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As the magazine goes to print this month we are enjoying some of the warmest weather this year and so it seems hard to believe that we are moving into October already. And as the days

grow shorter, many of us will feel inclined to close the curtains at dusk, lock the doors and settle into our homes, trying as valiantly as possible to ignore the inevitability of the approaching winter. But as Christians we are different. Though the snow and ice of winter in our northerly

latitude may slow us down a bit, we are fuelled by an inner fire; an inner fire so bright and sure that we are sustained through even the darkest and coldest days of winter. A fire which, if only we let it, can burn so intensely, it can provide warmth and comfort to those around us.

In this edition of the magazine, we have articles from one of the younger members of our congregation as well as an inspiring story from one of our more mature cohort. I think these articles, together with the variety of activities going on within our church, illustrate what can be achieved when we do indeed let that fire blaze. And with that fire blazing we can go out with

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courage and purpose into the darkest, chilliest of nights whether we are in the spring, summer, autumn or winter of our lives. *Elaine*.

Soup and Lemonaid

On Sunday 11th September the Young Church held a soup lunch in the church hall after the 11am service. The aim was to involve the children in a fundraising activity for a cause that they felt deserving.

The response from the congregation was outstanding and the Young Church gathered a total of £75. The young people were then given the opportunity to decide which cause they would like to support.

After some lively debate, they decided that £50 should go to Dunfermline based charity, Lemonaid, with the remaining £25 being donated to the church flower fund to help with the cost of the displays for our Harvest service on 2nd October.

Rebecca Cromwell (12) now reports on the work of the charity and why the Young Church felt they would like to support Lemonaid.

"Thank you all for donating money for the soup lunch we had on the 11th of September. I would like to tell you about the charity that the Young Church picked as our choice of charity.

Lemonaid is a charity based in Dunfermline that helps people in Haiti. They help by sending doctors and nurses to Haiti to help people by giving them medicine and vaccines. Doctors and nurses from Dunfermline have gone out to Haiti to help. They have also helped some villages bv installing water pumps.

On one island, Lagonave, there is only one, 35 bed hospital for over 100,000 people and it is falling down and Lemonaid are trying to raise money to rebuild it.

Soup and Lemonaid

The children there are very poor and many do not have anywhere to live. Lemonaid's next project is to build an orphanage.

The charity also helps the children of Haiti by encouraging people in the UK to "adopt" them by giving them money each month to help them.

Dr Mathie from Lemonaid came to speak to our school last year about what the charity does. It made me feel sad because the children in Haiti have nothing.

I think it is good to give our money to Lemonaid because children in the UK mostly have lots of things and it is good to remember children in other parts of the world who have nothing.

To find out more visit www.lemonaid.org.uk. Thank you again for your donations. Rebecca Cromwell."





'Freeing your spirit and stoking your inner fire.'

The Ecumenical Spirituality Event - Saturday November 12th, Rosyth Methodist Church.

In order that we may have an idea of numbers could you please either e-mail or phone me if you are interested in attending. There were details in the last issue of the church magazine but if you missed that issue or wish more information do not hesitate to ask me.

Margaret Dineley - 01383 624377 - margaret.dineley@googlemail.com

Our next Taizé
Eucharist will take
place in church on
Sunday 2nd October
at 6.30pm.
Everyone welcome!

On Sunday 16th October at 3pm Tim and Valerie will lead an Ecumenical Taizé service at Your Oasis in the Kinsgate Shopping Centre. It is hoped this will become a regular event. Please come along if you can.

Lay Readership - What Does it All Mean?

In this inspiring and informative article, Margaret Dineley explains the role of Lay Reader within the Scottish Episcopal Church.

Those of you who were at the 11am service on Sunday 18th September will have heard Tim announce that I had been accepted for training as a Lay Reader – those of you who weren't there on that occasion may still not have heard. For all of you I am very pleased indeed to have the opportunity to tell you about what being a Lay Reader entails, about the training and a little about my spiritual journey. I would have liked to have made you all aware of this a bit sooner. However, the whole process, which is a Diocesan matter involving a Diocesan appointment, suddenly accelerated at the end, sooner than I had expected.

I was put forward in the Edinburgh Diocese some eight years ago for consideration for Lay Readership by Rev. Dr. Marion Keston, who those of you who have been at Holy Trinity for a good number of years will remember. Although I was accepted, I moved to Argyll to further my husband's plans and the situation in my parish there was quite different. I did 'keep my hand in,' so to speak, by being commissioned as a Lay Preacher by the then Bishop of that Diocese.

Since moving permanently to Dunfermline I have been pulled into various activities both within Holy Trinity and also in the Diocese. I have felt it a privilege to become so involved and grateful for the opportunities afforded to me. However, back in the winter, I began to feel that God was calling me to serve Him in a deeper manner. Because of my age, for some time I felt that Lay Readership was now out of the question, but during the summer I found out by chance (I think that is what a dear clerical friend of mine would call a Godincidence) from a Warden of Lay Readers in another Diocese that they did not operate an 'ageist policy.'

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Having approached my Rector with my intentions, I was apprised of the Diocesan procedure and awaited the necessary interviews and their outcomes. Indeed, until I had been interviewed by the Warden of Lay Readers in our Diocese, Rev. Bob Harley, and then by the Bishop, in whom the ultimate decision rests, I did not feel at all confident about their agreement over my sense of vocation, given my age! In fact it was my age that helped the decision making that I should start training immediately. I only saw the Bishop two days before Tim was able to inform the Vestry, three days before the course started and four days before he announced it to you all in church! I reckon my mind is reeling as much as yours!

So, what does being a Lay Reader involve? Basically it is an authorised ministry, which entails the Reader in assisting with the duties of the ordained clergy. Being a Diocesan appointment, the individual has to be prepared to go where the Bishop sends him or her. Generally the Reader will serve in the congregation from which he/she has come, but there may be an occasion where assistance is needed elsewhere in the Diocese, on either a short- or long-term basis. So, it is more than likely that I will be serving in Holy Trinity and in our sister congregation, St. Margaret's, Rosyth.

I think it is easier to state what a Lay Reader cannot do rather than what he or she can do! A Reader cannot consecrate the elements, though can take any worship service, including communion from the Reserved Sacrament. He/she cannot conduct a wedding or a baptism (except in an emergency, when in fact any one can undertake this sacrament), but can, and frequently does, conduct a funeral. Apart from this, the Reader can undertake and be responsible for any other task in the remit of the ordained clergy, including pastoral, teaching and preaching elements. The Reader will

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only fulfil his/her duties under the authority of the incumbent of the charge. One final point — a Lay Reader cannot be in sole charge of any church, though may in an inter-regnum have a very full load in a congregation, but only in this case under the authority of the interim moderator.

As regards the training, all prospective Lay Readers in the Province undertake the Initial Ministerial Education course alongside the ordinands. The responsible body is the Theological Institute of the Scottish Episcopal Church (known simply as TISEC). Lay Readers are expected to follow two years of intensive part-time study, involving each year five residential weekends, weekly evening seminars, monthly evening seminars on Reflection of Ministries and a summer school. In addition eight assignments have to be produced. All students are being continually assessed (at least there are no exams!). Ordinands follow the course for three years and a number of potential Lay Readers choose to do this also – but I reckon two years will suffice me – that question of age again!

I will keep you all informed of my progress and, of course, I am still a member of Holy Trinity and you will continue to see me around.

I would very much like to ask for your prayers on my journey of faith. Also, please, if anyone has any questions to put to me, do not hesitate to approach me and ask!

In blessings,

Margaret.



Wives Group

All are welcome to come along to any or all of these events and partake of a nice cup of tea or coffee afterwards.

Monday 3rd October - Pam Grimley will be showing another of her very interesting DVD's, this time on Glasgow.

Monday 17th October - James Geldart, one of our own congregation, is coming along to tell us about his job as a Paramedic.

Monday 31st October - Alan Suttie from The Fife Society for the Blind is coming to tell us about the work carried out by this society.

Saturday 5th November - Soup and Sandwich Lunch to be held in the church hall from 12.00 till 2.00 pm. For a donation of £3.50 enjoy some delicious homemade soup and a sandwich.

Monday 14th November - Helen Dalgity will tell us all about her exciting holiday in South Africa.

Monday 28th November - Make your own Christmas Card under expert tuition – great fun!

All of these events are held in the Church Hall, start at 7.30 pm. (except the Soup & Sandwich Lunch) and we are normally heading home by 9.00 pm.

Yvonne Gosling, Secretary

A unique day

2011 is The Royal British Legion's 90th anniversary but this year is doubly special - because it is a once-in-a-lifetime Remembrance Day.

At 11am on the 11th day of the 11th month in 2011 - 11-11-11-11 - we will be remembering those who were willing to lay down their lives for their country.

Many people associate Remembrance Day with heroes of D-Day or the Battle of Britain's Spitfire pilots. Some people think of the deeds of the SAS during the Falklands conflict or, of course, Flanders Fields from World War I, carpeted in poppies growing where so many men lost their lives.

But in the last few years it's also been about the nation showing its support for the soldiers returning injured and traumatised from current conflicts. To mark this once in lifetime Remembrance Day, The Royal British Legion will be planting cardboard poppies in an 11-11-11 formation at Lydiard Park, Wootton Bassett.

More information about the Two-Minute Silence, Remembrance Sunday and the Festival of Remembrance is available from the Royal British Legion website: www.britishlegion.org.uk/remembrance/the-nation-remembers

Our 11am service on 13th November will include our Act of Remembrance just before the service starts.



Our retiring collection on 30th October will be in aid of this year's Poppy Appeal.

BOOK GROUP

I know there are lots of keen readers in church. I've been trying

to find a book group to join for a while now, but have found they're (a) too far away, (b) more interested in social chat than the book itself or (c) disorganised, with everyone talking at once. Now call me old-fashioned, but I think a book group is for talking about books! So I thought I'd set one up myself, and hope some of you might be interested in joining.

Here's what I have in mind:

We have an initial meeting at my house where we nominate books to be read, create a syllabus, and agree dates. Then we meet every 4-6 weeks in each others' homes and discuss the book we chose for the occasion. Easy!

There's a great joy in finding new authors recommended by friends and I hope we'd have a wide range of types of reading to choose from, including poetry, prose, non-fiction, biography, historical, sci-fi, the works - maybe even drama?

Here's a start date - chez moi, 20 Selvage St, Rosyth, on Friday 7th October at 7.30pm. I haven't consulted with anyone about this so if you're interested but the date doesn't suit, please let me know and if that applies to all of you, we'll change the date. Bring some suggestions along of things you've read and enjoyed.

Helen Welsh



In the church hall after

Sunday 16th October

the 11am service on

Craft Stall

The HT Annual Harvest Supper will take place on Saturday 15th October at the Parkgate Centre in Rosyth. The event will include a family ceilidh. More details and tickets available from Muriel McKenzie or Valerie.



VOLUNTEERING IN FAITH: OBLIGATION OR JOY?

A DAY CONFERENCE ORGANISED BY THE CHURCH IN SOCIETY COMMITTEE OF THE SCOTTISH EPISCOPAL CHURCH

SATURDAY 19TH NOVEMBER 2011 AT ST MARY'S CENTRE, KINNOULL, PERTH 9.30am registration - 4pm

Providing an opportunity to explore this topic through keynote addresses and interactive and creative workshops on all aspects of volunteering.

BOOKING REQUIRED: Church Relations Officer, General Synod Office, 21 Grosvenor Crescent, Edinburgh EH12 5EE by the 14th
October 2011 cost £5

Your OASIS news

Your Oasis is the ecumenical café and Christian centre based in the Kingsgate Shopping Centre. Take a minute to read about the interesting events that are coming up this Autumn......

❖ With late night opening on Thursdays, a varied programme has been arranged for the early evening, usually from around 5pm.

1st Thursday - Healing Rooms

2nd Thursday - Light and Life

3rd Thursday - Walk the labyrinth

4th Thursday - Christian meditation

5th Thursday (when there is one) - volunteers gathering

- In October, Your Oasis is one of the venues for the Scottish Mental Health Arts & Film Festival, when there will be an exhibition of banners.
- On Wednesday 19th October, The People's Bible is coming to the Kingsgate. This is a UK-wide project, celebrating the 400th anniversary of the King James Bible. The people of the city are invited to write out a verse of Bible and the completed work will be presented to the Queen at a special service in Westminster Abbey. Volunteers are also needed to steward the event. Enquire in Your Oasis for details. Make your mark on history!
- ❖ HELP! Some days are very short of volunteers. If you can make tea, wash cups, are a good listener and can spare a couple of hours - we are looking for you! It doesn't have to be every week, but the longer you can spare the better. Why not come with a friend? Call in and talk to one of the volunteers, who will be happy to get you started.
- For any further information on any of the above, please contact Pat Carrigan (town centre chaplain) calmdunfermline@live.co.uk or Kathryn Price (steering group convener) Kathryn.price@sky.com

Doors Open Day in West Fife took place on 18th September and we welcomed visitors from as far afield as Glasgow, Edinburgh, Cupar, St. Andrews and Dundee. The majority of visitors were adults but our two young guests were intrigued by the candle snuffer and couldn't resist a go after a demonstration from Ken!



Samaritans of Dunfermline hope to welcome you to a Soup and Coffee lunch from 11.30 – 13.30 on Saturday 8th October in the church hall.

Do come along and sample really good soup and bread then home-baked cakes with your tea or coffee. There will be various stalls and a raffle too.

Tickets are £5 from Frances Jack or at the door on the 8th.

Distress, despair, loneliness...... Samaritans are there 24/7

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Readings for October					
2 nd October Harvest Sunday	Isaiah 5:1-7	Philippians 3:4b- 14	Matthew 21:33- 46		
9 th October Proper 23 (28)	Isaiah 25:1-9	Philippians 4:1-9	Matthew 22:1- 14		
16 th October Proper 24 (29)	Isaiah 45:1-7	1 Thessalonians 1:1-10	Matthew 22:15- 22		
23 rd October Proper 25 (30)	Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18	1 Thessalonians 2:1-8	Matthew 22:34- 46		
30 th October All Saints	Revelation 7:9- 17	1 John 3:1-3	Matthew 5:1-12		

God our sustainer, we ask you to pour your powerful Spirit into all who are empty this day:

Fill the hearts of persons who are troubled.

Fill the minds of men and women who are confused.

Fill the stomachs of your children who are hungry.

Fill the souls of people who are feeling lost.

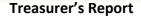
Fill the lives of all who need you, but do not know you.

May your Spirit fill us all to overflowing, dear Lord, and may we be inspired to share our abundance with others, so that there will be no more empty hearts and minds, stomachs and souls.

We pray all this in the name of Jesus Christ, who fills lives with your endless grace. Amen.

Treasurer's Report

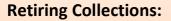
At the end of August the income was £70,956 and the expenditure £68,834. The income included a substantial bequest.



The Rector's Fund is for the needy of the parish. The current total to hand is £130.

The collection for the Mission to Seafarers was £270 and for the Disasters Emergency Fund was £175.

Peter Hutchings



October - Poppy Appeal 2011

November - Your Oasis

December - Save the Children UK



Rotas for October					
2 Oct	8am	Phil Smithard	Server		
	11am	All Age Service	Intercessions		
		Rod Key	Server		
		John Kennedy & Malcolm Gosling	Collection		
		Mr & Mrs P Crabb	Bread & Wine		
		Muriel McKenzie & Fay Cuthbertson	Chalices		
9 Oct	8am	Rod Key	Server		
	11am	Brendan Grimley	Intercessions		
		Sabine Forsyth	Server		
		Mr & Mrs S Ballinger	Collection		
		Angela Hayes & Derek Morrison	Bread & Wine		
		Ron Hawkins & Isobel Thomson	Chalices		
16 Oct	8am	-	Server		
	11am	John McDonald	Intercessions		
		Ellen Fearnley	Server		
		Mr & Mrs P Hand	Collection		
		Mr & Mrs J Waterfield	Bread & Wine		
		Brendan Grimley & Muriel McKenzie	Chalices		
23 Oct	8am	Phil Smithard	Server		
	11am	Dorissia Forsyth	Intercessions		
		Rod Key	Server		
		Adrienne Lyon & Kath Lindsel	Collection		
		Doreen Esnol & Frances Jack	Bread & Wine		
		Fay Cuthbertson	Chalices		
30 th Oct	8am	Phil Smithard	Server		
	11am	All Age Service	Intercessions		
		Sabine Forsyth	Server		
		Catherine Duncan & Grace Soanes	Collection		
		Mr & Mrs K Spink	Bread & Wine		
		Ron Hawkins & Brendan Grimley	Chalices		

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