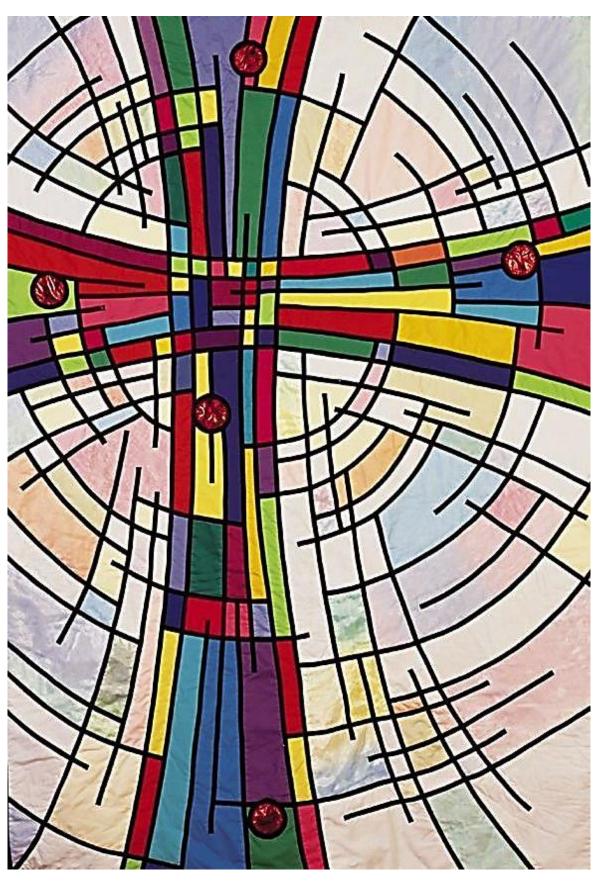
Kilsyth Anderson News



June & July 2016

From The Manse

What is your identity and where is your sense of belonging? Now these sound like fancy questions but actually, for most of us, they are very much in our thoughts at this moment in time. Not so long ago we were voting in a Scottish referendum and those questions were key to how we responded. We are about to vote again, this time in relation to how we see our place in Europe. Who are we? Where



do we belong? Well, you will be able to vote soon with regards to the political dimension of those questions. My reason for thinking about this is nothing to do with voting, it is however to do with something related which is 'allegiance'.

Where do you place your personal allegiance? Where is your sense of belonging as an individual? When I personally answer those questions I find myself saying 'first and foremost I belong to Christ - He is my lord, my leader and my saviour.' I say this because I believe that who I am finds its fundamental expression within my relationship to Him. My sense of belonging is therefore as part of the family of faith – the church. The church I belong here on earth is not some invisible, mystical faith group, but the local church, in fact Kilsyth Anderson church. This is where the Lord has placed me and you to serve and to minister together.

In these days of local church decline, I am however concerned that fewer and fewer people have a real sense of personal spiritual identity and belonging. Why might that be the case? I suspect that, for some, they simply give their allegiance - not to Almighty God - but place it elsewhere. Their sense of belonging lies with another group and resides in another place. We are however directed by God's word not simply to accept this situation but to actively 'fly the flag' for our Lord.

In the Scottish referendum, the General election and now the European referendum, we see all those with strong beliefs actively seeking to engage the wider community. They want to tell their message in order to gain support. Whilst political activity has an important place in our democracy, I do believe that our practical activity in outreach as ambassadors of Christ's cause is even more important. I therefore continue to call upon all who hold Jesus dear to take part in sharing the Gospel message with others.

You can become a Christian activist very easily; no training is required. You can take part in Christ's campaign for the salvation of people by:

- > Demonstrating openly your allegiance to Christ by your life
- ➤ Demonstrating your sense of Christian belonging by taking part in the life of His church
- > Speaking of your Christian faith to others
- ➤ Inviting others to come along to a meeting (Sunday services are usually the most convenient but all our groups welcome visitors to attend)
- ➤ Getting involved in raising the profile of Christ's church by delivering leaflets, church magazines or one of the other ways in which we share and communicate with others.



In fact, the list could go on because we all have unique abilities, talents and opportunities through which we can participate and pray.

The cause of Christ is too important to leave to others. We need everyone to play their part. I hope you will, for your efforts may make an eternity of a difference for some people. God bless you in your service to Him.

Allan Vint



Saturday, June 11th at 1.30pm

Volunteers are urgently required to help with the following:-

Thursday night (9th June) @ 7.00pm

To arrange the tables for the stalls (a few men for this task would be appreciated.)
The Hall will be open **on Friday June 10**th from **10.00am** until **12.00pm** and from **7.00pm** until **8.00pm** to receive your gifts for the stalls and to start setting up for the stalls.

Saturday morning 9.00am hopefully bright and sunny. We need some men to help set up outside stalls and tables for teas on the Manse Lawn. Ladies are required to continue with the pricing

and placing of goods for sale and setting up the tables.

12.30pm Get ready for the mad rush!

3.30pm After what, we hope, will be a very successful Fayre -

the Big Clean Up. Many hands make light work!

If you can help, please speak to Ann Strang, Cathie McIllwain or Annabel Smith.

Donations of home baking would be gratefully received

It's all about Team Work, We look forward to having a busy, happy and successful Summer Fayre.



Contact for urgent Pastoral Care

Minister: Rev. Allan Vint 01236 822345

Session Clerk: Mrs Elizabeth Strang 01236 824875

The Kirk Session has agreed that there will be

NO EVENING SERVICE

during the holiday months of July & August

Story behind the Hymn......

"He Touched Me" Bill & Gloria Gaither



Gaither had been writing songs for years, but nothing struck the chord with the American public the way *He Touched Me* did. Gaither stated in an interview that he began writing in "1960" and this was "my fifty-fourth song."

Gaither was accompanying an "old preacher friend" Dr. Dale Oldham on various crusades. He recalled: "He was a very eloquent speaker. One night after one of those meetings, Dr. Oldham said to me, 'Bill, the word

"touch" is a very popular word. It comes up so often in the New Testament stories about Jesus touching people's eyes and healing them, or touching people's lives and changing them. It's a special, spiritual word and you ought to write a song that praises His touch.' So I did."

After the meeting, Gaither, Dr. Oldham and Doug were driving back to Gaither's home in Anderson, Indiana. The conversation turned to how deeply the Spirit of God was felt during the crusade meetings. Gaither was unable to sleep that night. He could not get the last words the minister said to him when he dropped him off that night out of his mind. The minister said 'You should write a song that says, 'He touched me' oh, He touched me."

Gaither's mind mulled over the revival meeting and the heavy laden faces he'd seen in the crowd. He thought about how the meeting transformed them to looks of hope and joy by the end of the meeting.

The next morning, Gaither's wife, Gloria, awoke to find him still working on the song. Dr. Oldham's son, Doug, recorded *He Touched Me* in 1964. Gaither recalled: "Doug sang it around in church circles, but I think it really started to get popular as people would take it back to their own congregations and sing it as a chorus. The Gaither Trio recorded the song in later 1964.

Elvis Presley recorded the song in 1971. After releasing the song as a single, he released the album 'He Touched Me' in 1972. He received a Grammy Award for this album and was named the Best Inspirational Performance for 1972

Church Box Money

The money recently collected from church boxes amounted to £1,508 (with additional gift aid of around £50.00)

Thanks to all that contributed and to those who uplifted the money and assisted in counting it.

Should you wish to have a box please contact **ANNE LAUDER** or **BILL SMITH**

If you wish to sign up for Gift Aid please contact HELEN SHAW



FREE-WILL OFFERING ENVELOPES



The new Free-will Offering Envelopes are now ready for the year commencing first Sunday in July. They are available on the vestibule table and arranged in alphabetical street order

If you know any neighbours who are unable to attend church, it would be appreciated if you could collect their envelopes and deliver them. If you do not use Free-will Offering Envelopes, we invite you to join by contacting **Helen Shaw** or **Charlie Waddell**.

If you pay income tax, our church can reclaim the tax already paid on your offerings if you merely sign a **Gift Aid Form** and the form does not

require any amount to be specified. This enables our church to claim a further 25% of all your offerings now and in future years.

If you consider signing a Gift Aid Form, please have a word with **Helen Shaw**.

Can You Help! Church Cleaning

Everyone agrees that our beautiful Church is being well cared for. All credit for this is due to our happy band of volunteer cleaners,- men as well as ladies — who work well together for just over an hour, once every 5 weeks.

We have 5 teams of eight: 3 teams on Thursday morning/2 teams on Saturday mornings. Perhaps you have been thinking about joining us? While we feel we are doing something worthwhile, we all enjoy each other's company and the time just flies!



Some of our original team are no longer able to come and it would be much appreciated if we could have some more volunteers to fill the vacancies.

Margaret Waddell looks forward to hearing from you



Kilsyth Community Food Bank

We are still accepting non perishable donations and have a box out in the vestibule or goods can be handed in at the drop-in on a Friday. You can find out more about their organisation on their facebook page where you can share their news

Christian Aid Week

Many thanks to all those who contributed to Christian Aid Week. The sum of around £450.00 was raised. Thanks to all who contributed.



The First Advance

Even the briefest glance at the New Testament shows us two related truths. First, that a lot of the books that it contains comes in the form of letters. Second, most of these are ascribed to one man, namely Paul. Jesus left us great truths relating to the coming of his kingdom, and gave instructions on how those who were part of that kingdom must behave. He also gave his followers instructions to take his message out into the world. Most of all he was himself the message – the Good News that they had to share was about Jesus as the Son of God, who came to us in the flesh. He then lived as a servant of the Father, suffering and dying in our place and on our behalf, as a sacrifice for sin. Then, being raised from the

dead and eventually returning to the Father, he left us the gift of the Holy Spirit. Now all this was wonderful, but when the Apostles came to spread the message they were faced with the need to systematize the teaching and to answer the questions that it posed.

This brings us to Pau. He was a Jewish convert originally known as Saul, who took up the task of being a missionary to the Gentiles and travelled far into the Roman Empire. Doing this he went beyond the areas that had been Jewish and so would have been familiar with the teachings of the Old Testament which cast light on who Jesus was and why he had come and what he had achieved. Indeed the Old Testament highlighted his whole significance.

These infant churches then had lots of questions, and lots of problems. They also made lots of mistakes and all of those had to be dealt with. As the one who had first brought them to Christ, Paul accepts the responsibility of dealing with these churches and correcting their mistakes and helping them grow in Christ to become mature Christians.

So the letters of the New Testament, written by Paul are either to inform by answering difficult questions that had arisen as these young converts wrestled with how to be faithful to Jesus, their Saviour or by pointing out to them where they were departing from how they ought to behave as Christians.

Reading these letters then, we find some that are gentle and generous (like Philippians) and some that are forceful and direct (like Galatians) and some are full of teaching (like Romans). All of them are valuable; all are part of Scripture and so all authoritative.





A Look Beneath The Surface

At half past four, the dawn chorus begins
It is not quiet, or halting
But full throated, melodious and varied
So many different sorts of birds
All singing beautifully
Each one the champion of his kind
Here is prodigality – given to welcome the new day

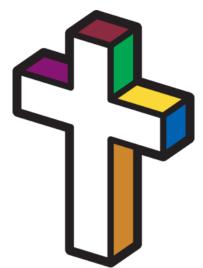
In my garden the late Spring flowers glow
There is completeness in each new opening bud
Colours, forms, variety, a subtle blending
Without rivalry, a natural harmony
All showing perfection
Here is more than an artist's palate – a creator's gift

A new born baby, no more than a few days old
Vulnerable, totally dependent, trusting
Holding life by each single breath
With all the rich tomorrows barely formed
But laden with rare potential
All showing in these unfocused eyes, a strong ambition
Aspiring to reach no less a goal – than Heaven

A young man torn and disfigured on a cross
The sore lines of pain deep cut across his brow
But shame and grief conceal the truth
That here is love, and sacrifice, and purpose
The final flowering of the tree of grace
Drawing together and completing
The eternal purpose of a mighty God
Whose acts are seen in bird, and flower and babe
Made flesh in Christ

Worth Remembering

When God gave the Holy Spirit to the infant Church at Pentecost, it was like an explosion. It set the Church alight and fired them to go and do amazing things in the name of their Lord and Master Jesus Christ. Sure they had a lot to learn, sure they weren't always as loving, as true or as faithful as they might have been. However, by the help of God, they achieved so much that we can only marvel and declare "Surely the Lord was with them!" Yes indeed he was!



Here are three memory verses that set down clearly truths that were vital I carrying out that remarkable work.

June Memory Verse: 1 Corinthians Ch. 1 Vs. 23,24

The early church was overwhelmed by the fact that Jesus was alive and with them. This had the effect of helping them see the crucifixion of Jesus in a new light. No longer was it a sign of defeat and failure. Now it could be seen as a sign of victory, the true meaning of bringing us back into fellowship with God: "We preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to the Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God"

July Memory Verse: Acts 3 Vs. 6

Peter and John are going up to the Temple to pray. On the way they pass a cripple who looks at them, hoping for alms. The Apostles stop and say to the man that they have no money, but they will give what they have and actually perform a miracle by curing him. Such is the power of Christ "Silver and gold I do not have, but what I have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk"

August Memory Verse: Matthew Ch. 28 Vs. 19,20

Here is the core verse, known as the great commission. The early church preached Christ because they believed that message. They also knew they must do this because Christ had commanded it. Here is the basic instruction to Christ's followers and the foundation for mission and evangelism.

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you."



This year Holiday Club will run from Monday1st until Friday5th August. We are delighted that we have two leaders. Graeme MOORE will return and will be alongside Jane Machray.

The theme of the week is Gods Big Plan and the setting is in a theatre where the show goes on. We hope all our experienced leaders will be joined by some

new recruits and the teenagers will engage again as trainee leaders. The numbers will be limited to 80 registrations on a first come first in basis, so look out for registration forms from the schools in June. There will also be a Facebook registration.

We are so glad to be working together increasingly with other churches in the town and sharing this outreach with them.

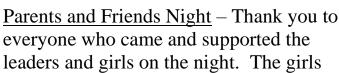
There will be an open evening for families on the Thursday evening and a joint service with Burns and Old congregation on Sunday 7th August. Please pray for all the work of preparation as we want to welcome many youngsters and deliver an exciting, fun programme for them to enjoy and learn from.

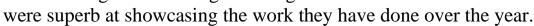


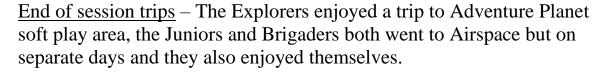
Remember all those volunteering to lead, that they will have time to prepare and enjoy serving in this unique week. Pray for safety, blessing and fun for the youngsters and a deeper knowledge of Gods plan of love for them and their world.



Our Girls' Brigade Company has now finished for the session. It has been a busy year. Thank you to all our officers, leaders and friends who have helped us over the year and to the girls for coming along each Tuesday night. We really appreciate it.







Scotland

<u>Duke of Edinburgh Award</u> – In June our Brigaders will receive their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award – Well done! Five of our Brigaders will be focusing on the expedition part of the Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award during the summer holidays.

Our captain Catherine Kerr has decided to step down as Captain due to work and family commitments. She will continue as an officer and hopefully will be able to help us out when she can. We thank her very much for the leadership and guidance she has shown to us. As we take a break until September we would like to wish everyone a wonderful and restful summer holiday.

Explorers - At the Girls' Brigade Parents and Friends Night we were able to hand over a cheque for £446 to the Rev. Sally Foster Fulton, the new head of Christian Aid. With this money 148 mosquito nets will be able to be purchased for the use of protecting a goodly number of children and their families in Africa. A big thank you to so many of you in the congregation for supporting us by attending our Mosquito Drive, through donations as well as contributing to the Explorer Coin Jar which alone raised £121. Then there was the Guild who gave us £100 so what started as an Explorer project became a company one before being adopted by the congregation. As Sally said we are showing ourselves to be good neighbours to those much less fortunate than us. The question is what will be the Explorer project next session? Just watch this space.

BB NEWS JUNE

We've reached the end of another year. Our first Parents' Night this year was for the Company Section because of the way the school exams fell this year. Boys all gained their badges and special awards were awarded as follows - Best Recruit was shared by Fraser Anderson and Logan Scott, Best Boy was shared by Calum McCracken and Craig McFarlane and Best NCO went to Calum Baird. Our special Endeavour award - for



someone who faces difficulties in his life - went to James Caldwell. At our Anchor Boys and Junior Section Parents' Night we promoted 11 Anchors to the Junior section and 2 Juniors to the Company Section. The Boys have worked hard throughout the year and have gained all their badges.

Following parents' nights the younger Boys spent an enjoyable evening at Adventure Planet and the older ones spent an exhausting evening at Airspace. Our last event of the year was our camp at Spittal of Glenshee last weekend. The weather was not particularly good to us but we did have excellent accommodation, and experienced instructors who were so patient and encouraging. The Boys took part in rifle shooting, archery, crate climbing, a pole climb and other activities involving climbing onto high platforms. Colin Scott is going to be busy with some of the older Boys over the summer months working on completing their Duke of Edinburgh Silver Expedition. We are grateful to a fellow officer - Jim McCormick - who is going to help Colin with the 11 'expeditioners'.

The BIG event, which we have been working towards for the past two years is our trip to Malawi. Plans are coming together - in fact, nearly complete. I believe that the people of Katete are really looking forward to our return, this time to work on the Church. We are paying the local tradesmen to re-roof the building, plaster the walls and cement the floor. We will paint the walls and dig some drainage while we are there. There are 10 of us going this year -Douglas and Lynda Anderson, John Paterson and myself along with Blair Anderson, David Bauld, Lewis Cameron, Cameron Costiff, Jordan Henderson and Jack Rennie. Please pray for our safe travels from 28th June until16th July. If you want to keep up to date with our time and our progress in Malawi there will be a 3rd Kilsyth BB Malawi page which will be open to anyone who wishes to access it. I cannot finish this section of news without saying a very sincere thanks to the members of the Church who have supported us financially. There have been people - you know who you are - who are regularly giving me donations and, of course, I always claim Gift Aid on these donations. The Government Gift Aid scheme has made a significant contribution to our fundraising!

Now...... signing off until we start back in August - date to be confirmed.

Church Diary



(fellowship after service)

Time for prayer Wyper Hall 6.00pm **Wednesday:** Praise Group 7.30pm

Friday: 'Drop in Café

Wyper Hall 10.00am – noon



Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 8th June: Praise Group 7.30pm
Saturday 11th June: Summer Fayre 1.30pm – 3.30pm
Wednesday 15th June: Kirk Session Wyper Hall 7.30pm
Sunday 26th June: Communion 11.00am & 6.30pm
Sunday 3rd July: Service at Cottage Hospital 3.30pm

Monday 1st August – Friday 5th August: Holiday Club



You are invited to join us at Anderson Church JAM club for these special events (11am-12.15)

Sunday 5th June - JAM Skaters & Scooters: bring your wheels!

Sunday 12th June - JAM Healthy Bodies: dress to sweat! Sunday 19th June - JAM Priz e Giving: our chance to shine Saturday 25th June- JAM Summer Trip: Bowling @ Stirling.

Flower List

5th June: Mrs Margaret Waddell, Garrell Grove

12th June: Mrs Betty Goodwin, Blenheim Court

19th June: Mrs Isobel Tennant, Auchinvole Cresent

26th June: Mrs Elizabeth Strang, Ebroch Dríve

Communion

3rd July: Mrs Margaret Bell, Blenheim Court

10th July: Miss Christine Johnstone, Barlandfauld Street

17th July: Mrs Jean Ricketts, Barr Farm Road

24th July: Mrs Betty Beaver, Corrie Road

31st July: Mrs Anne Leishman, Arch Way

DUTY ROTA

SUNDAY	DOOR DUTY	INTIMATIONS
5 th June	Miss C. Johnston/ Mr T. Anderson/ Mr C. Sturrock	Mr C. Waddell
12 th June	Mrs C. McIlwain/ Mr W. McIlwain/ Mrs B. Kennedy	Mr J. Weir
19 th June	Mrs A. Harrower/ Mr B. Smith/ Mrs E. Miller	Mrs D. Barrowman
26 th June	Mr C. Scott/ Mrs M. Cowie/ Mrs B. Beaver	
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OUR FAMILY

On Sunday, 15th May, Mrs Jan Bateman was admitted to the Kirk Session as an Elder. Jan had previously served as an elder for many years in Banton Parish Church. We wish Jan well in her new appointment.



Also on that same Sunday, Mr John Weir was awarded a long service certificate, John had served 16 years as Preses of the Board of Managers before stepping down in March

BIRTHDAY

Congratulations to George Barclay, Burngreen who celebrates his 75th Birthday on the 20th June





My sincere thanks to the church for the beautiful flowers graciously delivered by Ena Graham. Also for the prayers, good wishes and phone calls. It is uplifting to know you are thought a

Grateful thanks

Babs Taggart

I would like to thank the church for the flowers that I received recently, you kindness is gratefully appreciated

Marion Lauder

Dear friends

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the lovely flowers, cards and prayer support I received after the death of my brother Alan

God Bless you all

Douglas Bankier

Thank you to my friends at the Anderson Church, your support and goodwill are gratefully appreciated. Thanks to Molly for delivering lovely flowers and to Mr Vint for his visit, which I unfortunately missed because of a medical test I was attending at the time

Betty Gordon

I wish to thank my dear friends of Anderson Church for the lovely flowers received for my "special birthday". This was very kind and is appreciated. Thank you again, best wishes

Mae Shaw



Thursday 3rd June: Bill/ TEAM 3

Saturday 11th June: Christine/ TEAM 4
Thursday 16th June: Berta/ TEAM 5
Saturday 25th June: Cathie/ TEAM 1
Thursday 30th June: Margaret/ TEAM 2

Thursday 7th July: Bill/ TEAM 3

Saturday 16th July: Christine/ TEAM 4 Thursday 21st July: Berta/ TEAM 5 Saturday 30th July: Cathie/ TEAM 1

DROP IN HOSTESSES



Friday 3rd June: Marion, Beth & Elizabeth
Friday 10th June: Cathie, Margaret & Sandra
Friday 17th June: Christine, Ena, Aileen & Olivia

Friday 24th June: Ann, Betty & Linda Friday 1st July: Annabel, Berta & Jean

Please Note

The Drop in will be closed from the 8th July – 12th August (inclusive) Re-opens on Friday 19th August

Now for something a wee bit different....

Continuing from the last magazine, here are another few recipes: for you try

MELTING MOMENTS

12 oz flour 4oz cornflour 12oz margarine or butter 4oz caster sugar FILLING: 3oz butter/ 6oz icing sugar/ 1tsp vanilla essence Oven Gas Mark 4

cream butter & sugar until very soft
Sieve flour and cornflour & gradually add to creamed
mixture beating hard

Drop in teaspoonfuls onto a greased baking tray leaving room for mixture to spread

Bake 15-20 minutes, cool slightly before removing from

Filling: cream butter, add sieved icing sugar & essence and beat well

when biscuits are cold, sandwich together with butter icing

FRUIT SCONES (make:

1lb S.R. flour, plus extra to dust 4oz margarine
3oz caster sugar 3oz sultanas
1 beaten egg 7 fl oz milk
to serve: strawberry iam & clotted cream

to serve: strawberry jam & clotted cream preheat oven to 200°c/ gas mark 6

Place flour and marg in bowl and rub until mixture resembles fine crumbs, stir in sugar & sultanas Add the beaten egg and gradually the milk to make a soft dough. Knead lightly on a floured surface and roll out to about $\frac{3}{2}$ in thickness

Using a 2 ¾in cutter cut and transfer scones to a lightly oiled tray, knead the leftover dough and continue rolling and cutting scones until you have 8 scones

Brush top of scones with a little milk, bake for 10-15 mins until well risen & golden brown.

serve warm, split in half and top with jam & cream

SHORTBREAD

12 oz flour 4 oz cornflour 9 oz butter 4oz caster sugar pre heat oven to Gas mark 3

Cream butter & sugar until very soft, sieve flour and cornflour and gradually add to the creamed butter, using mixer, beat for 5 minutes. Roll out to between 1-1.5 in thick. Shape or cut and place on lightly greased tin, prick the top

Bake 20-25 minutes, remove from oven , sprinkle with caster sugar and replace in oven for a further 5-10minutes, cool slightly before removing from tin

Kidz Page

Unscramble the letters to find the words in our

David & Goliath Anagram

Word List:

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brave, fight, giant, heart, hero, Philistines, shepherd, slingshot, stones, youngest





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deehhprs
agint
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ghilnosst
enosst
ehiiilnpsst
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		2	1		
	5			1	
	6			4	
		3	6		
5					1

Summer Word Ladder

Make your way from GREEN to GRASS by changing just one letter on each step to make a new word! There are 7 steps in this word ladder.



G R E E N Summer cold
G R F F N Summer cold

G R Wanting

Wanting everything.

RE

Heavily wooded.

TR

More than one tree.

RE

Long lock of hair.

SS

Old fashioned salad plant.

CR

Crude.

G R A S S Dad's favorite plant.

Jesus Walks on Water Word Search

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AFRAID BOAT CALM DISCIPLES DOUBT EYES FAITH MIRACLE PETER PRAYING

SAFE SEA SINK STRETCHED TRUST WALKED WATER WAVES WINDY



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WEBSITE

www.kilsythandersonchurch.org

If you wish to listen to the morning service again,

it can
be found on the church website

CD MINISTRY

A copy of the morning service can be provided.

Please speak to your Pastoral Care visitor

who can arrange for a copy

Items of news, special occasions, etc. for the next Newsletter should be given to Helen Shaw by Sunday 24th July 2016