

The Hird

Church News for Selkirk and Ashkirk

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Future Focus: 
THE WAY AHEAD



for congregations



The Church of Scotland
Mission and Discipleship Council

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FLOWER MINISTRY

Sept. Isla Grieve in charge

7th D. Greig/I. Paterson
14th Dorothy Gray
21st Ella Donald & family
28th Maisie McKenzie

Nov. Jean Nichol in charge

2nd J. Richardson/N. Mitchison
9th Netta Lesley
16th N. Lawrie/N. Turnbull
23rd Janice Renton
30th Isla Grieve

Oct. Janette Green in charge

5th E. Young/C. Johnston
12th M. Hamilton/E. Kemp
19th I. Watson/I. Harkness
26th Fiona Holmes

The Flower Calendar is available on the notice board in the Meeting House. Donations would be appreciated for any blank Sundays.



5p Mile Update

We have now raised £3082.40 towards our second 5p mile, which equates to 1,208 yards, or 0.687mile.

This had taken us nearly 11 years, and our regular contributors are declining in number, so please join in this fundraising marathon, and help us sprint the last 552 yards in record time.

Lynda McCraw



Selkirk Church Friends

Our meetings will commence on Tuesday 7th October at 2 pm in the church Hall. We intend to meet fortnightly: a speaker or demonstrator the first meeting and the second meeting will be Craft and Chat. Share your hobby with others, play dominoes or just have a blether and a cup of tea or coffee. All are welcome.

Jean Wood

Prayer

Jesus our joy,
by your continual presence within us, you lead us to give our life.
Even if we forget you, your love remains,
and you send your Holy Spirit upon us.

Amen

The Taize Community in France

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September 2014

Dear Friends,

"Fix your eyes on Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith." Hebrews 12:2

When you are not thinking of anything in particular, on what does your mind focus? Do you think of times gone by, the good old days, or do you dream of a better future still to come? There's a saying that yesterday is history, tomorrow is a mystery and today is God's gift to us, which is why we call it the present.

The Bible encourages us to learn from Jesus' way of living while he was on earth, in order that we might live the most fulfilled lives we can. Focusing on the way in which he loved people, forgave people, challenged people, comforted people, reminded people that His way was the only way to live life to the full, helps us to focus our lives on what He wants us to do for Him here, in the present.

What is true for us as individuals is true, too, for us his family, here in Ashkirk and Selkirk. While He was on earth, He sent His disciples out to the towns, villages and countryside around to share His love with those they met, telling them and showing them the Good News of God's love for them. His challenge to us today is the same as it was then. We are His people and He calls us to go out to those who don't know and haven't experienced this amazing life-changing love to help them become aware of what they are missing.

Future Focus: 
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In Selkirk, the Kirk Session has decided to use a programme called Future Focus, which will help us as a church to find God's way of moving into our community in order to help others find God's love for themselves here in

the present. Please take time to read and respond to the letter inside this copy of The Hird. We need as many people as possible to take part so that we might "*share His love as He told us to,*" as the hymn goes and continues, "*He said freely, freely you have received. Freely, freely give. Go in my name and because you believe, others will know that I live.*"

We have a God who is the same yesterday, today and will be the same tomorrow. He was present with His people in the past. He is with us here today through His Holy Spirit and His promise is that He will continue to be with us into the future. Let us dare to take God at His word, going out to find out where He is already working and being willing to commit to join Him there.

With every blessing,

Margaret



Fresh Start Borders

I started as a volunteer with Fresh Start Borders earlier this year, having recently retired. We meet on a Wednesday morning to make up packs of basic household items, such as bedding, kitchen equipment and cleaning materials. The packs are then distributed by Agencies such as the local housing associations to people who have been homeless and are moving into their first permanent tenancy. We also sort through any donations we have received that week. Other volunteers help collect donated items. Not only do the starter packs help people who are facing hard times, but they also encourage recycling and reduce waste!

If you would like to donate items, these can be left in a box in the Meeting House. Examples of goods required are duvet covers, sheets, pillow cases, pots, pans, plates, cutlery and tea towels. Here is a picture showing an example of a starter pack. Donations of money are also gratefully received. If anyone wants further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.



Glynis Wilkie

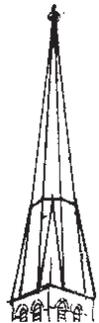
Property Update

Hall

The 'Snagging List' has been sent to the architect who has had most of the items seen to. The sensors for switching on the lights and fans in the toilets need further adjustment, as the lights sometimes come on during windy weather.

Spire

The steeplejack firm K2 has started work on the spire, and at time of writing is in the process of erecting scaffolding around the top half of the spire. Repointing work on the lower half of the spire has taken place, as well as cleaning off the moss and algae which was growing on the surface of the stonework. The wooden ceiling above the bell has been removed and will be replaced by a floor which can take the weight of inspection ladders. The work is expected to last four to five weeks.



Maintenance & Improvements

A number of tasks have been undertaken by Property Group members recently, including draught proofing doors in the church, painting the window sills at the back of the church and power washing the concrete slabs at the Loanside manse.

Andrew Laing, Property Convener

From Amy Ward in Guatemala

Dear all,

Hello! I hope this finds you well. I'm continuing to enjoy working and being with the girls, although there are so many new arrivals that it has lost the intimate feel it had when I knew just about all of them at the beginning of the year. The prison population has more than doubled since I started, currently standing at 135 girls. I remember that when we hit 70 last year, there was concern about managing the number, so the size of the current population presents lots of challenges for all who work there.



Latin Link
COMMUNITY WITH A CALLING

Still, as a longer-standing member of the team, I find even the newer girls I don't really know are happy to engage and exchange the odd bit of chat. And with the girls I've known for the duration, as my time grows more perceptibly to an end, we talk about what the future holds. Not just mine (that's a short conversation anyway as I have no clue!) but also theirs. Some of them are hoping to go on to study and find professions. Others are looking forward to rejoining their families. Still others don't really have anywhere to go to* and feel much less certain about what lies in store. It's important not to talk in platitudes, but that God is with them and will remain with them down the line is a good message to share.

I've also had some more colleagues round to the house for some 'typical British' grub; chicken tikka masala was followed by a tea loaf and shortbread that took me back to SPC coffee mornings! Amazing the evocative power of taste and smell! It's nice to get to know folk outside of the prison environment and share with them.

Realistically, I only have about three months of working time left. It's easy to detach and take the foot off the gas a little, but I'm aware that that's actually still plenty of time in which to serve and be useful; and for God to move. So your prayers that I'll keep on with the enthusiasm of Paul to the end of this particular leg in the race would be much appreciated. I am also pretty tired though, as I haven't really had a significant and extended break since coming out. I'm often quite happy to be in bed before 9pm! So prayer for restorative rest and energy in these last months would be invaluable.

I imagine that next time I write Mum and Dad will either be here, or at least their arrival imminent. I'm very much looking forward to sharing it all with them and our friends who will be joining us. How the time goes! Trusting you all enjoy a bold and beautiful autumn, as summertime says farewell.

With love, thanks and prayers,
Amy xx

* see Harvest Thanksgiving offering opportunity page 13

Let us pray!

When we look around at the turmoil of to-day's world and see the extent of man's cruelty and inhumanity to his fellow-man, it is tempting to think that God is doing absolutely nothing to alleviate the planet's miseries.

Here are a few statistics which should make us think again:

- The Open Doors people were able to devote £700,000 last year to the provision of Bibles and other Christian literature to those in desperate need of them. They also gave £1.8 million pounds to development projects, including vocational training, health care and school fees. The largest areas which they supported were North Korea (amazingly enough), the Middle East, Africa and the Gulf.
- Barnabas gave £63,000 for emergency relief in the Sudan, £185,000 for basic needs in Egypt - and so the list goes on.
- The Missionary Aviation Fellowship assists more than 1,000 Missions and NGO's in over 25 countries across the developing world.

These are just three examples of the many Christian organisations thus involved.

Then, there is the 'Jesus Film' project. This film has been shown in 1,200 languages and seen by, it is estimated, 6 billion viewers; it is also estimated that, every 8 seconds, someone somewhere puts their trust in Jesus Christ as Saviour after viewing this film.

Then, there is prayer. We will never know, this side of eternity, how much the faithful prayers of Christians the world over have done and are doing to sustain our persecuted brothers and sisters - but we do have glimpses. Here is Deborah from Nigeria talking; her husband and son were gunned down by Boko Haram and her two daughters kidnapped. She says, knowing now that her global church family are praying for her, "Their prayers are giving me peace; I couldn't understand the source of this peace before, but now I do. Now I am aware that people are praying for me, I do not feel alone. I am so glad to know that people care about me. The Lord will bless everyone who prays for me."

Pray that God will provide for Deborah's need and help her to find ways to connect regularly with other believers - and for the safe return of her daughters.

David Taylor, Prayer Promoter

Church Autumn Clean

You are warmly invited to come along any time on Monday 29 September between 9am and 3pm and help clean the church and hall after the steeple repairs. Pop in anytime, for half a hour, an hour or longer and we can find something for you to do, from dusting to washing floors. The choice is yours. If you are unable to clean, you are still very welcome to come to chat or to make us a cup of tea. Any queries, please phone Fiona 20183.





Hope you all enjoyed the summer holidays – the good weather was a bonus. As the new school term starts we look forward to seeing our children back at Sunday School.

We hope you can come and join us. We meet at the service at 10.15am and after a short while in church, we go out to the hall for bible stories and activities and normally return at the end of the service to share what we have been doing.

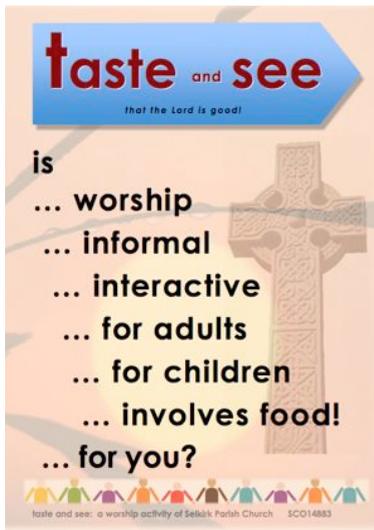
All ages welcome from babes in arms upwards.

If you have any questions regarding Sunday School, please do not hesitate to contact me. The dates including Taste and See are below.

24th & 31st August	Sunday School at 10.15am
7th September	Taste & See BBQ at 4pm
14th & 21st September	Sunday School at 10.15am
28th September	Harvest Family Service at 10.15am
5th October	Taste & See at 4pm
12th & 19th October	Family Service at 10.15am (school holiday)
26th Oct & 2nd Nov.	Sunday School at 10.15am
9th November	Remembrance Service at 10.30am (no Sunday School)
16th November	Taste & See at 4pm
23rd & 30th November	Sunday School at 10.15am

Look forward to seeing you soon.

Jacqui Lee (01750 22108; 07745 818092; jacqui.lee63@btinternet.net)



Taste and See that the Lord is good, Psalm 24:8

Taste and See is a monthly service of worship for all, with time to eat together as a church family. Soup or sandwiches are provided after the service.

The services are planned and led by teams of church members, along with Margaret.

7th September	BBQ at 4pm
5th October	4pm
16th November	4pm

Please feel welcome to come along.

For more information on Taste and See:

21703 or 23125 david@dbethune.com 21703

louiseeduff@hotmail.com

www.facebook.com/groups/

Fairtrade on Sundays

To continue to promote our Fairtrade credentials, we are going to have a Sunday stall once a month after the service.



On 7 September, the focus will be on Chocolate.

On 5 October, we will feature worldwide harvest products - grains, dried fruit, oil etc - and Christmas cards can be ordered.

On 16 November, the theme will be Christmas: cards and gifts.

The December date is still to be confirmed.

We hope that you will continue to support Fairtrade with your purchases. Please note these dates in your diaries.

Myra, Linda and Pauline
(SPC Fairtrade Group)

Steeple fundraising

Work on the steeple is now ongoing, and we will soon be faced with an invoice for around £25,000, including VAT. We have been awarded one grant of £2,000, and 2 further applications are in the process of being considered. Also, the Ashkirk congregation have given us a very generous donation of £2,000 towards this work. The remaining amount will have to come from fundraising and our Reserve/Investment funds, (remembering that we still have Facilities Upgrade Fund monies to pay).



To date, we have raised £2,861 for the steeple, so we hope you will support the following events, all in the church hall:

Quiz Night, 6th September at 7pm. £10 for teams of 4. Contact Louise Raffier (tel. 23125), or the Church Office to book your place. Refreshments served.

Harvest Tea, 20th September from 3pm. Tickets £6 from members of the committee or the office.

Coffee Morning, 25th October, 10am-12noon. Usual stalls, and a showing of D. Mitchell's DVD of Selkirk Common Riding.

Scott's Selkirk, 6th December. 1914-1918 Commemoration Display in the church, with Coffee Shop and stalls in the hall.

If you are willing to help in any way at one or more of these events, or wish for more information, please contact a member of the Fundraising Committee, (S. Combe, E. Donald, L. McCraw, M. Milne, L. Raffier).

Lynda McCraw, Treasurer

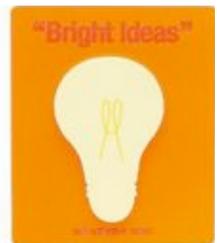
Zero Waste Week is an opportunity to think about what we can do to reduce landfill waste. This year it runs from 1st - 7th September and encourages people to pledge to do **One More Thing** to reduce waste during this week. What **One More Thing** could YOU do? The zero waste website has lots of ideas and blogs to read. One family has spent a year Buying Nothing New!

Some of the other pledges are within everyone's reach:

- Buy only unpackaged fruit and veg.
- Find a use for my yoghurt pots.
- Collect packaging from baby wipes & baby food so that they can be recycled by Ellie's Trust & raise money for children's cancer research.
- Do some mending!

There are ideas and weblinks to follow up in the home page of the website. For example, find out about the Rubbish Diet at www.therubbishdiet.org.uk. The Rubbish Diet is the UK's club for like-minded people who are trying to slim their bins. They share ideas to make it really easy to create less waste, protect our environment and save money.

Caring for the environment is worth thinking about for more than one week, so check the Noticeboard in the church hall over the next couple of months where we will be focussing on Reduce, Re-use and Recycle. You are asked to add to the noticeboard a note of what you regularly re-use or upcycle, giving other people the chance to benefit from your bright ideas! What do you do to give an everyday object a second life instead of throwing it away? Please let us know by adding your post-it to the Noticeboard.



The planet cannot sustain our disposable culture, so let's all do our bit to

- **Reduce** what we buy and throw away
- **Re-use** what we can
- **Recycle** as much as possible.

Anne Bethune

Home page of the website for zerowasteweek.co.uk

Praying together

How does the church prayer chain work?



1. Someone sees/feels the need for prayer.



2. They write it on a piece of paper and put it in the prayer box at church.



4. The prayer chain co-ordinator (Louise) types the prayers into a list on an e-mail and sends it to those who have given her their e-mail and are willing to pray for the concerns of others.

The Prayer Box is on the table in the Meeting House.

If you have a prayer request or would like to be added to the list of people who receive the e-mail points for prayer, please see Louise Raffier or e-mail her at louiseeduff@hotmail.com

Church members are prayed for regularly, by name, on Wednesday evenings, when the Prayer Group meets at 7 pm in the meeting room.

Praying together is vital for God's work to flourish. Silent or vocal, God hears our prayers and helps us understand what He wants us to do. You are invited to come and go as you can on Wednesday evenings or join in by praying at home.



3. Or e-mail it to the prayer chain co-ordinator.

We are hoping to participate in The Green Network Open Day on Friday 3rd October organised by The Energy Saving Trust and Resource Efficient Scotland. The nationwide Open Days (3rd and 4th October 2014) showcase some of Scotland's green homes and businesses. We have been invited to participate to show what Selkirk Parish Church has done towards becoming energy efficient.

The network covers a wide range of businesses and different resource-efficiency measures. To find out which other homes and businesses are opening their doors, follow the link: www.greennetworkopendays.org.uk.

Harvest Thanksgiving

At the morning service on 28th September, the congregation is invited to bring items for the Foodbank and/or a donation to go towards the Halfway House project in Guatemala.

Selkirk Parish Church Christmas Card

Once again, there will be a Selkirk Parish Church Christmas card where, if you wish, you can sign one communal card and make a donation to Shelter, instead of giving lots of cards to church friends whom you see every week. The communal card will be in the Meeting House throughout December for your Christmas greetings to your church friends with a jar for your donation to Shelter.



Coffee Plus are looking for volunteers to help make coffee, be a friendly face or play with the children. If you can spare a couple of hours between 9 and 12 on a Friday morning, please contact Linda White, 22125.

Blythswood Shoeboxes

Just a short reminder for those of you who would like to fill a shoebox for Blythswood. The leaflets are now available in the Meeting House or Church Office. It would be good to have the shoeboxes ready for the October 6th van uplift, but if that's not possible, November 3rd is the latest for a Christmas delivery.



Any gifts of money, however small, would be very welcome to help with transport costs.

A Big Thank You... to all who donate in any way!

Remember Toilet Twinning?

“Toilet Twinning is raising funds to enable people living in poor communities to have clean water, a decent toilet, and to learn about hygiene - a vital combination that prevents the spread of disease, reduces the number of deaths among children, and brings hope for the future.”

In December 2012, the Congregational Board suggested twinning our new toilet at the front of the church, at a cost of just £60. Your generous donations enabled us to fund 2 toilets in Cambodia. We now have a new suite of 4 toilets, which gives us another opportunity to support this vital project. If you would like to make a donation, please place it in an envelope, clearly labelled, and hand it in with your offering, or to your Elder or the church office.



On behalf of the Congregational Board

ReachOut Update

We're planning to change our format this session. Between now and Christmas we'll be in touch with details of a couple of social "get togethers"!

In the New Year we are looking at the possibility of hosting "The Possible World" course, which consists of seven sessions.

- Jesus, a prophet. Me, a prophet?
- Hospitality: All right for some?
- Consumer culture: I want to live simply...but I like stuff
- The environment: For God so loved the world
- Human suffering: How can I show I care?
- Injustice: So many issues, so few of us
- Now what? Joining the prophetic and the practical



You can see from the topics that this is quite different from what we have done in the past. The focus of the course is "practical ways to join in Jesus' mission" with video extracts, interviews, leaflets and thoughtful discussion. It's very practical and not just a talking shop! Details of dates and venue to follow.

We have an email contact list for our group. If you want to be added to it, please let us know. If you do not use email, please let us know your phone number.

Thanks

ReachOut Planners

(Anne Bethune, Myra Ward, Louise Raffier, Fran Selkirk)

Future Focus: THE WAY AHEAD



The Future looks bright if the numbers attending the Pot Luck Supper on the 22nd June are any indication of interest. The food was plentiful and was appreciated by the 25 of us that attended the evening both to socialise and to hear about the Future Focus initiative. Three very short presentations were made in order that those in attendance understood what Future Focus entails.

We were asked to think of those who would like to be more closely involved and also of those who might be willing to become facilitators for the series of meetings. Let us know if you have skills in leading groups! A buffet supper and planning evening with facilitators will take place at Bowhill in late August.

We are hoping that at least 50 people will take part in Future Focus. You will receive a letter inviting you to attend, so please think seriously and come along to the sessions listed here.

Dates for your diary: **Sunday 14 Sept. 6.30pm-8.30pm** (coffee/tea from 6.00pm)
Sunday 21 Sept. 6.30pm-8.30pm (coffee/tea from 6.00pm)
Saturday 4 Oct. 10.00am-3.30pm (coffee/lunch breaks)

Please join us in praying for the success of this initiative. Add your name to the email prayer circle by contacting Myra (myraward@gmail.com) or collect printed prayers from the church Meeting House.

To find out more, look out for the leaflet Future Focus - The Way Ahead, in the Meeting House, from the Church Office or you can download from the Church of Scotland website at www.resourcingmission.org.uk

Marion MacIntosh on behalf of the Future Focus Steering Group

Stewardship Conference, 2nd November, 1 - 4 pm, Church House, Viewfield Park

The Rev. Alan Gibson, Head of Stewardship with the Church of Scotland, will be in Selkirk on Sunday 2nd November. He will help us think about how we use our time, talents and money in serving God. How do we cultivate these gifts within the congregation, share them sacrificially and return them to God in generosity?

This conference is for Kirk Session and Congregation Board members and will begin with a pot-luck lunch at 1 pm.



Holiday Club 2014 **11th -15th August**

With 68 youngsters enrolled and an average attendance of 46, the Fit for a King Holiday Club was a fun-filled, energetic, creative way to fill a morning. The message was simple: Jesus is the King with a difference, who wants each person to be His friend, experiencing his healing, forgiving, life-enhancing love for themselves. Through a variety of games, crafts, stories and songs, this theme was explored. The love of God shone through the lives of the 28 leaders who took part enabling the young folk to see this different way of living in practice. As well as the 36 leaders present (from every church – a fact that really impressed the Wee Paper’s photographer), there were many who worked behind the scenes: preparing the materials for the crafts, praying for youngsters and leaders alike.

The BBQ on a very wet Thursday night once again provided an opportunity to let families know what had been happening and to share with them the message of God’s love.

The fruit for the snacks was bought from Down to Earth who, as well as being very helpful, provided a sizeable donation towards the cost of it.

Please keep praying that the young folk who heard the message of Jesus and His love would respond to Him and long to find out more about what living in His kingdom is like.

My thanks go to everyone who was involved in whatever way. Know that you have been doing God’s work. Hear Him say to you, “Well done good and faithful servant.”

Margaret Steele

Ashkirk Dates

At the end of the summer, a BBQ Sausage Sizzle was held at Ashkirk Village Hall to which Ashkirk Parish Church invited the local community, of all ages, to come and join in a social get-together. Interwoven was a ‘Thought for the Day’ given by the Minister, the Rev. Margaret Steele.

Sunday, 12th October Communion Service 12 noon

Saturday, 18th October Coffee Morning Ashkirk Village Hall 10 am - 12 noon

This Coffee Morning is also a Gift Day for the Congregation who will be given envelopes towards the end of September in which to place their donation . These can be returned at the Coffee Morning or at the Harvest Thanksgiving service the following day. This is the major Fundraiser taking place this year.

Prayers for the Referendum on Scottish Independence, 18/9/14

I am aware that life is full of choices
And this is a big one!
I am conscious of the responsibility
placed on me
to choose what is best
not just for myself
but for my neighbours
and for generations yet to come.
And I am so thankful
that I have a choice -
unlike so many people
around the world.

Whatever the outcome,
may we together become a people
guided by Wisdom
and Integrity
and motivated by Compassion
and a sense of Justice for all.
Amen

Rev Iain Cunningham
Convener, World Mission Council

Lord Jesus Christ,
We surrender to you all our hopes,
fears and desires for the outcome of
the Referendum.
We unite to ask that the desires of
your heart for the future of Scotland
be released on earth.
Lord, thy will be done.
Amen

Joan Brüggemeier, from Life and Work

Churches Together

There is an opportunity to meet
together to pray for the Referendum
on Thursday 4th September at
Connections from 11am -12 noon and
from 7 - 8 pm.

The focus for prayer will be the values
inscribed on the Scottish Mace:
Justice, Wisdom, Compassion and
Integrity.

The format allows people to drop in
and stay as long as they are able.

Eco-congregation

Good News! A volunteer has come forward willing to join me to explore becoming an eco-congregation. We hope to meet early in 2015 to register our interest with the national body. One more person would make the group complete. No experience necessary, just willingness! Please email or speak to me or Margaret Steele.

Meanwhile, Trevor Jamieson, the environmental chaplain with Eco-Congregation, Scotland, will be in Selkirk on Sunday 2nd November. He is leading worship at the United Reformed Church at 10.30 am and then there is an open meeting starting at 2.30 pm (more details later). This will be an ideal opportunity to hear more about the movement and consider being involved with the Selkirk Parish Church initiative.



Selkirk September

Thursday	4	11 am & 7 pm	Prayers for the Referendum, Connections
Saturday	6	7 pm	Quiz Night
Sunday	7	4 pm	Taste & See, Worship for All: BBQ
Sunday	14	6.30 - 8.30pm	Future Focus
Saturday	20	3 pm	Harvest Tea
Sunday	21	11 am 1 pm	B.G.H. volunteers Churches Together lunch and AGM Selkirk Parish Church
		6.30 - 8.30pm	Future Focus
Friday	26	2.30 pm	Service at Riverside Nursing Home
Sunday	28	10.15am	Harvest Thanksgiving

October

Thursday	2	2 pm	CAMEO
Friday	3	11- 4 pm	Green Network Open Day
Saturday	4	10am - 3.30pm	Future Focus
Sunday	5	2.30 pm 4 pm	Service at Thornfield House Taste & See, Worship for All
Tuesday	7	2 pm	Selkirk Church Friends
Sunday	12	10.15 am	Communion Service
Wednesday	15	11 am	Communion Service
Thursday	16	2 pm	CAMEO
Tuesday	21	2 pm	Selkirk Church Friends
Saturday	25	10 -12 noon	Coffee Morning
Thursday	30	2 pm	CAMEO

November

Sunday	2	1 pm 2.30 pm 2.30 pm	Lunch and Stewardship Conference Church House, Viewfield Park (see p13) Service at Thornfield House Ecumenical meeting with Eco Chaplain (see p15)
Tuesday	4	2 pm	Selkirk Church Friends
Thursday	13	2 pm	CAMEO
Sunday	9	10.30 am	Remembrance Service (NB later time)
Sunday	16	4 pm	Taste & See, Worship for All
Tuesday	18	2 pm	Selkirk Church Friends
Sunday	16	11 am 4 pm	B.G.H. volunteers Taste & See, Worship for All
Thursday	27	2 pm	CAMEO
Sunday	30	10.15 am	1st Sunday in Advent, Communion

Come And Meet Each Other

Where? at **Cameo** in the church hall
 When? fortnightly,
 starting Thursday October 2 at 2 pm
 Who? over 50's, men and women
 What? varied programme of entertainment/
 information with tea, a scone and time to chat.



New members

Selkirk

July 27 Mark Corbett
 26 Forest Road

 Gary Hamilton
 9 Fairfield Crescent

Baptism

Selkirk

June 15 Luci Mary-Anne Douglas
 High Street
 d.o.b. 22/12/12

Bereavements

Selkirk

May 12 Nicola Lowrie
 Scott St, Galashiels

 20 John Risk
 Riverside Nursing Home

 22 James Anderson
 6 Halywell Hill

 June 9 Jean Forsyth
 18 Cannon Street

 10 Nancy Murray
 49 Glenburn Avenue
 Newton St Boswells

 12 Harry Kemp
 42 Chapel Street

 12 Jim Nimmo
 Ramornie, Etrick Terrace

 15 Ella Brunton
 Galahill Nursing Home
 Galashiels

15 Harry Cairney
 32 Bleachfield Road

 16 Amy Whitson
 49 Shawburn Road

 20 Flora Bruce
 Selkirk

 July 18 Charles Allan
 4 Viewfield Lane

 21 Bob Brown
 11 Thornfield Crescent

 August 3 David Deans
 19 Leslie Place

Ashkirk
 Aug. 8 George Easton
 St Andrews Nursing Home,
 Hawick



The records on this page are as up-to-date as possible. We apologise for any omissions that may have occurred.

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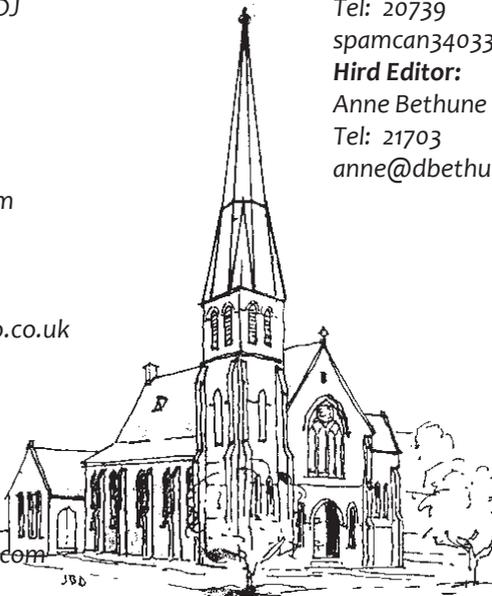
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