

Life at St. Paul's Milngavie

June 2024



Dear Friends

Sunday 9th June 2024 may be National Strawberry Rhubarb Pie Day and Donald Duck Day but here at St. Paul's it is also a very special day. On Sunday 9th June the Rev. Lynsey Brennan will preach as **sole nominee** to become the minister of Baldernock linked with Milngavie St. Paul's. After the service the congregations will meet to vote on whether or not Rev. Brennan should be appointed as the new minister of the congregations of Baldernock linked with Milngavie St. Paul's.

On 2nd October 2022 I preached St. Paul's vacant. During the past 18 months, your faithfulness in worship and the continued initiatives to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ have been so encouraging.

Way back in 2022, in the November edition of *Life at St. Paul's*, I paraphrased Socrates, saying "I believe that the future may look difficult but all our energies should go towards the building of that future". Indeed, I know that a great deal of energy has been expended in all that has been achieved. Our Church has been outward facing, not drawing in on itself, and has continued to meet the needs of its members and the community.

Since the autumn of 2022 we have celebrated the seasons of the Christian year; we have come together in the fellowship of Communion; we have worked together to raise funds for many different organisations both near and afar but, above all, we have gathered together each week to praise God in prayer, in song and to reflect on His word.

On the last Sunday of May, I highlighted one of the greatest verses in the Bible. John Chapter 3 verse 16 **For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.** It is the Bible verse that summarises the cornerstone of our Christian belief that God sacrificed His Son for our salvation. It affirms who Jesus is, why He came to earth and what belief in Him results in.

We take this verse with us into the future, to the next chapter in the life of St. Paul's.

With every blessing to you and yours,

Barbara

Future Services

	MORNING	EVENING
09 June	Rev. Lynsey Brennan	Rev. Ramsay Shields
16 June Communion	Rev. Barbara O'Donnell	Gordon Maclean
23 June	Rev. Barbara O'Donnell	Rev. Paul Read
30 June	Rev. John Campbell	Julian Pombo

Sole Nominee

The Rev. Lynsey Brennan will preach as sole nominee at the morning service in St. Paul's on **Sunday 9th June, 2024**. Immediately after the service, there will be a meeting of the congregation to vote on whether or not Rev. Lynsey Brennan should be appointed as the new minister of Baldernock linked with St. Paul's. Anyone whose name appears on the Electoral Register of the congregations of Baldernock linked with St. Paul's shall be entitled to vote.

There will be an opportunity for members to sign the call from the 9th until the 23rd of June.

Graham Mill, Session Clerk



The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated on Sunday 16 June during the morning service lead by the Rev. Barbara O'Donnell. The white linen cloths will be on alternate pews and we would ask you to sit only in these pews. This will allow an elder to serve you with bread and wine from the pew in front. There will be stewards to assist you and we hope that this will not distract from the meaning of the celebration. District Elders will not be distributing cards for this service.

Stated Annual Meeting of the Congregation held on 8 May 2024

At the Stated Annual Meeting of the Congregation held on 8 May 2024, Fiona Dorrall and Hugh McGorm were re-elected to the Congregational Board for three years and Gordon Gray and Anne Ritchie were also elected for three years. Following these elections the now 17 elected members of the Board are Sheila Beck, Roxanne Boyd, Colin Cooper, Margaret Conway. Sheila Dickson Fiona Dorrall, Jill Foggo. Sharon Gillespie, Gordon Gray, Christine Inglis, Calum MacNeill, Hugh McGorm, Roy Prentice, Sheila Prentice, Anne Ritchie, Jacqueline Sillars and Roy Sutherland.

There remain four elected member vacancies on the Board and I would be pleased to hear from any non-elder members of the Congregation who would be interested in being co-opted to fill these vacancies.

At the Stated Annual Meeting our annual accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023 were duly received.

Lachlan McNeill, Clerk to the Congregational Board

Stated Annual Meeting of the Congregation Report from the Session Clerk

2023 was a year was a bit like Advent, a time of waiting and preparation. We had expected to have a new minister by the end of the year but due to circumstances beyond our control that didn't happen.

The Sunday morning services continued to be well attended with many watching the recording online. We are grateful for the support of Ken MacDonald, John Campbell and the others who have so willingly led our morning services during the extended vacancy. Thanks to Chris Scott and the team for the much appreciated recorded services each week.

The Kirk Session agreed to continue the evening services which have been led by a number of different people including members of the congregation and has been much appreciated. The Saturday morning Lent and Advent services were held and led by members. *Life* magazine continued to be produced each month.

One highlight of the year was the Easter Festival during Holy Week when various organisations created displays telling the story from Palm Sunday through to the empty tomb, in fabric and flora. This was enjoyed by the congregation as well as the wider community. Thanks to Marilyn Ure and the team.

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On 7th May a Coronation Party was held after the morning service with a light buffet lunch to celebrate the coronation of King Charles. The Guild also held a Coronation afternoon tea the following day.

We also welcomed the return of the Holiday Fellowship in June when 42 people enjoyed a warm week in Harrogate. Thanks to Anne Ritchie.

Pastoral issues and communicating with the congregation were a major concern throughout the year and continue to be so. Our thanks are due to the District Elders, Church Visitors and others for their phone calls and visits, particularly to those not connected to the internet. Also thanks to all who support and run the organisations within the congregation.

Clyde Presbytery approved their Draft Mission Plan on 18th March, 2023. In May 2023 Faith Nurture Forum and the General Trustees conditionally approved the plan subject to a small number of amendments re some building designations. The amended Plan was adopted by Clyde Presbytery on 20th June, 2023.

The adoption of the Mission Plan allowed the first steps to be taken in calling a new minister. At its meeting on 12th September, Clyde Presbytery granted permission to call a minister on unrestricted tenure to the linked charge. An Electoral Register and Parish Profile were prepared.

On instruction from the Principal Clerk's Office in Edinburgh, Clyde Presbytery intimated in mid-October that it had to sist proceedings in our vacancy until an appeal on the Mission Plan was determined. Permission was granted to allow us to elect our Nominating Committee and on 22nd October, 9 members from St. Paul's and 4 from Baldernock were duly elected to serve.

On 13th February, 2024 Clyde Presbytery lifted the sist on the vacancy which allowed the Nominating Committee to start its work. I understand a number of applications have been received and are being considered. The Committee should be remembered in our prayers as they seek a candidate to fill the vacancy. The work of the committee is strictly confidential and they will report back to the congregation when they have selected a sole nominee.

At a meeting of the Kirk Session and Congregational Board on Sunday 9th July, 2023 it was agreed to form a committee to consider the manse. The Session Clerk advised that the current manse at 8 Buchanan Street, Milngavie was in need of some internal modernisation and redecoration. An alternative more appropriate property, if available, could be purchased which might be more affordable in terms of utility costs which are the responsibility of the minister, as well as in terms of general fabric and garden maintenance costs which are the responsibility of the congregation. The meeting authorised a new Manse Vacancy Committee to sell the current manse at 8 Buchanan Street and purchase an appropriate property that met the requirements of Clyde Presbytery and the Congregation, should the Committee determine that as being the appropriate course.

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In November the manse at 8 Buchanan Street was sold and a new manse purchased at 41 Braefoot Avenue, Milngavie.

Thanks to all concerned and in particular the Manse Fabric Convenor Christine Forsyth and her husband Jim.

Some necessary internal work has been completed and with the improvement in the weather attention has turned to the garden. The manse will be open for viewing when the work is complete but it will not be in mid-May as indicated in *Life* magazine. The date will be announced in the weekly intimations.

Once again the biggest thanks is to you the members, for ensuring the life of the congregation has continued in these challenging times. Thanks also to our dedicated employees Derek, Hugh, Jackie, and Hilary who willingly contribute so much to the life and smooth running of St Paul's. Hilary Rutherford began in September as an Administrative Assistant and after many years as our cleaner Sandra left in January 2024. Also in January 2024 Carla MacAllister stepped down after 10 years as Editor of *Life* magazine. To the many people who put in considerable hours voluntarily, to keep the Congregation running from finance, insurance, fabric, furnishings, communications, health & safety, food hygiene, safeguarding, data protection, the roll, *Life* magazine and many others whose contributions are often unseen but essential to keep St Paul's running smoothly and legally. We thank you.

A special thanks to Barbara Lawson for managing our financial affairs throughout the year and in particular the work on the Annual Accounts which required a full audit this year due to the sale of the manse.

Finally, to our Interim Moderator - Barbara, we thank you for your commitment to St Paul's during our period of transition. Your leadership and support to me personally and the congregation in general is much appreciated.

Graham Mill, Session Clerk



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General Assembly

Life and Work has once again published a FREE four page General Assembly Special Supplement for 2024 summarising some of the key decisions, debates and speeches from the week.

Prayer Group

We are pleased to welcome Shaw Anderson, Trustee of Glasgow City Mission to the Prayer Group on **Thursday 6th June at 8.00 pm.**



Glasgow City Mission's ethos is to work together to extend Jesus' model of the Kingdom of God on earth by living out a lifestyle of love, truth, justice, mercy and forgiveness according to His teaching.

If you are able and would like to know more, please come along to pray about this challenging and worthwhile outreach.

Including the above, this session we have heard about the work of

Scripture Union

Stauros

Preshal

Prison Friendship

Mission Aviation Fellowship.

Having a representative from each of the above Christian Outreaches, has enhanced our knowledge of and widened our vision as to some of the work which is going on in our own city, country and the wider world, as well as giving us points for prayer for each of them now and in the coming months. The representatives who came all said that they were heartened to know that our Church family here at St. Paul's are interested to learn more about their work and we have ensured them that we will continue to pray for them. The work they are involved in is unique as well as challenging as they seek to share the love of Jesus.

As you know, we meet in the Jubilee Hall on Thursday evenings at 8.00 pm for about an hour and we would be delighted if more could be added to our number. It is not compulsory, or expected, that everyone prays audibly – getting together is a great encouragement and we use our time together to learn from each other.

Linda Muirhead



Dear Friends

I write weekly devotions for my church here in Japan and for the past 10 months I have been sharing from Paul's letter to the Philippians. The book is only four chapters long and so it hadn't occurred to me that it would take so long to cover it all, but there is so much in this short letter that I feel it has been worth the slow journey through it.

One thing which is striking about the letter is the depth of partnership between Paul and the church at Philippi. They have been his partners in the gospel from the early days right up to the present. They partnered with him in his troubles. In those early days, they were the only church who shared with him. And when Paul was in Thessalonica, they sent him aid more than once when he was in need.

Ten years have passed since Paul started the church in Philippi and he is some 800 miles away in prison in Rome, but still they have not forgotten him. This time they have sent Epaphroditus with a gift for Paul and to minister to his need. Paul received that gift as a fragrant offering, pleasing to God and he prayed that God would also supply all the needs of the Philippian church.

And so Paul writes that he thanks God for every remembrance of the church in Philippi and that he prays for them with joy. He says that he has them in his heart and misses them greatly. As a token of his thanks, he writes this letter and sends Epaphroditus back to them with it.

As I have been studying this letter, I have also been thinking about all of you at St. Paul's. I am so grateful for your partnership in the gospel, for all the support and prayers you have given me over the years I have been in Japan.

From December this year I will be back in Scotland for 8 months of Home Assignment, and I hope that during that time I can give something back to all of you. I pray for you all.

In particular, I rejoice to see that you now have a sole nominee and will be praying for you on the 9th of June as Lynsey Brennan preaches. May God supply all of your needs too.

With love and prayers from Lorna and Alistair



St. Paul's Holiday Fellowship

Our Strathpeffer holiday meeting will be on Wednesday, 3rd July at 2.30 pm in the Large Hall of St. Paul's Church, Baldernock Road, Milngavie.

Tea will be served after the meeting and Ann MacLeod has kindly offered to bake.

My postponed recce will take place in June and I'll have photos of this to whet your appetite.

Information and labels for your case will be distributed.

For catering purposes, please let me know if you cannot attend.

Anne Ritchie

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Thank you

I would like to thank everyone who contributed to my Kiltwalk fundraising.

I'm delighted to share St. Margaret's hospice will receive a total of **£1039.12** including Gift Aid donations.

Thanks to the encouragement/competitiveness of one of my friends with whom I was walking, we crossed the finish line in 5 hours 49 minutes.

It's safe to say I won't ever walk 23 miles in that time, again!

Carla MacAllister

Christian Aid



£1880 was raised from the Christian Aid envelopes with an additional £301 from Gift Aid making a total of £2181.

In addition our soup and roll lunch raised £751 making a grand total for St. Paul's Christian Aid 2024 of **£2932.**

Thanks once again to the congregation for their very generous support.

Marylyn Taggart

St. Paul's Church Society Cards



At present £420 has been raised for the current charity CHAS.

Thank you for your continued support.

As always a variety of cards including samples of special occasion cards are on display outside the Church office.

Please contact me if you require a card for any particular occasion

Phone : 0141 384 0274 Email: elizabethmcewan1957@gmail.com

Elizabeth McEwan

Thank You

Peter and Hazel Buchan would like to thank the congregation of St. Paul's church for the support they have received over the last nine months, during Peter's illness and Hazel's operation. The gifts of cards and flowers, the phone calls, the gifts of food - all have been greatly welcomed and appreciated, but most of all, the sense that we are cared for, supported and prayed for by the people of this congregation, has meant so much to us.

Thank you all for your kindness and your prayers, **Peter and Hazel**

The Story Behind The Name

Our church's WW1 war memorial is beside the pulpit at the front of the church. It contains the names of the men who served and a list of those killed. Just underneath is a smaller list of those who were killed in WW2.

The war memorial plaques in St. Paul's display names but not stories behind the names. I am hoping to be able to find out and share some of these stories with you.

The first one that I would like to share is the story of William Rutherford who was my great-uncle.



William was just 19 when he enlisted in 1939. He was enrolled in the Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers Regiment as a driver.

His parents John and Jeannie must have been very apprehensive. John had served in the Dublin Fusiliers in the first war and had been wounded in action.

William was sent to France with the British Expeditionary Force in September 1939. He became caught up in the retreat to Dunkirk in May 1940 and arrived with his co-driver in the port on the 29th May. He had just turned 20.

The port of Dunkirk was under constant bombardment from shelling but also from Stuka dive bombers who were responsible for the loss of many navy ships.

William and his friend were able to get on board the *HMS Crested Eagle*. This ship in peacetime had been a tourist paddle steamer running between London Bridge and Margate. Now it was a mine-laying vessel. There were 600 men on board.



Unable to go directly out to sea, due to a sandbar and the low tide, the ship had to run north parallel to the long beach. Behind the ship, the paddles churned up the water leaving two long white lines visible from the air. A passing Stuka dive bomber dropped its bomb which went down the ship's funnel exploding in the fuel tank. With his ship ablaze, the Captain turned for the beach and ran the ship aground.

William and his friend made it to the beach but William, being a strong swimmer and seeing his comrades struggling in the water, returned into the sea to help. He never returned to the beach. More than 300 men were lost through drowning or died from their burns.

His friend visited Milngavie and told the story to the family.

If you visit Dunkirk you can see the remains of *HMS Crested Eagle* still aground on the beach nearby.

Robert Rutherford

Thank You

I would like to express my sincere thanks for all the cards, letters, phone calls and flowers which I have received since Liz's passing. They have all been much appreciated.

Frances Ireland

Guild News

Afternoon Tea and a chat together were recently enjoyed by 23 Guild members at Caulders (Mugdock).



Two further dates have been arranged so that members can keep in touch over the summer. These are:

8th July at 2:00 pm
2nd September at 2.00 pm.



Please note that the cost is now £15 per person (this does not include a tip for the restaurant).

If you plan to go please get in touch with Kate Seller:

Phone: 0141 463 0857 Email: kseller@dircon.co.uk

Elizabeth McEwan

Thank You

Very many thanks for the many cards and expressions of good wishes that came to me on my 90th birthday. I appreciated them all, and am honoured to join the distinguished ranks of the nonagenarians in St. Pauls.

Morag Thomson

Elizabeth Clemence Traill – Liz

Liz was a real Milngavie girl. She was born on 15 April 1941 in Thistle Cottage, Craighton Road, Milngavie, the only child of Keith and Flora Traill. Liz attended Milngavie Primary School and later Bearsden Academy. On leaving school, Liz worked in the Sales Department of Andrew Ritchie Cardboard Containers in Cloberfield which became Bowaters Corrugate Containers. Apart from a very brief foray to work in a bank in Glasgow she remained at Bowaters until she retired after 44 year's service, having collected a carriage clock and a barometer along the way.

Away from work, Liz loved ballroom dancing, and going to St Andrew's Hall on a Saturday night. She loved sport – thanks to her Dad, she was a keen football fan. Liz was a keen badminton player and a long time member of St. Paul's Badminton Club serving as Club Treasurer for many years, even after her playing days were cut short when she broke her ankle very badly after falling off a ladder. Liz was a member of Hilton Park Golf Club where she enjoyed the challenge of the course and the friendship of fellow members. She loved her garden and liked her hedges to be cut 'just so'.

In St. Paul's she was a Sunday School Teacher, served on the Congregational Board and was ordained an Elder in 1997. She served as Gift Aid Treasurer for a number of years, helped at the Lunch Club and also Friendship House. During Advent, Liz and Frances Ireland organised Mince Pie Sunday in St. Paul's for over 25 years, raising over £12,000 for local charities.

Holidays were important to Liz. Early on she enjoyed cycling in France, trips to the Mediterranean, and walking in Switzerland. Further afield were trips to South Africa, Australia, Canada, China and the USA. Despite these long range adventures Liz was really happiest exploring the Western Isles and on her annual holiday every November to her favourite place Rothiemurchus – she called it her 'sanity week'.

She was a good friend and neighbour to many – always ready to help out when needed and to go the extra mile without being asked - and generous as well – never forgetting birthdays, not just of her friends, but of their children and grandchildren too.

Liz was determined she worked hard to recover after her first cancer diagnosis in 2000, then faced up to two years in a wheelchair following an accident when she broke her ankle very badly after falling off a ladder. She took all the advice given to her and she was able to walk again. Sadly, in 2019 her cancer returned and she fought hard, tried all the treatments offered to her and bore the side effects with her usual stoicism – but to no avail. Liz had a strong and quiet faith and was not afraid to stand up for what she thought was right, and faced her final illness with a quiet calm. Liz lived a full life — born in Milngavie, worked in Milngavie and passed away at home in Milngavie on 25 April 2024.

Liz will be missed by many.

BreakAway - Update

At BreakAway we seek to provide a safe, friendly and relaxed environment where our Members, who have memory loss, feel welcome, happy and valued, as well as having an enjoyable time.

BreakAway has a two-fold purpose. Firstly, it provides a place where our Members meet one other in a social and relaxed environment – and enjoy the various activities each week. Secondly, it provides a bit of respite for the loved ones of our Members.

We currently have 12 Members who are registered with us – one of whom has been with us since we started 8 years ago!

This is a wonderful organisation to be part of and we are very grateful to all the Befrienders who are involved - again, many since we started 8 years ago, as well as some who have joined or are joining us this year.

Please note, before you can become a Befriender you are required to be 'PVGd' (for further details of this, please see page 16 in the *Life Magazine*).

BreakAway is run every Tuesday during Term Time and most Befrienders are on duty 1 Tuesday in 4. If you would like to get involved in this worthwhile outreach at St. Paul's, please contact myself, Hilary Rutherford or Christine Forsyth – we would be so pleased to talk to you.

Linda Muirhead

Knitting @ BreakAway



Each Tuesday at BreakAway a group of ladies spend time knitting blankets and clothes for babies and young children. Members of our congregation are also involved and this has enabled us to send a large number of articles to children in Ukraine. One of the charity workers from **The Scot Baby Box Appeal** visited BreakAway recently and was clearly delighted to collect the many beautiful items.

The Scot Baby Box Appeal is a Registered Charity, and they will now transport these items to the children in Ukraine.

We are already clicking our needles in preparation for the next batch! If you would like to get involved and involved and knit for the Appeal, please contact **Elizabeth Bragg**.

Lunch Club

Did you know that the Lunch Club has been running for more than 40 years?



During this time, it has provided a valuable and much-loved service to our community and to our church. We have been delighted to serve so many people with lunch including the delicious home-baking, provided by our loyal helpers.

Thank you to everyone who helps out regularly at the Lunch Club and particular thanks, of course, must go to Hugh who helps well beyond the call of duty!

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!**

It would be a pity after all these years to close this service but sadly, this is a possibility. . .

The last six months have been challenging due to illnesses and holidays as we are already short of both ladies and gentlemen to assist at the Lunch Club.

Would you be able to help out at the Lunch Club for a few hours once or twice a month? Perhaps you would be willing to be on short-notice standby?

Lunch Club will be stopping for the summer on 12 June. On that day, we are hoping to have strawberry tarts, as well as all the other usual goodies!

If you were thinking of joining the team, or just want to find out a bit more about what's involved in helping, why not come along on 12 June and chat to us?

We will re-open on 04 September and all will be welcome.

Please get in touch with me (07803 934688) if you have any queries.

Ann MacLeod

Safeguarding

A reminder to any member of the Congregation wishing to volunteer in any Church organisations or groups that the P.V.G process must be carried out before being able to do so.

Any volunteers no longer wishing to participate in any Church organisations or groups please contact me in order to process the removal from the Congregational Register.

Elizabeth McEwan
Safeguarding Co-ordinator

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Email: safeguarding@stpaulsmilngavie.org.uk

Book Group



This month we have been reading *The Seven Sisters* by Lucinda Riley. This is a well-written book in a series of eight. The main plot is about seven young women who, over the years, have been adopted by a rich billionaire. They are all from different parts of the world but have never been told, where, or who, they come from.

In the first part of the story we are told that their adoptive father has died and has left a letter for each of the women giving them clues which they should follow to find out who they are. The next half of the book tells Maia's story. This is where the story jumps about and becomes confusing. Maia ends up in Rio de Janeiro and there is an interesting section about the construction of the amazing statue, Christ the Redeemer which, however, does not have any real point in the story.

In the long discussion which followed, our group felt that there were too many puzzling points about the billionaire and some of the other characters that remained un-answered. All in all, a bit disappointing!

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 25 June 2024 when we will be discussing *Flight Behaviour* by Barbara Kingsolver.

If you would like to join us please contact the Church office for more details.

Anne Goodlet

Noah's Ark

As we come to the end of Session 2023/4, we are delighted to report on another very successful year for Noah's Ark, our Mother/Father/ Granny/ Grandpa/ Carer and Toddler Group (what a mouthful that was!), but we are trying to let everyone know, the diversity of those who attend with the toddlers.



We are still meeting every Thursday during school term from 9.30am (although our helpers are usually there from 8.45am to make sure everything is in order) and conclude with our sing-song at 11.00am till 11.15am, the last song always being *Jesus' love is very wonderful*.

We have helpers in the kitchen and on the floor. The total number on any one day is on average 12. There is a rota, so any volunteers will not need to be there every Thursday and can choose dates to help. Please consider helping in this very important outreach for our Church. This is our Church spreading the Word in our community.

Interestingly, those attending are not only from Milngavie and Bearsden but from further afield which shows to us how our facility is spreading around the area.

Let us share a message which we received from Granny Shona who came with grandson William from Strathblane:

To all the fantastic people that run the Noah's Ark at St Paul's, both William and I would like to thank you so much for your warm welcome and fantastic organisation of your toddler group. Both William and I enjoyed our Thursday morning and we both got so much out of it.

Thank you all once again and good luck for the future.

Love William and Shona.

We all feel very privileged to be involved with Noah's Ark and hope that we never forget the inspiration of Rosemary Fraser, over nearly 12 years ago, who persuaded the Kirk Session that such an organisation would be in the best interests of St Paul's and she has been proved absolutely right!

We send blessings and peace to all those who attend, to all those who help, and to all members of the congregation for supporting us.

Our last meeting before the summer will be on Thursday 20th June and we will start our new Session for 2024/5 on Thursday 29th August.

Jackie Sillars

Sunday Club



We have had a fairly quiet year in the Sunday Club and Bible class this year. A huge thanks to all the staff for their preparation and teaching over the year.

The last day of the session will be 2nd June and we will resume 25th August. A provision will be made for the young people of primary school age on a Sunday morning from 16th June until 18th August.

Sunkids continued for part of the year however, as there was a significant drop in numbers attending, we felt that a short break and a review was necessary. We hope to restart Sunkids with possibly a different format after the summer.

The Ark has continued each 3rd Saturday evening for young people in S1 and up. This has been fun for us all. The next Ark will be on 15th June. There will be no Ark in July, returning on 17th August.

There will be no promotion service this year as we plan on having a service dedicated to the young people and their achievements at the start of next session. The provisional date for this is 1st September. We look forward to our new year and the new exciting prospects that the appointment of a new minister will bring.

Holiday Club

Volunteers are needed for the Holiday Club over the summer months. There is a sign- up sheet at the back of the church for anyone wishing to volunteer to take a turn at the Holiday Club.

We also need someone to administer the Holiday Club going forward. Please see Janice Maclean if you would be willing to take on the task of administering the Holiday Club.

There will be no Holiday Club on 9th June. Books and drawing materials will be provided for the children at the back of the church.

For further information about any of our youth activities, please contact me.

Janice Maclean (janice.maclean2@outlook.com or via messenger on the Facebook page Youth at St Paul's Milngavie).

Happy 80th Birthday To Our Church Magazine!!

*In June, 1944, a Congregational News-Sheet was published,
at first twice a year but soon quarterly.
(John Edgar had begun a "Milngavie Parish Supplement" in March, 1906,
but so far as is known only one issue ever appeared.)
And it was not enough that such a magazine should be produced;
the Rev. Donald M. Macdonald saw to it that
a corps of lady visitors
was recruited to deliver the News-Sheet
and maintain contact
between the church and home.*

*extract from:
The Story of St. Paul's Parish Church Milngavie*



Flower Donations



Thank you for the Flower Donations given in
Memory:
I & J MacKinnon, I & M McQueen

Please address donations to: Treasurer, Mrs Barbara Lawson & clearly mark
"For The Flower Fund".

Donations can be left in the Flower Guild pigeon hole at the back of the Church,
or in the offering plate marked for "The Flower Fund".

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Copy Date

The copy date for the July issue is
Wednesday, 03 July.

Please send any articles to
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