Our aim is to draw closer to God and to each other, so that, through us, He can make known to all people the joys and challenges of following Jesus’ Vision Statement 2009

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See pages 12 & 13 for details of our Easter events
God whose mystery no tongue can describe and whose thoughts no speech can utter; receive the praise of your whole creation and illumine our souls with the glory of your presence, for you live and reign, now and for ever. Amen.

*Gregory of Nazianzus (c.329-389)*

We give thanks to you, Lord, for you have done marvellous things!
When we were walking in darkness you were there, you were there, when we were kneeling in weakness you were there, you were there, when we drew near feeling worthless you were there, you were there, when we were needing forgiveness you were there, you were there, when we were searching for your grace you were there, you were there. We give thanks to you, Lord, for you have done marvellous things!

http://www.faithandworship.com/prayers
From the Minister

TGIF!

Lindsay first heard the phrase, “TGIF”, long before it was known to me. It was used by the nuns who taught at a local school near where she grew up. These days it is used everywhere. I’m sure it strikes a chord, not just with those who have devoted their lives to teaching, but with all those whose working weeks begin on Monday morning and last until Friday afternoon. It’s a phrase that captures that sense of relief that the weekend is here at last. TGIF! Thank God it’s Friday!

Friday is a special day for all sorts of reasons. It was on a Friday 15 years ago that a bunch of local Christians set out on a prayer walk from the different parts of South East Edinburgh where they lived and worshipped. As they walked they joined up with other Christians from other churches, and, like streams flowing together, their processions grew larger and larger converging on the grassy area opposite Mt Vernon Cemetery.

As one of the walkers that day, I remember how we arrived, carrying our crosses, and looked up to see similar groups making their way towards us from different directions.

We were about 40 in number by the time everyone had arrived, and we represented a variety of local churches. We sang some well known hymns and songs and prayed together, before each leader then took it in turn to share what that day meant to them. It was Mike Fallon a local priest, who summed it all up.

“I’m not quite sure what I’m doing here”, he said, “but I do know it is significant. Because at this very moment something very significant is happening across the Irish Sea, and in our small way I feel part of it.” It was Good Friday, 1999 - the day of the signing of the Good Friday Peace Agreement. It was the day ‘The troubles’ were officially brought to an end.

Since that day we have made the Good Friday Prayer Walk an annual event, and over the years the numbers have crept up. Last year there were over 150 of us who ended up outside Morrison’s on Gilmerton
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Road, representing churches throughout the area and beyond.

This year we will be there again. We meet, we sing, and we pray together. And we listen once again to the story of that first Good Friday, when someone did something remarkable for us; something which changed the world. Here are the words of one of the hymns we will sing . . . .

There is a green hill, far away
   Outside a city wall
Where the dear Lord was crucified
Who died to save us all

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Much love

Youth Report from Andy . . .

School Chaplains Week
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Fischy Music
Thanks to Liberton Kirk for supporting the Big Idea Fischy Music events on March 5. 850 local primary school children sang and interacted with songs about love, unity, emotion and Easter. The success of such events is increased by the welcome these children receive by church members. Statistically, over 800 of these children do not attend church. We make their first visit to church a hugely positive and beneficial experience.

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**Church Organ Music for April**

In Christ, we find ourselves living in a world where the horizon of life is not the darkness of death He endured; but the fullness of life He intended. When we experience the living Christ stepping into our lives, we know that we are the recipients of tremendous love even in the death and finality of the door at the entrance of the tomb of our hopes.

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**6th April - fifth Sunday of Lent**

Before  Jackson  Medication: ‘Love Unknown’
During  Heber  Bread of the World
After  Buxtehude  Ach Herr, mich armen Sünder

**13th April - Palm Sunday**

Before  de Grigny  Récit de Tierce pour le Benedictus
During  Eichenberg  Ein Lämmlein geht und trägt die Schuld
After  Mendelssohn  Chorale and Variation: Herzlich tut mich Verlangen

**20th April - Easter Day**

Before  Sowerby  Where you there?
During  Walther  Herzlich tut mich Verlangen
After  Reger  Jesu Leiden, Pein und Tod’

**27th April - The Second Sunday of Easter**

Before  Shearing  I know that my Redeemer lives
During  Telemann  Christ lag in Todesbanden
After  Purcell  Trumpet Tune

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**Cameron Toll Chaplaincy**

CTC would like to thank John for allowing us to visit Liberton Kirk on Sunday 9th March, and Ruth for ’interviewing’ Danielle, one of our chaplains. As you heard there's a lot going on! We would also like to thank the generosity of the congregation in the gift of the retiral offering!

Thank you too, for all your continued prayers which we really appreciate as we continue to have a Christian presence in the centre.

Louise Ogilvy, Secretary to CTC, 0791 267 8475

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**Neighbourhood Scheme**

If you need help with shopping or small jobs, please contact Morag on 664 1458, who will try to find someone to help

April 2014
**Messy Church**

.... will be on Saturday 26th April this month and as usual it runs from 4pm to 6pm, with activities and crafts in the first hour, then a lively time of worship, and then tea together to finish.

All young families (with children of 0 – P7) are welcome – if you know families who find Sundays difficult, encourage them to try Messy Church, which is once a month on Saturday afternoon.

More information on the website or from me, Ruth Davies,

**Congregation News**

Disjunction certificates have been issued to Mr and Mrs MacGill, Limefield. I hope they will soon be enjoying their attachment to their new church.

**Senior Citizens Club**

A warm welcome awaits ALL senior citizens and their friends on Thursdays from 2 to 4 pm in the Anderson Hall, Kirk Centre, Kirkgate. (Doors open at 1pm)

Our April meetings start with our business meeting on 3rd of the month, with entertainment from The Raddin Brothers. On 10th April we welcome Lisa Cassidy with a Cabaret; and on 17th we are looking forward to songs from The Castaways.

Bobby Moore entertains us with vocals on 24th April, and on 1st of May we are joined by Gary Coupland (of The Singing Kettle). We will be assisting at the 11am Church Service on 4th May, and will hold our closing party, with Ann Barrett entertaining, on the 8th.

Patsy Grant, 664 4096

**The Gateway Café**

Open Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 5-30pm - 8-30pm

The Gateway is a relaxed café in the Kirk Centre where you can meet friends for a cuppa, have a meeting, read a book, study for exams or wait for the kids while they’re at Brownies or Cubs. There is a great selection of muffins, flapjacks, brownies and tray bakes, as well as a choice of hot chocolate, teas, coffee and milkshakes.
There is an old saying ‘when you can stand on seven daisies at once then spring has come’. I like daisies with their bright yellow middles and tiny petals. If you look closely, you’ll see that not all the daisies in any lawn will be white; some of them are edged with pink. When I was little I asked my mum why and she told me this story to explain why.

On that first Easter morning, when Jesus walked in the garden and was seen by Mary and the other women who thought he was a gardener, his bare feet touched just some of the daisies in the grass. And because he still had the wounds in his feet his blood touched the daisies and marked their petals pink.

I love this story and still to this day I feel sorry for the daisies that Jesus didn’t touch - because when Jesus touches our lives all things change and spring comes into our hearts forever.

**BIBLE ‘D’s**

Can you find all the answers to this Bible quiz? All the words begin with the letter D. Answers at the bottom of the page.

1. A tribe of Israel.
2. He spent the night with some lions.
3. Where Saul was going when he met Jesus on the road.
4. Followers of Jesus.
5. These made Joseph unpopular with his brothers.
6. A famous king of Israel who played the harp.

**How do dinosaurs pass exams?**
With extinction.

**What is the main ingredient of dog biscuits?**
Collie flour.

**My little brother’s name is Dad.**
Why is that?
**They named him after my father.**

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**Sermon recordings**

CDs of Sunday Sermons are available from Derek Jardine.
Phone 664 7112; text 07913 265 912; email derek@jardineclan.org.uk

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April 2014
The Guild
Meetings for April 2014
7th - A Journey through time across continents, through poetry, Bashabi Fraser
9th - Floral Tea with entertainment.
Our annual Guild Outing will take place on the 5th May and will be a trip to
Abbotsford House, near Melrose. The cost will be £30, which includes the bus, a
tour of Abbotsford and tea in Melrose. The bus will leave from the bank corner
at 11:00am prompt.
After leaving Abbotsford there will be time for a walk round
Melrose or a visit to the Abbey before tea. There is a café at
Abbotsford.
If you are interested in coming, a deposit of £10 is needed
when putting your name down. This is non refundable. All
money must be paid to Jill Niven 664 2848 or Eleanor Grieve
672 2478 by 21st April. The cost can be paid in instalments;
but please note that there will be no money collected on the
day of the outing.
Abbotsford House has just re opened after a substantial refurbishment and is
definitely worth a visit. Look forward to seeing you on the 5th May.

Book Review
“Just Like Jesus” by Max Lucado
Do you look like anyone in your family?
As I was growing up I was constantly told how alike I
was to my dad. I love my dad; but I wanted to be me,
not his double, and so I eventually grew my beard to
have my own likeness!!
Max Lucado’s book is possibly the most uncomfortable
comforting Christian book I have read or owned. It
shows me how unlike Jesus I am, yet tells me that
‘God loves me just the way I am’; but He refuses to
leave me that way. He wants me to be just like Jesus.
Me?! Him!? Wow!!
I have read the book 3 times now, and given it away as a gift to several people,
and I cannot recommend it highly enough! Yes, it will hurt, and it will challenge
who you are; but it will stir a flame that desires to be more like Jesus than any-
one else.
This Easter time, that goal is better than any Easter egg you will ever receive, I
assure you!
p.s. I am glad I look like my dad, beard or not! Are you glad when people say or
think you act and speak like Jesus?        Alastair Cameron
Charity Cycle

On 6 June 2014 I will celebrate my 60th birthday - yes I know you can hardly believe it; but it is true!

Anyway, rather than my friends and family buying me presents which will just be drunk, eaten or go in a drawer or cupboard, I am asking them to sponsor me on a 72 mile cycle ride that I have signed up for on 7th June this year . . .1 day after I turn 60! I stress that this is instead of giving me a present - not as well as. Whatever they would spend on a present or card, I am asking them to pledge that figure to my charity run.

I will be cycling in the Bethany Christian Trust Sportive, which annually organises charity cycles, and my route will be to and from Lasswade High School via Innerleithen, Galashiels and the Moorfoot Hills. I will be cycling in a large group, so will not be on my own. My sponsor money will be split between Bethany, and The Kirkgate Trust, so the more sponsorship I get the more these charities will benefit.

I have been in training since last year and spend every spare moment of my free time on my bike pounding out the miles building myself up for this physical feat. So I am asking the good folks of Liberton Kirk, as well as my friends and family, to sponsor me in this birthday cycle ride for charity. If I miss speaking to you personally to ask you for sponsorship, please feel free to approach me or call me with your details - there will be sponsor sheets on the Welcome Desk for completion.

Here is a photo of me 'ready for action' - do I look the part or what?!

Thank you in anticipation. David Colley.

Active Kids Vouchers

Both the 93rd B Rainbow Unit and Scouting in Liberton are collecting Sainsbury’s Active Kids Vouchers, so you have a choice of who you wish to sponsor. Tokens can be handed to Eleanor Grieve or Catriona Twigg (for the Brownies), or they can be left in the box in the Foyer. Thank you
Money Matters

2013 Accounts
The signed and audited accounts for 2013 are now available on the Welcome Desks in the Church.

For further information I have inserted, with the accounts, a sheet showing an analysis of the figures given on page 7 of the accounts.

On one side, our Unrestricted Funds – the most important one being the General Fund (see below). This shows our offerings as well as the costs of our staff and other expenses incurred in the running and maintenance of our Church and halls, and the activities which are held in them.

On the other side of the insert is a breakdown of the Restricted Funds held by the Church. These are funds for which a specific purpose has been stated by the donor.

General Fund
In 2013 our income from offerings was slightly down from that of 2012 (in which year income had increased resulting from one-off donations as a result of the Stewardship campaign). Income for the use of our halls had also dropped by £2,500.

Our required contribution towards the central Ministries and Mission Fund was increased by £2,000, and salaries were increased by 3% (in line with the increase to ministers' stipend). There was a decrease in the Youth Worker's salary paid by Liberton Kirk which enabled the appointment of a part-time Children's Worker (a delay in her starting date allowed for a slight saving). Maintenance costs for the Church and halls also increased in 2013.

These changes resulted in our shortfall rising from £4,500 in 2012 to £12,000 in 2013. This deficit has been met by unrestricted legacies and donations given previously.

Legacies
In 2013 Liberton Kirk received £2,100 from Grace Moss, £600 from Greta Orr and £5,000 from Margaret Bryson – these were given without any purpose specified.

God is enabling many things to happen within His Church, and out into the community in the last year, for which we give thanks.

The year ahead – 2014
Salaries will be further increased by 1.4% (in line with the percentage approved by the General Assembly for ministers' stipends) while our contribution to the central Ministries and Mission Fund is also increasing by a further £2,000. This will have the effect of increasing our deficit in 2014 to £15,000 should our income level not also increase.

I would ask that that you would, on a regular basis where possible, prayerfully review your level of giving to the Church in order to continue God's work locally and in the wider world.

Judy Weston (Treasurer)
1 Relating to the whole universe (6)
4 The disciple who made the remark in 8 Across (John 20:24) (6)
8 ‘Unless I see the nail marks — — hands, I will not believe it’ (John 20:25) (2,3)
9 He urged King Jehoiakim not to burn the scroll containing Jeremiah’s message (Jeremiah 36:25) (7)
10 Baptist minister and controversial founder of America’s Moral Majority, Jerry — (7)
11 ‘Look, here is — . Why shouldn’t I be baptized?’ (Acts 8:36) (5)
12 Repossessed (Genesis 14:16) (9)
17 Port from which Paul sailed on his last journey to Rome (Acts 27:3–4) (5)
19 ‘Moses was not aware that his face was — because he had spoken with the Lord’ (Exodus 34:29) (7)
21 Roonwit, C.S. Lewis’s half-man, half-horse (7)
22 Grill (Luke 24:42) (5)
23 ‘The lot fell to Matthias; so he was added to the — apostles’ (Acts 1:26) (6)
24 ‘I was sick and you looked after me, I was in — and you came to visit me’ (Matthew 25:36) (6)

1 Coastal rockfaces (Psalm 141:6) (6)
2 Academic (1 Corinthians 1:20) (7)
3 Publish (Daniel 6:26) (5)
5 For example, the Crusades (4,3)
6 11 Across is certainly this (5)
7 He reps (anag.) (6)
9 Liberator (Psalm 18:2) (9)
13 Man who asked the question in 11 Across was in charge of all her treasury (Acts 8:27) (7)
14 They must be ‘worthy of respect, sincere, not indulging in much wine’ (1 Timothy 3:8) (7)
15 The human mind or soul (6)
16 ‘O Lord, while precious children starve, the tools of war increase; their bread is — (Graham Kendrick) (6)
18 ‘We played the flute for you, and you did not — ’ (Matthew 11:17) (5)
20 Bared (anag.) (5)

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Holy Week and Easter

There are plenty of opportunities in the week beginning 14th April to come together and remember that Jesus died for us to save us from our sins and bring us close to God, and to celebrate that he rose to life again to give us hope for the future. If you are at home this Easter please come and take part in our Holy Week, Good Friday and Easter services!

Holy Week Events

In the period leading up to Good Friday we join with our friends in other local churches for two major events.

The first joint event is a Passover Meal on Monday 14th April, 7pm at St. Catherine’s Church Hall, Gracemount Drive, when we will remember that Jesus celebrated the Passover with his disciples, eating the traditional Passover meal with them, and then surprising them by washing their feet. Tickets are essential (and much in demand) for this event, as numbers are limited, and they will be available nearer the time – watch out for a notice in the weekly intimations sheet.

Then there’s a Stations of the Cross Service on Wednesday 16th April, 7.30pm at Liberton Kirk, followed by light refreshments in the church halls. This version of what is sometimes regarded as a traditional Roman Catholic Service uses readers from all the churches including the Church of Scotland and Scottish Episcopal Church, following the journey of Jesus towards the cross and imagining the thoughts and feelings of people along the way. This will be the first time a non-Catholic church has hosted it. It’s a very special and moving service and we hope that there will be many Liberton Kirk people there to welcome our neighbours from all the local churches.

If you have any queries about these events or the Good Friday joint events please get in touch with Ruth Davies (664 3608 or r.davies335@btinternet.com)

Good Friday - 18th April

This important day in church life begins for us outside Liberton Kirk at 10 o’clock, when we set off on a Prayer Walk, meeting up with Liberton Northfield and St. Gregory’s at Liberton Northfield Church and then walking down to Morrisons in Gilmerton Road. On the walk we stop at various points on the way where people gather (schools, residential homes etc.) to pray for our community. In the car park at Morrisons at 11 o’clock we hold an Open-air Service, and this year the speaker will be
Easter

our own David McNeish. We are joined at that time by other Christians who have walked from Moredun (Tron Kirk, St. Barnabas’ and St. John Vianney’s), from Gilmerton (Tron Kirk at the Hub), and from Gracemount (KLM and St. Catherine’s), and by others not able to do the walk but wanting to be part of the service. After the service, Morrisons café is usually quite popular, especially if it is cold outside!

The second event is a Joint Service at Gracemount High School at 3 o’clock that afternoon, when all the SEECAT churches meet again, remembering just what the cross means for us all. Recently-retired John McPake will be the speaker. There are tea and hot cross buns afterwards, which gives us a chance to chat with people from the other churches we don’t see very often.

If you are unable to be at either of these events, there will be a Service of Worship, Remembrance and Reflection at 7.30pm in Liberton Kirk.

Easter Day - 20th April

Three opportunities to rejoice together that Jesus has risen from the dead! Our first service at 9.30am includes a shared breakfast (Agape) and you are invited to bring a daffodil to decorate the cross. Daffodils are needed again at the 11 o’clock service, at which all ages are welcome. In the evening there will be a further Easter Celebration at 6.30pm in the church.

Fresh Start

Thanks for all recent donations. This month the request is for any household items; but particularly light-bulbs (preferably bayonet cap fittings) and for tumblers and glasses.

At the Food Station at 1 Harrison place, Fresh Start is running cooking classes and allotment sessions. The cooking classes, facilitated by volunteers, are open for individuals that need practical support, and basic knowledge about nutrition. Participants are feeding back that they enjoy being part of a group and have a chance to socialise. The garden has been converted into an allotment and at the moment we are getting ready for spring. Volunteers have been working hard in the garden but more work lies ahead.

Volunteers are needed for both activities, so if you are interested, please contact Angus on angus@freshstartweb.org.uk or 01313412559.

Sylvia Bennett

April 2014
Food Bank
Please remember the South East Edinburgh Foodbank when you are shopping.
Boxes are situated in the Offering House for donations, and there is a special request this month for Sponge Pudding, 1kg bags of rice, diluting/fruit juice, sugar, tomato ketchup and whole milk (UHT).
Cheques payable to “Blythswood Care” are also welcome. If you wish a special collection, please contact David Lamb on 664 3059.

From the past . . .

. . . 25 years ago in the Magazine
Revised plans for the Kirk Centre Project were to be revealed at the Annual General Meeting on 18th April. Fund raising was ongoing with an Auction Sale being planned as the centrepiece of the Summer Fete. 500 items (of good quality) were requested. A “Soiree Musicale was held in the Manse with songs from Grace Winton of the Kevock Choir accompanied by Marie Mackay on the piano, A salad meal was served.

. . . 50 years ago
- Sheila White, from Longformacus Road was commissioned and licensed as a Deaconess of the Church of Scotland at a service at Liberton Kirk on 1st May. This was the first time that a service of Commissioning had been held in Edinburgh.
- Intimation was given of the impending retirement of Mr William Bruce, Church Officer, after 28 years service. The congregation was invited to make donations towards Mr Bruce’s Testimonial, on the coming 2 Sundays.

. . . and, almost 50 years ago . . . How many of these good folk do you remember, from the photo taken at a Kirk Session conference in the 1966?
Church Rotas Desk

Welcome Desk

9-30am
6th April  Fiona Knight 672 1041
13th April  Sally Cuthbert 664 3479
20th April  Tom Baxendale 666 1371
27th April  Margaret Goldie 258 1996

11.00am - EAST door
11am service WEST door (for month of April)  Eleanor Grieve
11.00am - EAST door
4th May  Evelyn Ogilvie 664 1171
11th May  Chris Young 664 6615
18th May  Fiona Knight 672 1041
25th May  Bill Mercer 664 2152

11am service WEST door (for month of May)  Linda Haggerty

Crèche

6th April  Anne Shepherd
13th April  Vicky McCallum
20th April  Crèche in vestry - family service
27th April  Gillian Grant

11.00am - EAST door
Anne Shepherd 664 4756

Church Flowers

April Convener  >  Mrs Marion Black, 33 Alnwickhill Road, 664 4106
6th April  free
13th April  Mrs Christine Seaton, 110 Mayfield Rd, 667 5777
        in memory of Douglas Seaton
20th April  Mrs Ann Weir, 137 Captains Road, 664 3349
        in memory of Alison Weir
27th April  free

May Convener  >  Gill Snowdon, 29/3 Greenbank, 07823 335 585
4th May  Mrs Helen Whyman, Gracemount Avenue, and
        Mrs Dorothy Parr, Buckstone Hill, 445 5152
        In memory of Aileen and Jim Whyman

If you have any items of interest about members, or their friends,
that you would like to share, please pass details to the Editor, for inclusion
in the Congregational News section of the Magazine

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Tuesday 1st
10.00am – 12.00 noon – *Coffee Shop @ the Gateway*
2.30pm – Service at *Braeside House*
5.30-8.30pm – *the Gateway Cafe*

Wednesday 2nd
10.00am – *Coffee @ the Gateway*
12 noon-1.30pm – *Soup/Sandwiches @ the Gateway*
5.30-8.30pm – *the Gateway Cafe*
7.00-8.00pm – *Minister available @ the Gateway*
8.00pm – *Gathering for Praise* in the Kirk

Thursday 3rd
2.00pm – Senior Citizens’ AGM

Sunday 6th
*Morning Worship at 9.30am (With Scots Communion)*
and 11.00am (with crèche & BBC)
Theme: The COST of walking with Jesus (Mt 5.10-16)
Preacher: John Young
10.20am – *Prayer Time* in the Elders Room (All welcome)
11am – *Sunday Buzzin* the Anderson Hall
2.30pm – Service at Ellen’s Glen House (SEECAT)
*Evening Worship* 6.30pm in the Kirk
Theme: Hearing God - Esther
Preacher: Derek Jardine

Monday 7th
10.00am – 12.00 noon – *Monday Café @ the Gateway*

Tuesday 8th
10.00am – 12.00 noon – *Coffee Shop @ the Gateway*
3.00pm – *Pram Praise* in the Small Hall

Wednesday 9th
7.00pm – Minister’s vestry hour @ LKC

Friday 11th
7pm – Joint “BIG Idea” Prayer walk/drive round Gracemount
(meet at St Catherine’s Hall, Gracemount Drive)
9pm – Joint “BIG Idea” night of praise and prayer for our communities (finishing with breakfast at 8am on Saturday)

Sunday 13th
**PALM SUNDAY**
*Morning Worship at 9.30am*
and 11.00am (Family Service with Crèche)
Theme: From Bethany to Jerusalem (John 12.01-9)
Preacher: David McNeish
10.20am – *Prayer Time* in the Elders Room
*Evening Worship – 7pm at the Faith Mission Auditorium*
Joint Palm Sunday Service - Theme: “What’s the big idea?”
Preacher – John Young

Monday 14th
10.00am – 12.00 noon – *Monday Café @ the Gateway*
7.00pm – SEECAT Passover meal @ St Catherine’s Hall
(tickets essential)
Tuesday 15th
10.00am – 12.00 noon – Coffee Shop @ the Gateway
7.30pm – House group Huddle @ LKC

Wednesday 16th
2.30pm – Service @ Braid Hills Nursing Home
7.30pm – SEECAT ‘Stations of the Cross’ service @ Liberton Kirk

Friday 18th
GOOD FRIDAY
10.00am – SEECAT Prayer walk leaves from the Kirk
11.00am – SEECAT Open Air Service at Morrisons (Gilmerton Road)
3.00pm – Joint SEECAT Service at Gracemount High School (Lasswade Rd)
7.30pm – Good Friday evening reflection at Liberton Kirk

Sunday 20th
EASTER DAY
9.30am Early Morning service with ‘Agape’ (breakfast) & 11am Family Service (with Crèche)
Theme: What’s all the fuss about? (John 19.38-20.13)
Preacher – John Young
(Remember to bring a daffodil to both services)
10.20am – Prayer Time in the Elders Room
Evening Worship at 6.30pm in the Kirk
Theme: Easter Celebration
Preacher: David McNeish

Monday 21st
No Monday Cafe

Tuesday 22nd
10.00am – 12.00 noon – Coffee Shop @ the Gateway
2.00pm – History Resource Group meets @ LKC
5.30-8.30pm – the Gateway Cafe

Wednesday 23rd
11.00am – Pram Praise in the Small Hall
5.30-8.30pm – the Gateway Cafe

Saturday 26th
4.00pm – 6.00pm – Messy Church @ LKC

Sunday 27th
Morning Worship at 9.30am and 11.00am (with Crèche & Sunday Club)
Theme: You have heard it said... part I (Mt. 5.17-32)
Preacher: Ruth Davies
10.20am – Prayer Time in the Elders Room
2.30pm – Liberton Hospital Service (SEECAT)
Evening Worship at 6.30pm in the Kirk
Preacher: David McNeish

Monday 28th
10.00am – 12.00 noon – Monday Cafe @ the Gateway

Tuesday 29th
10.00am – 12.00 noon – Coffee Shop @ the Gateway
2.30pm – Service @ Guthrie Court
3.15pm – Service @ Guthrie House
5.30-8.30pm – the Gateway Cafe

Wednesday 30th
5.30-8.30pm – Gateway Cafe
7.00-8.00pm – Minister available @ the Gateway
8.00pm – Gathering for Praise in the Kirk

May 2014

Thursday 1st
2.30pm – Communion Service at Braeside House
7.30pm – Alpha Reunion @ Wilson Hall

Sunday 4th
Morning Worship at 9.30am (Scots communion)
& 11am (with Crèche & BBC)
Theme: You have heard it said... part II (Mt. 5.33-47)
Preacher: John Young (Alan Perry at 9.30)
10.20am – Prayer Time in the Elder’s Room (All welcome)
11.00am Sunday Buzz in the Anderson Hall
Evening Worship at 6.30pm in the Kirk

Elder’s Sunday Duties

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Any elder unable to attend must arrange a substitute.  

Alison Walker 664 3631
To celebrate the 200th anniversary of our present church building in 2015, we have commissioned a writer to produce a book for us, which we hope will be available for sale at the start of 2015.

It will be an illustrated book focusing mainly on people – people who have been part of the church here and have made their mark.

A project like this needs money!

Yes, there will be income from sales, but this will come in gradually over a period of years after the first block of purchases in 2015. We already have the promise of a £3,000 donation towards the total costs of £8,000, and initial sales should bring in around £2,000, so we are looking for a further £3,000, which is just not available within church funds.

Would you like to be part of this exciting project (£800 donated with Gift Aid would give the church £1,000)?

If so, please contact John Young – he will be delighted to hear from you.
The Edinburgh Passion 2014

In recent years, there has been an upsurge in Passion and Nativity plays around the UK, as local Christians seek to present the Gospel message to the public in a creative manner. The early church in medieval times realised that using the arts was a very effective way to communicate Christianity to an illiterate society. In the 21st century producing plays is a great way of introducing people to Jesus. The Easter Play Trust is delighted once again to be producing the Christian message through a play, which we believe will help you experience Jesus in a very welcoming and relevant production.

The Princes Street Easter Play is a community theatre production in Princes Street Gardens West, Edinburgh. The first performance was in 2005. This year sees a new production – The Edinburgh Passion, to be performed at 2.00pm on Saturday 19 April. Free!

The performance, which starts at Ross Bandstand, will last about 90 minutes. There will be no seating, apart from available provision for elderly or disabled.

This is the Easter story set in a modern context. A referendum will take place soon, and Jesus upsets the desire to maintain the political status quo with his radical teaching and lifestyle. His corrupt enemies believe they must get rid of him as quickly as possible – by any means they can. Stand by for a few surprises!

(please note, that the performance is a modern production, and, due to the subject matter, will contain moderate scenes of violence.)
Fundraiser Ceilidh

Friday 2nd May

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The April issue contains articles on:
Easter 2014 Easter reflection by Dr Doug Gay
The Miracle: An Easter story by Kenneth Steven
The Big Question: Should Easter be a fixed date?
A Night in the City Thomas Baldwin spends an evening at Powerpoint, a Christian gathering in Edinburgh which attracts of hundreds of teenagers.

Written in the Landscape Jackie Macadam charts the life and Christian influences on the Scots-born naturalist and author John Muir.
The Forgotten Genocide Seonag MacKinnon reports from Bosnia, where the Moderator of the General Assembly learned at first hand the horror of the massacre which continues to haunt families today.
The Dementia Friendly Church How a Glasgow church became the first in Scotland to be accredited dementia friendly.
A Role to Play In her final column, the Moderator highlights the importance of the role of the Church in the life of Scotland.
Passing on the Light of Christ The Rev David Scott describes how his church held a ‘Welcome to the Lord’s Table’ ceremony for children’s first communion.
The Gift of the Spirit The Rev Dr Martin Fair asks why we have marginalised the Holy Spirit.

*Plus the regular columnists, letters, reviews and crosswords – all for just
We all at Origin Scotland hope that your 2014 has got off to a great start! We also want to take a moment to give you advance notice of the first big event of the year - City Praise is returning to Edinburgh’s Usher Hall on Sunday 4 May. This event is led by the Exile Band, Choir and Orchestra and is always a wonderful evening, gathering Christians together from many churches and denominations, towns and villages - all with one purpose: to glorify our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

2014 promises to be a great year - we have some fantastic events planned and look forward to sharing some awesome praise and worship time with you, as well as some great outreach opportunities.

In the meantime, please put 4 May in the diary, and we'll email you again when tickets are available (in just a few weeks).

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Tickets are FREE and will be available from mid February.

For More Information Contact us on 0131 208 0095
or email info@originscotland.org

Yours in Christ,
Colin Peckham, Ministry Leader, On behalf of the team at Origin Scotland

If you're a student, or know some students, please put Sunday 16 February in your diary as well - Student Praise Night at Carrubbers Christian Centre, Edinburgh, 8.30pm
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For more information,
contact Linda Wright
07850411596 or the Church office on 664 8264
Editors note
Material for the May issue should be in my hands no later than Sunday 20th April.
The deadline for the Summer magazine is Sunday 18th May.
Information can be left in my box in the Offering House, or sent to me at 8 Fairmile Avenue, phone 477 9156. email to gillfairmile@blueyonder.co.uk

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Hours of Services: 9-30am, 11am & 6-30pm

Services are recorded from time to time for distribution to the housebound. It may be possible to record a service on a one-off basis. Please contact John Young or Ruth Davies if you have a special request.

The Minister is usually available in the McDonald Room at the Kirk Centre, on Wednesday evenings between 7pm and 8pm. Appointments can be made by telephone to see him at other times, but please note that he is not available through the day on Mondays.

April 2014
For a growing number of people across the world, the horror of war is a part of daily life. Right now, fuelled by the devastating violence in both Syria and the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the numbers of people driven from their homes by war is on the rise. It stands at 42 million people – an appalling statistic and a stain on the conscience of humanity. We can’t turn our backs. We must act now.

The good news is that your church can make a real difference.
Last year, a magnificent 20,000 churches across the country helped raise over £12m for Christian Aid Week.
Together we can send people living in fear this message: you are not alone. We’re with you, helping you to rebuild your lives, and working for peace. Imagine what such an expression of love would mean to people searching for the strength to cope with the devastation of war, and how it could help to drive out their fear.
Demonstrate God’s love for those living in poverty and show how much good the church is doing in the world this Christian Aid Week. Together we can reach the 42 million people caught up in conflict and help them live a life free from fear. Could you provide the gift of hope?

Christian Aid Week at Liberton 11–17 May 2014
Your help is needed with the house-to-house collection in our parish at Liberton. To cover the whole area we require at least 40 volunteers to deliver envelopes at the beginning of the week (just put them through each letterbox) and then collect them by the end of the week. (N.B. we have permission to collect between Monday 12th and Friday 16th May)
If you are able to help please sign one of the sheets on the welcome tables or in the offering house by 20th April at the latest. I will allocate the districts as fairly as possible. I look forward to hearing from you. Thank you.
Christine Seaton
Christian Aid Week Co-ordinator, 667 5777

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