

WORD FROM THE CROSS

November 2026



*They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them.*



LEST WE
FORGET
REMEMBRANCE DAY



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Parish Letter

Dear friends,

Sunday 8th November 2026



**LEST WE
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REMEMBRANCE DAY

**10am service at Church
then either
10.45am at Cross, or
10.50am at Church**

'Blessed are the peacemakers, they shall be called God's children.'
(Matthew 5:9)

Each November, we gather to remember those who gave their lives in times of war and conflict. We recall the courage and sacrifice of generations who endured suffering, separation and loss in the hope of a better and more peaceful world. The familiar silence, the wreaths of poppies and the words of the Act of Remembrance are more than simply traditions. They are expressions of gratitude, respect and a determination that such sacrifices should never be forgotten.

Yet it is worth asking ourselves: why does remembrance matter so much, and why is it just as important today as it has ever been?

The world has changed enormously since the two World Wars, yet the human need for peace, understanding and compassion remains as strong as ever. Across the world, people continue to experience the pain of conflict, the fear of violence and the heartbreak of losing loved ones. Remembering those who suffered in the past should help us recognise

the suffering of others in the present. It should deepen our compassion and encourage us to work for a world in which people can live together with greater kindness, dignity and understanding.

There is also a deeply Christian dimension to remembrance. Throughout the Bible, God's people are repeatedly encouraged to remember: to remember God's faithfulness, to remember those who have gone before us, and to remember the lessons of the past. Perhaps this is why remembrance matters just as much today as it always has. In a world that often moves at a bewildering pace, where news is quickly replaced by the next headline and the past can seem distant, remembrance invites us to stop and pay attention.

So, as we stand together in silence this November, let us remember with gratitude those who gave their lives in the service of others. Let us hold in our prayers all who continue to suffer through war and conflict, and all who work tirelessly for peace. Let us also remember those whose names may never appear on a memorial, but whose quiet courage, faithfulness and kindness have made the world a better place.

Above all, may our remembrance be more than a moment. Remembrance is about more than looking back. It is also about how we choose to live today. May it become a commitment: to live thankfully, to love generously, to forgive readily and to work faithfully for peace wherever we can.

For remembrance is not simply about honouring yesterday. It is about helping us to live more wisely, more compassionately and more faithfully today, so that we may offer hope for tomorrow.

Shalom

Graeme



Graves at Ypres: Text *Laurence Binyon "For the Fallen"*

Five-Year Action Plan

Thank you for your responses to the Questionnaire issued at the end of September. These are being collated and analysed and the results will be used by the Kirk Session to prepare a draft Plan based upon:

1. Where is God at work in the life of the congregation?
2. What does the information obtained from the questionnaires ask of us?
3. What are the honest constraints, if any, preventing us from doing this? *(These could be things such as the availability of people to take the work forward, finance, skills, time, accommodation, etc.)*

The objective is to end up with a realistic, achievable Plan in broad brush language to guide Session and the congregation through the chosen objectives over the coming years. The final Plan will be subject to annual inspection by Presbytery, and the Session will be required to continue to develop the Plan, review progress and set objectives as time goes on.

The Kirk Session will be meeting at the end of October to begin shaping our Plan, with a view to submitting a draft to Presbytery by the end of November. We will, of course, keep you appraised of this Plan and how we intend to implement this over the next five years.

Potential linkage with Drumchapel: St Mark's

Considerable progress has been made towards developing the legal framework to enable this linkage to take place, and the Kirk Session will be reviewing this and taking a decision to recommend this linkage at the end of October. If the Kirk Session decide to recommend this course of action to the congregation then we will write to every member with full information shortly thereafter, and a congregational vote to proceed (or otherwise!) would then be intimated and taken in due course. If the linkage was to be agreed by the congregation then Presbytery would determine a date for the linkage to take place.

As I said, further detailed information would be provided in due course to enable members to make an informed decision, but it might be helpful to know in advance that a linkage is where both congregations would remain legally distinct and independent charities, but under the auspices of a Team Ministry between myself and Rev Audrey Jamieson of St Mark's.

Graeme

Celebration of Communion



I know that for many of you, myself included, the celebration of the sacrament of Communion is a central part of our faith life and experience – a way of connecting at a deeper level.

We will next **celebrate the sacrament of Communion on Sunday 6th December at 10.30am and at 4pm.**

Graeme

Home Communion

I know that for some of you, getting to church can be difficult or even close to impossible. If that is the case, then the Church can come to you!

The minister is always willing to bring communion to your home if you wish. He would be accompanied by your Elder, or another, to celebrate the sacrament together with you. This is a way in which to remain connected to the church and its life, even when you are less physically able to do so.

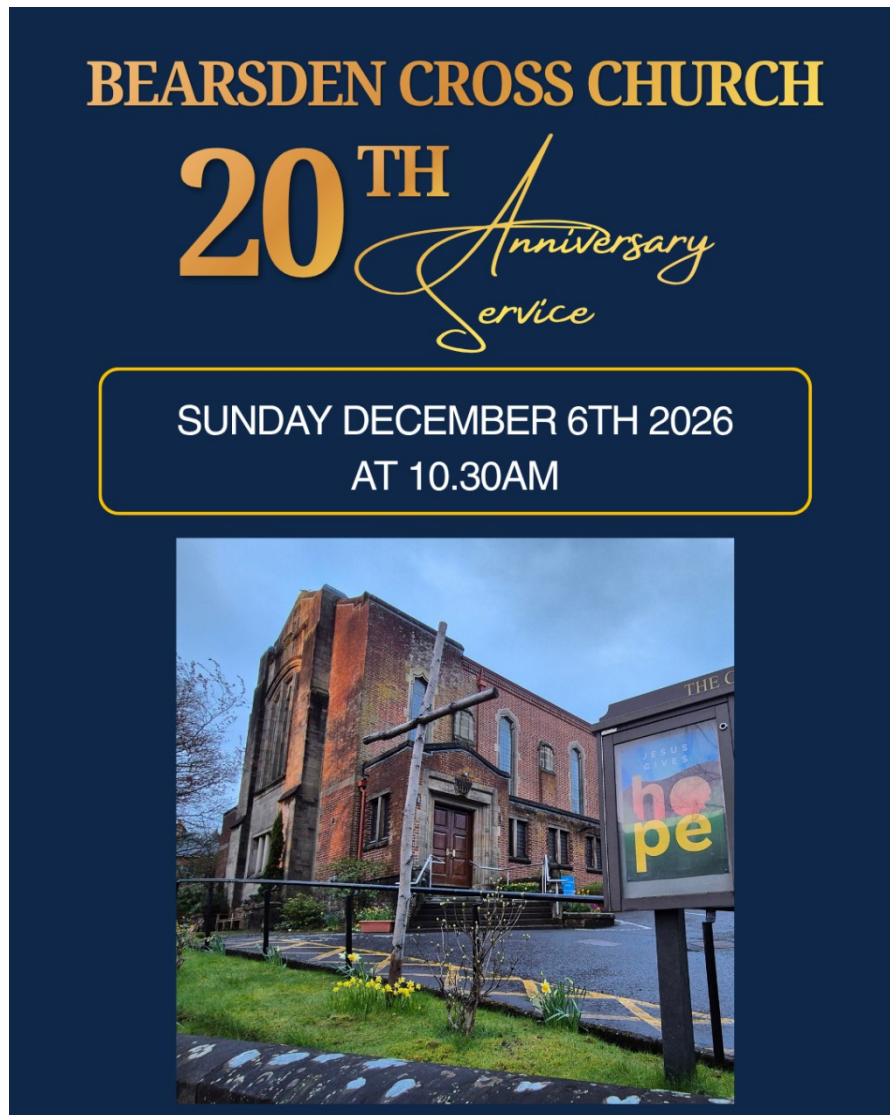


The Minister's Communion ware – from the shores of the Sea of Galilee

If you would like to arrange for Home Communion to be brought to you then please contact the Minister on 0141 942 0507 or email him at gwilson@churchofscotland.org.uk or contact your Elder.

Graeme

20th Anniversary Service – Sunday 6th December 2026



We will celebrate the 20th anniversary of the union of the former North and South churches to form Bearsden Cross Church at our morning Communion service on Sunday 6th December 2026 at 10.30am.

The Very Rev John Chalmers, Moderator of the General Assembly 2014-15, will be our guest preacher that day and we plan to have a Congregational Lunch in the Hall afterwards. More details will be available in the weekly Intimations, and in the December magazine, but we wanted you to put the date in your diaries now.

Please email secretary@bearsdencross.org, or sign up on the sheets in the Vestibule or Assembly Area (available from mid-November) if you plan to attend the lunch so that we can organise the numbers for catering.

Graeme

Bible Basics 2026/27

The Psalms



For this year's Bible Basics, I want to focus on that great collection of poetry, prose and prayer in the Old Testament known as the 'Psalms'.

There are 150 Psalms and these span many different genres such as: - lament, praise, thanksgiving, royal (focussed on kingship), and wisdom. As in some previous years, we will be using video materials produced by Professor Tom Wright aimed at everyone, as well as other sources.

'Bible Basics' is intended to offer a fairly gentle entry into Bible Study and is aimed at those curious to find out some of the basic stories and themes of the Bible. 'Bible Basics' will take place on **Tuesday mornings** at **10.30am** in the Guild Room and will last around 60 – 90 minutes. I will provide all of the relevant materials.

We will meet on the following dates in October and November:-

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Tuesday 3rd November	Psalm 8
Tuesday 17th November	Psalm 19
Tuesday 1st December	Psalm 44
Tuesday 15th December	Psalm 88

Graeme

Funday Sunday

Funday Sunday continue to meet during the service on a Sunday morning -this month we will meet on the 1st and 4th Sunday (1st and 22nd). We are enjoying the parables of Jesus and associated craft activities and we are also starting to prepare for the Christmas season.



We also are very grateful to all those who supported our harvest collection for the East Dunbartonshire foodbank, with your support a fantastic 122.5 kg was dropped off to them and they welcomed it with thanks. The foodbank advise they are busier than ever at the moment and this will assist them helping families in need.

Further details regarding Funday Sunday can be obtained from Anne in the church office

Anne and Lesley

Phoenix Circle

Dates for your diary:

02nd November - The Bearsden Shark!!!

16th November - Bags of Love

30th November - Every word tells a story by Katie Proven

Last month we celebrated our 40th Birthday , and marked the occasion with a very enjoyable lunch.

Senga Dempster



Christmas Cards!!!

On behalf of Crossreach I would like to thank you for your generosity in your recent purchases of Christmas cards and calendars. Each year I wonder what sales will be like due to changing habits regarding sending cards and the exorbitant cost and, often, unreliability of postal services and each year you never cease to amaze me!

This year I was able to send £350.97 to help with Crossreach's vital work so thank you.

If you need a reminder about what Crossreach does, either Google it or have a good read at their next publication which I issue in church several times a year. I will try to write an article in one of the magazines in 2027 to explain how important Crossreach is

Anne E Henderson:

Crossreach Congregational Contact

TMC

TMC continues to meet on the last Sunday of the month, with the exception of December. Our current collection, covering our September and our October meetings, will go to East Dunbartonshire Women's Aid Christmas appeal.

Our waiting list for our theatre trip to see "the Mousetrap" in April is still open and dinner before the show is booked in the Griffin across the road from the King's Theatre.

Any lady wishing to join our WhatsApp group to exchange daily news and chat should send their mobile number to either Gwen Stokes or me and your name will be added

Anne E Henderson

Men's Group



The Men's Group continues to meet for conversation and company.

Our next gathering will be a Curry Night at the **Ashoka** restaurant, New Kirk Road on **Thursday 5th November at 7pm.**

Please let me know if you are interested in coming along so that I can book a table(s) accordingly. Please also just turn up on the night.

Looking forward to seeing you on **Thursday 5th November.**

Graeme

Christmas Afternoon Tea



We will be hosting a Christmas Afternoon Tea – free of charge and open to all – on **Monday 7th December** from **2-4pm**. Catering is being provided by Café Crème and it promises to be an afternoon of coffee, cakes, conversation and carols.

Please email gwilson@churchofscotland.org.uk or sign up on the sheets in the Vestibule or Assembly Area (available from mid-November) if you plan to attend so that we can organise the numbers for catering accordingly.

Our recent Afternoon Teas have been a great success and enjoyed by all who attended, so put the date in your diaries! I look forward to seeing you on Monday 7th December!

Graeme



Our response to the Nepal flood appeal amounted to £580 in cash and Christian Aid envelopes was £580, to which there must be added more money given online. It is a wonderful response to the crisis and Christian Aid has been quick to show what has been done with it. Over 1,300 people are known to have died on the Nepal/Tibet border, with thousands more still missing, and many of the survivors lost their homes, farms and also local roads and bridges, all in a few minutes. Even so, working with their partners in Nepal, Christian Aid has been able to provide clean drinking water and water purification supplies, emergency food parcels, hygiene and dignity kits and cash assistance so families can buy what they need.

However, in its reports, Christian Aid has concentrated much more on the generous support that communities are giving one another. An example of this is the case of Shanti Maya Tamang who didn't initially see the flood coming and had to run to her home in panic to check that all her family were safe; they were. But her 10 buffaloes and 4 cows were not. They were alive but submerged to their necks in mud. She could not have rescued them herself but other villagers waded in alongside her to help move the animals to higher ground. But her house was completely destroyed and so at present Shanti Maya herself sleeps at a neighbour's house while her husband and son sleep under a plastic tent by the road watching over their animals. A local school currently has 250 families sheltering in it and what they have is largely what people round about have been able to share. As Christian Aid says, this is community resilience in action, not a dramatic rescue but hundreds of small decisions – to share a room, a meal, a blanket, help with moving animals – made by people who've lost almost everything themselves. Thank God for this! Help is still needed in Nepal as people have lost their livelihoods and many have debts to repay but have no documents, no savings and no sense of what comes next. Christian Aid still asks for donations and also our prayers for people in Nepal – and also in Venezuela and Myanmar in the aftermath of their disasters.

As these natural disasters have been the result of global warming, and burning fossil fuels, Christian Aid partners will be attending the climate conference Cop31 in Turkey and it invites us to pray for them in their efforts to hold those most responsible for this situation to account. See Christian Aid at:

<https://www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/emergencies/nepal-floods-appeal>

Katie Thomson



Autumn events to put your faith into action

Dear Katherine,

The climate crisis isn't a problem for the future. It is impacting people now. From severe flooding in Nepal to heatwaves here in the UK, we are already facing the impacts.

This is not just extreme weather. It is driven by the burning of fossil fuels and those most responsible must be held to account. Join us at Faith into Action and take action to make polluters pay.

Register now

- **Tuesday 27 October, 7-8pm:** hear from Christian Aid partners preparing to attend the UN climate change conference COP31 in Türkiye. Join us to hear their hopes for COP, pray for them and take action in solidarity.
- **Tuesday 1 December, 7-8pm:** explore how we can use a Christmas craftivism activity to creatively engage with our MPs on issues of climate and debt justice.

Faith into Action brings together Christians from across the UK who care about justice. It's an online space of encouragement and action.

I hope to see you there,

Flo Green

Campaigns Officer

Christian Aid

Glasgow City Mission



Tuesday 13th October was a very exciting day for Glasgow City Mission staff, volunteers and guests, as it is intended that the Mission will feature in an upcoming episode of **BBC's *Songs of Praise***, and a production team was in the Project Centre for almost 5 hours. Unfortunately, I was not able to be there but I know the staff planned to run some of the regular Tuesday groups during the filming plus a pop-up art class and several other activities, and then have a lunch-time drop-in. There weren't going to be any interviews, just a chance for the cameras to show the Mission as the busy, welcoming place it is, and no doubt there will be a mention on the programme of its 200th birthday this year. As yet, it is not known when the GCM episode of *Songs of Praise* will be broadcast but you will be informed as soon as possible! Don't miss it!

Two other events coming up soon are a Christmas Market and Carols at the Cathedral. The Christmas Market will be on **Saturday 5th December 10.00 a.m. – 3.00 p.m.** and it will have items for sale made by the guests, and tea/coffee with bakes made by those of the guests who are guest trainees in the kitchen. This could be a welcome break for you during your Christmas shopping so do come along to the Project Centre at 20 Crimea Street if you can.

On **Wednesday 9th December** there will be a service of music and reflection in Glasgow Cathedral at 6.30 – 8 p.m. which all supporters of the Mission are welcome to attend. There will be much to thank God for at that service but also much to ask Him for, especially over the Winter Project which starts in December:- for the team, that the right people will be employed, and that accommodation will be available for all those who need it. Please pray for all involved, that the Mission's Housing Officers will have patience and warmth in helping and that the guests will be able to accept the help they are offered with goodwill.

As GCM will need extra helpers at the evening drop-in, I shall be setting up a team soon and if you would like to help but haven't done so before, please contact me. Thank you.

Katie Thomson

SHEEP ON THE BRAIN!



At the moment the Tuesday fortnightly church bible studies are on the Psalms. Have the group reached Psalm 23 yet? How I wish I could be there! Now, the BBC Countryfile programme on Sunday evening included a young teenage shepherd delivering lambs with great skill, enabling one ewe to give birth to her triplets, getting rid of the uterine mucus, making sure the wee lambs could breathe well with a clear air passage and allowing the mother sheep to so gently 'nose' her offspring. What a wonderful sight even if a little bloody! Akin perhaps to how each of us was born all those years ago. These shepherds seem to be getting younger; as we ourselves are getting so much older. It took me back, escaping the end of the London blitz in 1940, to my years in a small, lovely village in Northamptonshire called Eydon, and to my before school duties; getting the water from the pump and walking to the farm, not too far away, with our metal can for the daily milk, just out of a cow and still warm when I got home.

In my early morning studies of the Psalms I am 'stuck' on Psalm 23. Good place to be stuck! This morning thinking about the sheep rather than the shepherd. So, this offering to the magazine is a meditation on a well-known verse (v2) from Psalm 23. It is about sheep!

In a previous church I was responsible for pastoral visitation. In those far off days it was appropriate to pray with the person you were visiting and even to share a passage of Scripture. At one time, long ago, this was also true of ordained elders in the Church of Scotland; as I know well. One of the folk I visited was a former shepherd. What he was

doing in Bearsden is another story! I learnt much from him about silence (shepherds speak mainly to sheep, not to those sheep of the human kind), and we discussed real sheep – about which he knew quite a lot.

My own experience about sheep is limited. One thing I have learnt about sheep (of both kinds) is patience. On a trip around New Zealand we had to stop the coach, engine turned off, to allow several hundred sheep to cross the road. They had right of way and they took their time; the shepherd and his dogs were in no great hurry; the 20mph speed limit was not in operation.

Being 'stuck' on verse 2 of Psalm 23, I am taking lots of time thinking about the two verbs in this one verse – makes and leads. Think for a moment about sheep lying down 'in green pastures'. The shepherd knows the best places for his sheep to relax. When they are standing but not feeding, they are not comfortable. They will not lie down unless they are free from unpleasantness of any kind. Still hungry perhaps, bitten by fleas, friction between the members of the sheep community (apparently not unheard of!) or feeling danger is near. They could be uncomfortable because of fear, aggravation, tension, anxiety or danger; sensing perhaps the near presence of a stray dog.

I heard a story about two such dogs attacking sheep on a farm in Canada. In one night two dogs killed nearly three hundred sheep. The shepherds were absent. Good shepherds in Australia have been known to sleep with their sheep, dog and rifle at hand; it was the presence of their shepherd that allowed the sheep to sleep free from anxiety and danger. We too can be free from such thoughts if our Great Shepherd is close at hand; as He has promised. 'Have no anxiety about anything', wrote Paul, pray, present.... and the peace of God will guard your hearts'. 'He makes me lie down in green pastures'. And, besides 'still', quiet waters. It is dangerous for sheep to drink from a moving stream in case the water, and the pollution in it, enters their lungs

Sheep and shepherds are, of course, a common theme in Scripture. Jesus saw both often. Shepherds would travel huge distances searching for the best pastures and for the odd sheep that had gone astray. He, now more often she, was constantly on the move, nursing, caring for them if injured, helping them in the turmoils of life, protecting them from danger and sometimes risking his own life for them. Always there. Words that certainly describe Jesus.

Yet are these also words to describe the church? Constantly on the move, nursing, protecting, helping in the turmoils of life (lots of those these days) always searching for the lost, always there for the individual. Is that us? As the church looks at herself in the current 'five- year plan' are these priorities? Pray for those leading us that it might be so.

Jim Parratt

COFFEE CONCERTS

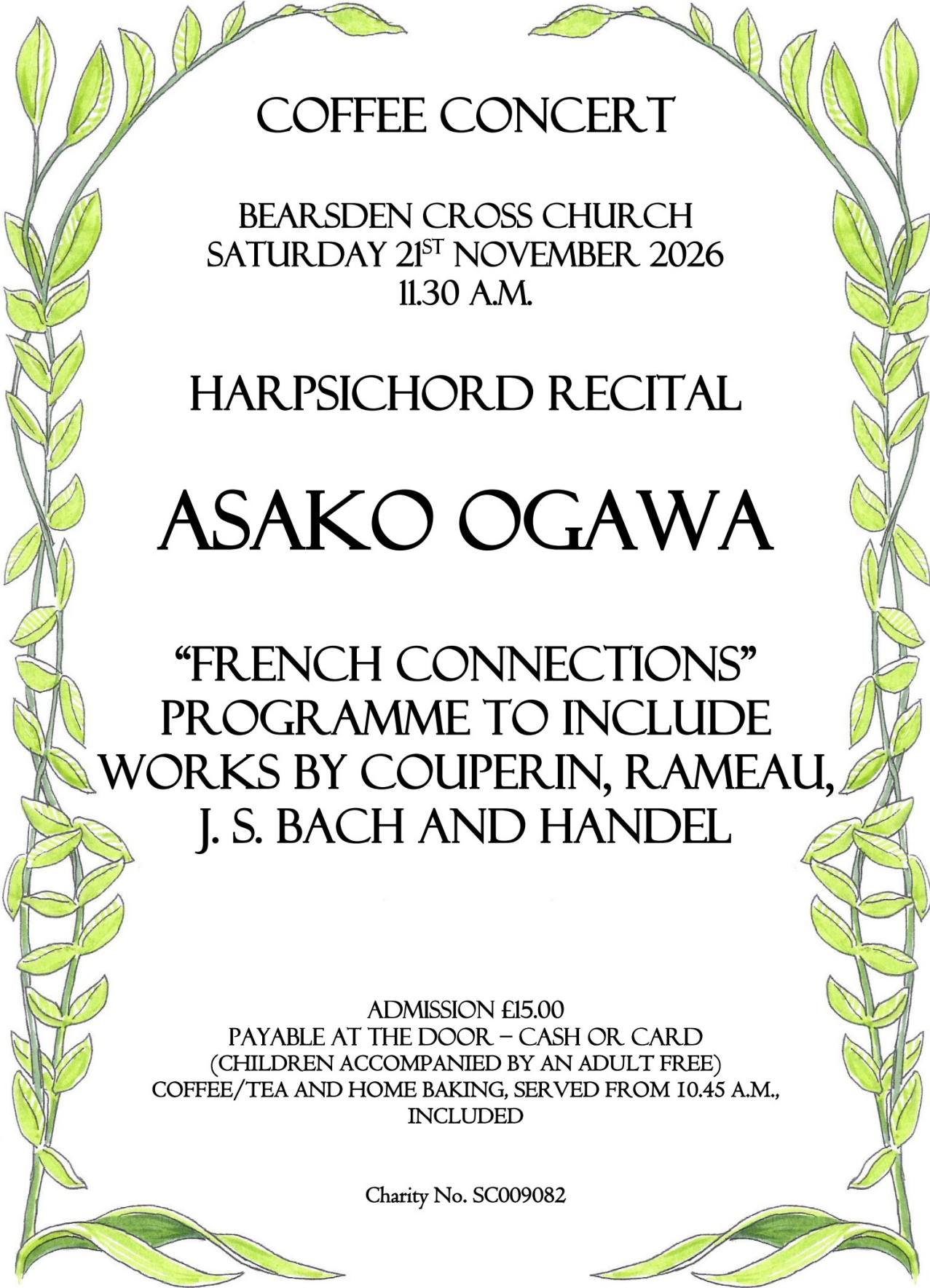


Bearsden Cross Church is extremely fortunate to have engaged ASAKO OGAWA for its next Saturday Morning Coffee Concert on 21 November for this, our very first, harpsichord recital. Originally from Japan and now based in London, Asako studied initially in Tokyo and then at the Guildhall School of Music in London. She performs regularly at leading festivals and venues including the London Handel Festival and the Halle Handel Festival in Germany. She has also featured on BBC Television and Radio.

The programme she has chosen for us – “French Connections” – is a “tour d’horizon” of the major peaks of the harpsichord repertoire: Couperin, Rameau, Bach and Handel. This really is something very special and not to be missed.

As usual, fresh coffee and tea with home baking will be served beforehand from 10.45 am in the small hall, with the recital in the church at 11.30 am. Tickets, priced £15, payable by cash or card, (free for accompanied children) will be available at the door. Do join us if you can for what is sure to be a wonderful morning of music.

Lyndsay Ross



COFFEE CONCERT

BEARSDEN CROSS CHURCH
SATURDAY 21ST NOVEMBER 2026
11.30 A.M.

HARPSICHORD RECITAL

ASAKO OGAWA

“FRENCH CONNECTIONS”
PROGRAMME TO INCLUDE
WORKS BY COUPERIN, RAMEAU,
J. S. BACH AND HANDEL

ADMISSION £15.00
PAYABLE AT THE DOOR – CASH OR CARD
(CHILDREN ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT FREE)
COFFEE/TEA AND HOME BAKING, SERVED FROM 10.45 A.M.,
INCLUDED

Charity No. SC009082

CHURCH FLOWERS



"The grass withers and the flowers fall but the word of our God endures forever."

Thank you to the flower group for decorating the Church for Harvest Thanksgiving.

OCTOBER FLOWERS

Provided by:

Arranged by:

4th.	From Funds.
11th.	In memory of Olaf Sutherland.
18th.	From Funds.
25th.	In memory of Norman Ritchie.

The flower group
E. Sinclair
G. Stokes
R. Walters

Christine Taggart

Warning: Fake Church Lottery Scam

Beware of Scams and Fake Websites

We have received this message from the Law Department of the Church of Scotland, and we are sharing it here for your information. Be careful with this, and the many other potential 'scams' out there. Graeme

Communication to Session Clerks and Congregational Treasurers

RE: Fake Websites

We have been made aware today of fake websites which are promoting a Church of Scotland fundraising lottery – both at a national level and also purporting to be individual churches.

These websites look very professional but are nothing to do with the Church of Scotland. Staff at the National Offices have reported this to the appropriate authorities as a matter of urgency.

A key indicator is that the web address being used misspells Scotland with two 'c's.

If any Church members have concerns about these fake websites, they can contact our Law Department via email on LAWDEPT@churchofscotland.org.uk

If you are aware of any individuals having given money to this scam, please ask them to contact Police Scotland.

*For the avoidance of doubt, **the Church of Scotland does not run a fundraising lottery.***



Join us for some Music Making at **Mind That Song**

Enjoy live music, a sing-a-long and afternoon tea with like-minded people

**2nd Friday of each month
2pm – 3.30pm**

Venue:
Bearsden Cross Parish Church
61 Drymen Road, Bearsden
Glasgow, G61 2SU
For more information please contact:
Lorna Shand,
Tel: 07769 367773
Email: lshand@alzscot.org

Our community groups are there to be enjoyed by anyone living with dementia or experiencing difficulties with Their memory, and their families and friends. All are welcome; people who can attend independently and/or for those unable to do so should come with a companion who can provide any support for them. We don't provide transport for these groups and therefore it is your responsibility to get to and from the community groups safely.

Alzheimer Scotland – Action on Dementia is a company limited by guarantee, registered in Scotland SC149069.
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Bearsden & Milngavie Macular Support Group.

Here we are, about to start a new session.

We are a friendly Group of people who meet once a month in the large hall of Bearsden Cross Church. We all have vision problems but get support from each other. Membership is not confined to church members. People join us from Drymen, Helensburgh and the West End in addition to our core from Bearsden and Milngavie.

We provide advice, information and social interaction. Anyone with macular degeneration or any other sight problem is welcome to join the Group. A family member or friend is also welcome to accompany you.

We meet on the **LAST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH** (with the exception of July, August and December.)

We meet in **Bearsden Cross Church Halls**. The doors open at 12.15 when you are welcomed with a sandwich lunch, tea / coffee. The meeting starts at 1.00 pm and finishes at 2.15 pm.

Our speakers have ranged from a police officer giving us safety advice, a provider of equipment to help us see more easily to a University Professor deeply involved in research into the causes of macular disease.

If you would like to know more about attending the Bearsden and Milngavie Support Group please get in touch with; me, via the Church Office.

....or JUST TURN UP !

Dr Joyce B Deans.

Church Register

Funerals

15.10.26	Mrs Nora Matheson
26.10.26	Prof Dominic Meek
27.10.26	Mrs Gladys MacLeod

Change of Address

October	Mrs Sheena Ritchie
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Dates for your Diary

OCTOBER

25	Morning Service	10.30 a.m.
	Bible Class	10.30 a.m.
26	TMC	7.00 p.m.
28	Kirk Session	7.30 p.m.

NOVEMBER

1	Morning Service	10.30 a.m.
	Funday Sunday & Crèche	10.30 a.m.
	Bible Class	10.30 a.m.
2	The Phoenix	7.30 p.m.
3	Bible Basics	10.30 a.m.
4	Congregational Board	7.30 p.m.
5	Men's Group	7.30 p.m.
8	Remembrance Service	10.00 a.m.
	Bible Class	10.00 a.m.
13	"Mind that Song" with Alzheimer Scotland	2.00 p.m.

15	Morning Service	10.30 a.m.
	Bible Class	10.30 a.m.
16	The Phoenix	7.30 p.m.
17	Bible Basics	10.30 a.m.
18	Kirk Session	7.30 p.m.
21	Coffee Concert	10.45 a.m. <i>for</i> 11.30 a.m.

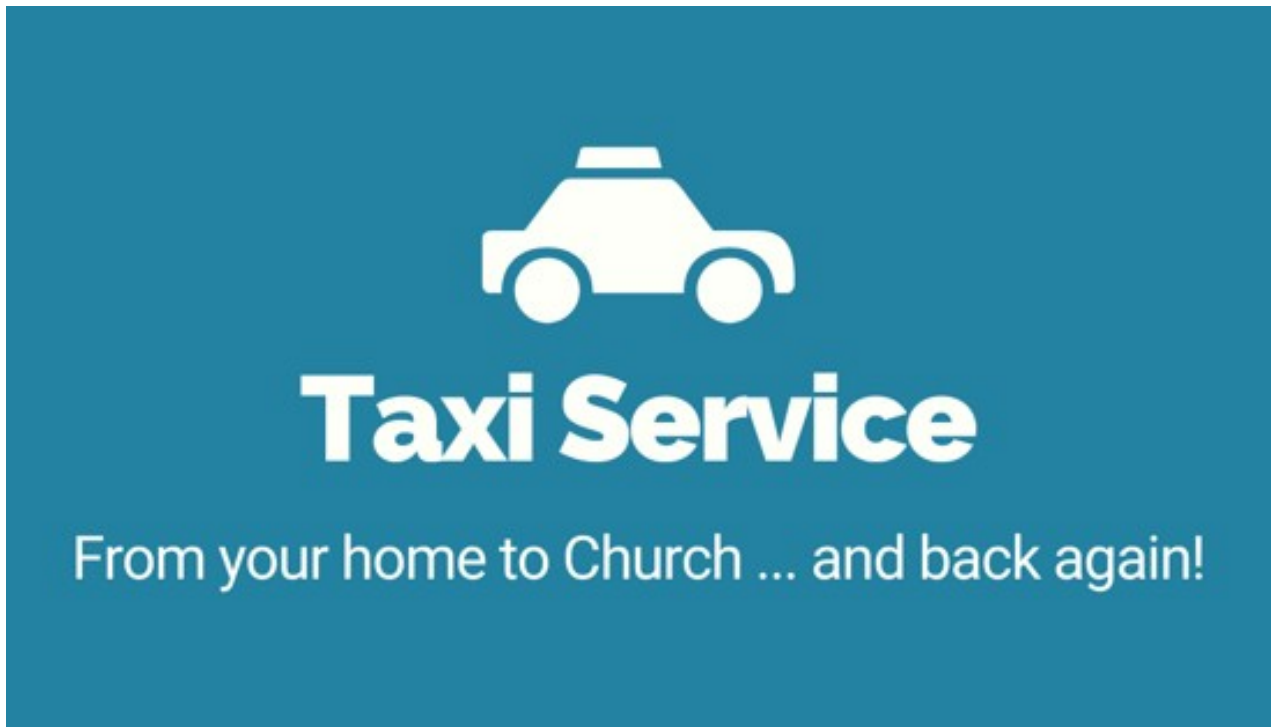
22	Morning Service	10.30 a.m.
	Funday Sunday & Crèche	10.30 a.m.
	Bible Class	10.30 a.m.

29	Morning Service	10.30 a.m.
	Bible Class	10.30 a.m.
30	The Phoenix	7.30 p.m.
	TMC	7.00 p.m.

DECEMBER

1	Bible Basics	10.30 am
4	Messy Church	3.30 p.m.

Taxi Service



The Kirk Session has established a free 'Taxi Service' to enable people to come to church who might not otherwise be able to do so due to a lack of transport.

The 'Taxi Service' will operate as follows: -

1. Those interested in using the taxi service should contact the Church Office on 0141 942 0507 to register with Church. Leave a message on the answerphone if there is no reply.
2. You will then be given a Password, which is unique for the church account, which is 'Bearsden Cross Church'.
3. Once registered you can then phone Station Taxis on **0141 942 4555** for a taxi to church, giving the account name 'Bearsden Cross Church' and the unique password. This can be pre-booked the previous day, or up until 10am on the Sunday.
4. Return taxis can also be booked for after the service.
5. If there are a couple of folk nearby each other then perhaps taxi sharing might be considered when booking.
6. ***There will be no charge for this service.*** The cost will be borne by the Session Fund, which exists for purposes such as this.

I hope that this service will enable people to get to church who might not otherwise be able to do so, and I look forward to seeing people back in church on a Sunday morning where they belong!

Graeme

Recordings of the Church Services

An audio recording of each morning service is made, and circulated weekly to those who have expressed an interest in listening. To be added to the distribution, please email secretary@bearsdencross.org.

If you do not have email, we can let you have the recording in any way which suits you, please speak to the Minister or Session Clerk.

Anne Reid

Parking

All members are reminded that, when parking in nearby streets, they should be mindful of our neighbours and other road users. Please park considerately.

Douglas Thomson
Session Clerk

Submissions to the Magazine

Contributions to the **December/January 2027 edition** of the magazine should be with the editor **no later than Friday 20 November 2026**. Contributions reflecting all aspects of the life of the Church and congregation are welcome, including photographs! It would assist editing if contributions could be prepared in Calibri font, size 14.

Also, please only send photographs that are of sufficient resolution to print clearly. Do not send multiple photographs asking the editor to choose (select those you would like included and send only those).

All contributions should be sent to: MagazineEditor@bearsdencross.org