



CULTS PARISH CHURCH NEWSLETTER

Update from *The Manse* and other news.



LETTER FROM SHUNA

Dear friends,

All being well as you read this I will be enjoying some sunshine in Crete. My daughter, Kirsti, and I booked this holiday last August when, like many, we thought life would have returned to normal. We are just grateful that our trip is possible. It will be interesting to experience travelling with all the extra steps that are required and following the various mitigations that make travel possible.

It has been a busy few weeks at Cults Parish Church. I am grateful to everyone who has been involved in our various activities and to those who have supported them. We are a great team and I continue to count my blessings in being your minister. So thank you everyone! The Thanks 'Giving' Day was a huge success - not just in raising a considerable sum of money but it was also wonderful to see so many people come along and simply enjoy being together. So far nearly £6000 has been raised. This includes the gift aid we are able to claim. The money raised will be split three ways: the purchase of up to date computers to run our sound and AV system, the project to improve the lighting in the sanctuary and supporting a congregation within the presbytery in need of some financial support.

As we navigate life with Covid-19 still in our midst we will continue to do as much as we can to enable our various activities to continue or to restart. I know how much this has meant to people. It has been lovely to see more and more people being able to join in. I know that it has not been an easy time and I understand that some of you may still feel quite vulnerable and wary of venturing to church and other activities. I hope that you continue to enjoy worshipping online and or using the Worship at Home sheets. If anyone is requiring any help or support please do be in touch with myself or your elder. We will do our best to help.

With much love,
your minister and friend

Shuna

WANTED TEMPORARY/RELIEF HUB CAFÉ MANAGER



The Hub Café is looking for a Café Manager on a temporary basis to join the current team of 2 managers to share the workload on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, the number of days of work being negotiable.

This is a paid post and would be time limited dependent on the return to work of our permanent manager.

Shared Main Responsibilities are :- Planning and Buying of ingredients, Cooking Meals, Supervising service, working with the team of volunteers.

Training would be provided

Please express interest in the first instance to Peter Coutts – 01224 868725

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WORSHIP

We gather for worship both in person and by livestream on a Sunday Morning at 10.30am. Covid guidelines mean that we have to keep our doors open to provide ventilation. We will do our best to ensure the church is as warm as possible but you may want to come prepared with warm jackets!

To join us online click on the image below.



WEEKLY OFFERING

A gentle reminder that at the moment we are unable to have the weekly offering uplifted during the service. The offering plate and other plates are at each of the entrances. Freewill offering envelopes or any cash offerings can be placed in these as you enter the church. We understand that many more people opted to give by standing order and we are grateful for this. The offering will be dedicated during worship again, once Shuna returns from her short break.



THE GUILD

Tuesday 12th October, evening, from 7.00pm we will be filling the shoe boxes in the Main Hall, Quarry Road, which Blythswood will distribute. Any member of the Congregation is most welcome to join us in this important task. Covered boxes and donated items will be available in the hall.

Information on what items are requested, and how the boxes are to be filled, is available in the Church, the Outreach Centre, or from the Church office.

You may wish to fill your own box or simply donate some items for inclusion in one of the Church's collection boxes. Whichever way by which you choose to contribute you can be assured that you will be bringing happiness to some of those in greatest need at this year's Christmas

HALLOWEEN – SAVE THE DATE

Our Youth Core Group are working on their plans for a covid safe Halloween Event. Our last one was a huge success, with lots of families and members of our community joining in the fun. The event will be on the afternoon of the 30th of October, put the date in your diaries!



The Traidcraft stall at the Kirk Centre has reopened. Payment can be made in cash via the honesty box or by bank transfer. Details on how to do this can be found at the stall.



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

As we gradually increase the number of activities in and around the church we are finding that we need volunteers to help us. Below are a number of roles we need people to help with. None of these are necessarily on a weekly basis, indeed the more volunteers we have the lighter the load will be!

CRECHE

In order to offer a creche facility for families we desperately need someone to take on the role of coordinating the rota. This would involve contacting volunteers and checking their availability and then making up a rota. We also require volunteers to look after the children in the creche. Each week we require two people. If we could get 8 people then this would mean being on duty just once a month. Please contact Shuna if you can help.

SUNDAY TRANSPORT

We would love to be able to offer transport to church for those who might appreciate a lift. To do this we need someone who would be willing to coordinate drivers and people who need a lift. Ideally we would arrange for people to have a regular driver and so the job of coordinator would hopefully be simple once people were matched. Please contact Shuna or Graeme if you can help.

FRIDAY CAFE

We are very excited to be planning to restart our Friday afternoon cafe for teenagers. Whilst we have a good group of senior students from the Academy to do most of the organising and running of the cafe we need more adults to supervise. If you were willing to spare one Friday afternoon from 3.15pm-5.30pm this would make a huge difference. Once again the more volunteers we have the lighter the load will be. Please contact Carol if you can help. Carol.sink@yahoo.com

JAM

In order that Carol and Andrew can have an occasional Sunday off we are looking for volunteers to help out with Jam. This will not involve any preparation or leading but is simply to support Carol or Andrew. If you could help with this please contact Carol carol.sink@yahoo.com

SUNDAY MORNING TECH TEAM

The Tech Team on a Sunday morning is very small and this occasionally becomes a cause of stress. We really need to increase the number of people able to use our sound and AV system, especially if we want to be able to offer recordings and or live-streaming of weddings and funerals. Please contact Graeme if interested in learning a new skill.

HUB CAFE

There is always a need for more volunteers for the cafe. You can do as little or as much as you feel able. Please contact June Gilchrist if you would like to help out in the cafe. june_gilchrist@yahoo.com or tel 01224 867353

EMERGENCY HELP

If you know of anyone who needs emergency help with food or financial difficulties, please let Shuna know. Help is at hand and if outwith our skills or resources we can point them in the right direction for support. Confidentiality assured.

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