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Sundays (except 4th)

9.30am Episcopalians Sung Eucharist
(occasionally 9.15am—see diary pages for details)

11.00am Methodist Morning Worship
(including Sunday School)

2nd Sunday (Dec), 4th Sunday (Jan +) (during term) for the Young Church

9.00am Breakfast and “Messy Church”

4th Sundays: Worship together

11.00am Joint Communion Service

6.00pm “Sunday@Six”

where to find us

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From celebration to anticipation

We are delighted to welcome back Rev Helen Jenkins from maternity leave, whose reflections in her letter below carry messages for us all.



Dear friends,

It's good to be back! As I write this I'm on my third day back at work after maternity leave and starting to get back into the swing of things. Already I'm hearing about what's been happening while I've been away, from the growing success of the Triangle Coffee Shop to the ongoing conversations about how our two churches can work ever more closely together as we seek to develop our already fruitful partnership. I look forward to hearing more about what's been happening in the life of the churches, and in your own lives.

It has of course been a year of celebrations. For our family we have celebrated Oran's arrival, and now first birthday – time has flown! As you can see he's a cheeky wee chappie who loves life and mischief. His big sister is very fond of him, although she's still learning to keep her things out of his way. She forgets that he keeps growing and can reach ever further to grab whatever sparks his interest! Caitlin has started school, so it's been all change in our house, and now I'm back at work we have a whole new pattern of life to get used to.

While my family have been celebrating things that are very personal to us, Rosyth has been celebrating

centenaries both inside and outside the church, and I look forward to hearing all about what's been going on. It was a joy to join you for the anniversary service back in March and I hope that sense of joy and hope has continued in the months since.

Of course I'm returning to work as we prepare for one of the great celebrations of the year! You'd have to live in a cave to not notice the world getting geared up for Christmas, with lights being switched on, shops drawing us in to buy what we need (and plenty that we don't!), pantomimes in the theatres and nativity plays in the schools. In fact in many ways it seems like Christmas begins on December 1st (or even earlier!) and ends on the 26th.

What can get lost is the season of advent, of waiting, of preparation. After all, we can't live our whole lives in a season of celebration. I'm sure that over this last year as well as being high points in your lives there have been struggles too, and I hope to catch up on those just as much as the excitements. We know that's the reality, and yet the Christmas adverts and magazine articles might give us the impression that all can be perfect, that nothing ever goes wrong.

The preparations for the first Christmas were far from like that. An unmarried woman has to admit to her fiancée that she's pregnant and face the possibility of rejection not only by him but by the whole community. A long journey at a time when no woman wants to move more

than a few feet from the sofa. No decorating the nursery, or knitting booties, just time to put some straw in a feeding trough to welcome the new baby.

Yet this is what it's all about. Not Santa, or turkey dinners, or presents under the tree, although I'll be enjoying all of those. Not even carol services and nativity plays, wonderful occasions as those are. Christmas is about God coming into the pain and mess of our world, to embrace the whole of life, the joys and the struggles. It's about God amongst us, God who has experienced the highs and lows of what it is to be human.

And so we wait. In the midst of all the noise and excitement of the world around us we wait for the cry of a newborn baby signifying that nothing will ever be the same again. We wait once again to see what change that child will bring to our lives, to our church, to our world.

So in the few short weeks between now and Christmas will you enter into Advent and wait, watch, and pray, that we might all meet with the Christ child anew and never be the same again.

Much love to you all

Helen

Getting ready for Christmas

Rosyth Nativity Concert

This annual event will be held in Rosyth Parish Church on **Tuesday 6 December** at **7.00pm**. Christmas Songs will be sung by the choirs from the four Rosyth Primary Schools accompanied by Rosyth Concert Band.

The Christmas Lights will be switched on after the concert, followed by mince pies, juice, tea and coffee in the Hall.

This is a ticket only event, and very popular so see Mary Dempster if you would like to go. Donations for The Cookie Jar Foundation (providing support for children and their families) are invited in lieu of admission charge.

'Joy to the World'

The Rev Christine Fraser, Rector of St Peter's Church, Kirkcaldy, has invited us to join her congregation in a meditative Taizé Service for Advent 'Joy to the World' on **Wednesday 7 December** at **2.00pm**. Refreshments will be served afterwards. Anyone who would like to go along will be most welcome.

Sandra Young

Seasonal lunch

The Christmas/New Year lunch will be on the **24 January 2017** at **12.30pm for 1pm** at the Hideaway, Halbeath.

Dennis Cook

Christmas Cards

As usual there will be a post box in the Church crush hall over the weeks up to Christmas. This is a means of exchanging cards with friends in the Church. A full address is not required but please ensure that surnames are included on the envelopes. The cards are sorted and laid out in racks on the worktop in the lounge to be collected after the service. *There is no delivery service so please do not put cards in the box for people who do not come to Church regularly.*



Our Explorer Scouts are taking part in the Scout Christmas Post and cards can be sent to most parts of Fife for 30p (see poster for details). There is a separate post box in the Church crush hall for these cards. The deadline for receipt of cards is **Tuesday 6 December** so please 'post' your cards in *good* time. Cards and money should be placed in a plastic bag or envelope with a note of your name and contact details in the event of any queries. Please include postcodes on the cards. The cards will be delivered by local scouts between 10 and 15 December.

Martin Rogers

Mary Dempster sends Christmas Blessings to both Church families and love, joy and peace in 2017.

Sheila Lee thanks everyone for the support she has been given in 2016 and sends her very best wishes for Christmas and New Year to all members of our church

Olive Lee wishes everyone at Rosyth Methodist and St Margaret's a happy, peaceful Christmas and a New Year of goodwill to all

Lesley Yellowlees wishes friends in both churches a Happy Christmas and blessed New Year

David Slater sends Christmas Greetings to all readers of Contact

Dennis Cook wishes all my friends at church a very Happy Christmas and a good New Year

Betty Terry wishes seasonal greetings to both congregations

Myra and Martin Tarr wish all their friends at church a joyous Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

Pauline Fisher wishes all in both churches a very Happy Christmas

Eve and Julie Denning send their Christmas Greetings to both congregations

Thelma and David Couch wish you all peace, contentment and goodwill to all people

Jock and Audrey Headden wish their friends from both congregations a Happy and Holy Christmas

John and Rosemary Cowell wish all their church friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Thank you to all who have decorated our Christmas tree and given generously to charity

Services at Christmas

Do join us at our church...

... on 18 December

- 12.45pm Messy Church Christmas Party – all our Messy Church friends are invited, but please let Gwyneth know if you are going
- 6.00pm Sunday@Six: a candlelit service of readings and carols, with mince pies to follow. As usual the offering at the service will be in aid of CHAS (CHAS Gift Aid envelopes available)

... on Christmas Eve

- 4.00pm All-age Nativity service

... on Christmas Day

- 10.00am Family Service led by Mrs Mary Kidd

... on 26 December

- 9.30am Holy Communion (said)
celebrant Rev Alison Cozens

and in the New Year ...

... on 1 January

- 9.30am Holy Communion celebrant the Rev Alison Cozens
- 11.00am Morning Worship led by Mrs Margaret Freeman

... on 24 January

- 11.00am Joint Covenant Service led by Rev Dr David Easton and the Most Rev David Chillingworth

From hurt to hope

This is now the sixth year we have run the “different kind of Christmas service” initiated by Deacon Sarah. As Sarah said, back in 2011, *“Christmas is of course a time of joy, but for many people it can also be a very difficult time. This may be because of painful memories, fears for the future or family circumstances.”* In recognition of this there will be a special service on **Thursday 15 December at 7.00pm** here in Rosyth Methodist Church.

In this service, we will be given a chance to sing and to pray. We will be invited to offer up the pain, the loneliness, the sad memories, and the anxiety and fear to the one whose birth we eagerly await ... Jesus Christ. We pray that you will find hope and peace in this service, and comfort in knowing that you are not alone.

and elsewhere ...

... on Christmas Eve at Holy Trinity*

3.30pm Family Christingle service
11.30pm Midnight Mass. Celebrant the Rev Alison Cozens

... on Christmas Day at Holy Trinity*

8.00am Holy Communion (said)
10.00am Sung Eucharist. Celebrant the Rev Alison Cozens

...on 27 December at St Finnian's **
11.00am Festive Sung Eucharist with Carols. Celebrant the Rev Dr

Music for Christmas

There are some musical events, most involving our members, taking place before Christmas.

Saturday 10 December at 3.00pm and 7.30pm

Dunfermline Choral Union's Christmas Concerts take place at the Vine Venue. We are delighted to be joined by a string quartet to perform a selection of Christmas delights, including *Handel's Hallelujah Chorus*, *Beneath the Star*, and some beautiful new arrangements of old favourites. We are sure we will help to get the whole family into the Christmas Spirit. Tickets are £12 (Concessions £10). See Gwyneth Kirby, Mary Kidd or Myra Tarr for further details.

Sunday 11 December at 7.00pm

Bruce Davies – singer songwriter, musician from Scotland - is giving a concert of seasonal music in St Margaret 's RC Memorial Church, East Port, Dunfermline. For this concert Bruce blends Christian and secular Christmas favourites with other winter songs in a show that truly captures the spirit of Christmas. Call 07525 920728 for details.

Saturday 17 December at 7.30pm

'Joy to the World'. Join the Scottish Chamber Choir for a concert of seasonal music, readings and carols with Richard Holloway, in aid of Waverley Care and The Soko Fund at Broughton St Mary's Parish Church, 12

Bellevue Crescent, Edinburgh EH3 6NE. Martin Tarr has further details.

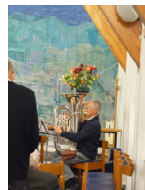
Sunday 18 December at 2.00pm and 4.00pm

Kirkcaldy Orchestral Society have chosen 'Forty Favourites - the Best Bits and Hits' as the theme for this season, with 'Winter Bits' as their Christmas concerts title reflect. They will be playing *Prelude & Scherzo for Christmas*, *Hansel and Gretel*, *Fantasia for Carols*, *Tom Sawyer's Saturday*, and will be joined by the Langtoun Singers, Narrator Sandra Taylor and Digital Images Anne McIntyre. The concerts are at Old Kirk, Kirkcaldy. Tickets are £8 adults, £4 children. Early booking is recommended, as the concerts were sold out last year. See Adrian Masson if you would like to attend.

Sandra Young

[Ed: news of other musical events can be found on page 22 (RSCM Singing Day) and page 26 (Martin Tarr's report on the Russian Choral Concert)]

Not to mention musical innovations in various Sunday@ Six events, about which see pages 12-13.))



‘Say it with flowers’

May I thank everyone who has supplied, given money for, and arranged flowers in church during this year. I feel this is a very important part of the ministry of our church. Not only do they add beauty to our worship area in the sanctuary, they are also appreciated by recipients afterward, maybe in the comfort of their home when a visit is made.

Thanks are also due to our Church Treasurer, Dave Ward, who ‘manages’ the Flower Fund. Any contributions to the fund may be passed to him – inform him of your gift envelope number if you are a ‘Gift-Aider’.

The new list will appear on the notice board in the Crush Hall, for you to add your names for 2017. Please indicate if you are willing to supply the flowers, or arrange them, maybe both. Perhaps you have a special date you wish to commemorate in this way.

Please let me, or the Duty Steward on a Sunday, know of anyone who is ill at home and would appreciate flowers. Sadly they are not always accepted in hospital wards – please check first.

Pastoral Visitors, please do feel free to take flowers when on a home visit.

There is a record book and visiting cards kept in the Flower cupboard in the back entrance room. These will be helpful to those distributing these messages of good cheer with love from our Church.

Mary Kidd (Flower Secretary)

Wednesday Fellowship

We are coming to the end of another term of Wednesday Fellowship, one that has turned out to be one of the best ever! One of the charities we support in the church is Mary’s Meals which sets up school feeding projects in some of the world’s poorest communities, where hunger and poverty prevent children from having an education. We were pleased to invite back Richard Lloyd who showed us the latest film Generation Hope – a very moving account of how the charity works in various places and provides food and hope.

Another highlight of this session was the afternoon when Messy Church came to Wednesday Fellowship. It was an eye-opener to us how much thought and preparation goes into planning Messy Church – many thanks to Gwyneth, Jean and Jan, who came to guide us through the activities. I’ve never coloured in the walls of Jericho before!

More recently we had Dennis Cook tell us of some of the readings (beautifully read by Olive Lee) and music that have given him great pleasure, based on a Radio 4 programme enjoyed by many listeners. This is something other members could think about – whether to volunteer to tell us of their favourite readings. Janet Murray came to tell us all about her visit to Windsor Castle on Maundy Thursday to receive the Maundy money from the Queen, and to be able to touch the crown and

pence after hearing about the origin of this royal custom. Another 'royal' we heard about was King Richard III who was unfortunate enough to have a car park built over him outside the cathedral in the city of Leicester. We were delighted to hear Peter Cozens' account of how this came about, the exhumation, re-interment and its effect on that city. *[Ed: Peter's talk is available on CD for any who missed it.]*

Another charity we support keenly is HaitiHelp, and one of the last meetings in the summer was a visit from Lou Davidson who is one of the team of local nurses who go out every year to the orphanage for children of LaGonave. We were all moved to see pictures of children who receive their new jotters at the beginning of a school term, except that they're not new and have been rubbed out several times before being re-issued. It was decided to have an ongoing donation box for our smallest coins throughout the year for the specific purpose of buying new jotters, pencils, rulers and rubbers for those children. Members have been so generous and already the first box raised nearly forty pounds and now we're on box 2 which is getting heavy! Haiti is very much in our minds now as its people have to come to terms with recovering from and rebuilding their lives after another earthquake.

Christmas will soon be here and we look forward to celebrating with Martin and Myra Tarr, and then our Fellowship lunch at the Elgin Hotel.

I'd like to thank all those who taken part in our meetings, our committee, and those who give transport to those who need it.

During our winter break the committee will be meeting to plan the Spring Session which begins in February. Ideas are already being put before us. Please do consider joining us, even if only occasionally; you will be assured of a very warm welcome and fellowship, and the cuppa and chat that follows, and a chocolate biscuits, even a Tunnoch's tea cake, if you're lucky!

Mary Kidd

Rosyth marks the end of its centenary year

Rosyth is to mark the end of its Centenary year with a firework display to be held in Rosyth Park on Friday 9th December at 7 pm. The display will last about 15 minutes but there will be some market stalls and funfair rides operating from 6 pm to 9 pm to add to the occasion. This was initiated by the Rosyth Centenary Group and is being organised by Rosyth Community Council. The cost is being met by a grant from the Celebrate Fund of the National Lottery.

Martin Rogers

Recent Sundays@Six

Valerie Leslie reflects on recent experiences

Sing lustily... On the 23rd October the choir spent a delightful afternoon in church rehearsing hymns for Sunday@Six, in which we were joined by some lovely friends who played instruments in the West Gallery tradition. Before the organ was king, musicians would play instruments such as the lute, violin, woodwind and drum in the West Gallery of the church; hence the name. As churches began to adopt the organ as the instrument of choice to accompany the choir and congregation, the West gallery tradition looked like it would die out. However, the Wesley brothers and the Methodist church welcomed the West Gallery musicians with enthusiasm and encouraged them to play and the choir to “sing lustily and with great courage” some of the most beloved and stirring of all hymns, which are still sung today in churches throughout Britain (and in far flung places around the globe).

So 'Sing Lustily and with Great Courage' became the theme of this Sunday@Six as a way of celebrating 100 years of Methodism in Rosyth; and an opportunity for St Margaret's to welcome our friends from the Area Council for their Praise Service (this being the first time at Rosyth). It was wonderful to be part of such a joyful service, I have heard from Area Council that they thoroughly enjoyed the hymns; but for some it was the first time they had heard them! You can't beat a good Wesley hymn!

Thanks must go to Sue and Myra for all the hard work they put into getting the choir and the musicians together. It was so much fun and I am sure that a lot of hearts were strangely warmed that night after raising the rafters.

I personally got to fulfil a lifetime ambition and played in an orchestra; playing the tambourine! It wasn't exactly up to The Salvation Army's standard, but it was a wonderful experience. Thanks for that, Sue.

Advent Sunday@Six, on 27th November, was very different from the October service. But that is the joy and beauty of Sunday@Six, they are never the same, full of variety and a real blessing to be part of.

The congregation were treated to a feast of solo singing, choral pieces and even a quartet who gave a beautiful rendition of 'Adam Lay y-bounden'

Martin Tarr gave a thrilling performance of 'For behold darkness' from the Messiah and Marc Templehoff delighted us with a Carol sung in German, 'Es ist ein ros entsprungen', accompanied by Heather. We are so lucky to have musician friends like her who are so talented and so willing to give up time to help us when needed! It is much appreciated.

The choir sang two choral pieces 'How beautiful upon the mountains' (Isaiah 52:7, John Stainer) and 'Let all mortal flesh keep silence' Liturgy of St James (Trad, French melody arr, AJ)

Greening). Hymns were 'O come, O come, Immanuel', 'Like a candle flame', 'Wake, O wake' and 'Lo he comes with clouds descending'.

Interwoven between the singing were appropriate familiar Bible readings foretelling the Coming of our Lord. These were read with feeling by members from both congregations and our thanks to them and also to Alan Taylor for leading the prayers.

A big thank you to all who came to both these Sunday@Six services, particularly those who come every Sunday@Six service. One good friend from St Finnian's Lochgelly regularly comes along to join us at these unique services. The presence and support of all is much appreciated.

Can I extol all those who don't come along to give it a try? I know it is a big ask to come out in the evening, but it is only once a month and I for one would hate to lose this amazing service because of the lack of numbers attending. Just think, the West Gallery tradition, could have died out had it not been for the commitment and enthusiasm of the Wesley brothers and their congregations. Our ecumenical partnership is much strengthened by Sunday@Six, so let's keep it alive, fresh and enthusiastic by participating and singing the faith to the glory of God.

Valerie Leslie

[Ed: the next Sunday@Six is the traditional Carols by Candlelight on 18 December. A picture from the 'West Gallery' event may be found on page 9.]

'A Curry Fayre'

On Friday 4th November, fifty members of Holy Trinity and St Margaret's gathered in Holy Trinity Church Hall for a feast of curries 'with a bite'. This was a much anticipated evening as the November chill was biting and tickets were in high demand! There was a relaxed atmosphere, full of chatter and laughter.

Our hostess, Linda Brownlie, welcomed everyone, and after the Grace, folk tucked into the 'fayre', which was plentiful. Linda gave a brief history of the magnificent Organ and said what a significant contribution it made to regular worship at Holy Trinity. A raffle prize draw added to the excitement of the occasion, there being some amazing prizes, with some generously donated by local retailers and restaurants. The evening's event raised a generous amount which will go towards the Organ's restoration.

Whilst I enjoyed cooking and organising the event, I could not have done this without the amazing support from a team that did sterling work in the kitchen, in serving food and greeting people, organising the prizes, providing delicious puddings, and perfecting the menus. And thank you to all who came, your continued support of these social evenings, year after year, is much appreciated.

Dorissia Forsyth

Young people

Christmas is nearly upon us and the children and young people have been busy getting ready.

Our next Messy Church will be on Sunday **11 December** when we will be thinking about – surprise, surprise – Christmas, with lots of different crafts for you to try. Don't forget that, from January, Messy Church will be moving to the fourth Sunday of every month – same time, same Messy C!

We are also very busy preparing our All Age Nativity for Christmas Eve, so please come along and join in. It's not too late to get a part (just ring me for rehearsal details) but you can still take part if you turn up on the day. Either come dressed as any character from the Nativity story or we will find you a costume when you come.

Our Messy Church Christmas party will be on Sunday **18 December at 12.45**, with a party lunch, some crafts, lots of games and, hopefully, a visit from Santa. Please let me know if you will be coming – Santa needs to know what to pack in his sack !

At 6.00 on Sunday 18th we will be holding our Candlelight Carol Service. This will be quite short and suitable for all ages. It would be lovely to have some of our young people reading in the Service. Let me know if you would like to read.

We look forward to seeing you at all these Christmas events.

Gwyneth Kirby (tel 624779)

Franciscan Quiet Day

Members of the Edinburgh local group of the Third Order of the Society of Saint Francis (SSF) gathered in the church for their Advent Quiet Day. SSF is a religious community within the Anglican Communion. The members of the Third Order seek to follow Christ in the way of Saint Francis in the spirit of humility, love and joy. It is open to men and women, ordained and lay, married or single, who feel called to live out a Franciscan vocation in the world. Though mainly from within the Anglican Communion members are drawn from other Christian traditions.



The Edinburgh local group is drawn not just from the Edinburgh area but also from Clackmannanshire and West Fife and is convened by Jan Benvie, who is a member of St Margaret's. It is part of the Scotland Area of the Third Order. The Edinburgh group is very active and meets most months when there is not an Area meeting taking place. It holds two Quiet Days during the year, one in Advent and one in Lent. If you would like to know any more please do speak to Jan or me..

Peter Cozens

Diary for December 2016 to January 2017

Sunday 4 December

Advent 2	9.30am	Sung Eucharist	Rev Alison Cozens
	10.30am	Methodist Centenary Celebration—Festival of Nativity Scenes, an exhibition (see page 29)	
	11.00am	Morning Worship	Rev Helen Jenkins
Monday 5 Dec	7.30pm	Ecumenical Advent Study Group at Rosyth Parish Church. Week 3 of <i>Candles in the Dark</i> , written by the Rev David Adam	
Tuesday 6 Dec	7.00pm	Follow up Meeting with small group from 23 August with Rev Andrew Letby and Bishop David, on developing our partnership	
	7.00pm	Nativity Christmas Concert Rosyth Parish Church ticket only event. Donations for The Cookie Jar Foundation (providing support for children and their families) in lieu of admission charge (see page 6)	
	7.30pm	Coffee, Cake and Crafts — a monthly evening craft club run by Jean Hall and friends	
		Note: Re-starts Tuesday 7 February 2017	
Wednesday 7 Dec	2.15pm	Wednesday Fellowship: Christmas Celebration with Martin and Myra	
	2.00pm	Taizé Service for Advent at St Peter's Church, Kirkcaldy, followed by refreshments. All welcome to attend (see page 6)	
Friday 9 Dec	9.30am	Triangle Coffee Shop in the Crush Hall	
	onwards	tea, coffee and home baking	
	7.00pm	Choir practice	
	7.00pm	Firework display to mark the end of Rosyth's Centenary year. Rosyth Park (see page 11)	
Saturday 10 Dec	3.00pm and 7.30pm	Dunfermline Choral Union Christmas Concert at the Vine Centre, Dunfermline. Tickets £10, £8 (concession) from Gwyneth Kirby, Mary Kidd or Myra Tarr (see page 9)	

Diary for December 2016 to January 2017

Sunday 11 December

- Advent 3 9.00am Messy Church and Breakfast
 Note: Re-starts 22 January 2017 and thereafter on the 4th Sunday in the month
- Sunday 11 Dec 9.30am Sung Eucharist Rev Alison Cozens
 11.00am Morning Worship Mrs Lou Davis
 7.00pm Bruce Davies - concert of seasonal music at St Margaret's RC Memorial Church, East Port, Dunfermline (see page 9)
- Monday 12 Dec 7.30pm Ecumenical Advent Study Group at Rosyth Parish Church. Week 4 of *Candles in the Dark* (see 5 Dec)
- Tuesday 13 Dec 10.15am EDWJ meets at Jack Fowell's house
 Note: Next meeting 10 January 2017
- Wednesday 14 Dec 12.30pm Wednesday Fellowship:: Christmas Lunch in the Elgin Hotel, Charlestown
 Note: Wednesday Fellowship resumes 8 February 2017
- Thursday 15 Dec 7.00pm 'From Hurt to Hope' a service for people who find Christmas a difficult time (see page 8)
- Friday 16 Dec 9.30am Triangle Coffee Shop in the Crush Hall
 onwards tea, coffee and home baking
 Note: Triangles will be closed on Friday 23 and 30 December
 7.00pm Choir practice
- Saturday 17 Dec 7.30pm A Concert of seasonal music and readings by the Scottish Chamber Choir at Broughton St Mary's Parish Church, 12 Bellvue Crescent, Edinburgh (see page 9)

Sunday 18 December

- Advent 4 11.00am Joint Communion Service Rev Alison Cozens
 12.45pm Messy Church Christmas Party
 2.00pm Kirkcaldy Orchestral Society, 'Winter Bits',
 and 4.00pm a Christmas Concert with the Langtoun Singers, in Old Kirk, Kirkcaldy (see page 9)
 3.00pm Service at Orchardhead House, Rosyth

Diary for December 2016 to January 2017

Sunday 18 Dec	6.00pm	Sunday@Six Service of Carols by Candlelight Offering in aid of CHAS (see page 8)
Monday 19 Dec	7.30pm	Ecumenical Advent Study Group at Rosyth Parish Church. Week 5 of <i>Candles in the Dark</i> (see 5 Dec)
Christmas Eve	3.30pm	Family Christingle service at Holy Trinity, Dunfermline Rev Alison Cozens
	4.00pm	All-age Nativity service
	11.30pm	Midnight Mass at Holy Trinity, Dunfermline Rev Alison Cozens
Christmas Day	8.00am	Said Holy Communion at Holy Trinity, Dunfermline
	10.00am	Family Service Mrs Mary Kidd
	10.00am	Sung Eucharist at Holy Trinity, Dunfermline Rev Alison Cozens
Monday 26 Dec	10.00am	Holy Communion (said) Rev Alison Cozens
Tuesday 27 Dec	11.00am	Festive Sung Eucharist at St Finnian's Lochgelly Rev Dr Margaret Dineley
Sunday 1 January		
The Naming of Jesus	9.30am	Sung Eucharist Rev Alison Cozens
	11.00am	Morning Worship Mrs Margaret Freeman Deacon Elizabeth Harfleet (Worship Leader)
Friday 6 Jan	9.30am onwards	Triangle Coffee Shop in the Crush Hall tea, coffee and home baking
Sunday 8 January		
The Baptism of our Lord		
	9.30am	Sung Eucharist Rev Dr Michael Paterson
	11.00am	Morning Worship Rev Andrew Letby Evelyn Kenny (Worship Leader)
	7.00pm	Taizé Service at St Finnian's Church, Lochgelly followed by refreshments Rev Dr Margaret Dineley
Monday 9 Jan	7.30pm	Ecumenical Advent Study Group at Rosyth Parish Church. Week 6 (last week) of <i>Candles in the Dark</i>

Diary for December 2016 to January 2017

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| Tuesday 10 Jan | 10.00am | EDWJ Group meets in Mary Kidd's house at Limekilns |
| Friday 13 Jan | 9.30am
onwards
7.00pm | Triangle Coffee Shop in the Crush Hall
tea, coffee and home baking
Choir practice |
| Saturday 14 Jan | 6.00pm | Methodist Centenary Celebration - Games and Quiz
Evening suitable for the family. Light Supper |

Sunday 15 January

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| Epiphany 2 | 9.30am | Sung Eucharist Rev Alison Cozens (celebrant)
Professor Oliver O'Donovan (preacher) |
| | 11.00am | Morning Worship Mr Iain Hampson
David Salthouse (Worship Leader) |
| | 3.00pm | Service at Orchardhead House, Rosyth |
| Friday 20 Jan | 9.30am
onwards
7.00pm | Triangle Coffee Shop in the Crush Hall
tea, coffee and home baking
Choir practice |

Sunday 22 January

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| Epiphany 3 | 9.00am | Messy Church and Breakfast (note the new Sunday of the month) |
| | 11.00am | Joint Covenant Service Rev Dr David Easton
and the Most Rev David Chillingworth |
| | 6.00pm | Sunday@Six (tbc) |
| Tuesday 24 Jan | 10.00am | EDWJ Group meets in Mary Kidd's house at Limekilns |
| | 12.30pm | Seasonal lunch at The Hideaway, Kingseat Road, Halbeath |
| | 7.00pm | St Margaret's Vestry meeting in the small lounge |
| Friday 27 Jan | 9.30am
onwards
7.00pm | Triangle Coffee Shop in the Crush Hall
tea, coffee and home baking
Choir practice |

Diary for December 2016 to January 2017

Sunday 29 January

The Presentation of the Lord

9.30am Sung Eucharist Rev Alison Cozens

11.00am Morning Worship Professor John Sawkins

Friday 3 Feb 9.30am Triangle Coffee Shop in the Crush Hall
onwards tea, coffee and home baking

7.00pm Choir practice

Saturday 4 Feb 7.30pm Methodist Centenary Event – Celebration Ceilidh
for all the family
to 10.30pm Park Road Community Centre

Sunday 5 February

Epiphany 5 9.30am Sung Eucharist Rev Alison Cozens

11.00am Morning Worship Rev Helen Jenkins
David Salthouse (Worship Leader)

Monday 6 Feb 7.30pm Ecumenical Study Group, Rosyth Parish Church

Tuesday 7 Feb 7.30pm Coffee, Cake and Crafts — a monthly evening craft
club run by Jean Hall and friends

Wednesday 8 Feb 2.15pm Wednesday Fellowship
Opening meeting: Hilary Henderson

Friday 9 Feb 9.30am Triangle Coffee Shop in the Crush Hall
onwards tea, coffee and home baking
7.00pm Choir practice

Rethinking Remembrance

A sermon by the Rev Alison Cozens on 13 November 2016

I wonder who are you wearing your poppy for today?

A friend or family member, someone whose story from the First or Second World War that has touched your heart, or someone whose story is from a more recent conflict in Iraq or Afghanistan?

This year the Royal British Legion is asking everyone to Rethink Remembrance recognising the sacrifices made not just by the Armed Forces of the past but also by today's generation too.

For many of us Remembrance is linked to those who lost their lives in the First and Second World Wars and while we do always remember them, the Royal British Legion wants to raise awareness this year of a new generation of veterans and service personnel who need support.

Behind the story of each poppy that you and I wear is a unique story of endurance and of sacrifice, whether from one hundred years ago or ten years ago.

Holy Trinity Dunfermline and St Margaret's Rosyth are the first congregations which I have served where so many of you have been directly involved in the conflicts of the last century.

And it is a great privilege to hear your stories of courage in the face of death

and of resilience in the face of the unknown adversary.

It is interesting to me that so many clergy of the Scottish Episcopal church of my generation have served as military chaplains or who now serve in the armed forces.

The story of the dockyard and the naval base at Rosyth have connected in a mysterious way with my own story as on my father's side, my naval officer grandfather was decorated in the Second World War and my great uncle served as a young teenager and survived the Battle of Jutland in the First World War.

So as we come to this Remembrance Sunday, I am more than usually conscious of the cost of war, on not just those who serve but also on our families and communities.

Today we cannot but also be aware of the atrocities happening in Aleppo and in Syria and we have been asked by our Bishop among others in Scotland to show solidarity with the people of Aleppo by lighting a candle or putting a light in our window this evening, please see the notice in the pewsheets. So often we can feel impotent in the face of conflict in the middle east, this is a small sign that we have not forgotten the people of Aleppo at this time.

And those of us at the study group on Thursday heard about the story of

Simon the Stylite, the pillar saint from the fourth century whose holy pillar stood at the crossroads overlooking Aleppo . . .

A call then and now for repentance and conversion!

So what does our Holy Scripture have to say to us today ?

We are reminded in the passage from St John's Gospel, 'no-one has greater love than this than to lay down one's life for one's friends.' John chapter 15 verse `13.

Jesus is the One who shows us how to be fully human, whether in conflict or in times of peace, we can go the extra mile and be willing to put our neighbour's interests before our own, to lay down our life for our friends.

Jesus through his passion shows us how to put our trust in God, to speak truth to power, not to be afraid. We remember that even though our Lord wept tears in the garden of Gethsemane crying out to God, 'take this cup from me yet if it be thy will...' he faced his accusers and bore the Cross to set us free.

And like Job in our Hebrew Scripture, we too call upon God to be our Redeemer and to lift us out of the slavery of sin and death. We too are aware that our bodies are but skin and bones and what matters is that we see the living God, and know ourselves raised up.

Remembrance is also a theme that undergirds the celebration of communion for we 'do this in

remembrance of him' as we bless the bread and the wine.

And this word remembrance means calling to mind, making present, making real now.

So we not only look back to the Last Supper, which Jesus shared with his friends, we also ask Jesus, by the power of the Holy Spirit to be with us now as we share the peace with one another and break the bread and share the cup.

And at that most powerful moment in the Liturgy, what is known as the fraction, the priest breaks the bread saying 'The living bread is broken for the life of the world'.

At the heart of our Christian faith is a profound understanding that through suffering and death comes new life, unless a seed fall to the ground and die

So it is in our self sacrifice, that the harmony of the nations can come about, it is in following the example of our Lord Jesus Christ, even if that takes us through the valley of the shadow of tears that we come to the eternal kingdom.

So I wonder, who are you wearing your poppy for today?

As you think about that person's life and sacrifice, give God thanks that you are here to remember them.

Alison Cozens

RSCM Singing Day

Members of St Margaret's choir attended the annual RSCM singing day, held in Dunblane Cathedral on Saturday 5 November. Seven of our choir, Myra, Val, Pam, Dorissia, Julie, Mary and Martin, together with guest Nigel and me, flew the flag for Rosyth and helped to swell the numbers, in total a very good turn out of over 40 singers, including 13 basses!

We were fortunate to have as our director, Matthew Beetschen - a former organist of Dunblane Cathedral and recently appointed Organist and Master of Music at Dunfermline Abbey – already known to some of us. Matthew chose choral music suitable for evening as he lamented the fact that we don't very often get the chance to sing or attend choral evensong. We rehearsed 5 choral works - by Tallis, Charles Wood, one of Herbert Sumsion's settings (in A major) of the Nunc Dimmitis, Bernadette Farrell's 'O God you searched me out' (we sing the hymn version in church) and John Rutter's 'Clare Benediction', pieces not too challenging and enjoyable to sing.

After a much needed break for tea, we put our efforts to good use when, during a short contemplative service, we sang the music we had practised and a couple of hymns. With 5 November falling within the time of celebration of All Saints, we were treated, as we were last year, to a thought-provoking apt sermon by the minister of Dunblane Cathedral, the

Rev Gordon Renwick, who also led the service and intercessions.

This was an inspiring and thoroughly enjoyable afternoon in a beautiful medieval, albeit cold, building, and so worthwhile for our choir to have the opportunity to sing new choral music. Matthew was charming and witty and his relaxed approach helped to get the best out of the singers. The sound we produced for such a short time together was very pleasing to the ear.

Perhaps the most memorable happening of the afternoon, however, came when the rehearsal was interrupted by the Rev Gordon who announced that Andy Murray had just become the world's No1 tennis player. Not surprising, for Dunblane's favourite son, everyone clapped and cheered.

Sandra Young

One minute, please What did Jesus say?

"If anyone has ears to hear, let him hear ... and consider carefully what you hear"

Mark 4: 23 & 24a

On understanding safeguarding and PVG matters

On 11 October we were delighted to welcome Donald Urquhart, Provincial Officer for Protection of Children & Vulnerable Adults of the Scottish Episcopal Church, and District Safeguarding Officer for the Methodist Church in Scotland, to our church here in Rosyth.

The main purpose of the evening was to raise awareness, ensure our church is a safe place and to know how to respond to concerns (our own, or those others raise with us).

There are differences and overlap with regard to PVG and Safeguarding.

- Children and certain groups of adults can be identified as vulnerable, and people who are undertaking regulated work for example responsibility for children's activities, undertaking pastoral visiting on behalf of the church) with these groups are required to be registered with the Scottish PVG scheme (Protection of Vulnerable Groups).
- Safeguarding is about keeping everyone safe, vulnerable groups and others – those who attend services, attendees at the various groups in the church, customers of the Triangle Coffee shop etc. Its about providing a safe environment.

Donald outlined the general legal framework, church policy and how the PVG scheme works.

The evening was informative and there was plenty of time to raise issues. We spoke about safety in terms of abuse (physical and emotional), dishonesty, health & safety issues; safety for ourselves (for example ensuring no-one is left to lock up alone, especially on the dark winter evenings); ensuring that when we use electrical equipment there are no wires as trip hazards; ensuring free and safe access to fire exits; safeguarding those tasked with counting collections by ensuring there are two counters; ensuring safe recruitment when we are placing people in positions of trust – a person in a position of responsibility in the church will be seen by others as being trustworthy.

Churches have not always responded well when there have been issues of abuse. Sometimes this is because we don't want to acknowledge that such things happen in 'our' church or it can be because of a desire to keep it within the church. Even when the abuse has happened outwith the church, but involving church members we can struggle to believe it because the person/family is well known and respected, or we simply do not know how to respond and who to raise concerns with. There can be concerns about false allegations, or we can feel that our role is to promote forgiveness not condemnation.

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Ideally we strive to prevent abuse but we have to acknowledge that we cannot always prevent harm occurring. Through our awareness raising evening the hope is that we are now more able to recognise concerns/ safety issues, know how to respond and know where to get support.

Thank you to all those who gave up their evening to attend.

Jan Benvie

Memorial book update

An update of the Memorial Book will be carried out in January 2017.

Dennis Cook

Centenary celebrations update

Following the wonderful treat in October of the special Sunday@Six service in the West Gallery tradition of instrumental music (see Valerie Leslie's report on page 12); and the overwhelming response to the concert by the Russian Voskresenije Choir in mid-November (see Martin Tarr 's report on page 26) ; we have to report that our December celebration, a *Festival of Nativity Scenes* has been well supported and as it is already in its final stages many of the exhibits are recorded by the photographs in this issue (see page 29).

A lot of work goes into organising these events, so especial thanks to Sue Masson, Martin Tarr and Evelyn Kenny for taking the lead role in each of these, and to all those who helped them in so many ways...

So what happens next to celebrate the Centenary of Methodism in Rosyth?

First there is the *Games and Quiz Evening* (on **58 January**, from ⁰ pm), and then, on **4 February** , there is the *Celebration Ceilidh* for all the family, in the Park Road Community Centre. Tickets for the Ceilidh are expected to be on sale in December, but keep your eye open as full details for each event will appear in the Joint Notices.

Howard Kirby

St Margaret's AGM

The AGM held on Sunday 27 November was attended by sixteen people. This was an informed meeting and the annual reports previously passed to the congregation were well received. Our finances remain in a healthy state and we reported a surplus in account of £5,056. The budget for 2016/17 was approved by Vestry on 2 November. The major increase in expenditure is the decision by Vestry to use the surplus carried forward from 2015/16 to increase our Reserves from £5,000 to £10,000. This will give us a "fighting fund" with which to address what may lie ahead as we examine where we may be in 5 years' time. Alan Taylor intimated his intention to stand down in January after 10 years as Treasurer and we will formally thank him then, although Rev Alison paid tribute to his sterling work. Gordon Pryde will take over from Alan at the January Vestry meeting and is already working with Alan.

A specific concern raised referred to the sanctuary windows, which may need replacement soon, but it was agreed not to formally raise the issue but to leave it to what the Property Committee does.

Now that Messy Church is moving to the 4th Sunday in January 2017, there is a need to reconsider which Sunday to hold Sunday@ Six worship. Thought should also be given to re-instating a small joint group from both churches to arrange a future

programme of worship at the evening service.

Our lay representative, Valerie Leslie, and our alternate, Erica Lock, were re-elected to serve for another year. Peter Hutchings was re-elected as our independent examiner for one final year and those present were asked to think about a possible successor for 2018 and speak to Sandra or Gordon.

Members of the Vestry for the next year are: Sue Forman, Valerie Leslie (ex officio), Erica Lock, Sue Masson, Gordon Pryde, Myra Tarr, Alan Taylor and Sandra Young.

Full minutes of the meeting will be available shortly and will be distributed to all members of St Margaret's and there will also be a copy on the notice board

Sandra Young

Resurrection at Rosyth

Martin Tarr reports on experiencing the return visit of the famous Russian choir

After a gap of four years since their last Rosyth concert, the visit of the Voskresenije Choir (their name means Resurrection in Russian) from St Petersburg had been eagerly anticipated since it was first announced as a St Margaret's contribution to the Methodist Church Centenary programme.

Those of us who had heard the choir at St Serf's, Burntisland, the previous evening knew that their 18 November concert would be something special, and indeed it was. It's not every day that visitors get a standing ovation and sing two encores!



The story had started five months previously, when our team realised that, having been hosted by St Serf's in 2015, the choir were returning to Burntisland only the night before our own concert. We decided that we would work *with* our Episcopalian friends, rather than separately, and this spirit of co-operation helped all parties, including the choir, whose members were able to enjoy being in the same bed on two consecutive nights. Joint publicity helped generate very full houses for both concerts,

which a total of over 250 people enjoyed, and having joint finances, including on-line selling, simplified the administration. Sharing the hospitality task also reduced the challenge of finding enough beds, though hosting the choir for two days was a "full-on experience"!

Apart from the basso profundo, the singers that arrived were new to Rosyth, the choir being a vehicle for talent emerging from the St Petersburg Conservatory of Music. So they had youth on their side – one tenor was just 21 – and possessed some splendid operatically-trained voices. Our loop system was *not* needed for the performance ...

A setting by Bortniansky, one of Beethoven's Russian contemporaries, had an almost Baroque flavour, but otherwise the pieces of sacred music in the first part of the concert came from composers such as Rachmaninov, whose working lives spanned the period 1890 to 1940. Nevertheless, there was considerable variety in style and interpretation, and in the solo opportunities that much of the music provided.

Unfortunately, Ganna Zhivaeva, the soprano whose excellent English enabled her to introduce the choir, wasn't vocally fit enough to perform her intended solo *Ave Maria*, so the programme was rearranged to include Chesnokov's "Cast me not off in the

time of old age". This provided an opportunity for Anatoly Artamonov, the choir's basso



profundo, to give us more of his amazing low notes – a whole octave below the normal bass range.

Although 73, Anatoly is almost as energetic as the rest of the choir, and definitely not “cast off” on account of his age!

In the second half, the choir ladies added brightly coloured shawls to their black tops, and the tone was altogether lighter. We enjoyed seven Russian folk songs, plus the very special Voskresenje interpretation of “Those were the days”, and the final programmed item and second encore both featured a wonderful high tenor.

To quote Hebrews 11:32: “And what shall I more say? for the time would fail me to tell of ...” If you missed the concert, we’re sorry for you. But don’t despair, because Voskresenje are planning to be in Dunfermline on Sunday 19 November 2017. Book the date now!

Finally, my thanks to the over 20 people who contributed in one way or other to the Rosyth concert – a great team effort!

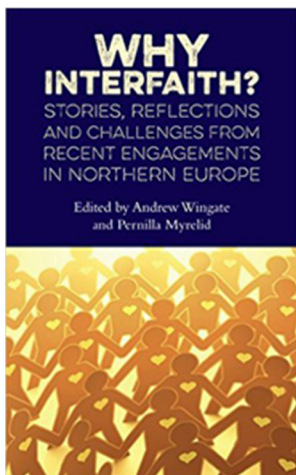
Martin Tarr

Book Review: Why interfaith?

(ISBN: 978-0-232-53234-0)

The book’s subtitle reveals its content ‘*Stories, reflections and challenges from recent engagements in Northern Europe*’. Published in July 2016, this anthology of over forty invited essays contains contributions from a wide range of people from within the Porvoo Communion, in which they share the stories of how their churches are, in different ways, engaged in bridge-building between people of different faiths and communities of different creeds. The essays range from reasonably impersonal overviews of the subject to more personal accounts of the experience of interacting with people of different faiths, with a particular emphasis on the experiences of clergy in Britain and Sweden.

The editors (who also contributed three of the essays) are both interfaith specialists: Andrew Wingate, who recently preached at St Margaret’s, and whose practical interfaith work over many years has evidently influenced a number of the contributors; and Pernilla Myrelid, a Swedish parish priest, who is seeking to build interfaith relations in a very multi-religious city. Their editorial touch has been light, but they have added (regrettably short) reflections on the subject and an addendum highlighting the difficulties caused by Brexit.



Although there is inevitably some overlap in content, the book's 316 pages are organised into four separate sections, starting with the reasons why

interfaith relationships are necessary. Its final, particularly challenging, paper describes encounters with asylum seekers. A shorter second section looks at some of the problems encountered, for example, the reluctance of Buddhists to engage fully in the practice, and the various stumbling blocks presented by Hinduism. Fifteen "transforming encounters" – "snapshots of interfaith life" – form the third section, and a short final section contains articles that largely summarise or review the subject.

The essayists/authors are largely positive concerning interfaith issues, and realistic about the challenges facing the churches, but there is great variety in content, length and style, and indeed in the quality of the writing. This can be clear and attractive when personal testimony is involved – for example, the

encouraging story of 'Agora Young', a meeting place where 'Abraham's children' can share their experiences of being young and religious. But the more formal essays were less successful, and there is an element of repetition in a number of the essays. Regrettably – since Archbishop Jackelen expresses in his preface the hope that the stories and experiences presented would "encourage and empower others to carry on the good work" – this is more of a study book for those already interested in the subject than one with a wider general appeal.

Martin Forman and Martin Tarr

Nativity scenes

Some displays at the Methodist Centenary exhibition 2-4 December 2016



Puzzle page

With puzzles from Dave Ward

New puzzles

As it is the Christmas issue I have added an extra problem for you to solve.

1) A man has a clock in his hall which chimes the hour, but also chimes once every quarter hour, once every half hour, and once every three quarters hour. The man is bed ridden after an accident, and dozes a lot during the day, he wakes up just as the clock strikes 1 chime, what is the maximum amount of time he could wait before he accurately knows the time? Think about it carefully.

2) A clever prisoner is brought before a judge, and told he is allowed to make 1 statement, The judge says that if the statement is true he will be hanged, but if it is false he will be shot by a firing squad. The prisoner makes his statement, as a result the judge has to let him go. What could the prisoner possibly have said?

3) One for you to think about .If a sundial is the timepiece with least moving parts, which time piece has the most moving parts?

4) By adding just 1 straight line make this sum correct?

$$5 + 5 + 5 = 550$$

Answers to Oct/Nov puzzles

Q1) A farmer is given £100 to buy 100 animals, Cows are £5 each, sheep £1 each and Chickens 5 pence each.

A1) So he buys:

80 chickens	cost	£4.00
19 sheep	cost	£95.00
1 cow	cost	£1.00
100 animals	cost	£100.00

Q2) A man has 9 bags of gold and 1 bag of lead (painted with gold paint), But can only make one weighing to find which bag is filled with lead. The lead balls are 1 ounce lighter than the gold ones. How does he proceed?

A2) He lines the bags up in order and takes 1 ball from bag 1, 2 balls from bag 2, 3 balls from bag 3 etc until he has 55 balls on the scales, if the weight of 1 gold ball is 10 grams then if all balls were gold he would have 550 grams of gold balls on the scales. But if the scales measured 549 grams then he would have 1 ball of lead which would make bag 1 the bag of lead. If the weight was 548 grams, so 2 grams light, then the bag of lead would be bag 2. And so on.....

Q3) If 1 cost £1 and 10 cost £2, how much would 100 cost?

A3) £3. The man was buying numbers for his house. He lived at number 100 Elm Street,

Contact points and meeting times

This list supplements the list of formal contacts given on the inside cover, and is for the activities and organisations run by the Methodist Church Council, St Margaret's Vestry, and by affiliated but independent organisations.

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Or be part of the singing and music and praise of a
service you had missed?**

You can borrow the CD of the service!

*Most of the 11am services of Methodist Morning Worship
and of the once-monthly Joint Communion Services are
recorded as an mp3 file and then on a CD.*

*Recordings of some of the recent Sunday@Six services may
also be available.*

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Our next issue

Grateful thanks to all those who have contributed to this issue. The next issue will be published in early February, so please send us your contribution by **Tuesday 24th January 2017**. You can send it to *editor\ rosythmethodist.org.uk*.