

# Parish News

EAGLESHAM PARISH CHURCH



***Summer activity...the BB at camp on Arran; a well attended holiday club at the beginning of August; Brownies enjoying the Ultim8 Warrior event***

## **Notices**

### **Wedding**

Gary Rushworth and Lorna MacLean on July 28th

### **Baptism**

Marnie Lynch on July 2nd

### **Funerals**

June 20. Bunty Fraser, Williamwood Nursing Home

July 15. Margaret Martin, Quarry Lane

July 16. June McLachlan, 8 Manse View Terrace

## **Team Convenors**

Music and worship - Wendy Armstrong

Outreach - Giles Blair

Admin - Maureen Hunter

Pastoral Care - Sandy Robertson

Youth Strategy - Tom Mann

Faith Development - Gillian Norval

## **Keep in touch with church activities**

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## From the Manse

**"..... You will name him Jesus - 'God Saves' - because he will save his people from their sins."  
Matthew.1.vs.21.**

What's in a name?

Our names are important - they tell us who we are. We speak about making a name for ourselves' - and hopefully it's a good name rather than a bad one! In the bible we see people given new names – Abram was changed to Abraham when it was revealed he was going to be the father of the Hebrew nation. Saul of the New Testament when he encountered Jesus on the Road to Damascus was given the name Paul before he set off on his missionary journeys. And Jesus changed the name of his most famous disciple from Simon to Peter ( in Greek that means Rock ) because it was on the foundation of Peter's ministry the future Christian Church would be built.

Our names give us security - identity in our families and community, but they also give us a responsibility to live up to the name we bear.

Brand names are important - we see Rolex and know it's a quality watch, the Nike Swoosh stand for top quality sportswear, Coca Cola a collection of fizzy drinks made to the same recipe and standard across the world and the MacDonald "M" ..... Companies spend millions of dollars, pounds or Euros to imprint the brand name on the minds of the consumer. We don't like to think it is money well spent but the truth is it influences our choices. We too have a brand name - it is called Christian and it has endured for over 2,000 years and survived through good times and bad – and it is the most successful and profitable brand in the world. It has a chain of dedicated outlets that span the globe. Full of people serving quietly for the good of the planet and the people that live on it. The product offered is life in its fullness

now and in the beyond and the products are free to all who choose to engage. Most of the people serve without seeking attention or recognition in the background of a very busy church such as ours. You might not recognise their names, but you will recognise the name Jesus - whose name means "salvation" - in what they do unselfishly for others. Thank you to everyone at Eaglesham Parish Church who serves Jesus in our church, our parish and the wider society – our magazine gives only a brief a glimpse of this service. May you someday hear the words - " Well done ( your name ) Good and faithful servant ".

Wishing you God's Shalom ( Peace and wellbeing )

Rev Andrew Robertson

## Acting in Faith

For the past few years the Faith Development Team have run "DNA" or Discipleship, Nurture and Action groups. As suggested by the name, this involves the essence of our belief. A few people meet where it suits, when it suits, and get to know each other better. We look at a Bible passage, pray together and then act on what we've learned.

This autumn we plan to look at the book of Acts. It's full of action, adventure and all sorts of ups and downs in the early church. It's relevant and encouraging for our church today. A booklet will be available to offer questions and guidance.

Groups will start in the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of October and we'd love to see some new groups being formed. Why not get together with some other folk and organise the times to suit yourselves?

For more details speak to Gillian Norval

## Session Notes

Since the last Parish News, we have only had one Kirk Session meeting in June. However, work continues as always in the Church Teams, and also as Elders visit and keep in touch with the members in their districts.

As you may remember, Andrew was a Commissioner at the General Assembly this year, and provided a detailed report at the June Session, and also to the congregation in the Parish News. As Elders it is important for us to show interest in what is going on in the wider church - I think as a village community we can sometimes become a bit parochial, so it is good to look further afield. One of the difficult issues to my mind discussed at the Assembly was not the well publicised debate on same sex marriages, but the fact that Crossreach, the church's social care provider, is not able to pay some of its lowest paid workers the Minimum Wage. A situation that we should feel ashamed about, and hopefully one that will be remedied sooner rather than later.

We have some interesting events coming up. The Kirk Session will be holding an Away Day in October - this is an opportunity for us to reflect and take stock of where we are as a church, where we want to be, and how we can get there. One of our topics for discussion is our recent Future Focus event, and we will be feeding back to you about this.

We have also been in discussion with Rev Peter Gardner who is a Church of Scotland Minister employed as a Pioneer Minister for the Visual Arts. Watch this space for an exciting future happening!

One other development is our growing and even more active support for the Lodging House Mission in the East End of Glasgow. A team from the congregation, ably led by Brenda Bain, is part of the Saturday rota to prepare and serve lunches and refreshments to LHM service users. We do this maybe 3 or 4 times a year. Our next stint is in October, and the LHM will welcome a new visitor

as well on that day - Rev Dr. Derek Browning, the Moderator of the Church of Scotland, is rumoured to be coming for his lunch. He must have heard the good news about the culinary skills of the Eaglesham volunteers!

While Andrew has been away on holiday, we have been happy to welcome a number of visiting preachers who have all inspired us. If you are looking to follow up some of what has been said, Rev Dr Doug Gay (who preached on one Sunday in August) has recently written a new book on the Church of Scotland - 'Reforming the Kirk - The Future of the Church of Scotland' (published by St Andrew's Press). I've just started to read this, and can recommend it highly. And no, I'm not getting any commission.

Wendy Armstrong  
Session Clerk

## Hall Keeper

After 15 years in the job our Hall Keeper, Liz, has decided to retire. We're going to miss her – over the years she has kept the Church and Halls spick and span, sometimes in difficult circumstances and we're very grateful for her hard work. She is also the fount of knowledge about almost everything in the halls and Church and has become quite an institution (in the nicest possible way). Thankfully she's not leaving us and she will still be part of our Church life.

It does mean, however, that we are looking for a new Hall Keeper. The post involves looking after the Church halls and is part time – approximately 21 hours per week. The hours can be flexible and the post would suit a responsible person who enjoys working on his/her own. Further details can be obtained from our Fabric Convener, Jim Alexander

## The Guild

The annual Afternoon Tea in May was our final event of our 2016/17 session. We welcomed Guild members from local churches and ladies from St Bridgets, along with a few gentlemen including the minister. We were entertained by a group of singers called 'the Highlights' who delivered an excellent variety of songs.

Last summer we introduced informal 'tea and chat' afternoons to keep in touch during our break and we decided that we would repeat this again this year. Throughout the summer we met once a month in the Carswell Centre. The meetings were also open to anyone who wanted to join us.

Our 2017/18 session will resume on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October and we have an excellent and varied selection of speakers in place, with several musical evenings to look forward to. The full syllabus for the year can be seen on the church website. Autumn dates include

- Oct 18. Dear Green Places. Tom Marchant reflecting on Glasgow
- Oct 25. Read all about it. Jill Scott and Bill Hicks on journalism
- Nov 8. Postman to Pulpit. Rev. Andy Black.
- Nov 15. The MacBrayne Experience with Ian McCrorie

Our projects for this coming year will be 'Feed the Minds' - an ecumenical Christian charity founded in 1964; and 'Street Pastors'. The Guild Theme for 2017/18, 'Go in Love', will be addressed by Alan McKay on October 11. Our Dedication Service will be on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November, and the 'Christmas Cracker' Coffee Morning on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November.

We are delighted to have two additional committee members and warmly welcome Fiona Love and Pamela Sinclair to the team.

Fiona Hamilton, Guild Secretary

## From Tearfund's CHO - Yen Sa Reaun's Story

CHO wants to be able to help people during their times of greatest need. They have known Yen Sa Reaun and her family for a while, and were blessed to be able to support them when they found themselves vulnerable. Yen tells her story here:

*There are five of us in our family: myself and my husband, and three small children. Until a couple of years ago we lived in Thailand. All of us, including the children, worked as labourers. We didn't have much but we got by. But **then my husband had a stroke and everything changed.***

*He was no longer able to walk or to work. This, plus his large doctor's bills meant we had to come back to Cambodia to try to find work here instead, away from the expense and bustle of Thailand.*

*We could only afford a small plot of land at that point, but couldn't afford to build any shelter. After asking around the village we found a disused house which the owner had said we could stay in on the condition we cared for it. This was such a blessing!*

*But things were about to get turned on their head once again. Three months later we left to visit my sister and when we returned home found the house burnt down. To this day we don't know the cause of the fire, but the destruction of the house sent me into a deep depression. We would never be able to afford to rebuild the house for the owner and the pressure of the situation really got on top of the family.*

***But God was not far.***

*CHO's staff had been working in the village at the time of the fire, and worked with the village chief and church members to raise enough money for us to repair all the damage. **What a blessing to know people cared for us so deeply!** Now the house is being repaired and **we have gained more than just money, we have gained friends.***

*CHO have continued to encourage us and have introduced us to Jesus. We now go to church every Sunday and are growing in faith each day. Thank you so much for your support of their work. It really is changing lives!"*

## BB CAMP

The boys and staff had a great 10 days at our annual summer camp in Arran. We were blessed with 8 days of dry weather... and a couple of wet days too. The new and most welcome development was the building of our toilet facilities which keeps us up to date with the sanitation and hygiene standards for camp. It was a delight for everyone after 62 years of camping at King's cross for the 205th to have flushing toilets, urinals and washhand basins. A big thanks to Gavin Mutch from Arran for building it and ex 205th Boys Chris Paterson and David Kennedy for donating the materials.

It was one of the busiest camps for years as activities went. A climb of Goat Fell, canoeing, boating, swimming at Auchrannie, Kildonan beach and a walk back into time with the boys and commentary from Dr Brian Fraser at King's Caves.

Parents day went very well with glorious sunshine and a super lunch served up by our 1st cook of camp Geoffrey Greenlaw. Our other cooks Craig Parker and Mr Alan Stern joined us later in the week. A big thanks to them also. Other visitors to the camp included our very own minister Andrew Robertson who cycled all the way from Brodick on his motorised bike (only for the big hills I was told). Captain Billy Inglis and his family came down and David and Robert came to visit and check out the new toilet facility. Mr James Laird, Ian Cameron and Ronnie McIntyre all had a nice visit and lunch. Also big supporters of our camp who popped in to say hello were Mr & Mrs Pitcairn, and Archie & Lynn Scott, with Archie bringing his famous dumpling for us to enjoy.

On our 1st Sunday the company as always marched to church led by our band. With a near full church a good service was taken by the Rev Elizabeth Watson.

As always our inter tent competitions were hotly contested with putting, tennis, football, cricket, volleyball, baseball, cross country, potted sports and indoor board games all being enjoyed by the boys. Awards were.....

Best Camper - Cole Lyle  
Best new camper - Grant Alyson  
Putting - Sam Ballantyne  
Tennis - Sam again and Nathan Cope  
Best sports Tent - Tent 2  
Best Tent - Tent 1

Finally a very big thank you to my dedicated staff who give up time from work and home to give the boys of the 205th a great holiday and camping experience.

*Richard Burt O/C*



***Camp was obviously enjoyed by all ages....ed***

## Harvest Thanksgiving

Our harvest thanksgiving service is on October 8th. This poem by Henry Birtles reflects both the rather idealistic concept and practical reality of the work of the farming community.

### The Harvest

Let's gather as a band of one, in symphony across the land  
To thank our Lord for Harvest reaped and gratefully as one let's stand  
To think of those, for all their toil who've readied plough, who've nurtured soil  
The farmers in the fields, the cold; the hardened hands, the fens, the wold  
So many aspects of a life, a challenge most will never know  
For we in houses snugly sleep, whilst in the biting winds and snow  
The men and women of their earth prepare a ground for springtime seeds  
That one day will produce our bread, our milk, our food, our daily needs  
And through this nation memories walk, a depth of image ever strong  
Of distant days and innocence; of man and Shire Horse ploughing on  
Of wheat sheaves standing in the sun and laughing land girls coming home  
The orchards, meadows, hedgerow birds; the pitchfork and the haystack dome  
Though now they rest in picture form, the people, beasts and tools long gone  
The land they worked is constant still; the boundaries, fields, the far off hill  
The skylark's song remains the same; a trout will rise below the mill  
For all the romance of these scenes, look not through glass of tinted rose  
Ask farming people what it's like and though the job is one they chose It takes its toll; the  
troughs are long and cold and deep  
The flattened barley, missing sheep and so much more that blights their show  
But on and on and on they go, until that day of days has come  
The tractor's parked, the combine's quiet; the crop is in, the Harvest done.

### Prayer Group

Martin Luther once said 'as a shoemaker makes shoes and a tailor makes a coat, so ought a Christian to pray'. The Bible tells us that Jesus was emphatically a man of prayer and prayer is an integral part of Christian daily life. We pray as intercession - pleas for help or guidance for a person or group. Sometimes it is secret, sometimes it is public. Someone has said that prayer is like the dove that Noah sent out from the ark - it blessed him not only when it returned with an olive twig in its beak but even when it never returned at all. We may not always understand what constitutes an answer to prayer. Our own weekly prayer group meeting acts in part on information taken from the prayer cards found on pews in the sanctuary. Prayers may be spoken or silent, mainly unrehearsed and intimate - no rhetoric! We gather at 10.30 each Sunday morning in the upper room at the Carswell Centre. Anyone and everyone is welcome to join us.

Alastair Anderson

### From the organ loft

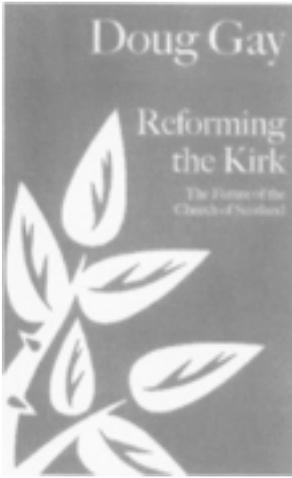
By the time you get this the Church Choir practices will have resumed and the choir will be working hard practicing New Anthems and Intros. We are working towards an exciting Christmas presentation - more in the months to come.

We are indeed fortunate in Eaglesham Parish Church to have such a committed group of 17 members who lead the worship Sunday by Sunday. We are looking to SWELL our numbers and therefore would like to invite any of you out there who would consider joining our ranks. An ability to read music is not essential (but helpful) A warm welcome awaits you. We meet on Thursday night in the Carswell Centre at 7:30 - 9:15pm. If you enjoy singing why not come along and give us a wee try.

Did you know that singing in a choir has been scientifically proven to be good for your health by getting more oxygen into the blood and improving mental alertness... and it is relaxing.

Allan Gillon

**Anchor Boys** has started back for the 2017/18 session! All P1-3 boys are welcome to come and join in the fun. There are no waiting lists so just come along! (Tuesday 6.30-7.45pm, Laird Hall)  
Alistair Campbell & Elaine McHugh Officers in Charge. [anchorboys205@gmail.com](mailto:anchorboys205@gmail.com)



Last month we were delighted to have Doug Gay take our service and preach on a passage from Matthew's Gospel --- which, interestingly, was not directly related to his current welcome dialogue nationally on the future of the Church of Scotland. This is engendering much discussion within our national Church following Doug's delivery of the Chalmers Lectures earlier this year and the publication of his challenging book ***Reforming the Kirk - The Future of the Church of Scotland***.

The Rev Dr Doug Gay is Principal of Trinity College, teaching theology at the University of Glasgow. He is internationally known for his work on emerging church and alternative worship and, in his widely acclaimed book, he addresses the question of how difficult, but how necessary, it is to reform an institution like the Kirk -- calling up the church's own motto *semper reformanda* (always to be reformed)!

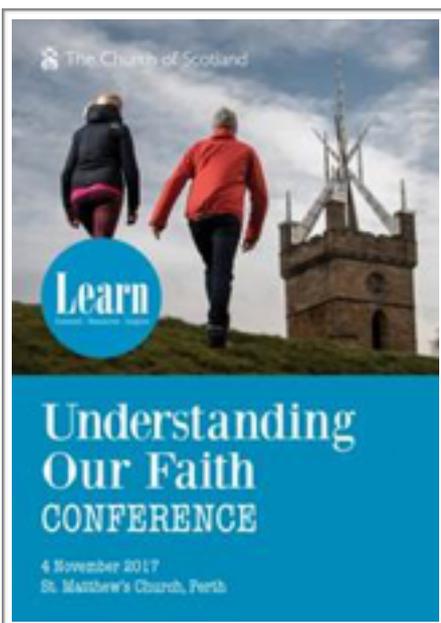
The book succinctly offers thoughts on the need to contemplate reshaping the scale and shape of the work of the church's Councils and the carrying through of five actions simultaneously as a national church:

- close unsustainable churches
- manage and pastor declining churches
- help some declining churches to grow again
- strengthen growing churches
- plant new churches

An interesting view made (and one we sometimes allude to in our own Parish!) is that old and venerable institutions sometimes reach a pivotal point where fear of not changing outweighs fear of change!

A recurring theme is the need to ask how the mission of God is at work in a secularising post Christian and post-Presbyterian Scotland. In this month's contribution to *Life & Work*, Doug Gay accepts that there is no one right way and insists "*we have to pray and reflect, we have to talk honestly to one another, we need to show courage, imagination and creativity, we need an ocean of divine grace and love, we need an outpouring of the Holy Spirit. We need to be reformed.*"

*Brian Fraser*



**Date:** Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2017 (9:30am-4pm)

**Venue:** St. Matthew's Church, Perth

**Ticket:** £20 (includes a free copy of *Learn: Understanding Our Faith*)

**Booking:** [www.understandingourfaith.eventbrite.co.uk](http://www.understandingourfaith.eventbrite.co.uk)

This day conference on the theme of the new *Learn: Understanding Our Faith* publication aims to encourage everyday believers to reflect upon what they believe and hope and to grow in confidence as they seek to share their faith in daily life.

Six core issues of Christian life will be explored....

- How can I know God?
- What does Jesus have to do with me?
- Who is the Holy Spirit?
- What is Church for anyway?
- What's the point of Discipleship?

1. South Queensferry. 2. Earl of Rosebery  
Robertson puzzle

## SEPTEMBER QUIZES

### A Biblical Puzzle

*Identify the books of the bible - the answer to the challenge posed in June's Parish News*

This is **a most remarkable** puzzle. Someone is said to have found it in a seat pocket on a flight from Los Angeles to Honolulu, **keeping** him occupied for hours. One man from Illinois worked on this while fishing from his boat. Roy Clark studied it while playing his **banjo**. **Elaine** Vinets mentioned it in her column once. One woman **judges** the **job** to be so involving **she brews** a cup of tea to calm her nerves. **There** will be some names that are easy to spot - that's a **fact**. Some people will soon find themselves in a **jam** especially since the book names are not necessarily capitalised. The **truth** is, **from** answers we get, we are forced to admit **it** usually takes a minister or scholar to see some of **them at the worst**. Something in our **genes** is responsible for the difficulty we have. **Those** able to find them all will hear great **lamentations** from those who have to be shown. One **revelation** might help; books like **Timothy** and **Samuel** may occur without their **numbers**. Punctuation or spaces in the middle are **normal**. **A chipper** attitude will help you **compete**. Remember there are twenty-four books of the bible **lurking** somewhere in these paragraphs.

### And the Robertson puzzle

I'm travelling through a well-plaques town, ie one with a proliferation of plaques telling of events in the town's history. At one end there is one referring to a landscape feature called 'The Binks' and beside it one commemorating the 900th anniversary of a Queen's death. Both feature and Queen were important in the town's development. A building dated 1626 is the oldest in town. The sad tale attached to it is of an owner lost at sea and his maid and another woman accused of casting a spell and subsequently burned as witches. Another plaque thanks the local landowner for providing a bleaching green and water supply. More of him later. An inn at the east end featured in a novel by a well known Scottish author. Beside the inn a plaque expresses the admiration of the American Society of Civil Engineers of an adjacent structure. Regrettably I have found no plaque celebrating the achievements of a seven times world champion, born in the town. Further east I enter the estate of the landowner. The title, surprisingly, comes from a summit in North Yorkshire. The fifth Earl had a distinguished political career, eventually becoming Prime Minister. The most recent plaque in the town celebrates another outstanding engineering achievement.

1 Name the town.    2 Who was the Prime Minister?

### Why do Moderators of the General Assembly wear lace?

The current moderator, Rt Rev Dr Derek Browning explained the fascinating history behind the tradition.

The present moderatorial dress, which entails lace cuffs and jabot that doesn't obscure the clerical collar, is a continuation of 18th century court dress.

The story goes that the General Assembly ruled that Moderators must wear the attire to counter the risk that the King, in seeing him coming and fearing that the message being brought was not one he wanted to hear, could instruct his servants to turn the Moderator away on the grounds that he was not properly dressed to be admitted to the court.

In the past, each Moderator has been presented with a personal set of lace made in Chingleput, India, by mission-taught workers there.

## FROM LIFE AND WORK

**The Refugee who never forgot.** Theodor Davidovic has supported Christian Aid week in Fife for 60 years. He lived in Serbia until he became a refugee from the internal conflict that followed liberation in 1945. He recognised the help he received from Christian Aid which began as a response to the post-war refugee crisis. His story is told in a short animated film which can be seen on Christian Aid's You Tube channel - Theodor: the refugee who never forgot.

**Scripture Union is 150 years old.** In 1867 Josiah Spiers started informal classes to tell children stories of Jesus and encourage singing. A year later on a seaside holiday at Llandudno he saw a similar opportunity. The first Scripture Union beach mission was born. It now works in 130 countries - not identical like a Mc Donald's franchise but working out what reaching to the next generation means in each culture and context. Colin Sinclair was SU Scotland Director and is now Chair of the International Council. He described the range of activity from outdoor orientated camps in Scotland to helping child soldiers in Congo or displaced families fleeing Boko Haram in Nigeria. And how personally the early experience of SU had been so important for him and his family. Scottish activities this year include a national gathering and anniversary service in Edinburgh on October 28.

The August issue described the process of **altruistic kidney donation** from the perspectives of a donor, a transplant surgeon and a hospital chaplain now involved as independent assessor.

**Pansi Katenga** works with Christian Aid in Malawi, having returned to the country of her birth after 20 years with the United Nations and other international organisations. She works with a largely female farming community, and as mother of a teenage daughter is keenly aware of the need to maintain the well-being and education of young and adolescent girls at times of economic hardship. This, with the support coming from Scotland, was the background to her visit at the time of the General Assembly, and to a feature article in August Life and Work.

**A visit to Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories** by a Church of Scotland group of clergy, elders and members is reported. They gave a succinct summary of the tragedies but also of sources of hope to be found in meeting folk - men and women, Arab and Jew, the continuing Christian community. These words are used at St Andrew's Church of Scotland in Jerusalem - 'Pray not for Arab or Jew, for Palestinian or Israeli. But pray rather for yourselves, that you might not divide them in your prayers but keep them both together in your hearts.'

Ron Ferguson reflected on Domenico Chiochetti's creation out of scraps of the beautiful **Italian Chapel on Orkney**. And quoted his parting words as he returned to Italy... "the chapel is yours for you to love and preserve. I take with me remembrance of your kindness and hospitality'



**Scotland's early Christian crosses** reflect various influences, particularly Pictish in areas like Easter Ross and Celtic in Argyll - St Martin's cross on Iona the finest example. There are remnants of the influence of St Ninian in Galloway and Govan was an early centre of stone craftsmanship, reflected in the Govan stone collection. All this and more is reviewed by John Hume.

*Have a look at Life and Work, the Church of Scotland's monthly magazine. £12 for an initial 6 issues - see the website; or contact Parish News editor if you would like to subscribe via the church.*

## Rural Wisdom: Older People Shaping Rural Communities

Outside the Box are a small, independent charity. We provide development support to people and groups across Scotland who want to make a difference in their communities.

We have a new partnership project called Rural Wisdom which is working to make rural areas work better for older people. We're exploring the impacts of community-based activity that is led by older people in these rural communities. We are interested in all aspects of rural living and aim to work alongside local people, community groups, voluntary sector, local businesses and public sector.

Rural Wisdom is working in two areas in Wales and three areas in Scotland – Angus, Aberfeldy and Eaglesham. We will share what we learn with other people and places taking part in this project and hope that this will extend to other communities across Scotland, Wales and the rest of the UK.

Kate, from Outside the Box, has been out and about in Eaglesham meeting residents and popping in to chat to locally run groups. Kate is keen to speak to people who are interested in making Eaglesham as good as it can be for older people. What makes Eaglesham age-friendly? What matters to you? What would you like to make happen?

**If you would like to hear more about the Rural Wisdom project or have a cuppa and a chat with Kate please contact**

Outside the Box [www.otbds.org](http://www.otbds.org)

Rural Wisdom [www.ruralwisdom.org](http://www.ruralwisdom.org)



The regular lunches at 12noon on the third Wednesday of each month start again in September. Dates for the next three months are

- September 20
- October 18
- November 15

Come along and enjoy home made soup, bread and baking, and contribute to a very worthy cause.



**Good Money Week** - previously known as National Ethical Investment Week - takes place each October aiming to raise awareness of sustainable, responsible and ethical finance. It involves a range of financial advisers, faith groups and charities.

Eastwood Ecumenical Peace and Justice Forum have arranged a Good Money Week meeting open to all on Monday October 2nd in Giffnock United Reformed Church on Fenwick Rd. This will be an opportunity to find out what ethical banking and investment means, how decisions on such financial activity are made, and how your investments can best be used in ways that benefit society and the environment.....making your money make a difference.

The evening starts from 7pm with relevant stalls and information available. There are three speakers from 7.30 to 9pm with plenty opportunity for questions. Representatives of Scotwest Credit Union and Kames Capital will discuss banking and investment issues. Shared Hope is an international charity started by Howard Peebles from Waterfoot who will explain how philanthropic activity can change lives around the world and challenge us about our own attitude to our money. Finally there will be the opportunity for informal discussion with refreshments.

All are welcome to come to this informative evening.

## Eaglesham Community Club

If you are retired or semi retired have you tried ECC? We meet on the first Tuesday of the month in the Carswell hub from 2pm till approximately 4 pm and have a varied programme of talks, music, quizzes etc + tea/ coffee and conversation, all for £1.50! Our next meeting is on Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October when our speaker will be our own Sandy Robertson who will be giving an illustrated talk on 'France – East to West'. Sandy has travelled extensively in France and is an accomplished photographer and raconteur - an interesting afternoon not to be missed - please join us if you can.



***Gary and Lorna Rushworth; Marnie Lynch with parents Shona and David  
And what caption can you suggest for our powered biking minister???***