 am Mid-Week Worship @ Church





DECEMBER CONT.

- 22 18.30 **Christmas Carolling around Meldrum**
23 14.00 **Story & Play** @ Meldrum Hall

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

- 24 14.00 **Wee Christmas Service** @ Church
A simple, fun, interactive service for wee ones!
24 18.00 **Family Christmas Eve Service**
@ Church
24 23.00 Carol Singing @ Church
24 23.30 **Christmas Eve Candlelight**
Watchnight Service @ Church
25 10.30 **Christmas Morning Celebration**
Service @ Church

JANUARY

- 1 11.00am Morning Worship @ Meldrum Church
6 14.00 **Story & Play** @ Meldrum Hall
6 6.30-9.00pm **Youth Club** @ Meldrum Hall
8 11.00 Morning Worship @ Meldrum Church
8 14.00 Wyverie Court Service @ Wyverie
8 15.00 **Story & Play All Age** @ Meldrum Hall
11 11.00 Mid-Week Worship @ Church
13 14.00 **Story & Play** @ Meldrum Hall





JANUARY CONT.

- 14 10.00am-Noon **Community Connect Café** @ Church Hall
- 15 11.00 Morning Worship @ Meldrum Church
- 18 11.00 Mid-Week Worship @ Church
- 20 14.00 **Story & Play** @ Meldrum Hall
- 22 11.00 Morning Worship @ Meldrum Church
- 25 11.00 Mid-Week Worship @ Church
- 27 14.00 **Story & Play** @ Meldrum Hall
- 29 11.00 Morning Worship @ Meldrum Church

FEBRUARY

- 1 11.00 Mid-Week Worship @ Church
- 3 14.00 **Story & Play** @ Meldrum Hall
- 3 6.30-9.00pm **Youth Club** @ Church Hall
- 5 10.00 Morning Worship @ Bourtie Church
- 5 11.00 Morning Worship @ Meldrum Church
- 5 15.00 **Story & Play All Ages** @ Church
- 8 11.00 Mid-Week Worship @ Church
- 10 14.00 **Story & Play** @ Meldrum Hall
- 12 11.00 Morning Worship @ Meldrum Church
- 12 14.00 Wyverie Court Service @ Wyveriel
- 15 11.00 Mid-Week Worship @ Church
- 19 11.00 Morning Worship @ Meldrum Church
- 22 11.00 am Mid-Week Worship @ Church
- 25 8.30 **Men's Fellowship Breakfast** @ Church Halll
- 26 11.00 Morning Worship @ Meldrum Church



Carol Singing Notice

On Thursday
22nd
December



there will be carol singing round the village. Volunteers should meet at 6.30pm beside the Christmas tree in the Square. Feel free to wear tinsel and/or a Christmas hat. Afterwards there will be a hot drink and mince pies.

If you would like to join us or, alternatively, would like a visit to your door or know someone who would appreciate this, please phone Sheila (07866 130175) or Elizabeth (07587 213497).

Men's Fellowship Group

We have started a Men's Fellowship Group which will meet every few months for food, fellowship and often a speaker. We had our first successful gathering on 19th November where we heard the speaker Ricky Bain with the benefit of a very yummy full breakfast of egg, bacon, sausage, black pudding, hash browns, tomatoes, mushrooms, beans, tea and coffee. Our next event will take place on the 25th February 8.30am in the Church Hall. Mark your diaries and to stay up to date on the Men's Fellowship Group please email info@meldrumandbourtiechurch.com

PRAYER CALENDAR

December 2022



In a world where we are increasingly unsure and even anxious about what will happen next we are challenged to remember Mary's willingness to agree to God's plan for her. We find her stepping with faith into the unknown. Here are some verses from the song " Mary, did you know " to help us reflect and to encourage us to move forward in faith. To believe that in God's time all will be well. We give thanks for the gift of God's son who came to earth to pay the price that would grant us eternal life and forgiveness of sins through his love for each one of us.

Mary, Did You Know.

Mary, did you know
That your Baby Boy would one day walk on water ?
Mary did you know
That your Baby Boy would save our sons and daughters ?
Did you know
That your Baby Boy has come to make you new ?
This child that you delivered will soon deliver you.

Mary did you know
That your Baby Boy will give sight to a blind man ?
Mary did you know
That your Baby Boy will calm the storm with his hand ?
Did you know
That your Baby Boy has walked where angels trod ?
When you kiss your little Baby you kissed the face of God

Mary, did you know
That your Baby Boy is Lord of all creation ?
Mary did you know
That your Baby Boy would one day rule the nation ?
Did you know
That your Baby Boy is heaven's perfect lamb ?
The sleeping child you're holding is the Great, I am

Loving Father, Help us this Christmas time to fill our hearts and homes with love, joy, faith and peace as we give thanks for the coming of Baby Jesus our Lord and Saviour. May He bless us, our neighbours and all those we pray for all season long. Amen.

PRAYER CALENDAR

January 2023



Luke 11 v28: But Jesus answered, “ Rather, how happy are those who hear the word of God and obey it “. At the start of the New Year May our resolutions include making time to listen for God's guidance and to pray for our church family, local community and our world.

Our Church: Thank You Lord for the opportunity to use our church building as a Warm Hub open to all throughout the coldest months. We are thankful for the volunteers who are helping with this project and all the other initiatives. We pray for their well being and for all the people who have taken part. We also remember the pleasure of Christmas music and the beauty of the music we enjoy throughout the year and pray for our organists and give thanks for their skills. We pray that all people will find a warm welcome within our church and church family.

Presbytery: Remember in your prayers all ministers and their families as they recover from the busy round of church services and events. May they be supported, refreshed and renewed for the months ahead. Pray also for those congregations without a minister at present. Remember those who are seeking a new minister and pray for them to make positive progress.

World Issues: Our January prayers include a focus on all the people who are victims of human trafficking and modern slavery. Human Trafficking Awareness Day on January 11 th seeks to remind us of the evils involved in exploiting vulnerable people throughout the world. We pray for those desperate people who are trapped in situations full of danger and who have no way to escape. Keep them safe, Lord and give the hope. Give strength to and bless all those involved in finding safe places for those who have been rescued as they continue their work. Raise our awareness and also open the eyes of those who traffic their fellow human beings or who enslave others. Let them see the damage that they do and help them to give this up and change their lives.

We bring our prayers to you Father in the name of your son our Lord Jesus, Amen.

PRAYER CALENDAR

February 2023



The 22nd of February is the beginning of Lent on Ash Wednesday. It brings a time of reflection and an opportunity to prepare for the events of Easter and Holy Week.

Loving and Gracious God,

We ask that you become our vision and lead us through the weeks of Lent. We remember Jesus spent forty days and nights in the wilderness. As we now travel through the same length of time with the forty days that make up Lent be our guide and helper. Cleanse our hearts of all negative thoughts and feelings and give us the strength that Jesus showed when he resisted temptation. Kindle in our hearts love and compassion for all our sisters and brothers worldwide. Help us not to judge others but to accept them as your children just as you accept and love each one of us just as we are.

We pray that love and peace will conquer anger and conflict in our world. We ask your blessing on all those who work for your Kingdom, for all our church family and local community and for all who work for good in our world. Amen.

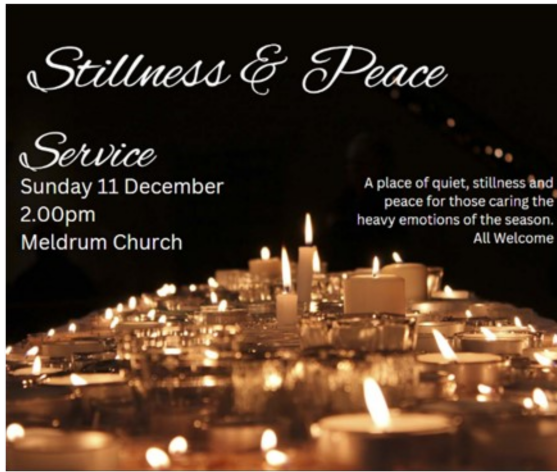
A Date for your Diary

Please note that Friday March 3rd will be the World Day of Prayer date. This woman led Global and Ecumenical movement will be celebrated in over 120 countries including Scotland. It will begin in Samoa and travel throughout the world. The theme of the service this year is “I have heard about your faith” and has been prepared by the women of Taiwan.

Deaths

Mrs Jeannie Walker Ritchie Wyverie Court

6th November 2022



Stillness & Peace Service (Longest Night/Blue Christmas)

On Sunday 11 December at 3.00pm we will have our Stillness and Peace Service at Meldrum Church. The holidays can be a particularly painful time, especially

for those who have experienced loss, often stirring up grief in painfully acute ways. As a result, churches around the world have adopted the practice of having a “Blue Christmas” or a “Longest Night” service during the Advent season. This year we hope to use this time and space to create stillness and peace for all in need.

This service is designed to provide space for prayer, reflection, and remembrance amidst the holiday hustle and bustle. The empty seats at home are felt more than ever at this time of year. Wherever you are in grief and loss, mourning the death of a loved one or a broken relationship, the distance too far or the pain buried deep, loneliness, hecticness of life... wherever you are *come*, and let this service be a space of calm, quiet and healing for you.

Our Community Connect Funding Award – can we help your group or society?

Meldrum & Bourtie Parish Church have, over the years, received legacies from the Wills of members sadly deceased. Some of these legacies allows the Kirk Session to use the funds as they deem appropriate others have certain restrictions which limits the Kirk Session on how the funds can be used.

Certain of these '***Restricted***' funds allow the Kirk Session to operate a 'Benevolent Fund' which is a fund set up to help those within the confines of our Parish , individuals, or groups, which are in need.

Some of the recipients from this fund in recent years are:

- the Scouts

- Food Pantry at the British Legion Hall

- Aberdeenshire Foodbank

- MAIG

- School Parent Council

- and many families & individuals who have found themselves, through unfortunate circumstances, in need of help.

Over the last four full financial years (2018- 2021) we have made Charitable Donations totaling £35,917 to local groups, families and church projects helping people locally.

Other initiatives the fund has helped are, our Voucher Scheme set up to help people during the storms in 2021, to allow families to come along and take part in our Church Open Day Spring event, and our Community Connect Café. With the participation of the Co-op the fund also helped finance our Picnic to Go initiative and currently helps finance our Winter Support 'Warm Hub' programme.

Currently the capital is invested, and the income held available for any deserving local causes as determined by the Kirk Session. However, in some years we have not managed to redistribute all the income earned to local deserving causes. Currently we have a surplus in this fund which we the Kirk Session feel should be used.

From January 2023 the Kirk Session has decided to invite local

groups/societies to apply for an award from our ‘Benevolent Fund’

Your project should allow you to tick YES to at least one of the following:

Bringing people together	Yes	
Help improve mental wellbeing	Yes	
Opportunities for young and old to be heard and make a difference	Yes	
Help people protect local biodiversity or tackle climate change	Yes	
Help us work towards our Mission goals	Yes	

At Meldrum & Bourtie Parish Church we endeavour to adhere to our ‘Five Marks of Mission’ as noted below. If you believe your group or project meets at least one of these ‘Marks’, then tick yes.

To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom

To teach, baptise and nurture new believers

To respond to human need by loving service

To seek to transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and pursue peace and reconciliation

To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth.

To apply:

Write to our Minister Rev Alisa McDonald or Session Clerk at info@meldrumandbourtiechurch.com stating:

That you would like to apply for the ‘Community Connect Funding Award’

You need to give your group details, name, contact and authenticity (constitution and charity number?)²³

Activity description – does it meet at least one of the above aims
What the grant will support
Who will benefit
An indication of the funding required – (*we may not be able to meet this in full*)

Applications will be accepted between the 1st January and 31st March 2023 – should all available funds be expended before this date we will inform all applicants in writing and a notice will be placed on our Website and Facebook page stating the fund is now closed .

Confirmation of receipt of applications will be acknowledged

We will reply to you with our decision on your application as early as possible.

Flower Rota

We are very grateful to all those who provide and arrange flowers to decorate the church every Sunday. After each service the flowers are gifted to people in our congregation or community who are ill or recently bereaved. The flower rota calendar for 2023 is now available. If you would like to add your name to the rota, the calendar is available at the church entrance or contact Elizabeth (07587213497)

Wishing you all a happy and peaceful Christmas and a successful New Year:



As Christmas 2022 fast approaches I would like to thank all the members of our congregation and those other members of our community, who, during the past year, have given their time and efforts for the benefit of our church and fellowship within our community.

Many of you have worked tirelessly throughout the year helping organise fundraising and social events for the Church, I will not attempt to name you all, but you know who you are and how you have helped your church – and I just really want you to know that your willingness to go that extra mile when it is most needed is very much appreciated.



I receive many words of thanks from our congregation and community for all that the church undertakes throughout the year - work that without you would not have been accomplished.

Thank you.

I look forward to seeing you all at our services leading up to Christmas, the details of which are in this issue and finally would like to wish you all a happy and peaceful Christmas and a successful New Year.

William Dalzell, Session Clerk



SCOUTPOST 2022

1st Daviot & Oldmeldrum Scouts will again be delivering Christmas cards and letters **to local addresses within Daviot and Oldmeldrum villages**. Please support our ScoutPost.

Posting boxes will be placed in the Paper Shoppe, Meldrum Pharmacy and the Co-op **from Sat 3rd December**. Cards will be collected weekly and delivered each Saturday to addresses within Oldmeldrum and Daviot. The last collection will be 5pm on Fri 23rd Dec.

Place your Christmas post and suggested donation of **25p per card/letter** in the ScoutPost box. Please include the **ScoutPost destination address code** (see below) on each envelope.

SCOUTPOST represents excellent value and helps us to fund equipment and activities for our Beavers, Cubs and Scouts. Thank you for your support, it means a lot to our Group.

ScoutPost Destination Code (please write this on each envelope)

<i>Street (A-Z)</i>	<i>Code</i>	<i>Street (A-Z)</i>	<i>Code</i>
<i>Albert Grove</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>Kirkhill Drive</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>Albert Place</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Le Roux Drive</i>	<i>18</i>
<i>Albert Road</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>Lower Cowgate</i>	<i>8</i>
<i>Albert Terrace</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Macmillan Avenue</i>	<i>16</i>
<i>Ardconnon Avenue</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>Major Lane</i>	<i>5</i>
<i>Back Wynd</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>Manson Road</i>	<i>12</i>
<i>Baker Street</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>Market Square</i>	<i>5</i>
<i>Balcairn Avenue</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>Mary Slessor Place</i>	<i>14</i>
<i>Barnett Court</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>Meadowbank</i>	<i>13</i>
<i>Barra View</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>Meadowside</i>	<i>12</i>
<i>Benview Gardens</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>Meadows Drive</i>	<i>13</i>
<i>Bruce Place</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>Meadows Vale</i>	<i>12</i>

<i>Street (A-Z)</i>	<i>Code</i>	<i>Street (A-Z)</i>	<i>Code</i>
<i>Burgh Lane</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>Mill Road</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>Burnside Avenue</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>Morris Gardens</i>	<i>13</i>
<i>Chapelark</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>Nathalan Court</i>	<i>5</i>
<i>Colpy Road</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>Newbarns</i>	<i>15</i>
<i>Commercial Road</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>Oakbank Gardens</i>	<i>13</i>
<i>Coutens Drive</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>Otter Avenue</i>	<i>10</i>
<i>Coutens Park</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>Parcock Place</i>	<i>18</i>
<i>Coutens Place</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>Park Crescent</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Cowgate</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>Park Lane</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Cromlet Place</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>Park Road</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Distillery Road</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>Provost Drive</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Donald Gordon Court</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>Provost Florence Drive</i>	<i>9</i>
<i>Duff Drive</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>Rosebank</i>	<i>13</i>
<i>Duncan Avenue</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>Saphock Place</i>	<i>16</i>
<i>Fingask Place</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>Seton Way</i>	<i>9</i>
<i>Forsyth Drive</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>Smiddy Court</i>	<i>6</i>
<i>Eavern Place</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>South Road</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>Elmbank Gardens</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>Station Road</i>	<i>10</i>
<i>Gas Street</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>The Glebe</i>	<i>14</i>
<i>Green Way</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>Union Place</i>	<i>7</i>
<i>Greczylo Gardens</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>Urquhart Road</i>	<i>14</i>
<i>Greyhound Drive</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>Webster Court</i>	<i>7</i>
<i>Howe Place</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>Webster Court Road</i>	<i>7</i>
<i>Howe View</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>Westbank Home</i>	<i>8</i>
<i>James Street</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>Westbank Park</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>Keil Brae</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>Westend Gardens</i>	<i>10</i>
<i>King Street</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>Wyverie Court</i>	<i>15</i>
<i>Kirk Brae</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>Daviot (village only)</i>	<i>19</i>
<i>Kirk Street</i>	<i>3</i>		



Nativity Trail

Starting from the 4th December you might spot some of our cheeky Nativity characters who have gone missing around Oldmeldrum. Can you spot them all? You have until the 20th of December to either hand in your answers to

church at one of our many events or email them to Alisa.McDonald@churchofscotland.org.uk. Winners will be drawn at both our Wee Christmas Service and Family Christmas Service on Christmas Eve.

Jesus: _____

Mary: _____

Joseph: _____

Angel: _____

Wise Man 1: _____

Wise Man 2: _____

Wise Man 3: _____

Shepherd 1: _____

Shepherd 2: _____

Sheep: _____

Donkey: _____