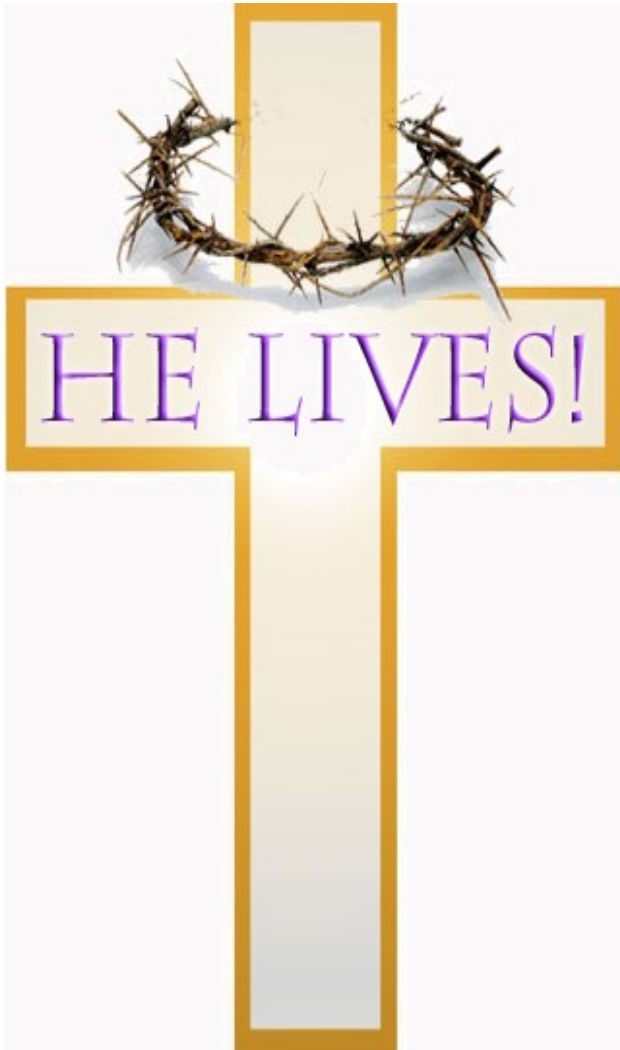




# The Kirk News

April 2017



## Easter Love

On Easter we celebrate love,  
 love coming down from heaven,  
 love blanketing the earth  
 in a transforming embrace;  
 unique and infinite love,  
 giving more than we can imagine  
 for us, to cleanse our sin,  
 a perfect sacrifice, Lamb of God,  
 the walking, talking Word.  
 He is teacher, role model, friend,  
 this God in human form,  
 dying, then rising from the dead,  
 proving all who believe  
 will also rise  
 to have eternal life, with Him,  
 Lord of all.  
 Oh, Happy, Happy Easter!

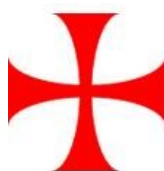
*Joanna Fuchs*  
[www.poemsource.com](http://www.poemsource.com).

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THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

# CURRIE KIRK

WHERE FAITH AND LIFE CROSS PATHS



## CALENDAR OVERVIEW:

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

*(GCH= Gibson Craig Halls)*

2017

<b>April</b>	<b>2 Sunday</b>	<b>10 am</b> —Worship, Currie Kirk with Prayer Tree Service following worship
	<b>3 Monday</b>	<b>7 pm</b> —The Good Book Group
	<b>4 Tuesday</b>	<b>10 am</b> —Guild—Audio Visual Photography: Andrew Stewart—GCH
	<b>5 Wednesday</b>	<b>7 pm</b> — <i>Retreat in Daily Life</i> —Currie Kirk
	<b>9 Sunday</b>	<b>10 am</b> —Worship, Currie Kirk—Palm Sunday
	<b>12 Wednesday</b>	<b>7 pm</b> —Stations of the Cross—Our Lady, Mother of the Church
	<b>13 Thursday</b>	<b>7 pm</b> —Maundy Thursday—Juniper Green Church
	<b>14 Friday</b>	<b>7 pm</b> —Good Friday—Currie Kirk
	<b>16 Sunday</b>	<b>10 am</b> —Worship, Currie Kirk—Easter Sunday with Sacrament of Communion
	<b>18 Tuesday</b>	<b>7.30 pm</b> —Guild: Annual General Meeting—GCH
	<b>22 Saturday</b>	<b>3.00 pm</b> —Pop Up Family Church—GCH
	<b>23 Sunday</b>	<b>10 am</b> —Worship, Currie Kirk
	<b>29 Saturday</b>	<b>Iona Retreat</b>
	<b>30 Sunday</b>	<b>10 am</b> —Kirkin' of the Currie Community Council, Currie Kirk
<b>May</b>	<b>7 Sunday</b>	<b>10 am</b> —Worship, Currie Kirk with Prayer Tree Service following worship
	<b>11 Thursday</b>	<b>9.30 am</b> —Guild Outing to Samye Ling
	<b>13 Saturday</b>	<b>10 am</b> —Coffee Morning for Christian Aid—GCH
	<b>14 Sunday</b>	<b>10 am</b> —Worship—Currie Kirk
	<b>14 Sunday</b>	<b>to Saturday 20 May—Christian Aid Week</b>
	<b>21 Sunday</b>	<b>10 am</b> —Worship—Currie Kirk
	<b>28 Sunday</b>	<b>10 am</b> —Worship, Currie Kirk, with informal Sacrament of Communion following worship
<b>June</b>	<b>2 June</b>	<b>7 pm</b> The 65th Edinburgh (Currie) Company Boys' Brigade Display—GCH
	<b>4 June</b>	<b>10 am</b> —Worship, Currie Kirk with Prayer Tree Service following worship
	<b>11 June</b>	<b>10 am</b> —Worship—Currie Kirk
	<b>18 June</b>	<b>10 am</b> —Worship—Currie Kirk
	<b>25 June</b>	<b>10 am</b> —Worship, Currie Kirk, with informal Sacrament of Communion following worship





# Message from Easter @ Easter

*Dearest Friends*

I am so grateful for all the goodwill and kind wishes that surrounded my trip to the USA to preach for Dad's 80th Birthday. The celebrations went well and the folk of St Andrew's Christian Church, Baltimore send their warmest greetings to Currie Kirk.



I still find it incredible that it is possible to wake up in Edinburgh, eat breakfast in Heathrow and be in the USA in time for dinner. In our time, communication and travel have become so quick, so convenient—so different from what travel and communication must have been like in Jesus' day.

Jesus was one man, an itinerant prophet and preacher who changed the course of so many people's lives by his speaking, healing, sharing, caring. Yet, he and his followers travelled only on foot, by sailboat or at best on a donkey. There were no microphones, no internet—just one man with a most radical approach to religion—an approach which encouraged people to build their own personal relationship with God.

It is incredible to conceive of how the early Christian believers took his message of hope, forgiveness, new life and resurrection around so many communities, villages, cities and nations without phone, internet, Facebook, what's-app, email or tweet. Yet somehow, by the grace of God and through the passion of a few committed folk the Good News spread. More and more people not only heard about this Divine man Jesus, his life-story and teachings—but their encounter with the Good News transformed their lives and the lives of their loved ones.

We hear so much 'bad' news these days—news which leaves us feeling uncertain, sad or overwhelmed. At Easter we remember once again that, as Christians we are people of the Gospel, or Good News. We celebrate that in God, death does not have the last word, evil cannot win-out forever, love is stronger than hate and hope will outlive despair. We have a loving God who came to us in Christ Jesus to redeem us again and again and again.

Therefore, let all of us in Currie Kirk resolve, despite all the 'bad' news around, to communicate the Good News we have with neighbours, friends and strangers alike. We remember that it is the living Christ among us who empowers us not only to share, but to participate in the story of Resurrection.



God Bless

*Easter*

## Pop Up Family Church



**Gibson Craig Hall—Saturday 22 April @ 3.00 pm**



At the end of worship on Sunday 26 February I was quite taken aback to be presented with two gifts in recognition of my service as Session Clerk, one an inscribed Quaich and the other a particularly fine spirit to fill it with. It was a wonderful and touching surprise.

Also, thank you to those who have written to me and/or given me gifts. Totally unexpected, but such kindness is much appreciated.

Grant



## Rev Dr George Whyte, Principal Clerk Designate

One of our members, Rev Dr George Whyte, has been selected as Principal Clerk Designate. Provided the General Assembly in May confirm his appointment he will succeed Very Rev Dr John Chalmers, who retires from the post this summer. George, who is the current Clerk to the Presbytery of Edinburgh, has also been assisting as Depute to the current Principal Clerk since 2011.

The role of the Principal Clerk is to act as the Clerk to the General Assembly, which includes advising the Assembly and the Moderator on church law, practice and procedure. The Principal Clerk also supports the Moderator throughout the year as well as providing training courses and advice on church law and procedures to Kirk Sessions, Presbyteries, ministers and other church bodies.

One of the outstanding Churchmen of his generation, George is a man of considerable acumen and vision and, while the Presbytery of Edinburgh's loss is great, the Church will gain immensely from his energy, passion and farsightedness in these challenging and changing times. We wish George well for the future.

Grant Gordon

## Food Bank—Easter Egg Collection



Following on from the success of last year's Easter Egg collection for the Holy Trinity Food Bank in Wester Hailes, The Boys' Brigade and the Mission & Outreach Committee have joined forces to repeat this successful initiative.

If you wish to make a donation, please bring your eggs to the Church on any Sunday up to and including Easter Sunday, 16 April. Alternatively, please hand into Ishbel at the Church Office. Members of the BB and M&O Committee will deliver the Eggs on Easter Sunday.

Thanks in anticipation.

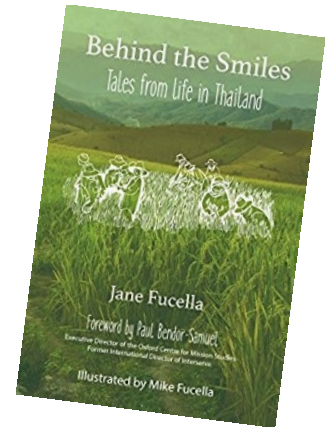
Gordon Clephane

## Day Care Centre—Help Required

The Day Care Centre which meets on Friday in the Gibson Craig Hall urgently requires helpers. If you can spare a few hours (9.30 am—2.30 pm) one Friday per month please get in touch with Sally Heron—449 3452 or email [sally.heron@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:sally.heron@blueyonder.co.uk) for further information.



# Behind the Smiles



Jane and Mike Fucella were, for a long time, our mission partners. They spent over 20 years as missionaries in Thailand, sent initially by the Church of Scotland. They lived in two rural locations and then in Bangkok. Since returning to the UK four years ago Jane has written a book about their lives and experiences in Thailand. Church members who read the Fish Wrapper newsletter, which they wrote regularly from Thailand, will recognise the style of writing as well as the illustrations—all pinched from Fish Wrappers and done by Mike.

Behind the Smiles is published by Onwards and Upwards and is available in Christian bookshops, Waterstones.com, Waterstones shops (on request) and Amazon. It is available on Kindle. It is a collection of snapshot chapters, dealing with topics like learning the languages (and dropping some linguistic clangers); pets and wildlife (getting used—and never getting used—to snakes, rats and multiple creepy-crawlies); understanding and respecting the culture, beliefs and religious traditions, incorporating them, if at all theologically possible, into Christian practice; medical emergencies, both family and friends/neighbours; squaring up to the challenge of Thai food—its cooking, storage and choice of ingredients; and the delights and dangers of various modes of transport. Through it all shines Jane’s passionate and tender care for everyone she met and especially for those in her care, nursing and supporting men, women, children and whole families through the early days of HIV and Aids.

Their’s was a holistic mission. They took Jesus’ love to those in the direst need, demonstrating acceptance, forgiveness and hope, and often creating an open door to take the gospel through and into the lives of those they met. This fascinating account of life in Thailand—as Christian missionaries, as neighbours and friends, as husband and wife, as parents, as farmers, as medical experts, as survivors—will be a must-read. More info from: [authorbehindthesmiles@gmail.com](mailto:authorbehindthesmiles@gmail.com) and <https://www.facebook.com/behindthesmiles>

A few weeks ago, Gordon Clephane, met with Jane and took 20 copies of the book for anyone in Currie Kirk who might like to buy one. It’s priced at £9.99.

You can contact Gordon on 0131 449 2313 or email: [gordon.clephane@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:gordon.clephane@blueyonder.co.uk) who will be happy to deliver in the Currie area.

Gordon Clephane



## Christian Aid week 14–20 May 2017

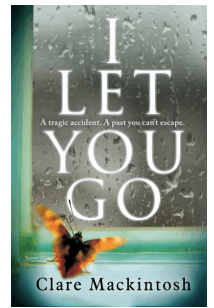
As you read this, Christian Aid week will possibly be no more than six weeks away. Most of us will have read that according to the UK’s Disasters and Emergency Committee, sixteen million people across Somalia, Kenya, Ethiopia and South Sudan need food, water and medical treatment. We will have seen harrowing pictures, and yet few of us in an individual way can do much to help. This is the worst humanitarian crisis since 1945—but we CAN help. This is the sort of work that Christian Aid is involved in, and this year alone has helped millions in 39 countries. You can help by supporting its work—when the little red envelope drops through your door; and also by becoming a volunteer to collect these envelopes. If you have not yet agreed to give a couple of hours of your time in May, please give consideration to doing so now. Please contact me for more information.

Ishbel Massie  
449 4693



# Good Book Group

*I Let You Go*  
by Clare Mackintosh



This novel not only promoted a great deal of discussion within the Group but—I think it is fair to say—was one of the most enthusiastically reviewed. In fact, most of the Group enjoyed it so much they read it twice! The consensus was that the novel was well written and well constructed.

Clare Mackintosh was named *The Sunday Times* Best Thriller Author and is now an Award winning Crime Writer. She had taken a two year career break as a serving police inspector in search of something more creative. In order to have a small regular income, Clare began as a freelance writer then 'Chick Lit' author. It was a hit and run accident by a joy rider, in her home town and the subsequent death of the nine year old victim, that prompted her to write her first novel *I Let You Go*. The offender was never charged.

Clare could not imagine how a mother could survive the loss of a child or how someone could go through life knowing they were responsible for the death of a child. Clare's own new-born son died of meningitis, her loss and sense of grief were the motivation to creating the central character, in *I Let You Go*, Jenna.

With the death of her son, Jenna's world disintegrates instantly. She decides she has to make a fresh start to escape from what has happened and from her past! Jenna ends up in a small Welsh coastal village.

As time passes, she begins to think there is the prospect of some happiness, yet this book has so many unpredictable twists and turns, that nothing can be taken for granted. Secrets, once thought buried, come out. On her Wedding night Jenna's husband punched her in the face and the viciousness of the subsequent beatings he inflicted was horrendous. Her father used to beat her mother! She reflects back over her life to her Potter's studio, lost in her work, which her husband resented. He was obsessed with her, controlling.

There is a sub-plot running alongside the 'secrecy' surrounding Jenna. Kate is a trainee detective and DI Ray Stevens, her supervising officer, are investigating the hit-and-run, which killed Jenna's son, Jacob. The detective, however, is dealing with his own problems, home issues distracting him from the case.

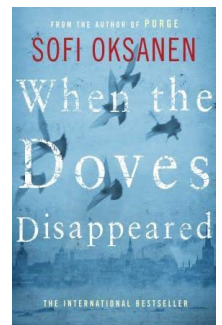
Some worthy comments from the book group:

- ◆ So many Twists and Turns.
- ◆ I was 'Gob-smacked' by this novel.
- ◆ You can't make assumptions reading this book—cleverly written—really enjoyed it!
- ◆ Loved it! Fantastic! I couldn't put it down.
- ◆ The Twists are phenomenal, gasps!
- ◆ Couldn't believe the twists & turns—took my breath away.
- ◆ Great book—one of the best!

Average Score: 8.6

*Dot Rutherford*

April



## Kidz@Currie

Kidz@Currie operates a Creche catering for babies, toddlers and pre-schoolers and a Sunday Club for Primary and Secondary school age. Children are invited to join the congregation for the start of the Church service at 10 am and then leave part way for Kidz@Currie. Kidz@Currie enjoy stories, arts, crafts and games.

All welcome

## Lesley Helm

Anchor Boys are the foundation of The Boys' Brigade with many who begin their BB journey as a member of our youngest section staying with the organisation until they gain their Queen's Badge when they are 17 or 18 years old.

Our very own anchor for nearly 25 years has been Lesley Helm who has worked tirelessly with our youngest members who are all six or seven years old. During her time with us she has become an expert colourer in; is able to tie a shoe lace in under five seconds; and could easily write a book entitled 101 games to play with a bean bag. Lesley's contribution to the Boys' Brigade goes far beyond Anchor Boys as she has also helped at Junior Section and Company Section camps too. She is popular with all the boys and has a very sharp wit that ensures smiles and laughter are never far away.

However, Lesley has decided to retire from the BB at the end of the session. We will be saying a fond farewell at the Annual Display on Friday 2 June and a massive thank you for all the hours she has given over the years. We wish Lesley and her family all the best for the future.

A special thanks to those who attended the Ceilidh—the Company has an extra £250 to treat the Boys.

Michael Knott  
 Captain



## The Guild



As another Guild Session draws to a close with Audio Visual Photography on Tuesday 4 April, followed by our Cheese and Wine AGM on Tuesday 18 April at 7.30 pm we reflect on the year that has gone. The project "Caring for Mother Earth in Bolivia" which aimed at purchasing solar cookers to enable the women not to have to find wood for the open fires has raised to date over £700. Also our knitters—who are still knitting—wool and needles for those wishing to join or knit more hats can be collected from the Kirk Office. In addition to the 611 hats already knitted and despatched to Syria—week 10 of 2017 sees the total standing at 249—W O W A M A Z I N G !!!

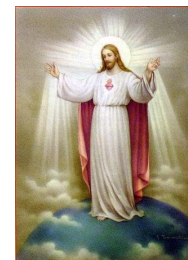
The speakers this year have been excellent and our Beetle Drive raised a smile with some not moving from a table whilst others moved round the room—the dice was not loaded!! The Daffodil Tea which—as well as tea and cakes—has entertainment from Dudley on the piano and the "Guilded Lillies" Choir. More on this, next month, as it misses the deadline for the Kirk News but a great number of tickets have been sold.

There are a few spaces on the coach for the Guild Outing to Samye Ling on Thursday 11 May—cost £37 which includes transport; coffee/tea and scones at the Lochcarron Mill; a tour of the mill; travel to Samye Ling Monastery, Eskdalemuir; and dinner at the Cardrona Hotel, near Peebles. Please get in touch with Louise on 466 3472 or Moira 467 0682 if you would like to join the group on this outing. Lovely countryside to Eskdalemuir and it is an enjoyable day out.

Freda Robertson  
 President

# Elegy for Reverend Dr Willis Jones

("The life force from Little Rock, the Ark in Arkansas")



## God's Messenger

He delivered the good word in stentorian tones,  
Warmth, light, truth and passion: no negative moans,  
Our spiritual conduit now returned to sender,  
Inspiring and abiding memories did'st he engender,  
There was only one Dr Willis Jones.

He'll be sadly mourned but his memory persists,  
His message of love for us aye exists,  
Unforgotten, his dynamism lives on,  
All our lives touched by his phenomenon,  
As he sought to unravel life's twists.



If we follow the path that Willis espoused,  
Then surely we'll again altogether be housed,  
In one of many mansions that the Bible has cited,  
Thus with our spiritual leader re-united,  
The Indefatigable Dr Willis Jones.



*A Believer*

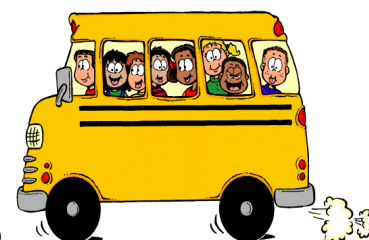
*Currie Kirk (circa MMXVII)*

## Kirk Minibus

A coffee morning with stalls is being held on **SATURDAY 9 SEPTEMBER** in the Gibson Craig. If you can help with the following it will be appreciated: New unwanted gifts; books; raffle prizes and it is hoped to have a cake and candy stall.

If you are able to contribute to any of the stalls please leave your contributions with Ishbel in the office, alternatively, if you would like items collected please phone Isobel on 451 5112.

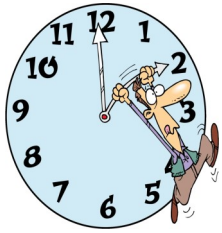
Thank you in advance for your support. The bus takes all who wish transport to the Kirk on Sunday and it is appreciated by all.





# Value the Present

Imagine there is a bank that credits your account each morning with £86,400. It carries over no balance from day to day. Every evening it deletes whatever part of the balance you failed to use during the day. What would you do? Draw out every penny, of course!



Each of us has such a bank—its name is time. Every morning, it credits you with 86,400 seconds. Every night, it writes off, as lost, whatever of this you have failed to invest to good purpose. It carries over no balance, it allows no overdraft. Each day it opens a new account for you, each night it burns the remains of the day. If you fail to use the day's deposits, the loss is yours, there is no going back. There is no drawing against the 'tomorrow'—you must live in the present day's deposits.

Invest it so as to get from it the utmost in health, happiness and success!  
The Clock is running—Make the most of today.

- ◆ To realise the value of ONE YEAR, ask the student who failed an exam.
- ◆ To realise the value of ONE MONTH, ask the mother who gave birth to a premature baby.
- ◆ To realise the value of ONE WEEK, ask the editor of a weekly newspaper
- ◆ To realise the value of ONE HOUR, ask the lovers who are waiting to meet.
- ◆ To realise the value of ONE MINUTE, ask a person who missed the train
- ◆ To realise the value of ONE SECOND, ask the person who has just avoided an accident.
- ◆ To realise the value of ONE MILLISECOND, ask the person who won the silver medal in the Olympics.

Treasure every moment that you have! And treasure it more because you have shared it with someone special, special enough to spend your time; and remember, time waits for no one.

Yesterday is history.  
Tomorrow is a mystery.  
Today is a gift.

That's why it is called the present!!

## Walking Group



The photograph was taken at the north side of the Forth Road Bridge on Sunday 19 March—a wee bit blustery it certainly blew the cobwebs away. On the 40 minute walk across to the north side we had sun and showers. A picnic in the grounds of the North Queensferry Hotel and the use of its facilities and then we braved the wind for the return journey to the south of the bridge. Thanks to Jean and Moira who organised this walk. Great time was enjoyed by all the walkers.

Sheena McPhie

# 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 <a href="mailto:coordinatorCDC@gmx.com">coordinatorCDC@gmx.com</a>	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

## Currie Kirk Singers

Welcome back!  
It was lovely to have you back in your home territory.  
Haste ye back ..... and soon!

*Helen Clayton*

## Sainsbury's



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The Boys' Brigade is 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.

The Hospitality Committee has changed its name to the Social and Fellowship Committee

# Family News

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

Marie Foggo, 51 Weavers Knowe Crescent

Please pray for the family



**Baptisms:** *Jesus said: "Let the children come to me"*  
*(Luke 18:16)*

Jack William Farrell, son of Sara and William

Katy Elouise Brown, daughter of Jennifer and Christopher



## Fairtrade Fortnight Lunch 2017

A very big thank you to everyone who attended or donated soup and home baking and to all those involved in setting up, serving and washing up. We made the splendid sum of £349.35 which will be donated to Christian Aid.

Many thanks from Mission and Outreach Team

## 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.

## April Flower List

2 Mrs J Caffrey

9 Mrs H Clayton  
Mrs J Dick

16 Mrs M Malcolm  
Mrs M Ritchie



23 Mrs F Pigott  
Mrs J Robertson  
The Wight Family

30 Mrs N Hogg

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	<a href="mailto:ckgchbooking@gmail.com">ckgchbooking@gmail.com</a>	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 May issue should be sent—using a Word attachment—by email to [isobelwebber@btinternet.com](mailto:isobelwebber@btinternet.com) before or by Friday 21 April 2017. Please insert the words “Kirk News” into the subject.**



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