

# From the Manse.....

William Temple, one-time Archbishop of Canterbury, said,

"The Church is the only society that exists for the benefit of those who are not its members". At first, this might seem a slightly odd statement, but it becomes clear when we think more about it. The Church, of course, is a family of Christian believers — men and women called together to worship God AND to represent and carry the Good News of Jesus to the world.

We undertake these tasks in several ways, but perhaps the most obvious is outlined in Jesus' commission given to his disciples. In Matthew chapter 28 Jesus tells his followers,



"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. And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

A core purpose for the Church is helping men and women, boys and girls understand God's Word, both what it means and importantly how it applies to everyday life. In Kilsyth Anderson, there are multiple opportunities for this to happen, from the Sunday preaching to midweek discussion groups, from the JAM club and youth organisation to the Guild and other activities.

#### **Sharing the Word of God** is central to what we are as a church.

Next we are to BAPTISE. Baptism is a wonderful celebration of being welcomed into the Christian community. In Bible times, most baptisms were of adults who, on hearing about Jesus, decided to step out in faith to become a follower. Baptism was then a sign that the Church accepted this person as a Christian. (We believe that God also works through baptism to give a special blessing to the person involved).

From early times the Church also baptised the children of Christian believers, again a sign that they were considered part of the Christian community. Later, when a child became old enough to make a personal decision to be a follower of Jesus there was a special act of CONFIRMATION. In our Presbyterian tradition, this was linked to a PUBLIC PROFESSION OF FAITH where the young person, usually around 16 or 17 would become a church member and full participation in the community life of the church.

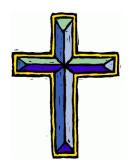
It is something of a sadness to me as a minister that in our day many do not wish to be publicly counted as a follower of Jesus and to become part of the family of local Christians. It is perhaps something we need to pray about and give consideration how we might 'GO' and 'MAKE DISCIPLES' as Jesus instructed.

Another way the Church has traditionally reached out to the community with the Christian message is through, what was known as, the 'Ordinances of Religion', by which was meant, Baptism, Marriage and Funerals.

We have already mentioned Baptism, but Marriage and Funerals also have special meaning in a Christian context.

Jesus, we know, considered marriage as the best arrangement for a couple to enjoy one another and family life. The Bible teaches us about a quality of loving found only through Jesus. This love transcends, inspires and transforms our human love. It is this love that, as a Church, we celebrate.

The death of someone precious to us is something which deeply



affects all of us. As Christians, we have something very distinctive and unique to say about death. Our understanding is based on the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. Church funeral services always point towards what Jesus has promised to his followers, which is life eternal. Christian funerals are events which speak of a sure and certain hope – a light in the darkness of our natural grief. As a Christian church we rejoice in being participant in the Mission of God to the world.

We share and teach His word. We invite all people to know the blessing of Christian baptism, the inspiration of Christian marriage and the eternal hope in Christian death.

These things are only the beginning, for Christ's call to love our neighbour means that we will strive to bring help, encouragement and love where we can.

Kilsyth Anderson Church has, in Christ's name, served the community of Kilsyth for over 250 years. I want to thank you for the part you play as His representatives and ambassadors.

May God richly bless you as you seek to be a blessing to others.

# Allan

# Story Behind The Hymn

## LIKE A RIVER GLORIOUS: FRANCES RIDLEY HAVERGAL

#### **Frances Ridley Havergal**

(14 December 1836 – 3 June 1879) was an English religious poet and hymnwriter. *Take My Life and Let it Be* and *Thy Life for Me* (also known as *I Gave My Life for Thee*) are two of her best known hymns. She also wrote hymn melodies, religious tracts, and works for children. She did not occupy, and did not claim for herself, a prominent place as a poet, but by her distinct individuality, she carved out a niche which she alone could fill.

Frances Ridley Havergal was born into an Anglican family in Astley, Worcestershire in December 1836. Her father William was a clergyman, composer and hymnwriter, her brother Henry was a Church of England priest.



When she was five, her father removed to the Rectory of St. Nicholas, Worcester. In August, 1850, she entered Mrs. Teed's school, whose influence over her was most beneficial. In the following year she says, "I committed my soul to the Saviour, and earth and heaven seemed brighter from that moment." A short sojourn in Germany followed. In 1852/3, she studied in the Louisenschule, <u>Düsseldorf</u>, and at <u>Oberkassel</u>. Havergal's scholastic acquirements were extensive, embracing several modern languages, together with Greek and Hebrew.

On her return to England, she was confirmed in Worcester Cathedral, 17 July 1853. In 1860, she left Worcester upon her father resigning the Rectory of St. Nicholas, and resided at different periods in Leamington, and at Caswell Bay, Swansea, broken by visits to Switzerland, Scotland, and North Wales. It was during this time 1873—that she read J. T. Renford's little booklet *All For Jesus*, which "lifted her whole life into sunshine, of which all she had previously experienced was but as pale and passing April gleams, compared with the fullness of summer glory." She led a quiet life, not enjoying consistent good health. She supported the Church Missionary Society.

When vacationing in the south of Wales, 1876, she caught a severe cold, accompanied by inflammation of the lungs. Hearing how ill she was, and that she might die, she replied, "If I am really going, it is too good to be true." Her friends were amazed at how peacefully she received this information. She did survive that illness, and later that year she wrote the hymn "Like a River Glorious" in which she pointed to the source of her perfect peace: "Stayed upon Jehovah, hearts are fully blessed, finding, as He promised, perfect peace and rest."

Miss Havergal, a devout Bible scholar, echoed Isaiah in "Like a River Glorious" in which God promises "peace like a river." She also incorporated Isaiah 26:3, which states "You will keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on You, because he trusts in You." "Like a River Glorious" paints the picture of this peace.

Miss Havergal wrote to another hymn writer who had also written about peace. In her letter, Miss Havergal quoted Romans 5:1 "We have peace with God," adding "It is yours already, purchased for you, made for you, sealed for you, pledged to you – by the word of the Father and the precious blood of Jesus."

The hymn was first published in its present form with the name "Perfect Peace," in *Hymns of Consecration and Faith*, 1876

Frances died of peritonitis near Caswell Bay on the Gower Peninsula in Wales at age 42. She is buried in the far western corner of the churchyard at St Peter's parish church, Astley, together with her father and near her sister, Maria Vernon Graham Havergal. Her sisters saw much of her work published posthumously

Jacob loved Leah more than Rachel

Jacob treated Leah with more respect than Rachel because Leah was older

1. How many brothers did Isaac have? (not including half brothers) (Genesis 22:2) 2. Why did the Lord command Abraham to kill Isaac? (Genesis 22:12) to test Abraham's faith and obedience because Isaac was being wicked because Abraham was being wicked because Isaac was possessed by the devil 3. What was Abraham commanded to do to Isaac? (Genesis 22:2) stab him with a spear burn him as a sacrifice poison him slowly leave him outside to be eaten by the beasts 4. What stopped Abraham from killing Isaac? (Genesis 22:11-12) Abraham fainted an earthquake an angel of the Lord a she-bear 5. Abraham commanded that Isaac should not marry a: (Genesis 24:3) Ishmaelite Israelite Canaanite Egyptian 6. How would Abraham's servant know which woman would be Isaac's wife? (Genesis 24:14) she would offer to fill him and his camels with water he would be told in a dream she would sing and dance for him she would be working in the fields when he met her 7. What was the name of Isaac's wife? (Genesis 24:67) Leah Sarah Rachel Rebekah 8. When Rebekah gave birth to Esau, he was: (Genesis 25:25) malformed covered with red hair sleeping dead 9. Esau was a successful: (Genesis 25:27) Builder farmer hunter potter **10.** Jacob bought Esau's birthright from him with: (Genesis 25:30-34) 50 shekels of silver pottage three goats 11. What did Esau do to cause his parents to grieve? (Genesis 26:34-35) join the military spend all of his money wastefully kill Jacob marry outside the covenant 12. Who helped Jacob disguise as Esau in order to get the birthright blessing? (Genesis 27:6-10) the Lord Rachel Rebekah Isaac 13. What was NOT a reason that Jacob was able to deceive Isaac into giving him the birthright blessing? (Genesis 27:1-23) Jacob and Esau were identical twins Isaac was blind Jacob brought Isaac some meat that Esau would normally cook for Isaac Jacob was wearing Esau's clothes 14. What did Esau want to do to after Jacob "stole" the birthright? (Genesis 27:41) run away from Isaac & Rebekah celebrate with Jacob take the birthright back from Jacob kill Jacob 15. What object was present in the dream Jacob had after leaving his family? a book an altar a staff a ladder 16. How long did Jacob serve Laban before he married one of Laban's daughters? (Genesis 29:20-28) 10 years 14 years 7 years 3 years 17. Which of Jacob's wives did he love the most? (Genesis 29:30) Bilhah Rachel Zilpah Leah 18. Why did Jacob marry Leah before he married Rachel? (Genesis 29:16,23-28) he loved Leah most because Leah was older because it was part of the deal that Jacob made with Laban to make sure that he really wanted to marry Rachel 19. Why was Rachel envious of Leah? (Genesis 30:1) Rachel was sterile, but Leah had many children Leah was more beautiful than Rachel

20. What was the name of Jacob's son by Rachel? (Genesis 30:22-24)

Reuben Joseph Dan Naphtali

**21.** Who did Jacob wrestle until the morning? (Genesis 32:25-29)

Isaac Laban a messenger of God Esau

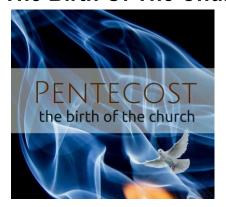
22. What was Jacob's name changed to? (Genesis 32:28)

Jabbok Isaiah Jacobugath Israel

# Ode To The Spell Checker

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As soon as a mist ache is maid, it nose bee four two long
And eye can put the error rite, its rare lea efer wrong
Eye half run this poem threw it, I am shore your pleesed two no
Its letter perfect awl the weigh, my chequer tolled me sew!

# The Birth Of The Church



With the Resurrection of Jesus, a whole new situation has been created. Suddenly their belief that Jesus was the Messiah has been proved and their hopes realised. So in the days before he left them to return to the Father he gives them clear instructions to go and share this good news with the whole world. They had to preach the Gospel and seek to bring people of all nations into the Kingdom. This was the Great Commission and it was to be the blueprint for the Church life and work. But the immediate question has to be, how was this possible? They were in the midst of a hostile environment where people had killed Jesus and where their message about him would be no more welcome. Further they were only a small group of ordinary people, what chance had they in the midst of the all-conquering Roman

Empire. Finally, how would nations far away understand what they were on about, for not everyone had a background in the Old Testament. This was what they had to face. The miracle is that they did succeed and the Gospel not only survived but thrived and the Church grew and grew. How?

Well that is the story of the Church and it all centres around the gift of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. In these memory verses that follow we begin with the great truth Of Jesus Resurrection and then see the power of God coming on them with the infilling of the Holy Spirit. This is what gives them the courage they need. If the Gospel is true and the Resurrection proves that it is! And if God is enabling them to tell that good news and with the power of the Holy Spirit in them, he is then nothing in the whole world can stop them. They fear nothing, not even death, for they are convinced that Jesus had already beaten that final and greatest enemy. That is the reason for the continuing success of the Church and that same power is still available to us today. Boy, if only we could realise that more fully – nothing would stop us!

# June

After the seeming total defeat of Jesus on Good Friday, his disciples are filled with despair. It seems to them at that moment that their dream is over and there is no good news. They had watched Jesus in agony on the cross and could see clearly that he was dead. — This surely was the end! But he had taught them that he would rise again in three days. To be frank I don't think they had fully understood what that meant and against the reality of the Cross that promise now seemed empty and futile

None the less because they still loved Jesus they go to the tomb early on the Sunday morning to do the things that custom and the Old Testament law demand. This was to be a final act of care and love. How things changed! When they get there and are wondering how they will get access to the tomb to do the final cleansing and anointing they discover by a young man who tells them the unbelievable truth that Jesus is alive

#### Mark Chapter 16 Vs 6

"Don't be alarmed", he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid them".

# July

In the days between the Resurrection of Jesus and the coming of the Holy Spirit, Jesus appears to them several times. Now, they must have wondered what lay ahead for them and whether Jesus would now be with them forever. So the start of Acts Chapter 1 is full of their questions on that theme. So on one occasion Jesus gives them definite instructions. They are to continue his ministry. Their work will begin locally in Jerusalem then spread out to Judea and then to Samaria and finally right out to the ends of the earth. Meantime they are to wait, so what are they waiting for? It is the gift that will empower them and will give them the courage, the strength and the total conviction needed to complete the mammoth task he is giving them. After the waiting though the miracle will happen and it will be dramatic.

#### Acts Chapter 1 Vs 8

"But you will receive the power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth".

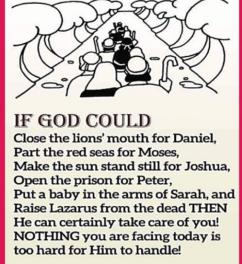
# **August**

So they wait and while they do, the excitement must have mounted. They could never have imagined what was about to happen. Continuing what had become their custom, hey gathered together. This had several purposes – it gave them confidence to be surrounded by friends, it gave them fellowship as they spoke about and planned their future and it gave them re-assurance. So on the great day of Pentecost they were met together. Suddenly a noise filled the house. It sounded like the blowing of a mighty wind. They were astonished to see what Acts describes as tongues of fire landing on each of them. Then most dramatically of all they all began to speak in other tongues, languages they did not know but which turned out to be languages from different parts of the world. People outside hearing them appeared to understand what was being said and total amazement was the result. This was the promised Holy Spirit. The Church was launched, equipped and ready to go.

#### Acts Chapter 2 Vs 8

"All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them".







# Manse Gardens



Calling all green fingered members of our Congregation Our Church and manse gardens are needing a little TLC. Calluna cuts our grass and hedges, but our borders and paths are looking a wee bit sad.

Our thanks go to Marion Cowie for working away in the background keeping these beautiful, but she is needing some help as it is a large garden, so if you can tell a weed from a plant and have a wee bit spare time to help weed and prune, Marion would love to hear from you.

# Kilsyth Anderson News

I am always looking for new ideas for the magazine and would love to hear any ideas that you think could be included in the forth-coming issues of the magazines. Special occasions, stories you'd like to share, puzzles – anything that might be of interest. Look forward to talking to you about your ideas



Helen x

# Church Recipe Book

Looking for your participation!



Many years ago the Anderson produced some recipe books, probably some of you will still have them, (I remember my Mum having one) Dig out some of your favourite recipes from them or if you have special recipes of your own and wish to share them, please speak to Rona Dawson.

Thank you

#### **USED STAMPS**

Many thanks to all who contributed to the World Mission Used Stamp appeal. Last year's appeal, for a day care centre for disabled children in the Ukraine, raised nearly £2,500. The 2019 appeal is in aid of the Chigodi Women Training Centre in Blantyre, Malawi. This is a residential training centre for 40 vulnerable women and girls which delivers 12 months of hands-on training in tailoring and fashion design. The clothes will be sold to help generate income for the project and make it sustainable. They will also be taught poultry farming. This project and the Stamp appeal both have running for 50 year and have helped



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#### Olivia Brittian

**World Mission Representative** 



# Church Diary

Sunday: Morning worship 11.00am

<u>Evening worship</u> 6.30pm

Monday: <u>Ladies Bowling</u> 10.30am

The Guild 7.30pm

Tuesday: <u>Girls Brigade</u>:

Explorers (P1-P3) 6.00pm

Juniors & Brigaders (P4 +) 7.00pm

Wednesday: <u>Bible & Blether</u> 2.00pm

<u>Praise Group</u> 7.30pm

<u>Manse Discussion Group</u> 7.30pm

Boys Brigade:

Anchor Boys (P1 -P3) 5.45pm Junior Section (P4 -P6) 6.30pm

Company Section (P7 + Secondary)7.30pm

Thursday: <u>Mid-week Fellowship</u>

Wyper Hall 7.00pm

Friday: <u>'Drop in Café</u>

Wyper Hall 10.00am - noon

PLEASE NOTE THE GIRLS AND BOYS BRIGADE ARE FINISHED FOR THE SESSION

Contact for urgent Pastoral Care

Minister: Rev Dr Allan Vint

Session Clerk: Mrs Elizabeth Strang

# Dates for your Diary

Sat 8th June: Summer Fayre

Tues 11<sup>th</sup> June: Kirk session, Wyper Hall 7.00pm

Sun 16th June: Jam Club Prize giving

Sun  $23^{rd}$  June: Communion Services 11.00am & 6.30pm

Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> July: Praise Group 7.00pm

# Free Will Offering Envelopes/ Gift Aid



The new free will offering envelopes are now ready for the year commencing the first Sunday in July. The are located on the vestibule table and are sorted by street names not surnames. It would be appreciated if you could collect and deliver envelopes to those who have been unable to attend church. If you wish to start using free will envelopes, please contact Helen Shaw.

If you would like to set up a standing order with your bank, ask Helen for the Church bank account details.

If you are an income taxpayer and not already signed a gift aid form (we can claim 25% from your offerings) please speak to Helen Shaw

### **Christian Aid**

This Year's Christian Aid appeal realised £423 from our church.

Many thanks to those who participated



# **Church Box Money**



The money recently collected from church boxes amounted to £926.73 Thanks to all who contributed and 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.

Bill Smith, Church Box Convener

# JAM CLUB JAM JARS:

Please keep filling your jars with coins. A few spare labels are still available if you missed out or would like to fill another.

These can be returned on Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup> at the JAM club prize-giving service. Afterwards, there will be a special JAM tea, to which everyone is invited. Many thanks.





# Our Family

#### **Deaths**

The Lord is close to the broken hearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

Psalm 34:18

15th May: John Bryden, Livingstone Park

# **Special Birthday**

Congratulations to Charlie Waddell who will celebrate his 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday on the 17<sup>th</sup> June Happy Birthday Charlie!



# Flower List

2<sup>nd</sup> June Margaret Martin 9<sup>th</sup> June Annabel Smith 16<sup>th</sup> June Margaret Waddell 23<sup>rd</sup> June Elizabeth Strang

30<sup>th</sup> June Margaret Brown/ Sandra Morris

7<sup>th</sup> July Christine Johnston 14<sup>th</sup> July Aileen Mitchell 21<sup>st</sup> July Evelyn Miller 28<sup>th</sup> July Jacqueline Brown



We thank everyone for the cards, flowers and good wishes for our recovery of our recent illnesses this year. Thankfully things are on the mend. Thanks to all.

#### **Campbell & Margaret Sturrock**

Thank you very much for the prayers, phone calls, cards and good wishes I received whilst I was in hospital. It was very much appreciated. Thanks also for the church flowers and thanks to Mollie for delivering them.

#### Elsie Short

I'm a bit late with this, but then I'm never early! Many thanks to all for their prayers, good wishes and flowers following my surgery in February. The flowers from the Church were really appreciated as were all the others.

#### **Christine Johnston**

We would like to thank the church for the beautiful flowers which were delivered to us. Tour thoughtfulness and kindness is greatly appreciated. Thanks again.

#### George & Betty Clelland

Thank you for the lovely flowers I received. They are beautiful and very much appreciated. Thank you for the kind thoughts and wishes while John is still in hospital

#### Clem Bryden

(our condolences go to Clem and her family on the recent passing of John)



# **Girls Brigade**

It's been a busy year, we may not have a lot of girls but their personalities make up for that.

Thank you all for the support you have given us this session and it was great to see so many at our Parents and Friends evening. From the Explorers singing their hearts out, the Juniors telling us the story of the lost

sheep to the Brigaders telling us all about the

Kuapa Kokoo Cooperative, an association of cocoa farmers in Ghana, they had a great night and who doesn't love a frantic parachute game! Many thanks to Olivia Brittian, who at short notice

gave out our awards.

As a reward for all the girls hard work we took them to the Kelpies/ Helix Park

where they had a ball, thankfully the weather was kind to us. At the park the Brigaders found the waterspouts and off came the socks and shoes followed by some of the

younger girls, thankfully the sun was shining by this time and they dried off quickly. After our picnic we walked round to the Kelpies where we finished off the day with ice cream. Many thanks to the leaders for all their hard work in making our company a great success. We hope the

company a great success. We hope the girls have a lovely break over the summer and we'll see you when the new session begins.

(Watch our FB page for updates over the summer)
2nd Kilsyth Girls' Brigade, Kilsyth Anderson





Some people may have read on the BB Facebook page that we have lost our very good Malawian friend – our driver and guide - Wellington Chisambo. Wellie went to work on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May, suffered a seizure

followed by a heart attack and, although rushed to hospital by a colleague, was pronounced dead on arrival at hospital. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his family, his work colleagues and to the groups who were privileged to know and work with him. He will be a big loss to the Responsible Safari Company.

Speaking of Malawi, I would like to thank everyone who saves their toiletries bottles, crisp packets and biscuit and sweet wrappers. We are hoping to buy computers for the school at Katete - at present they have one computer for 2000 children. All

of your 'rubbish' that would have gone in the bin has been recycled

(melted down and remade into something else) and we have earned £422 to date with a couple of boxes still to be credited to our account. Please keep saving – help the children improve their skills.









Unscramble the letters to find the words in our

# Abram & Lot Anagram



# **KIDS PAGE**

How many different words can you make from the words:

### Jesus Walks on Water

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# **Hannah Word Search**

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ANSWERED BABY BLESSED ELI GAVE HONESTY LEARN LISTENED PRAY PROMISE PRIEST PROPHET SAD SAMUEL SLEEPING SPOKE THANK TRUSTED WORSHIP



## Places to find us

### **FACEBOOK/TWITTER**

www.facebook.com/kilsythanderson
Twitter@ Kilsyth Anderson

### **WEBSITE/INTERNET**

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 21<sup>st</sup> July 2019

1. 0 2. to test Abraham's faith and obedience 3. burn him as a sacrifice 4. an angel of the Lord 5. Canaanite 6. she would offer to fill him and his camels with water 7. Rebekah 8. covered with red hair 9. Hunter 10. Pottage 11. Marry outside the covenant 12. Rebekah 13. Jacob and Esau were identical twins 14. kill Jacob15. a ladder 16. 7 years 17. Rachel 18. because Leah was older 19. Rachel was sterile, but Leah had many children 20. Joseph 21. a messenger of God 22. Israel