

PERTH METHODIST CHURCH
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Sunday June 28th 2009.
SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY

Welcome to everyone sharing in worship here today, we trust that you will find it to be an enriching experience. If you are visiting us, we invite you to sign the Visitors' Book which is in the vestibule. A hearing loop is installed in the Church; if you use a hearing aid, please switch it to the T-position. Large print hymn books and service books are available; please ask a door steward if you require them.

Please join us for a cup of tea or coffee in the hall after the morning service.

Cards for your prayer requests can be found in the pews, please feel free to fill them in, placing one half in the collection bag or in the box provided in the hall, and retaining the other for your own personal prayers.

*Smiling faces make you happy,
And good news makes you feel better.(Proverbs 15 v 30)
A smile is a gift of God*

Today at

11.00 a.m. **Morning Worship** Mrs Heather Dean

8.00 p.m. **Evening Worship** Mrs Marcia MacKenzie

The Door Stewards are Mrs Val Sibley & Miss Fiona Goudie

The flowers are provided by Mrs Yvonne Clarkson and arranged by Mrs Shirley Kent

Tea & coffee will be served by Mrs Chris Parkin & Mr Barry Parkin

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Diary for this coming week:-

Saturday 4th July 10.00 a.m. - 11.30a.m. **Coffee Morning**

Rota: Mrs S Frenz, Mrs L Frenz & Mrs G Bristol

Sunday 5th July

11.00 a.m. **Holy Communion** Rev Mary Patterson
8.00 p.m. **Evening Worship** Mr Charles Richmond

Door Stewards will be: Mrs Hilda Sinclair & Mrs Alison Martin

Flowers will be provided by Mrs Rea Birtwell & arranged by Mrs Madge Gallacher

Morning Tea Rota Mrs Edith Harrison and Mrs Gil Bristol

Christian Aid

Ciaran, Niamh, Iain and Alasdair would like to thank everyone who sponsored them for their walk across the Forth Road Bridge (and back again). They raised a total of £170

Prayer Time David Firth will be at the church from 12 till 1.30 on Tuesday. He will be spending time in prayer from 12.30 till 1 and anyone is welcome to join him. Subjects for prayer will include: the Methodist Church in Portugal, Spain and Italy, the Scotland District, the Conference Office, and the members of our Pastoral Group 10(Rea Birtwell, Alison Reid, Margaret Heasman, Pam Bostock, Alison Garrett, Peter & Eleanore Mills, Mel & Yvonne Clarkson, and Elizabeth Uttley). Please try to find time to unite with us in prayer at some time on Tuesday even if you are not able to come to the church."

Prayer Time

If you can add your name to the new list for volunteers to be with David, so that the Church can be open, please do so. *Pam Bostock*

Celebration Coffee Morning The total raised for **Action for Children** at the coffee morning was **£332.82**

Many thanks to everyone who helped in any way.

The Gift of a Piano

Edith Harrison has kindly donated her piano to us and it has been placed in the Church. We are grateful to Edith for her generosity, which has also enabled us to upgrade the pianos around the premises. Thanks go also to Kelvin for taking the piano previously in the Sunday School room off our hands. *The Stewards*

Chairs

We are aware that some of the **new blue chairs** are becoming damaged, probably through a slightly careless stacking action. We are therefore suggesting that those in regular use are **not** stacked. Please leave them singly around the hall or in another room. Most of the **orange chairs** are now surplus to our requirements. We have decided to retain 12 for future use. These have been stacked and labelled accordingly and are in the back room nearest to the new cupboard. The others are in other back rooms and if you would like to help yourselves to any of them, please do so. *The Stewards.*

Walking Group

A reminder that the next walk will be on the second Wednesday in July, i.e. 8th July. We have been very kindly invited again by Sheila and George Hay to Comrie for the July walk. More details later. *Gerald & Judith*

Help with Counting the Offertory

The recent Church Council agreed that, on occasion as needed, another person could help to count the offertory. The three people who have agreed to help with this are Gil Bristol, Kathleen Halsall & Chris Parkin. *Pam Bostock*

Church Monies

To prevent misunderstanding and clarify the situation regarding the handling of Church monies, especially large amounts, the Church Council agreed the following procedure.

Where practical, monies belonging to the Church should be counted and recorded in a book by 2 people before leaving the Church premises. It may then be handed to the stewards or taken home until it can be banked. For large fund raising events appropriate measures should be taken.

A Banner for the Hall

The Church Council has agreed that it would be good to have a banner in the hall, something similar to the two in the Church. This would remind people that we are a Church, proclaim a message and be conducive to worship. If you would like to be involved in any way in the design

and making of a banner, please let me know. *Pam Bostock*

Where are we going next?

The Church council agreed two meetings to discuss responses to the questions posed. What is discussed at these meetings will be fed back with the previous material, along with responses from the other Circuit Churches, to the Circuit leadership Team as they plan for the future ministerial appointments. The meeting dates are Tuesday 30th June at 1.30pm or Thursday 2nd July 7.30pm, both in the Church hall. Please try to come along and help shape the future of our Church and mission. **Additional copies of the reports and explanatory letter are available in the vestibule.** *Susie Turner*

September Synod 2009

The September Synod will be held in the Central Baptist Church in Dundee on 19th September. If anyone can help with any duties such as stewarding (railway station, Baptist church, Methodist church at lunch-time and end) or preparing the central Baptist church for our use please let me know and I will forward names to Keith Pearson who has taken on overall responsibility. *Julia Reid*

The Church News-Sheet is being produced in July by Gerald Bostock, please let me have items for inclusion by noon on Thursday