

Allan Park South – Mini News Update – August 2018



Sunday Services in September:

2nd – Rev Gordon Mathew

9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th – Rev Elinor Gordon

All at 10.30am.

Communion on Sunday 30th September

Next Kirk Session Meeting Sunday 9th Sept after morning service

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From Sally

I was attending the Runrig concert on Friday night and nearing the end the lead singer Bruce Guthro was reflecting on his 20 years with the band. He talked about hard times and when things all seemed to be going wrong. When they were playing to half empty venues and nothing was coming together. How did we get through those hard times? We had to rely on each other and support one another and believe in our future. Look at us now playing to 47,000 people over the weekend and going out on a high.

I couldn't help thinking that this reminded me of us at the moment, a bit lost with lots going wrong and lots going right, but if we stand together, support one another and believe, then we can make it.

Sally Forshaw, Session Clerk

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What's on each week

Monday	11am to 12.30pm	Knitting & Sewing Group Come along and try knitting or sewing in a relaxed informal group. All ages and stages welcome.	Pillar Hall
	6pm to 9pm	Music Jam Night – Come along & play along with Jim Steel, John Perry and other budding musicians	Sanctuary
Tuesday	9.30am to 11.30am	Bairns Rock (from 4 Sep) A pre-school group for children and their carers. Enjoy free play, craft time, bible story, songs and snack time.	Large Hall & Pillar Hall
	5pm to 7.30pm	Folk Group – Come and play along with the 'Lazy Boys'	Sanctuary
	7.30 to 9pm	Wellbeing Choir Come, sing and feel better. You don't need to be able to sing!	Pillar Hall
Thursday	9.30am to 10.30am	Prayer Meeting	Prayer Room
	12noon-2pm	Lunch Club (from 6 Sep) For older people to enjoy the company of old and new friends and enjoy lunch together within a safe, warm environment.	Pillar Hall
Friday	10.30am to 12noon	Bible Sketching & Art Group (from 7 Sep) – come along and draw bible related drawings with a bible reading.	Pillar Hall
	1pm to 2.30pm	Life Group (from 7 Sep) – come along and 'do life' with us – meet, talk, pray together, eat cake & drink tea	Pillar Hall
	6.30pm to 9.30am	Boys' Brigade Anchor Boys (P1-P3) 6.15-7.30pm Juniors (P4-P6) 6.30-8.00pm Company Section (P7-S6) 8.00-9.30pm	Large Hall & Pillar Hall

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BIBLE STUDY/DISCUSSION GROUPS

We hope to start these again very soon – if you are interested in joining a group, or hosting a group, please let Sally Forshaw or Jane Steel know, with a note of days/times that suit you best

APS FUTURE

Stirling Presbytery are facilitating a series of meetings to bring together the four Stirling Centre Churches to begin to explore how we might come together in future. We are looking for **five** representatives from each Church to attend **all three meetings** on

Tues 4 Sept 7-9.30 : Thurs 27 Sep 7-9.30pm : Sun 7th Oct 2.30-5pm.

If you would like to put your name forward for selection please contact Sally Forshaw, Session Clerk.

PARKING AT CHURCH

The Kirk Session agreed a few months ago that we needed to put in bollards to deal with casual parkers. They are now in place so we want to make sure that people who have paid for a parking permit know how the system operates. If you think you are a permit holder, could you let the church office know and also tell them whether you think you have paid or not.

Email: office.apschurch@gmail.com or let Sally Forshaw know

THE MANSE

It has been decided to rent out the Manse. There is some work to be completed before this can happen and a team of volunteers has been keeping the garden tidy.

CHURCH OFFICE

This is currently staffed by two volunteers and hours vary around other commitments. Email is the best way to contact us in the short term or ring before you come in to make sure there will be someone there. Unstaffed week of 26 August.

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BLOODY SCOTLAND CRIME WRITING FESTIVAL

This event is again using the Large Hall on Friday 21, Saturday 22 and Sunday 23 September. They will have a coffee/food wagon in the church grounds, 10am-6pm, Saturday and Sunday. This will limit parking.

DEADLINE FOR NEXT NEWSLETTER: Monday 24 September

SUNDAY ROTA

	Welcome	Reader
26/08/2018	Betty Morton & Joyce Badenoch	Hugh Buchanan
2/09/2018	David & Mary Boyd	Sally Forshaw
09/09/2018	Neil Malcolm & Kristin Johnson	Jim Irvine
16/9/2018	Winnie Watters & Sally Forshaw	Ed Morton
23/9/2018	Jane and Phil Harris	Jane Steel
30/9/2018	Anne & Arthur McDonald	Paula Freck
07/10/2018	Christine Purser & Bill Jamieson	Coleen Sharpe

If you can't do your slot, please swap with someone else and let the office know (office.apschurch@gmail.com). The welcome team also assist the Finance Team to count the offering money plus any takings throughout previous week.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

To help in Bairns Rock and Sunday Stars; music; admin/office, PowerPoint/sound on Sundays; Flower rota; tea and coffee on Sundays and Monthly Tea Dance

SESSION CLERK

Sally Forshaw has indicated she would like to step aside as Session Clerk. We invite applications of interest to take up this role to be submitted to Sally Forshaw or Rev Lynne Mack. Details of the role can be obtained from Lynne Mack. It is not necessary to be an elder to act as Session Clerk.

Thank you to Sally for having done such a great job in this very important role.