

The Central **Chronicle**

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WINTER 2023 CHRONICLE

**You are invited to the Sacrament of Holy
Communion on Sunday 10th December 2023
at 11am in person and online**

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11am



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EDITORIAL

Well, where has time gone? Our last Chronicle was just as Summer was ending and now Christmas is fast approaching. Everyone will feel the build-up beginning. Shops will be full of twinkling lights and festive displays. Santa will be out and about too and the nights, since the clocks changing, are fairly drawing in, with a winter chill in the air.

In the magazine, you will see details of our Christmas events and our organisations will be having special gatherings and parties too. The Church hopes to welcome everyone connected to BCPC, those in our community and even further afield, through our doors this Christmas season.

We might get caught up in the twinkling lights, Christmas parties, visits to Santa etc, but let's not forget one simple truth, without CHRIST there is no CHRISTmas. Remember not to drop CHRIST this CHRISTmas.

As one of the choir's favourite Christmas Anthem tells us:

The best gift of all doesn't come wrapped in paper.
The best gift of all doesn't cost anything.
The best gift of all doesn't glitter or sparkle.
The best gift of all comes from the heart.
It's a song that you share or a smile that you start.
It's the love that you give, the way that you live.
Yes, the best gift of all is a gift from the heart.

God gave us the best gift of all at CHRISTmas; the gift of Jesus who came to earth to teach us how to love one another as Christ loves us.

Have a blessed Christmas.

INTRODUCING THE REV MARGARET ROSE

Since the end of August, we are pleased to have a part time Locum Minister with us here at Bellshill Central.

Quite fortuitously, Stanley was contacted by the Presbytery office to let him know of a new “Presbyter” who might be interested in taking up a part time locum role. Stanley quickly made contact and arranged to meet our prospective part time locum.

A trip to Stathaven ensued, where Stanley began to realise just how many co-moderators, retired or active ministers, and lay preachers the town had, as we went to meet with the Rev Margaret Rose.

Margaret is recently retired from the linked country charges of Carnbee and Pittenweem Parish Churches, in the East Neuk of Fife, where she served from 2007.

Margaret was delighted to join our team on a part time basis, leading worship on 2-3 Sundays per month and covering pastoral responsibilities.

Margaret was interested to hear about our church life. She was very interested when

she heard our organist’s name, as coincidentally she was once the Pastoral Assistant in Broomknoll Parish Church in Airdrie, where Alan was organist from 1999 -2005.

Margaret has ably led our church family through

Baptism, Communion, Harvest, and our Anniversary Service. We are looking forward to sharing Christmas ‘23 together.



**Welcome Margaret
to Bellshill Central Parish
Church**

PRESBYTERY MISSION PLANNING UPDATE

On Tuesday 26th September, the presbytery voted to defer action on the draft plan presented by the Mission Planning Action Group (MPAG).

Among many issues raised, the most significant problem was the decision made by the MPAG to dissolve three congregations in the presbytery, including Quarter Parish Church, just outside Hamilton. These announcements were unexpected and no justifications or rationales were provided to support the decisions. There were a number of rulings without explanation, a pattern which was repeated throughout the entirety of the 148-page report. Over and again, decisions had been made by the MPAG that often bore little resemblance to the planned intentions of the local clusters. In the end, this proved unacceptable to the presbytery.

A counter-motion was presented and debated at length which, when finally passed, had the effect of deferring the Draft Mission Plan until such time as the MPAG was able to provide justification for their decisions. In effect, the presbytery asked the MPAG to ‘show its workings,’ and the manner by which their decisions were made.

The convener of the MPAG promptly resigned, leaving the committee without leadership and arguably redundant.

What happens next? In the short term, nothing, but the decision of the presbytery will not be well-received by the General Assembly. Presbytery Mission Plans were to be completed by December 2022, meaning ours was already 9 months late. The decision of 26th September will likely put final passage of the Plan well into 2024. Presently, the Presbytery Clerk will be conferring with the Principal Clerk of the Assembly seeking advice as to ways forward.

The Draft plan presented will remain the starting point for ongoing discussions until the presbytery either takes it forward or devises a new plan. In the meantime, congregations across the presbytery will not be allowed to seek or call a minister and property work will be limited to keeping buildings wind and watertight. In effect, our ministry will remain paused until the plan is finally passed at some point in the future.

We have been encouraged to continue working with cluster partners in local Mission and outreach, as we continue to seek God's will and direction whilst being Christ filled and centred and a witnessing, worshipping community.

At the time of this Winter Chronicle being printed, we are still waiting on an update from the MPAG on the Presbytery Mission Plan; how it will be taken forward; how our own challenges to changes to our own submission are to be answered and how it affects the present cluster of Bellshill: Central, Bellshill: West and Bothwell.

The changes to our part of the plan involved the classification of buildings here in Bellshill. We had submitted proposals to retain Bellshill: Central as the main worship centre for Bellshill and Bellshill: West Church Halls as the main centre for outreach. The MPAG proposals indicated only one site was required. How that was possible with a population of over 12,000 we do not know. There were no workings or rationale from the MPAG. Your Kirk Session delegated Stanley, Drew and Emily to represent us at the meeting and Stanley was to speak to our questions etc. As the Plan was essentially "paused", we had no opportunity to ask our questions. All other cited congregations found themselves in the same position.

We hope to be in a position to update you all in 2024.

COINS

Between 11 August and 7 November 2023, we received £65.97 via the Coin Boxes which compares with £54.84 in the same period last year. Sincere thanks to everyone who has contributed!

If you are willing to give your small change to the Church, please help yourself to a Coin Box. You'll find them on the ledge to the left of the door from the Church through to the hall.

LIFE AND WORK 2024

The Order Forms for next year's Life and Work were received recently but it is not too late for you to order a copy for 2024. Despite everything else in the world going up in price, Life and

Work is staying at £3.50 per month for a paper copy or just under £2 per month for a digital copy. Every month the 52-page full colour magazine is packed with features, news and opinion on Christian life within Scotland and further afield. You will always find something of interest and our church and congregation have featured a few times recently. We are famous! Who knows? We might feature again in the coming year and you could have your own copy to put on display!



If you would like a paper copy delivered direct to your own house, I can let you have an Order Form and Direct Debit Mandate which you can complete and send back to Church of Scotland. You can also pay by cheque or bank transfer if you prefer. Alternatively, you can go to Life and Work website to access the forms and you might find an introductory discount being offered.

<https://www.lifeandwork.org/subscribe/subscribe>

If you have internet access, a digital copy is a good option. It is cheaper and it arrives sooner than the paper copy. You can read it on your iPad or other device. Just go to the same website to make your order.

If you would like a paper copy and pay in cash, see me and I can order it for the year and pass it on to you when it is delivered to me.

It is also worth looking at Life and Work website on a regular basis to see some of the features and bits of news

<https://www.lifeandwork.org/news/news>

Peggy Walker

THE GUILD

The Guild got off to a great start in October at our annual Joint Communion with fellow Guild members and friends at Burnhead Church. Rev. Brunger led the short service with meaningful devotions. Much thanks to Sandra Roy for her enthusiastic organising and welcome.

At the first meeting in our own premises, the syllabus for the forthcoming session was distributed and discussed. A varied selection of speakers is proposed as well as some in-house games and events. Our membership numbers remain at 32 with weekly meetings, which is most encouraging but there is always room for more, so please come along.

Our first speaker was Christina Paterson, a National Vice-Convenor of the Guild, who gave an insight into her involvement in the Guild and urged members to become active and involved in the group. Coming from Bridge of Allan, Christina had difficulty finding us and we can

only hope she made it home safely since we haven't heard from her since!

The Halloween party in November always provides a bit of hilarity and although only four ladies 'dressed up', we still enjoyed 'dooking' for apples. Many thanks also to the ladies who provided the goody bags.

As is customary, the Guild will lead worship in November to include details of the projects the Guild is supporting over three years. During the Service the Guild will be celebrating 80 years at Bellshill Central, which is now an amalgamation of ladies from the former Macdonald Memorial, Orbiston and West Parish Churches. A Memory Book has been produced detailing the history of the Guild over the past 80 years here, which is worth a look.

Further speakers are expected during the coming months as well as a fish supper lunch, bring & buy, games afternoons, our mince pies & carols before Christmas, a Christmas lunch at the Golf Club in January and also our Guild Guest Night. We look forward to the Ian Walker Band on 30th January, which will be open to everyone to come along and enjoy. Details of all events will be announced as well as provided in the weekly Pews News.

We look forward to the coming year and wish everyone all the very best for 2024.

Sheena Bowman





Happy Halloween at the Guild



Good company at Gentle Comfort

SEPTEMBER DOORS OPEN DAY

This was a great day with over 30 people coming to see our history and hear from Professor Robin Webster, son of Gordon Webster.

Friends from Cockpen and Carrington Church came to the Organ Demonstration in the afternoon and were pleased to meet up in person after having seen so much of what we do via YouTube and Facebook.





This was a really enjoyable day, and our friends from Yoga by Gillian held a Macmillan Coffee Morning in the halls.

An excellent example of the BCPC wider church family all working together.

Some pictures, from what was an excellent 150th Anniversary Weekend, are included later in this edition.

REMEMBRANCE POEM – Perhaps, by Vera Brittain

These words were shared in the Remembrance events televised just a few short weeks ago, and were requested to be included in this edition of the Chronicle, so that all might read and feel touched by the sentiment and emotion.

Perhaps some day the sun will shine again,
And I shall see that still the skies are blue,
And feel once more I do not live in vain,
Although bereft of You.

Perhaps the golden meadows at my feet
Will make the sunny hours of spring seem gay,
And I shall find the white May-blossoms sweet,
Though You have passed away.

Perhaps the summer woods will shimmer bright,
And crimson roses once again be fair,
And autumn harvest fields a rich delight,
Although You are not there.

Perhaps some day I shall not shrink in pain
To see the passing of the dying year,
And listen to Christmas songs again,
Although You cannot hear.

But though kind Time may many joys renew,
There is one greatest joy I shall not know
Again, because my heart for loss of You
Was broken, long ago.

About the author:

Vera Brittain was born in Staffordshire. Her family moved frequently during her childhood and her brother Edward was her closest friend.

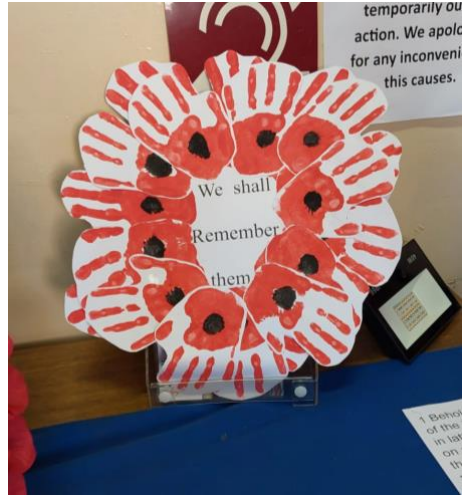
Through her brother she met his friend Roland Leighton and they began a relationship in 1914. She began studying English Literature at the University of Oxford but delayed her degree to work as a nurse for the Voluntary Aid Detachment – a unit of civilians providing nursing care – for most of the First World War. Meanwhile, Leighton and her brother Edward successfully applied to serve in the British Army.

Brittain wrote to Leighton throughout the next year and they became engaged while he was on leave in August 1915. In December 1915, while Brittain was working as a nurse in London, Leighton was killed. Her brother was also killed in 1918, only months before the war ended.

Struggling with these personal tragedies after the war, Vera Brittain immersed herself further into writing. Her first poetry collection, *Verses of a V.A.D.*, had been published in 1918. However, her most enduring work was a memoir, *Testament of Youth*, which was published in 1933. This book, now considered a classic of feminist literature and an important historical testimony, was followed by further memoirs and, after her death, Brittain's diaries.

Her writing, even in fiction, was heavily influenced by the events of her life. From the 1930s Brittain became a committed pacifist and she took a stand against national involvement in the Second World War.

She died in London in 1970, and her ashes were scattered on her brother Edward's grave in Italy.



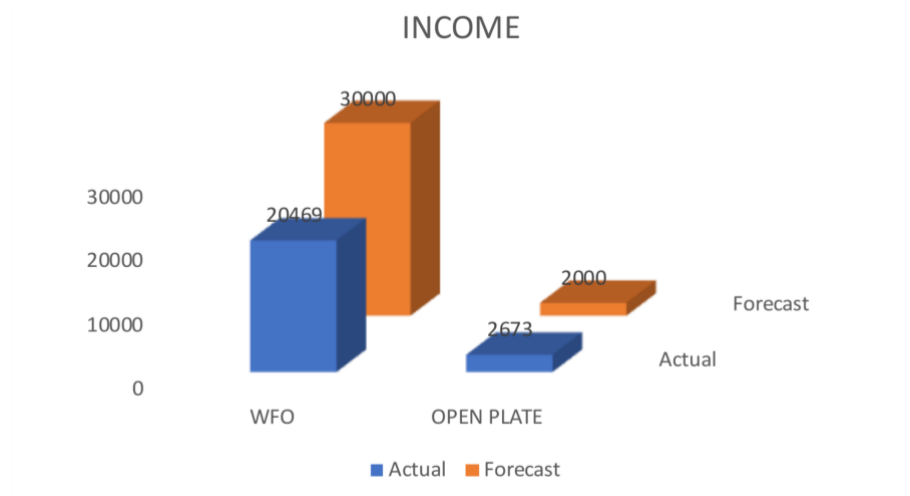


Some of our church Guides who managed to come along to church for our Remembrance Day Service – Sunday 12th November.

Guide Captain Emily Aitken with Chief Inspector Lorna Watson, Preacher Mr Ian Douglas and members of the Rainbows, Brownies and Guides with the company colours.

The girls took part in the whole service and the younger ones did so well, paying attention and taking part in the Act of Remembrance.

FINANCE UPDATE



WFO for the 9 months ended 30 September 2023 amounts to £20469 which is £2000 short of our target for the period. Open Plate, however, at £2673 has exceeded our target of £2000.

Although we are currently £2000 below our target, your generosity has brought us this far. Let's continue to work together, as every contribution, big or small, makes a significant impact.

Thank you to every member and visitor for your generous donations to our congregation.

Zandra Swan



ANOTHER NEW ZEALAND UPDATE

Despite being in the hospice, Bradley was able to enjoy his 27th birthday on 13th September.

As we all know, Bradley is desperately ill, but with the medical team's permission, he signed himself out of the hospice and is now at home with Megan, relying on oxygen assistance. He is counting every other day, whether feeling good or bad, as a bonus and has even been bowling outdoors. He is also eating well. A recent quote from him on his Facebook page is:

No matter how
You feel, get up,
Dress up, show up,
And never give up.

What an amazing young man. We are forever thinking of our New Zealand family and especially hold Bradley and Megan constantly in our hearts.

Bobby and Alexa Walker

CHURCH REGISTER

Baptisms

17th September 2023	Pearl, infant daughter of Carrie and Robert
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Deaths

5th September 2023	Sheila Duncan
6th October 2023	Isobel Scott

JESUS LOVES ME for Seniors!

Jesus loves me, this I know,
Though my hair is white as snow.
Though my sight is growing dim,
Still He bids me trust in Him.

Yes, Jesus loves me!

Yes, Jesus loves me.

Yes, Jesus loves me!

The Bible tells me so.

Though my steps are oh, so slow,
With my hand in His I'll go
On through life, let come what
may,
He'll be there to lead the way.

Though I am no longer young,
I have much which He's begun.
Let me serve Christ with a smile,
Go with others the extra mile.

When the nights are dark and
long,

In my heart He puts a song.
Telling me in words so clear,
"Have no fear, for I am near."

When my work on earth is done,
And life's victories have been
won.

He will take me home above,
Then I'll understand His love

I love Jesus, does He know?
Have I ever told Him so?
Jesus loves to hear me say,
That I love Him every day.

(Author unknown)

CHURCH CHOIR

We've been busy getting ready for our Harvest, 150th and Armistice Services but now we are firmly focussed on Christmas!

On Sunday 17th December in the morning you are all invited to a service of lessons and carols, with lots of Christmas Anthems. We've also been invited back to Beechwood Care Home to sing carols on 18th December, and on 24th December we will contribute 2 anthems to our favourite carols service. So as you can see we are busy, busy, busy!

GENTLE COMFORT

A warm friendly welcome awaits you and we look forward to meeting you.

A place to share company and help cheer each other up and inclusive to everyone. Come in as a stranger and leave as a friend.

**Starts Wednesday
27 September,
Bellshill Central
Church Hall,
11am-12pm**



Gentle Comfort

A warm welcome awaits you



Venue : Central Church , 346 Main Street , Bellshill, ML4 1BA

Time : 11 - 12 Wednesdays starting 27th September 2023

Come and join us for a Chat and some company

Free Tea & Coffee and biscuits

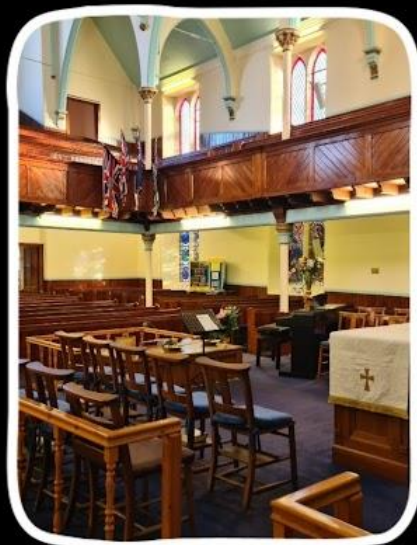
Linda Robb, one of our church members, started this weekly gathering in our church hall on 27th September, this year.

It has been part of our outreach into the community, further opening up our building to people that need it. Those who came along appreciated the time and space, friendly company, and chance to meet together.

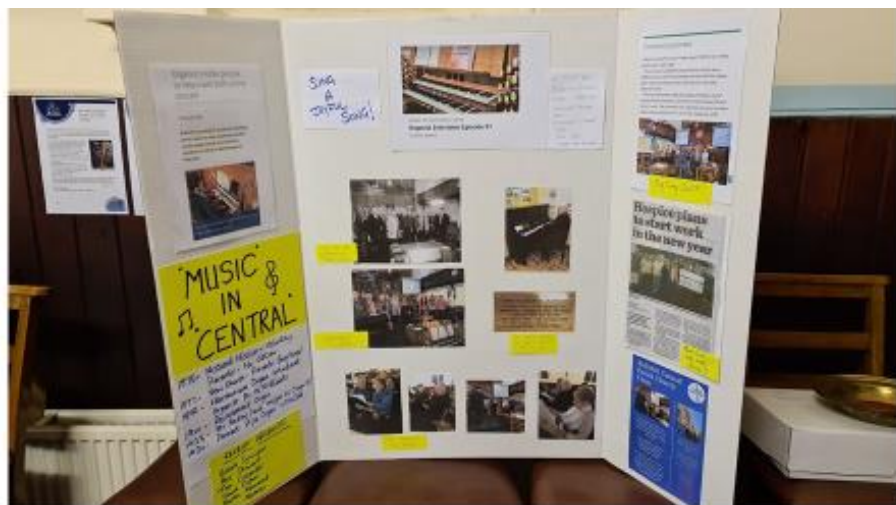
We had hoped for more people coming along each week, but numbers were low – it was a lot of effort and organising each week.

Unfortunately, we've decided to pause Wednesday mornings for the time being. Hopefully in the New Year we can resume. If you can think of a different day or time, or how we can promote this worthwhile initiative please speak to Linda Robb on Sunday mornings.

150TH ANNIVERSARY PHOTO GALLERY









RAINBOWS, BROWNIES AND GUIDES.

All of our sections are running well with full numbers in Rainbows and almost capacity numbers in Brownies and Guides. We also have a huge waiting list for Rainbows which is great.

We all joined together for a fabulous Halloween Party. All the girls enjoyed mixing together which was a new experience for them since the 'covid days'. We were delighted to receive loads of goodies for our party from Tesco's community champion Kylie.

We came together again for Remembrance Day for a very moving service. The Rainbows particularly liked the falling poppies and made a grand job of clearing them up! I am sure there must be a badge for that!

Talking of which, all sections are working very hard on their programmes and earning badges at a rate. However we will need to teach them to sew now!

Next up will be our Christmas parties at the beginning of December so we are hoping for a visit from Santa.

Jane Aitken, on behalf of the Guiders.



<https://instagram.com/4thbellshillrainbows>

<https://instagram.com/4thbellshillbrownies>

<https://instagram.com/4thbellshillguides>

ORBISTON NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE

Orbiston Community Fridge opened to the community on 10th October providing a low-cost solution for people who live in Bellshill and are struggling during the Cost-of-Living Crisis. The Fridge is open Tuesdays and Thursdays between 10am and 2pm. Local people can access 10 items for £3 (there is no membership charge). If you would like any more information call Hayley on 01698 842 215.

Older Persons Service (OPS) is now open to the community 5 days a week and will be running the following events over the next few months:

- Movie days for St. Andrew's Day in November
- Christmas Parties in December
- Burns themed events in January
- Valentine's themed events in February.

The Men's Group runs: Mondays from 12pm to 3pm; and Fridays from 10am to 1pm.

Our Wee Friendly Club runs on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10am. Transportation can be provided for those living in the Bellshill locality.

For enquires about activities and to book places phone 01698 573250 or email daycare@oncbellshill.org.

The Christmas Fayre was on Saturday 18th November. Theo's Café served food and refreshments. Various sellers had stalls in the Main Hall.

BeFriend Bellshill are providing Christmas parties for all befriendees in December:

- Befriendees from East Stewart Gardens, West End Dive and Kew Gardens will join befriendees in the Frank Ferguson Centre on Thursday, 14 December for games, Christmas lunch and entertainment.
- Musical Memories befriendees will have their own party on Friday 15th December held in the Neighbourhood Centre.

BeFriend Bellshill are seeking new volunteers to join the team. The service provides 1:1, group and telephone support for older adults. PVG and induction training is provided and expenses are reimbursed. To find out more, email your contact details to Tammy and Elaine at befriend@oncbellshill.org or telephone 01698 573251 during office hours. We need your support!

ONC is seeking volunteers in all service areas [not just befriending] with a particular need with our café and catering services and newly launched Community Fridge. Experience is not necessary, just enthusiasm and a willingness to help other people. To get involved in ONC activities, email contact details to info@oncbellshill.org, or phone 01698 842215 during office hours or call into the Centre for a chat!

Theo's Café Christmas Lunch: Theo's will be serving a Christmas lunch on Wednesday 20th December. The Menu includes a choice of:

Scotch Broth or Prawn Cocktail
for Starters

Christmas Pudding or Festive
Cheesecakes
for Dessert.

Traditional Roast Turkey,
Braised Steak or Vegetarian
Turkey for Mains

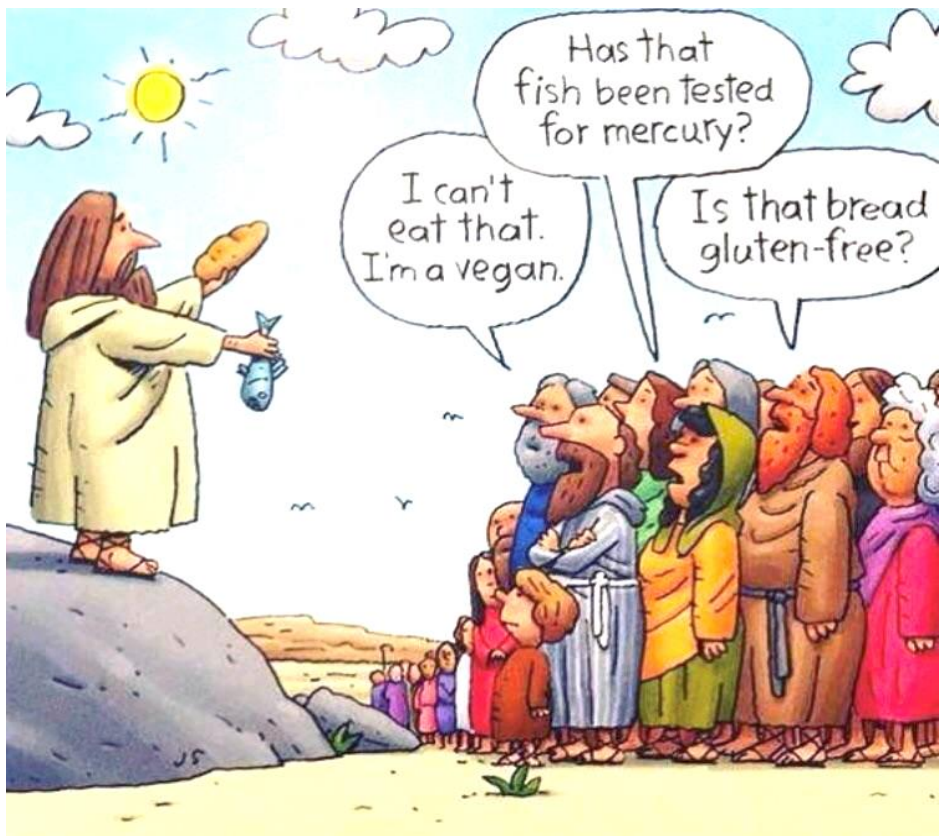
All rounded off with a choice of
Tea or Coffee.

Tickets are only £16. Please phone 01698 842215 to reserve your tickets or call in to Theo's Cafe between 9.30 am and 3pm; Monday to Friday.

Christmas Closure - ONC closes for the Christmas break on Friday, 22nd December 2023, reopening on Wednesday, 3rd January 2024. Dates and times for activities resuming will be confirmed on Facebook.

Orbiston Neighbourhood Centre wishes everyone a very Merry Christmas and joyful Hogmanay.

JUST FOR FUN!



FUNDRAISING TEAM UPDATE

Our fundraising team would like to thank everyone for their support during 2023.

We have had very few fundraising events this year and this was due in part to the uncertainty surrounding the changes afoot within The Presbytery.

However, this doesn't mean that we didn't celebrate, far from it! We had a wonderful time celebrating King Charles III Coronation with a visit from The King himself - well sort of! Our beautiful Union Flag cake was donated to Highgate Care Home for the residents to enjoy.

Our latest celebration took place on 22nd October for our very own 150th Anniversary celebration. The lunch was free to all and supported with donations from the bowling club with home baking supplied by our able cohort of bakers. Thank you very much.

By the time you read this we will most likely have had our Christingle service followed by lunch and hopefully Santa came for his annual visit with lots of goodies. Again, many of these gifts are donated by the congregation and help raise a substantial amount for our Church.

Looking forward to 2024 we are planning our usual Burns lunch at the end of January and a Cheese and Wine in February. Keep your eyes peeled in the New Year for details.

Finally, a huge thanks to the fundraising team and all our helpers that offer their services to deliver tea, coffee and wash dishes. They spend many hours planning and preparing for each event and we could not do it without their skills and talents. Thank you one and all.

OUR FIRST PET SERVICE

On 15th October we held our first ever pet service, in the hall to give thanks for our animals.

We had 4 lovely dogs along with their companions. We also had a little fluffy toy kitty cat from one of our youngest companions.



Emily spoke to us about what animals mean to her and how she enjoys making them her life – her day job. Her 4 legged companion was a loveable big chocolate labourer, called Doddie.

Jessie brought along Baxter, Ann brought along Cara and Sheena brought along her 4 legged house guest called Angus.

We sang songs, read the bible, prayed and blessed our animals and generally said thank you to God for His wonderful world and our pets. Each pet got a certificate, and each person there an animal magnet.



FAVOURITE CHRISTMAS CAROLS

This year, on Sunday 17th December in the evening, we are holding our first Candle Light Carol Service since before the pandemic.

On 24th December at the morning service, we will hold another carol style service led by our locum, Rev Margaret Rose.

So, to make sure we include all of **YOUR** favourite carols at these two services, please complete the reply slip included with your Christmas Chronicle ASAP and pass it to Alan Mathew, organist.

Or you can simply email organist@bellshillcentral.church with your favourite carol request. If you can tell us the Carol, your name, and the reason for your choice, that would be wonderful.

Christmas comes but once a year remember, so we need to make sure we sing **YOUR** favourite carols this Christmas season at Bellshill Central!!!

SELECTION BOX APPEAL

Motherwell Jobcentre collects Selection Boxes each year to be given to Wishaw General Hospital.

If you would like to contribute to this appeal please simply pass your Selection Boxes to Alan Mathew who will take them to work and fill up the donation barrel.

They're always very gratefully received, and if you can help with donations that would be appreciated so much.

CHRISTMAS AT CENTRAL

Friday 1st December	7pm Time to Remember Service
Sunday 3rd December	11am for 1st Sunday of Advent Preacher: TBC <i>tea/coffee served afterwards</i>
Sunday 10th December	2nd Sunday of Advent 11am Communion Rev Margaret Rose
Sunday 17th December	3rd Sunday of Advent 11am Service of Lessons and Carols 7pm Candle Light Carols in the Church <i>mince pies and mulled wine afterwards</i>
Sunday 24 th December	Christmas Eve/4th Sunday of Advent 11am Favourite Carols Margaret Rose 7pm Nativity Service with Young Church <i>Tea/coffee and mince pies afterwards</i>

**The Kirk Session, Congregational Board
and all Church Office Bearers
wish everyone**

Merry Christmas

THE GOSPEL OF LUKE



Read just one chapter each day of advent,
and by Christmas Eve you will have read
Jesus' full story and know just who we
are celebrating!

Bellshill Central Parish Church

www.bellshillcentral.church

Charity Number SC012556



Friday 1st December 2023
7pm in person and online

TIME TO REMEMBER

A Service where we listen, pray, take time to
remember and light a candle for lost loved ones

Submit names to be included
www.bellshillcentral.church/TTR

Bellshill Central Parish Church

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday 10th December
2023 at 11 o'clock

The 2nd Sunday of Advent

**You are invited around
the Table of the Lord**

Non Alcoholic Wine
Gluten-free bread available

Bellshill Central Parish Church

CAROLS *by* CANDLELIGHT

Traditional Carols with stories told
Refreshments served afterwards

Sunday 17th December 2023 at 7pm
346 Main Street, Bellshill, ML4 1BA



www.bellshillcentral.church



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday 7th January	Tea and Coffee after worship
Thursday 18th January to Thursday 25th January	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
Sunday 21st January	Service for Week of Prayer (3pm)
Sunday 4th February	Tea and Coffee after worship
Wednesday 14th February to Thursday 28th March	Lent 2024
Sunday 3rd March	Tea and Coffee after worship
Sunday 10th March	Sacrament of Communion
Sunday 24th March	Palm Sunday
Friday 29th March	Good Friday 11am – 1pm Church open for prayer
Sunday 31st March	Easter Sunday 9am Garden Service 11am All Age Communion

The Spring clock change happens on Sunday 31st March (Easter Day) so on Saturday 30th March before going to bed put your clock forward. Don't be late for church!

<p>The deadline for the next Church Chronicle will be Sunday 25th February 2024.</p>

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY WORSHIP takes place each week beginning at 11am in the Sanctuary. We live stream at www.facebook.com/bellshillchurch/

Teas and Coffees are generally served in the Hall after the Morning Service on the first Sunday of the month.

Sundays:	11 am Morning Worship Creche Young Church
Mondays:	1.30 pm The Guild (October to March) 7:30 pm Online Prayer Group
Tuesdays:	6 pm The Rainbows 7.30 pm Heart and Sole Walkers (May – October) Kirk Session and Board Meetings (as announced)
Wednesdays:	11am Gentle Comfort (paused meantime) 2 pm Carpet Bowls 7 pm Church Choir
Thursdays:	6 pm Brownies 7:45 pm Guides
Fridays:	Friday Night Club (yet to resume) 8 pm Organist Entertains (now quarterly)
Saturdays:	9.30am Yoga by Gillian

CHURCH CONTACTS

Interim Moderator **Rev Duncan Macpherson**
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padredjm@btinternet.com



Locum Minister	Rev Margaret Rose	
Session Clerk	Stanley Cook	
Board Clerk	Catherine Bryden	
Finance Convenor & Presbytery Elder	Zandra Swan	
Treasurer	June Cook	
Gift Aid	Donis Hudson	
Property Convenor	Drew Aitken	
Fundraising	Jane Aitken	
Young Church & Church Flowers	Susan McGleish	
Guild President	Sheena Bowman	
Roll Keeper	Peggy Walker	
Organist & Communications	Alan Mathew	
Rainbows Brownies Guides Bowling	Jane Aitken Stacey Sneddon Emily Aitken Jim Mackie	Chemaine Jarvie Robyn Aitken Bobby Walker

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