Bellshill Central Parish
Church of Scotland

Bellshill: Central Parish Church

Sunday 15 November 2026 at 11am

GUILD SUNDAY WORSHIP

Please stand as the Bible is placed in the pulpit

Choir Introit	Spirit of God (tune woodlands)	
Welcome and Intimations		Stanley Cook
Introduction and Call to Worship		Sheena Bowman
HYMN 259	Beauty for brokenness	
Prayer and Lord's Prayer (words on screen)		Sheena Bowman
HYMN 544	When I needed a neighbour	
All age talk		Alan Mathew
HYMN 201	I am the Church, you are the Church	
Reading	Luke 10: 25-37	Eleanor Owen
Message of Reflection		Sheena Bowman
Offering uplifted	(singing: I love to hear the story)	
Prayer of dedication (words on screen)		Sheena Bowman
HYMN 248	For my sake and the Gospel go	
Prayer of Intercession		Carole Muir
HYMN 522	The Church is wherever God's people are praising	
Benediction and Spoken Amen		Sheena Bowman
Sing Blessing	May God's blessing surround you each day	

Please remain standing as the Bible is removed from the pulpit

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen

SESSION CLERK
Mr Stanley Cook
Tel: 01698 747144
Cookstanley45@gmail.com

INTERIM MODERATOR
Rev Derek Pope
Tel: 01698 266716
dpope@churchofscotland.org.uk

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT BCPC. Whether you're here in person or online, a regular or visiting today, we warmly welcome you. Livestream via: www.youtube.com/bellshillchurch.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT – Today, congregational meetings will take place in Bellshill Central, Holytown, Kirk o Shotts, New Stevenston Wrangholm Kirk, and Newarthill & Carfin. Members will vote on the Basis of Union and Basis of Reviewable Tenure to form **Legbrannock Parish Church of Scotland**, in accordance with the approved Presbytery Mission Plan.

The proposed places of worship are Bellshill Central and Newarthill & Carfin, along with halls at Holytown and Salsburgh.

Voting will be by paper ballot, overseen by representatives of the Presbytery of Forth Valley and Clydesdale. Only those on the Members or Adherents Roll may vote. Proxy and online voting are not permitted.

FINAL CHRONICLE MAGAZINE - December's Chronicle will likely be the final issue. Help make it a special edition by sharing memories, stories and pictures of Bellshill Central Church. Please post a word in the hall summing in BCPC. **Please contribute by 15/11/26.**

KIRK SESSION – a joint meeting of the Legbrannock Kirk Sessions will take place on Monday 23 November at 7pm in Holytown Halls.

LEGBRANNOCK JOINT SERVICE takes place here in Bellshill Central on Sunday 29 November at 11am – led by Rev Muriel. This is the first opportunity for our 5 congregations to worship together. Tea & coffee will be served afterwards.

LEGBRANNOCK CLUSTER CHOIR – if you would like to augment our choirs for Sunday 29 November, please come along on 18 November at 7pm, or 24 November at 7:30pm. Alan and Duncan would be pleased to see you.

RETIRING OFFERING today as you leave in aid of the Guild projects.

PREACHING ROTA – 22/11 Rev Margaret (Baptism); 29/11 Rev Muriel

READERS – today, The Guild (Eleanor Owen); next week, Lyle McGleish

FLOWERS – To donate financially, place your gift in the offering marked Flower Fund. To donate flowers, see Susan McGleish. Today, flowers are gifted by Lesley Marshall and Zandra Swan.

PRAYER GROUP meets tomorrow at 7:30pm. Find the Zoom link in the church chat. It's a relaxing conversation and all are welcome. For future meetings, speak to Naomi or email prayer@bellshillcentral.church.
PRAYER BOOK – Add names or situations to the book at the front door.

THE GUILD - tomorrow at 1.30pm – All are welcome to come along.

BOWLS and **CHOIR** meet on Wednesdays. All welcome!

OPEN CHURCH IS BACK - Everyone's invited — pop in for some quiet, open space and a short act of worship. Bring a friend or invite a neighbour. You don't need to be a member or have been before. Just come as you are. **Friday 20 Nov from 12noon to 1pm.** There will be a very short service at 12:30pm.

FRIDAY WALKERS - Join us on 20 Nov (weather permitting). We meet at 1pm. Everyone's welcome — a lovely chance to catch up, enjoy company, then a blether and a brew afterwards.

NEWARTHILL CHURCH CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING - Saturday 21 November from 11am to 1pm. Tickets are £4/£1.50 children. All are welcome.

PASTORAL – let Stanley or your elder know of any folks in hospital, not well, bereaved, etc, or just needing a visit. Rev Margaret is very happy to offer Home Communion to anyone who wishes it. If you would like her to visit, please phone 01357 671664. *NB: number is a landline and can't receive texts.*

SOME CHRISTMAS DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Saturday 28 November - 12noon Christingle service led by Ian Douglas; 1pm-3pm Afternoon teas with Santa Claus (tickets available soon), donations welcomed – please place them in the box at the front door.
- Sunday 29 November – 1st Sunday in Advent (Joint service)
- Thursday 10 December 7pm – Sing a Song for Christmas
- Friday 11 December 7pm – Time to Remember at Sacred Heart
- Saturday 12 December 3pm – Miracle on 34th Street Film Show
- Sunday 13 December 11am – Communion Service
  7pm – Candlelight Carols in the Church

SELECTION BOXES – please start bringing your boxes and leave at the side.

TIME TO REMEMBER/BLUE CHRISTMAS PRAYER SERVICE - please email names to ttr@bellshillcentral.church to have them read out and included.

REQUESTS – Alan is happy to play a requested piece of music or slot in a favourite hymn, raising funds for the **ORGAN FUND.**

ORGAN FUND – Annette has created 4 lovely pictures to be raffled. These are £1 per strip; see Annette if you're interested.

OFFERINGS: If you'd like to switch to bank transfer, speak to June or Zandra.
GIFT AID: If you're a UK taxpayer, we can claim back 25p per £1. For details, please see June or Donis.

ONC DONATIONS – There is a box in the vestibule to drop off non-perishable food stuffs for ONC. **On the first Sunday of the month**, we invite everyone to bring one item for the appeal.

If you wish to join our church family — by profession of faith or transfer from another church — speak to Stanley Cook.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK – As we vote on the future of Legbrannock, let us pray for discernment, understanding, and peace. May God guide us together in unity and love. *"Trust in the Lord with all your heart." (Proverbs 3:5)*

DUTY TEAMS

This week:	Door Duty:	The Guild
	Counting:	Lesley Marshall / Sheena Mckeown
	Flowers:	Peggy Walker / Annette Mather
	Screen:	Annette
Next week:	Door Duty:	Donis Hudson / Linda Robb
	Counting:	Georgina Dornan / Naomi Dornan
	Flowers:	Lesley Marshall / June Cook
	Screen:	Peggy

Our mission statement:

"We seek to look forward in faith, to worship God and to serve him in the community. To offer hope of a better future and to encourage people of all ages to know and love Jesus as Lord and Saviour."

Bellshill Central Parish Church



SHARE YOUR MEMORIES

Contributions for the Final Bellshill Central Chronicle

In **2014,** two churches **became one church** family. As we prepare the final Bellshill Central Chronicle, we'd love to share your thoughts, memories, stories and reflections from our journey together since 2014.

YOUR MEMORIES SINCE 2014

A favourite memory...

A story to share...

What made a difference...

Every memory matters.
Please help us record our shared journey.

BELLSHILL CENTRAL PARISH CHURCH

CHRISTMAS EVENTS

A Warm Welcome Awaits Everyone

Saturday 28 November	**12 noon** Christingle Service **1.00pm** Afternoon Teas with Santa
Sunday 29 November	**First Sunday in Advent** Joint Service
Sunday 6 December	**Second Sunday in Advent** Teas after Church
Thursday 10 December	**7.00pm** Sing a Song for Christmas
Friday 11 December	**7.00pm** Time to Remember at Sacred Heart
Saturday 12 December	**3.00pm** Miracle on 34th Street Family Film
Sunday 13 December	**Third Sunday in Advent** **11.00am** Communion **7.00pm** Candlelight Carols
Friday 18 December	**2.30pm** Carol Singing at Hattonlea
Sunday 20 December	**Fourth Sunday in Advent** **11.00am** Service of Lessons and Carols
Monday 21 December	**2.30pm** Carol Singing at Beechwood **7.00pm** Blue Christmas Prayer Service
Thursday 24 December	**7.00pm** Family Christmas Eve Service
Sunday 27 December	**11.00am** Final Service as BCPC

ALL ARE WELCOME

Bellshill Central Parish Church

346 Main Street, Bellshill ML4 1BA

Bellshill Central Parish Church

Christmas CELEBRATION

Sat 28th Nov

The time for our Christingle service and Afternoon Tea is fast approaching with preparations well on the way.

The **Christmas donation box** will be at the front door for the next few weeks and we would be most grateful if you could help with donations for the **tombola stall** and **gift stall**.

We will also be looking for **home baking** for the teas, so if you feel you can help out in any way then please speak to Jane or Robyn.

Thank you

The Fundraising Team

