



The Kirk News

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Oh sweet little snowdrop, so pure and white,
Why doth thee droop thou beautiful head low?
When thou brightens up the woodland so bright,

Thou indicates coming of Spring so go
Illuminate thou surrounding woodlands
With thou beauty for all natures splendour ...

Stephen Pennell



CALENDAR OVERVIEW:

Why not cut out this handy calendar and put it on your fridge!!

(GCH= Gibson Craig Halls)

2017

March

- 1 Wednesday 7 pm—Lent: **Retreat in Daily Life** Service, Currie Kirk
- 5 Sunday 10 am—Worship, Currie Kirk with Prayer Tree Service following worship
- 5 Sunday 11.45 am—Fairtrade Lunch —GCH—Tickets £4.50
- 6 Monday 7 pm—The Good Book Group
- 7 Tuesday 10 am—Guild Meeting—Rosslyn Chapel: Fiona Rogan—GCH
- 11 Saturday 7 pm—Ceilidh—The Boys' Brigade—Iain MacPhail and his Band
- 12 Sunday 10 am—Worship, Currie Kirk
- 19 Sunday 10 am—Worship, Currie Kirk
- 21 Tuesday 2.30 pm—Guild—Daffodil Tea—GCH
- 25 Saturday 3.00 pm—Pop Up Family Church—GCH
- 26 Sunday 10 am—Worship, Currie Kirk, with informal Sacrament of Communion following worship

April

- 2 Sunday 10 am—Worship, Currie Kirk with Prayer Tree Service following worship
- 3 Monday 7 pm—The Good Book Group
- 4 Tuesday 10 am—Guild—Audio Visual Photography: Andrew Stewart—GCH
- 5 Wednesday 7 pm—**Retreat in Daily Life**—Currie Kirk
- 9 Sunday 10 am—Worship, Currie Kirk—Palm Sunday
- 12 Wednesday 7 pm—Stations of the Cross—Our Lady, Mother of the Church
- 13 Thursday 7 pm—Maundy Thursday—Juniper Green Church
- 14 Friday 7 pm—Good Friday—Currie Kirk
- 16 Sunday 10 am—Worship, Currie Kirk—Easter Sunday with Sacrament of Communion
- 18 Tuesday 7.30 pm—Guild: Annual General Meeting—GCH
- 22 Saturday 3.00 pm—Pop Up Family Church—GCH
- 23 Sunday 10 am—Worship, Currie Kirk
- 29 Saturday Iona Retreat
- 30 Sunday 10 am—Kirkin' of the Currie Community Council, Currie Kirk

May

- 7 Sunday 10 am—Worship, Currie Kirk with Prayer Tree Service following worship
- 11 Thursday 9.30 am—Guild Outing to Samye Ling
- 13 Saturday 10 am—Coffee Morning for Christian Aid—GCH
- 14 Sunday 10 am—Worship—Currie Kirk
- 14 Sunday to Saturday 20 May—**Christian Aid Week**
- 21 Sunday 10 am—Worship—Currie Kirk
- 28 Sunday 10 am—Worship, Currie Kirk, with informal Sacrament of Communion following worship



Message from the Manse

Dearest friends,

The first of March this year heralds the first day of Lent. Lent (from the French word *slow*) invites us, literally to slow down to re-charge, re-fuel and re-focus our spiritual lives as we journey 'with Christ' on his final journey to Jerusalem and, ultimately, to the cross.

God delights in restoring our souls. In the words of the Psalm writer, *My soul He doth restore again and me to walk doth make within the paths of righteousness, e'en for His own name's sake. (Psalm 23)*

In order to restore our souls, some of us will embark on a '*Retreat in Daily Life*' coordinated by the Epiphany Group and Margaret Gordon. This is a special form of retreat; instead of travelling to a faraway or forgotten place to find solitude, we seek to create a little more sacred space and quiet time with God even amidst the busy routines of our every day.

The beautiful lines of the song, *Be still for the presence of the Lord* remind us that we cannot anticipate how God may bless our lives the more time we spend alone with him. The Retreat in Daily Life isn't a big commitment—just half an hour a day for the forty days. What is the worst that could happen? Yes, you might fall asleep *or*, you might find a certain scripture speaks to your heart in a way it never did before, or you may find yourself re-examining difficult parts of your life in the presence of God—but that's ok too. For God assures us that *God is our refuge and shelter, a present help in all times.* (Psalm 46)

The '*Retreat in Daily Life*' is a well established model for people with busy lives. Those who have signed up to participate will meet once a week during Lent with a fully trained spiritual guide who will accompany them on their journey of faith and help deepen their relationship with God.

Whether you've 'joined up' as a participant or not—Christ calls us to pray. Our church needs people who pray—not only for ourselves and one another but for our world and its people.

Here is a simple prayer-song from the Musical *Godspell*, which reminds us that each new day is an opportunity to journey with God.



*Day by day
Oh Dear Lord
Three things I pray
To see thee more clearly
Love thee more dearly
Follow thee more nearly
Day by day*



All in all, I hope that during this special sacred season of Lent, you may simply find your soul restored.

God bless,

Easter

Pop Up Family Church



Gibson Craig Hall—Saturday 25 March @ 3.00 pm

New Session Clerk

Currie Kirk is pleased to announce the successor to Grant Gordon, who has been in the position for over 25 years and has given loyal and unstinting dedication to the job.

The successor is Gordon Clephane, who has been an Elder in Currie Kirk for over 30 years and only recently received his long standing Service award.

Gordon was born and brought up in Edinburgh and, up until 2013, his entire working career was in the Electronics sector, working initially with Nuclear Enterprises Ltd, followed by Scottish and Newcastle Breweries, Raand Systems in Livingston and latterly at Edinburgh Instruments Ltd, based initially at the Heriot-Watt campus and then out in Livingston. His career began as a student Electronics Engineer with Nuclear Enterprises and over the years he found himself in roles at Senior Management and Director level, culminating in over 24 years with Edinburgh Instruments.

In May 2013, Gordon was lucky enough to take early retirement and found himself playing golf, going to the gym and generally enjoying life. This he did for about 6 months, got bored, and decided to do something totally different in life.

Whilst reading *Life and Work* one Sunday, Gordon looked at an advert for Crossreach and decided he would like to find out more about working with people with Learning Disabilities and as a result is now working on a part-time basis with men with varying levels of disability, both physical and mental. To begin with, Gordon found it quite daunting and challenging but believed that was where God was calling him to go. Now, three years later, much wiser and more knowledgeable, Gordon has found a level of enjoyment and satisfaction which he never ever experienced working in the Electronics sector.

In his spare time Gordon enjoys playing golf, swimming, going on holiday and occasionally cooking. He has been married to Catherine for over 30 years and they have one daughter, Anne-Marie, who now lives and works in Kelso.

To follow in Grant's footsteps is quite a challenge but after some time of reflection, indecision, prayer and an amazing sermon on Epiphany, delivered in Inverness at the beginning of January, Gordon was finally led to accept the position of Session Clerk in Currie Kirk on the understanding that the term of office will be for a three year period. I'm sure the congregation will openly welcome Gordon and give him every encouragement in this new and important role in the life of Currie Kirk.



Gordon Clephane

Editor



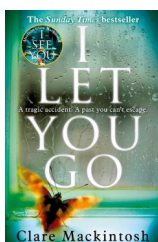
Good Book Group

A very small number of us met in early February to discuss the chosen book, which was "A Reunion of Ghosts" by Judith Claire Mitchell. Only one of us had persevered to the end and comments from those unable to attend were not very positive but despite this there was quite a bit of discussion. We decided there was not much point in scoring the book—the first time this has ever happened—so if you want to know whether it's worth reading you'll have to try it for yourself! Don't ask me—I was one of the people who didn't finish it!

It's not often we have a book that's not much liked but next month's is a cracking good read. The book is "I Let You Go" by Clare Mackintosh and the date is 6 March. Looking ahead, the books for 3 April are "When the Doves Disappeared" by Sofi Oksanen and for 1 May "The Thief Taker" by C S Quinn.

Do come and join us—we'd love to see you there—Gibson Craig Hall Lounge, 7 for 7.30pm.

Krys Hume



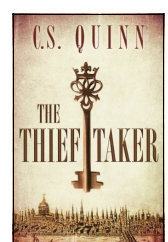
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Grant Gordon

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I have known Grant for a long time and I share the sadness we all feel at his retirement; our fervent wish is that he and his beloved Margaret will be amongst us for many, many more years.

In my early years I worked in Morayshire and I know the farm where he grew up. To paraphrase the poet Wordsworth, Grant is a son of the soil, and a lover of the meadows, woods and mountains. We often spoke about farming and I frequently suspected he would have loved to have farmed in Morayshire in the shadow of the Cairngorm mountains. Instead, he joined the Bank of Scotland and, climbing the greasy promotion pole, arrived in Edinburgh, rising to a senior executive position. It was by good fortune that he and Margaret settled in Currie and found the perfect church in Currie Kirk. In due course he became session clerk, surely one of the finest, hard working session clerks in the Church of Scotland. I served as his assistant for many years, but I say “assistant” advisedly as he was so efficient and on top of his job that, had he not been such a nice chap, he would have declared me redundant years ago!

Grant is a man of vision but these were difficult years. The Church was facing enormous moral and political issues like same sex marriage and homophobia and these were passed down to presbyteries to consider and discuss. Humanism was rife, not helped by the writings of atheists like Richard Dawkins who seldom missed a chance to make his views known in press and television with remarks like ‘Nature is not cruel, only pitilessly indifferent’. Against that backdrop, we seldom heard about the ongoing problems of declining membership, old age and the apathy of youth as the membership graph reduced each year with monotonous regularity. Throughout those difficult and challenging times Grant’s faith in his God and Jesus Christ never wavered; in fact it inspired him to become an excellent preacher of the Gospel, always ready to step in when the minister was not available. Indeed I thought he had a third string to his bow; farmer, banker and minister!

Perhaps Grant’s greatest legacy to Currie Kirk is the recent redevelopment of the Kirk buildings where his knowledge, skills and experience proved invaluable, not least in securing loan funding from the Church of Scotland General Trustees, never an easy task! Together with his project team he has achieved a sympathetic merging of the old with the new in modernising our ancient Kirk.

The Old Testament prophets communed with their God. (No doubt the humanist barb would be that they had a hot line upstairs!) Micah, one of the lesser-known prophets, asked the simple question “What do you require me to do?” The answer came back clear, unambiguous and unequivocal: “Only three things, to act justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God”. Surely Grant has more than measured up to what has been required.

We wish Grant and Margaret all the best in the world as they move into this new phase of their lives together. I have no doubt Grant’s wise counsel will be made available to his successor.

Roddy Macdonald



The Guild



**Daffodil Tea—Gibson Craig Hall—Tuesday 21 March—
2.30-4.30**

**In aid of the project
“Caring for Mother Earth in Bolivia”**

With Dudley Williams on piano

Admission £3.00

Daffodils on sale



Shoebox Delivery Diary 2016

If you remember back in October 2016, the congregation of Currie Kirk filled and wrapped 115 Shoe Boxes, which were picked up by the "Link to Hope" Charity lorry on 12 November.

Below is the incredibly moving diary of the distribution journey to Western Romania.

- ♦ The team from Link to Hope arrived in Oradea, Romania to be met by Nelu Foit, whom the charity has known for many years and does amazing work amongst the poor. This year the group consisted of Lisa, Maria, Malcolm, Sylvia, Harold, Val and Judith



- ♦ The first stop was the village of Varga. We had to cross a rickety bridge in the snow and then climb a steep slope to get to the family we were visiting. We met a grandmother who has been left to look after her grand-children as the mother had gone. When we arrived, the grandmother starting thanking God that we had come and that He had not forgotten her. This elderly lady received glasses in her shoebox and was crying as she could now see her surroundings more clearly

- ♦ We visited a mother and her 4 children. The father had been violent and an alcoholic and she had been forced to leave him. As we arrived at the house, it turned out that it was one of the little girls Stephanie's birthday, so we sang to her. The family already had 4 children of their own and took on another little boy (very shy) from a family member who had also wanted to leave another child as they were leaving the area to seek employment and didn't want their children. We were told the boy hadn't smiled since his parents left, so we were all shocked when a smile appeared as he was given the shoebox and opened it. Lovely presents were inside.



- ♦ It was still snowing as we arrived at a river bank. Here lived 3 families, living in 2 houses on the other side of the river. One of the families father had previously had a stroke and was paralysed. Once they had thanked us for the presents, they went to return to their homes and there was only one way to do that. The sight of them crossing over the river clutching parcels was quite something. They had to jump from one slippery stone to the next without falling into the river.

- ♦ The next house we visited had one grandmother and 8 children. The parents had been trafficked, presumably having been promised a job and were now begging in Spain. The 8 children were living in three small rooms with no water (that came from the neighbours), or electricity. The house is not theirs and attempts had been made to remove them. A new toilet had been built for them outside but the grandmother is unwell with cirrhosis. They adored the presents which was something extraordinary for them to receive.



- ♦ The next lady had lived in the South of Romania with her husband and 7 children. They moved to Oradea to escape his abuse. They have no income but survive with help and donations. They all live in 3 rooms in a house owned by someone in Italy, who now wants to sell it and remove them. Two of the girls are in high school and are doing well. The older son has webbed and shortened fingers, but is brilliant at school. Another has missing bones from his rib and hands—a deformity from birth. They were over the moon with their boxes.



- ◆ Next stop was the old people's (men) home which was an extraordinary place. It looked like a very ramshackle barn, run without any state aid but financed by a private individual, but with considerable care for the people there. The cook makes and prepares the food as the elderly men have no other home. Many have a missing limb. However a smile from a man with no legs who got socks (amongst other gifts) and a toothless man getting a toothbrush (maybe it can be used for gums and tongues!) They were so lovely; one man had made lots of cardboard models of houses and churches and kept trying to give them to us as a gift to say thank you. Malcolm gave a shoebox to a man who reminded him of his brother—his appearance, his age and the same name! Amazing place.

- ◆ The second homeless place was larger and more modern—15 women and 30 men obviously well cared for. We gave out presents and spent time chatting to as many as we could. They had nothing to give but their thanks and many were crying as they were so overwhelmed. We gave out blankets to the women there and one was so disappointed not to receive a knitted blanket. Fortunately one was found and given to her and she was very happy!



- ◆ We went to visit 2 villages where the crowds were ALREADY gathered and the local pastor had a very strict list of names and gave the boxes to the child of the family. In the next village we were surprised to go into the church to be greeted by a full gathering and children's choir—over 300 people were inside! The lady Mayor was there organising things with the community leaders. It was frightening to think that these people had made such an event of something so simple as receiving a shoebox—the contents of which we would think little of! They were genuinely delighted to receive them and it showed.

- ◆ We travelled to Cluj and spent the day with Petrica and Rodica and their organisation. One of their projects the ABC project helps Roma people in Pata Rat which is a huge rubbish tip that families and children work on. Petrica has established a small school which we visited and the children gratefully opened their shoeboxes and were delighted. One little girl who should have been in school was not allowed to attend, as her parents told her she must go on the dump and search for saleable items such as plastic, tins which would fetch a small amount of money for the family.



- ◆ This was one of the worst places we have ever visited and we were so glad it was so cold otherwise the smell would have been totally overwhelming. Such a grim and terrible existence, made worse by the presence, physically across the road, of a huge rubbish dump, complete with seagulls. On the further side, children roaming about—they pick off what they can find to be of use. "They burn the plastic bottles they find, and smell them—and then things are all right." (quote from one of the helping team, about the community in Pata Rat). Eva—the teacher—and her husband serve diligently in this village and have adopted a little boy who was found on the tip in very poor health as he had been bitten on his ears and body by rats! It took 2 years to organise the paper work and all the details. He is now healthy and loved and his name is Emmanuel.

- ◆ After lunchtime we visited two further hostels for the homeless. The first housed men and women homeless for a variety of reasons—break-up, alcohol, thrown out by family, financial problems etc. One of the men was an excellent accordionist, who accompanied a group of the residents who wanted to sing to us to say thank you. We responded with WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS which is the only song we all knew. The second home was similar but also included some people developing dementia—and a family of children completely unsuited to such an environment, but with nowhere else to go.





- ◆ We then met up with Pastor Cornel who is a wonderful project manager. We travelled to locations through and around the Gherla area. In the schools there are a few gypsy children, but the majority are Romanian from deprived backgrounds and low rural income. Help for the schools comes more from the EU rather than from national/local government. We went to one large school with 100+ pupils in eight classrooms. They were overjoyed with their parcels. Again only 4 hours of schooling and not much chance of further education.

- ◆ One little boy, on being told that it was a “family” parcel, came up to Cornel and said “I don’t have a mum or a dad, so I can share it with my neighbour....” – what can you say to that? They sang to us before we left. The next school we went to was so small it only had one classroom (it felt as if this was the only room in the block being heated) with one teacher, trying to teach all four lower-school grades together (including special needs) - an impossible educational position. Again, they were overjoyed to receive their shoeboxes.



- ◆ We visited two other communities, the first in a worse condition than the second. Lots of baby clothes were distributed (which had been specifically requested), and woollens, as well as the boxes. Just as well—today has been a raw and unpleasant one so far—a reminder of the severity of life for the poor. The recipients included a girl who looked about 13, but we were assured that the woollies would benefit her 5-month old baby back in the house. Pastor Cornell is particularly trying to change the age of marriage within this community which is as early as 12 (legally in Romania it is 18). He is now slowly getting them to understand that this is too young and by 2018 they will have to be 18 to marry. In the meantime 2016 is 16, 2017 is 17. He does not charge for officiating the marriage if they comply! The second village was one that Cornel has been working with for a number of years and there was such a change, they were so friendly and it was a joy to see the change in people.

- ◆ The final act was delivering Judith’s parcel! One of our number Judith had recognised a shoebox as one she had packed, from the writing and the notes of the content. As it was so special we wanted to give it to someone special. Three years ago a woman in the village had been given a shoebox. She was so ill that the room she lived in was almost too unbearable to go into as the smell from her incontinence was so bad. It was mentioned in the Link to Hope Newslink and sponsors came forward who bought a new bed, mattress, cover and pillow cases to make her life easier. Recently she died and her husband wanted to meet the people who had helped his wife. He himself now had Parkinsons very badly but we went to visit him and Judith gave him her box and opened it with him. He was overcome and so grateful and surprised and every gift in that box was perfect for him.



Diary written by Harold Liberty and the team

Please go to the Link to Hope website at www.linktohope.co.uk to see many more photos and videos from the Shoebox Delivery Trip. Thank you for all your help and commitment to the Shoebox Appeal and Link to Hope.

Gordon Clephane
Mission & Outreach Committee



Christian Aid Week 2017

(14–20 May)

You may feel that the month of May is still a long way off, but most of us at some stage are heard to say “where does the time go”? So, here I am again appealing for your help for a couple of hours during the week of 14 to 20 May 2017.

Christian Aid, like many charities, rely heavily on the income from door to door collections. Last year, sadly, due to a lack of volunteers, we were unable to go to all the houses in Currie to collect the envelopes that we put through the letter boxes. This year the situation is looking particularly bleak as many of our volunteers were well into their eighties and have now deservedly had to step down from helping in this way.

Could you perhaps help? Please do not feel that you have to be a ‘regular church goer’ to do this small task. In fact you only need to have a conscience, and about two hours of free time. The ‘patches’ are split into streets or parts of a street and it would be particularly helpful if you could do your own street or certainly one close by to where you live. The reason for this is that you are more likely to be known to the extent that you may have been seen walking passed houses and are not therefore seen to be a ‘stranger’.

Please do not leave this for someone else to do—I really do need YOUR help. Please phone me on 449 4693, or pop into the Kirk Office for a bit more information before committing yourself. I look forward to hearing from you.

Ishbel Massie
Currie Christian Aid Co-ordinator

Christian Aid Quiz now available (donation £1.00) from Church Office, Eunice Stewart or Ishbel Massie



65th Edinburgh (Currie) Company
(Registered Charity No. SCO34640)



The BB is holding its annual ceilidh on Saturday 11 March starting at 7pm. Dancing to Iain MacPhail and his band and entry is by donation (please be generous!). Tickets can be secured in advance by emailing Michael on 65edinburghbb@gmail.com, phoning 0131 440 3216 or contacting the Kirk office who will pass on your details.

Dundee was the destination for this year's Seniors Weekend. They got exceptionally muddy cycling around Loch Ordie and attempted to escape from Escape Scotland's Black Pearl challenge. I say attempt as eventually their staff had to help the boys through the challenge (Michael Knott)



Sainsbury's



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We are collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers so if you are offered any, please take them and pop them in the box in the main hall of the Gibson Craig Hall.

Community Activities

The Gibson Craig Halls are used by various groups during the week and, if anyone is interested in joining a group, please telephone the contact noted below.

	Contact name	Tel No:	Day
Baby Ballet	Claire Robertson	07731 466147	Wednesday
Balerno Bridge Club	Brian Rose	449 5335	Monday
Blue Sky Pilates	Claire McDonald	07872 349073	Wednesday
Currie and District Local History Society	Douglas Lowe	449 4349	Monday Evenings twice monthly October to March
Currie Community Council	Madge Barker	449 3450	2nd Monday of each Monday— not July & December
Currie Day Centre	Dorothy Simpson coordinatorCDC@gmx.com	07562 142885	Friday by referral
Highland Dancing	Michelle Marshall	339 4704	Wednesday
Octagon Club	Terry Maloney	07514 664292	Wednesday
Nether Currie Baby and Toddler Group	Jennifer Nicol	449 4481	Fridays of the month 9.30 am to 11.30 am (term time only)
Pilates Class (Fuschia)	Steph Bain	445 3690	Wednesday: Noon—1 pm
Pentland Gymnastics	Alison McLean	07731 429625	Tuesday
Senior Citizens	Jean Smith	449 5596	Monday
Snack Lunches	Viola MacPhail	449 4664	Tuesday
Yoga	Monica Evans	07986 600432	Tuesday: 8-9 pm
Zumba Exercise Class Thighs, Bums & Tums	Tom Lowe	07980 692929	Thursday: 10.15-11.15 am Tuesday: 10—11 am

Drivers Wanted!

Harlaw Monday Group provides day care for older people with mild to moderate dementia. We meet at Dean Park Health Clinic (adjacent to Dean Park Primary main building in Balerno) and are looking for new drivers for the minibus on Mondays. On average, each driver would be required for a few hours only about once a month. Drivers need to be aged between 25 and 70, with a full clean driving licence and have category D1 included on their licence.

If you can help, please contact Val on **0131 441 3002** or coordinator@harlawmondaygroup.co.uk for further information.

Valerie Clark

Salt Spreader

Thanks to the Currie Kirk Singers who have generously donated a Salt Spreader to keep the paths to the Kirk clear.



Family News

Obituaries: *Jesus said: "I am the Resurrection and the Life"*
(John 11:25)

Tommy Adams, ex 36 Forthview Crescent

Olive McGowan, 15 Threipmuir Place

Morag Reynolds, Oaklands Care Home, Canaan Lane

Edith Rinning, Formerly Dolphin Avenue

Mary Whigham, Jewel House, 11 Bingham Crescent

Please pray for the families



Fairtrade Fortnight 2017

Snack Lunch £4.50—(Children £2)

Sunday 5 March 2017

From 11.45 am in Gibson Craig Hall

£4.50 includes soup, bread, cheese, homebaking, tea and coffee

Tickets from Viola MacPhail

Tel. 449 4664 or 07806 806920

Fairtrade Fortnight 2017

Proceeds to Christian Aid SCO31950

Meeting Notes

Would you like to receive notes of all or one particular Committee Meeting? If so, please contact the Session Clerk.

This will help you keep in touch with what is happening in the Kirk.

March Flower List

5 Mrs M Muirhead

12 Mrs S Ramsay
Mrs M Sutherland



19 Mr R Barr
Mrs M Douglas
Mrs M Fraser

26 Mrs L Airs
Mrs A Williamson
Currie Kirk Guild

For further information regarding donations to Currie Kirk Flower Fund please contact Erica Porteous,
2 Pentland View, Currie or call 449 6894



WHO'S WHO



NAME	CONTACT	MEETING DAY	TELEPHONE NO
Minister	Rev Dr Easter Smart		449 4719
Currie Kirk Church Office (Scottish Charity No. SC001554)	Gibson Craig Halls, Lanark Road West, Currie, EH14 5NY Secretary: Ishbel Massie Email currie_kirk@btconnect.com	Tuesday—9.30am—12noon Wednesday—9.30am—12noon Thursday—9.30am—12noon Friday—9.30am—11.45am.	451 5141
Session Clerk	Gordon Clephane Email: gordon.clephane@blueyonder.co.uk		449 2313
Treasurer	Eddie Pigott Email: pigottsef@icloud.com		466 1459
Gift Aid & Offerings Treasurer & Data Protection Officer	Ron Dow 48 Thomson Drive Email: ronedow@blueyonder.co.uk		538 2313
Weddings/Funeral Officer	Sandy Harper 16 Pentland View		449 4258
Organist	Contact Church Office		451 5141
Gibson Craig Halls bookings	Ann Proudfoot	ckgchbooking@gmail.com	449 7739
Gibson Craig Halls Caretaker	Bill Sutherland		449 7747
Hospital Transport Coordinator	Elizabeth Wood		538 0363
Deputy Coordinator	Jim Ure		449 6498
Kirk House Bookings	Isobel Paterson		449 6182
Life and Work	Eileen Chadwick		449 2559
Magazine Distributor	Jean Dick		449 6374
Boys' Brigade Captain	Michael Knott Anchors Juniors Company/Seniors	Thursday 6.00-7.00 pm Thursday 7.00-8.30 pm Sunday 6.30-8.30	440 3216
Mini Bus Sunday lift organiser	Margaret Russell		449 5917
Mini Bus Bookings	Isobel Webber		451 5112
Banner Group	Janet Robertson	Tuesday	441 1499
Care Van	Fiona Pigott	Once a month	466 1459
Pastoral Visitors	Rev Dr Easter Smart		449 4719
Currie Kirk Singers	Gordon Cranford	Various	449 4639
Guild	Freda Robertson	Tuesday	449 2593
Kidz@Currie	Elaine Rae	Sunday	451 5384
Pop Up Family Church	Contact Church Office	Last Saturday of each month (except April when it will be 22nd) Gibson Craig Halls from 3.00pm—5.00 pm	451 5141
Walking Group	Moira McDonald	Third Sunday of each month	467 0682



The Kirk News

Can now be found on the Currie Kirk Website with one click to <http://www.curriekirk.org/Kirknews>—why not mark it as a favourite. **Articles for the March issue should be sent—using a Word attachment—by email to isobelwebber@btinternet.com before or by Friday 17 March 2017. Please insert the words “Kirk News” into the subject.**



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