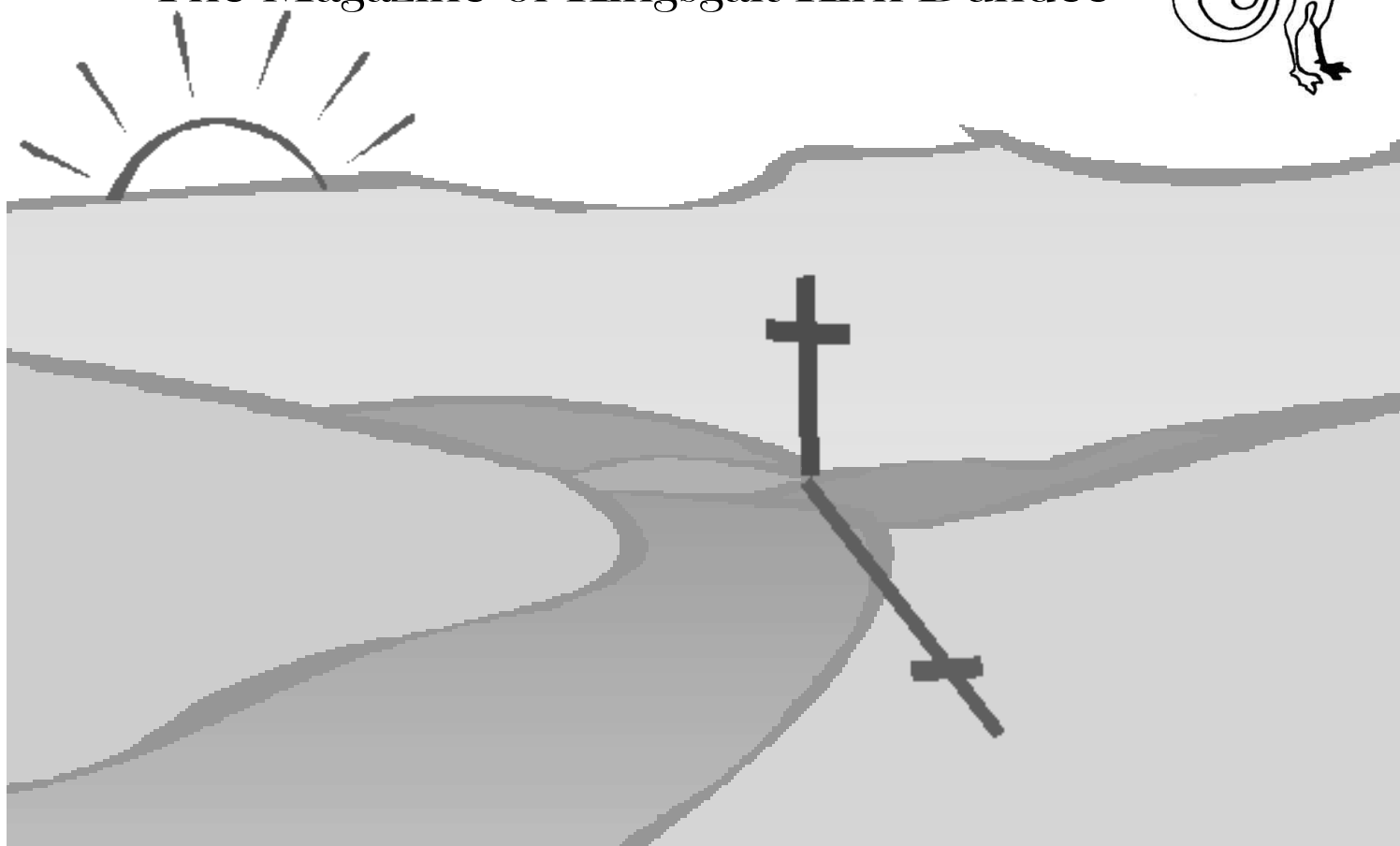


The Wyvern

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This is how God showed his love
among us: He sent his one and only
Son into the world that we might
live through him.

1 John 4:9



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Cong Ref No - 291743

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**Sunday worship is
conducted by Rev Anita
Kerr, every week at 11am .**

What's On?

Girls' Brigade

Monday Evenings 18:30—20.00

Carpet Bowling Group

Thursday Evenings—19:00—21:00

Something else happening?

If you have anything you'd like
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be available for collection by distributors
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Greetings from Anita



One of those listening was a woman named Lydia, a dealer in purple cloth from the city of Thyatira, who was a worshipper of God. Acts 16: 14

Last Sunday, we once again welcomed members of the Dyers Craft to join us for Sunday worship. Deacon of the Dyers' Craft, Wendy Maltman, opened her talk with a reference to Lydia and her work as a dyer and seller of purple cloth. Wendy was highlighting the biblical connection of the craft of our hands with the heart of our faith. Lydia was a worshipper of God, as is Wendy, who has been an active member of her local congregation since her university days in Dundee.

We have seen a wonderful reunion of Kirk and Trades thanks to Deacon Convenor Ray Edwards, who made it his *mission* to reconnect the Trades and the 'Trades Kirk'. We now enjoy regular visits and updates from the Weavers, Dyers, Hammerman and Cordiners throughout the year. Culminating in our annual Kirkin' o the Trades on the last Sunday in November, which this year is also St Andrew's Day as well as the first Sunday in Advent.

The season of Advent, like that of Lent, is one of penitence and preparation, and it is known by the colour purple. When people could neither read nor write, they followed the seasons of the church year in colours. Purple for Advent and Lent, White for Christmas and Easter, Red for Pentecost and Green for Ordinary Time. In a similar way to stained glass windows, which told stories through pictures, what was required of us, our *spiritual moods* were marked by the colours of the vestments, the ribbons on the Bible, the colour of the cloth on the Communion table and pulpit fall. Every picture paints a thousand words, so each colour describes a spiritual step on our journey of faith. Our road to salvation.

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We, too, tell a story; each week as we gather for worship, through our presence, in our praise and prayer. It is wonderful when the body of the kirk is humming with conversation, fellowship and friendship. Extending a welcome to old friends and new. I hope we can all be there to welcome the Nine Incorporated Trades and Three United Trades of Dundee this year, showing the strength of our witness and sharing the love of Christ, the heart of our faith, with fellow craftsmen and craftswomen. Telling our story, wear purple if you want, I will!

Every blessing—Anita

'War Memorial'

A Poem written by J. Adams



Sleeping below starsong

This granite cross
chiselled with
names and memories

Of men and women
leaving thatch and hedgerow
to fight in foreign wars

Dying in muddied fields
Blasted from red skies
Sinking beneath
Those angry waves

We will remember them

Tell me friend – will
battles ever cease
Does Armageddon lurk
behind that cobalt cloud

Peace can prevail
When lowered lances
Study war no more

Dates for your Diary

We are delighted to welcome Deacons and members of the 9 Incorporated Trades of Dundee along with the 3 United Trades and Guildry for Kirkin' of the Trades on **30 November**. Many of the Trades have presented to the congregation over the last year and we hope for a big congregational turnout for this special occasion.



Dates for Advent ~ Christmas 2025

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- 30th November - The Christmas Appeal launches today
 - 7th December - Gift Sunday
 - 14th December - Family Worship with Sacrement of Baptism
 - 21st December - Christmas Story through Carols
 - 24th December - 7pm Nine Lessons and Carols
mince pies and mulled wine afterwards
 - 28th December - Morning Worship with Tim and Stella

In Memoriam: John T. G. Baxter (1947-2025)



It was with great sadness that we learned of the sudden death of John Baxter in July. John was a long-standing and faithful member of the church, and a good friend to many. He took a genuine interest in others with his warm, gentle and kindly approach.

I have fond memories of John as Sunday School Superintendent at St Andrew's, where he shared his love of the Bible and music with enthusiasm and joy. His deep knowledge—lightly offered—and his love of learning shone through, leaving a lasting impression on many of us.

John's dedication to the life and work of the church led to his call to the Eldership, to which he was admitted in 1982, having previously been ordained in Ryehill Church. For many years he also served as a Reader in the Church of Scotland, leading morning worship in congregations throughout the area whenever he was needed.

In 1983, John became Editor of *The Wyvern*, bringing warmth, humour, and editorial skill to the pages of our much-loved church magazine. The following year, he took on the added responsibility of Keeper of the Communion Roll for St Andrew's, ensuring that our records were maintained with his characteristic care and diligence.

John's interests and service extended far beyond the church. A former pupil of Harris Academy, he served as President of the school's Former Pupils' Association and maintained a lifelong affection for the school that had helped to shape him. In many ways, John's life also reflected his school motto - 'Spe et Labore'. After graduating from the University of St Andrews with Honours in Medieval and Modern History, he went on to a distinguished career in education, retiring as Head of the History Department at the High School of Dundee.

In later years, John bore the challenges of ill health with quiet courage, remaining far more interested in the wellbeing of others than himself. A thoughtful, conscientious, and devoted Christian, John touched the lives of many—perhaps more than he realised—through soft words and quiet acts of kindness.

Our love and prayers are with Merelyn and Kenneth in their loss of a much-loved husband, father, and friend, and with all those who were part of John's wider family of faith and friendship. He will be dearly missed.

Lindsay McCallum

From the Finance Team - An Appeal

As we near the end of 2025 (where did it go?!), we should like to take this opportunity to thank all those members of the congregation who have contributed so generously to Kingsgait Kirk through your offerings this year. These form an important part of the church's income. However, over the past few years the total amounts received have, for various reasons, declined steadily and we are having to rely increasingly on other sources of income such as hall lets and premises rents.

We appreciate that everyone is feeling the effects of rising prices, but these also apply to Kingsgait Kirk. We have been particularly hit by dramatic increases in utility costs – our gas and electricity bills more than doubled in 2024, following the end of fixed price contracts which had protected us in the short term. The upkeep of our historic buildings also has significant financial implications. While Margaret Keillar's exceptionally generous legacy in 2024 is enabling us to meet the costs of the major refurbishment of the sanctuary planned for the coming year, ongoing expenditure is required on less exciting but still essential repair and maintenance works. Our mandatory contribution to the Church of Scotland to meet the costs of local and national ministry is set centrally and is outwith our control but has also increased in the past two years. Where possible, we try to use restricted and endowment funds set aside for special purposes to contribute to appropriate categories of expenditure, but the need for unrestricted general income continues to grow.

We are therefore asking members to consider whether they feel able to increase the amount of their weekly/monthly offerings, even slightly, to help meet the ever-rising costs of sustaining the work of our church. Or perhaps you would be willing to make a 'one-off' donation before the end of the year? We appreciate that some people will not be in a position to do this, but all contributions, of whatever size, will be most gratefully received.

More generally:

Weekly Freewill Offering envelopes for 2026 will be available shortly. If you have missed some of your Weekly Offerings this year for whatever reason, please try to make up the outstanding weeks before the end of year, either via your WFO envelopes or by other payment method. If you do not already contribute in this way, but wish to do so, please contact

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Standing Order: Many members already make their offerings by regular bank standing order, ensuring that the church receives their contribution even if they are unable to attend services for any reason. Anyone who would now find it easier to make their offering by this method should contact a member of the Finance Team for the necessary details.

Gift Aid: If you are a UK taxpayer and have not already signed a Gift Aid Declaration in favour of Kingsgait Kirk, please consider doing so. By making such a Declaration, you enable the church to reclaim the tax on your offerings, thereby increasing the value of your financial contributions by 25% at no extra cost to yourself – it does make a difference! Just speak to a member of the Team, who will be happy to provide you with a declaration form. We are also about to place special envelopes in the pews to allow visitors to the church (on Sundays or through the week) to add Gift Aid to any donation they make.

Finance Team: Morag Stalker (Treasurer), Alison Collins, Sheila Valentine, Cilla Coupar (Finance Administrator)

Girls' Brigade News



Our girls have had a busy few weeks. We are following the theme of "Stories" this year and were visited by our Chaplain, Anita, who told us the parables of the Lost Coins and Lost Sheep then sent the girls a task to find a lost coin. Their success was rewarded by some sweets - much to the girls' enjoyment! This was followed by a very interesting trip to the Central Library for a story session and some craft. Two film nights filled the October holidays before decorating Halloween cakes and biscuits, a Halloween party then a Guy Fawkes night with a story and craft.

Poem about going to Iona

By Graeme Burns



1. I missed the bus. Oh what a fuss! So, I came to Iona late, and I hate being late.
2. I did the pilgrimage from a mobility scooter, I went down to the village on the mobility scooter to see how I would get on.
3. At the machair, I kept a red and a white stone, and I threw a stone into the sea.
4. We sat on the grass to eat our lunch, where we could see the sea.
5. On the way back to the Abbey, our leader told us the story of the Hill of Angels.
6. I'm usually the gatekeeper, but not today, because I am on the mobility scooter.

Christmas Jumper Day - Sunday 7th December

Save the Children, one of our Christmas charities is having a Christmas Jumper day on 11 December but as this is a Thursday we thought we would have ours on Sunday 7th December. Everyone wearing their jumper should donate some extra cash. This would, hopefully, be a very colourful morning and raise extra money for children in Gaza.

For more information visit: www.savethechildren.org.uk/christmas-jumper-day



Christmas Greetings on PowerPoint.

As in previous years, we can put Christmas Greetings on the PowerPoint preservice slides for the advent Sundays from 30 November. If you would like a greeting, please contact Garry or Alison with the details of what you would like to appear on the screens and your donation. As usual this will go towards our Christmas charities—Dundee Bairns and Save the Children Gaza fund.



Carpe Diem – “Seas the Day”

Arriving at Church in the rain on 26th October, brought back memories of a Church Service 4 years ago.

On Sunday 1st November 2021, a group of the Congregation towed a replica boat from Meadowside-St Paul’s building to St Andrew’s building in **torrential** rain.

COP26 Climate Change conference was taking place in Glasgow at that time, and supporters of Christian Aid were towing a boat from Cornwall, the location of that summer’s G7 conference, to Glasgow in order to raise awareness of the necessity to take action on Climate Change. With encouragement from our Christian Aid Coordinator, Rev Caroline Taylor, members of the Sunday Club developed the idea of making paper origami prayer boats to building our own boat. We recycled a boat which had been used on a float for previous events, made sails from old sheets, and decorated it with flags denoting Christian Aid, St Andrew’s and Meadowside-St Paul’s Churches, along with slogans and prayer boat. We named the boat “**Seas the Day**”, a play on the words “Seize the Day” or “Carpe Diem”.

Mounted on a trolley made by Roddy Taylor from recycled materials, Seas the Day was launched from Meadowside St Paul’s and towed along the Nethergate, High Street and Murraygate to St Andrew’s, where the intrepid, drenched group were welcomed by members who helped us out of our soaking coats and to manoeuvre the boat to the front of chancel area. (Due to rain, there were only a few onlookers on our journey.)

Photographs of the day can be seen on the Church’s previous Meadowside St Paul’s Facebook page. (The photos taken inside the church show that we were still wearing masks inside at that time). More information can also be seen on Christian Aid sites.



Margaret Robertson

Guild News



We were delighted to welcome back Marjory Gillan, albeit a month earlier than originally planned. Her armchair exercises, which are done to popular music, had us singing along as well as gently loosening our muscles. The exercises were interspersed with Marjory's anecdotes which are always interesting and humorous.

Bharti Rajput certainly helped us 'Step into Happiness' when she visited us on 14th October. Bharti is a podiatrist with businesses in Dundee and Cupar. As well as explaining all the treatments on offer, Bharti shared her life story from Kenya to London before arriving in Dundee. She also told us she is in the process of setting up a charity, 'Step into Happiness' which will provide foot care and footwear for children in an Indian village.

Claire shared with us the story of Mary's Meals, a global mission to feed the world's poorest children every day at school. Around 3 million children are provided with a meal, made by local volunteers and using local produce, every day. It was amazing to hear that £19.15 could feed a child for a year.

At our next meeting on 11th November, Fiona will talk about the work of NSPCC and then on 25th November Katie O'Leary will tell us about the work of Silver Lining, a befriending organisation.

Our Christmas carol service and afternoon tea will be held on 9th December and we will hopefully enjoy a Christmas lunch the following week. Meetings start at 2pm on alternate Tuesdays and are open to all men and women. A warm welcome awaits.

After her presentation about Mary's Meals, Claire shared the following prayer with us.

Prayer for Mary's Meals – a simple solution to world hunger

Our Father
give us this day our daily bread
and forgive us for the times when we take more than our share of the bread that belongs to all.
Let us help You fill the starving with good things,
not with scraps from our table.
Teach us how to share what is not ours to keep.
Clothe us with Your love that we may complete each good work You created us to do.
Place in our hearts Your compassion for each starving child and use our little acts of love so that
they starve no more.

Amen

Sheila Valentine

**Address by Wendy Maltman, Deacon of the Dyers Craft at our worship in Kingsgait Kirk
on Sunday, 19th October 2025**

The Dyer Craft has deep historical roots in this city, and indeed with this very church, which was built by the Nine Incorporated Trades 250 years ago. It feels especially fitting, therefore, to gather here in a place founded by craftsmen whose skill and generosity helped shape Dundee's identity.

When we think of the long tradition of dyeing and working with colour, it's impossible not to think of Lydia, a businesswoman mentioned in the Book of Acts. Lydia, described as "*a seller of purple cloth*", was a woman of faith and enterprise whose trade brought beauty and value to the world around her. Having listened to Paul's teaching, her household became the first in Europe to embrace Christianity. Lydia reminds us that the work of our hands and our hearts are deeply connected, that craftsmanship, commerce, and community all serve a higher purpose when carried out with integrity and faith.

With that in mind, I'm delighted to share some highlights of our past year. Since our visit last year, I have been promoted from Clerk and Boxmaster to become Deacon of our trade. Our past deacon, Steve Flack, stepped down after an epic six years of service. Steve led our craft with great dedication and commitment, and it was an honour to present him with his Past Deacon medal at our annual dinner and AGM last December. The dinner also saw the election of a new Worthy Clerk, with past Deacon, Tim Heilbronn, taking on the role with diligence and enthusiasm. His knowledge and experience are a great asset to our group, helping to organise our events, keep our finances in order and manage communications with our members. At the dinner, we heard from Simon Hewitt, Principal of Dundee & Angus College, about their ambitious plans to create a *skills and learning hub* in the heart of the city. Craftsmember Doug Binnie also gave a report about the restoration of our 440-year-old Lockit Book, and the commissioning of our new book, which our members and guests were invited to sign on the night.

Our historic Lockit Book has since been deposited in the City Archives for safekeeping, and hopefully, in time, will be photographed and digitised as part of the Nine Trades' efforts to make these remarkable records accessible to researchers.

Fundraising remains a key part of our activities, and a generous hamper donated by Craftsmember Derek Shaw and his wife Gloria raised nearly £400 in our raffle. We are now able to claim gift aid through the Nine Trades charity account, which allowed us to donate £500 to Strathmartine Community Larder. Our Charities Convener Dr Mhairi Towler and Craftsmember Doug visited the Larder early in the new year to hand over the donation, which helped launch a new project teaching users to cook on a budget using ingredients from the larder.

The Dyers have a strong and supportive committee, and I am very grateful for their help in my role as Deacon. New members Jackie Malcolm and Gordon MacDougall joined existing committee members Steve Flack, Doug Binnie, Tim Heilbronn, Ian Findlay, Derek Shaw, and Mhairi Towler at our first meeting of the year in January where we formed a plan for the year ahead.

We are also very proud that one of our members, Roger Ilsley, was chosen to present the Innes Duffus Memorial Lecture on the 18th of March. Roger has written a fascinating book about the life of Dundee-born social reformer Frances, or *Fan* Wright, who was born in 1795. Fan's forebears were merchants and thread makers here in Dundee and contributed financially to the building of this very church. They also donated two of the silver communion cups which, I believe, are still in use today.

In 1994, Fan was inducted into the American Women's Hall of Fame. She was hailed as the first American woman to speak publicly against slavery and for the equality of women. At the lecture Roger shared about the life and family of this truly remarkable woman.

In my *other job* as a graphic designer, I was honoured to support Roger in creating the design of the book, *Wrighting Wrongs: The Story of a Dundee Dynasty*, which was printed here in Dundee and is now available at Waterstones.

Thanks to a number of local sponsors, including the Nine Incorporated Trades of Dundee, the printing costs have been covered, meaning that £23 from each book sold will be donated to Dundee Carers and other local charities. I think Fan would be very proud of what we've achieved!

At our May Supper, members enjoyed a delicious meal, warm fellowship, and a fascinating talk from our Worthy Clerk Tim Heilbronn, who kindly stepped in at short notice to replace our scheduled speaker who was unfortunately unwell.

The evening began with a Special General Meeting, during which Jacquelyn Malcolm was elected as our new Boxmaster.

Tim's talk, titled *Of Ice and Men*, was an enthralling exploration of early Antarctic expeditions, with a particular focus on Shackleton's Nimrod journey. He vividly brought to life the extreme conditions faced at base camp, including the remarkable production of *the Aurora Australis*, the first book ever printed in Antarctica.

One of my favourite duties as a Dyer is supporting young people through our student prizes for best use of colour. On Tuesday 20 May, Boxmaster Jackie and I attended Dundee and Angus College's prizegiving ceremony to present awards to two outstanding HND Textiles students, Amber Christie and Emily McGregor, each of whom received a certificate and £100.

Then on Friday 23rd May, Professor Anita Taylor, Dean of Duncan of Jordanstone College of Art & Design, welcomed members of the Nine Incorporated Trades of Dundee to the 2025 Degree Show.

Jackie and I were again in attendance to present awards to graduating Illustration students. Accompanied by Professor Mick Peter, Chair of Fine Art and Illustration, we toured the exhibition and presented prizes to four graduates whose work demonstrated exceptional achievement in colour application, artistic excellence and creative expression. Euan Saunders, Heather McGregor, Clara Marks Lewin, and Jonathan Padilla each received a certificate and £100 to honour their achievements.

Looking ahead, the committee have been busy planning our Annual Dinner on Friday 5th December. We're delighted to have secured two excellent speakers: Alison Burns, a jazz singer, actor, lawyer, and animal rights advocate, and David Wilson, a multi-talented designer and public artist known for championing the use of natural stone. David is the co-founder of the International Festival of Stone, which will take place in Dundee next year.

The Dyer Craft dates back to 1590, when we were closely linked with the Waulker Craft, who were 'finishers of cloth'. In 1693, the Waulkers and Dyers united, becoming a combined incorporation recognised as the ninth of the Nine Incorporated Trades. As Dundee's textile industry declined, our numbers fell sharply. In 1996, it was agreed that the Dyers would become an *open craft*, welcoming members whose work involved colour in any form. Today, we have around 60 members from diverse professions including architecture, design, photography, animation, and hairdressing.

However, women were not always so warmly welcomed into the trade. In 1707, the Dyers petitioned the Council against women who were encroaching their liberties by taking in all sorts of cloth to dye it and going from house to house to dye cloth to the point that the trade was very near *ruined without remedy*. The Council upheld their petition, and a proclamation was issued from the Tollbooth threatening imprisonment for offenders, which seemed to keep things under control.

Thankfully, times have changed. Today, the Dyer Craft is a welcoming and inclusive organisation with a growing number of female members. We are always keen to welcome others who work with colour and would like to join our group to help keep our traditions alive and support our charitable and educational endeavours.

We'd love to hear from you if you'd like to get involved. Thank you once again for inviting the Dyers to share our news. It's great to maintain our long and meaningful connection with Kingsgait Kirk, and to continue the legacy of those who, like Lydia, used their craft and creativity in the service of community and the common good.

A Thank you Letter from Christian Aid



Ms M Stalker
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24 September 2025

Dear Morag,

Thank you so much for your incredible support, prayers and generosity this Christian Aid Week. Together, Kingsgait Kirk has raised £716.00 to help families around the world transform their own lives.

Your generous gift will help women like Aurelia in Guatemala. When Aurelia discovered the work of our partner, Congcoop, she put herself forward to attend the specialist agricultural training on offer, along with 22 members of nearby communities.

By working with Congcoop, Aurelia's gained the skills and knowledge to cultivate native seeds that are better suited to the changing climate. She's producing her own organic fertiliser, creating nurseries, constructing rainwater collection systems, and making nutritious food and medicine for her chickens. Congcoop also provided Aurelia with seeds and tools.

Together, we can be more like Aurelia, and put the unstoppable power of hope into action, because a brighter, fairer future is possible.

Thank you, Kingsgait Kirk for your life changing gift. It gives us hope that, together, we can help more families push back against poverty.

With heartfelt thanks,

Your Christian Aid Week Team



Aurelia,
Alta Verapaz region
of Guatemala

Caroline Taylor

Carpet Bowling Club

Even with holidaying bowlers away, our average attendance over the 9 weeks we have had so far is 8. So there is still plenty room for anyone who would like to come along to join us. We might even be able to give our second carpet an airing!!

On our last bowling night in October, ghosts and pumpkins could be found in the form of table decorations and edibles as Halloween was the following day. Pumpkins and ghosts soon disappeared into thin air.



Marilyn Graham

'The First Christmas'

By J. D. Pirie

The wind blew cold across the land on that late December night
Few travellers journeyed on their way as daytime turned to night.
While at the inn the door was closed and all around was still
While in the stable one small mouse woke up and ate its fill.

The ox and ass, the goats and sheep stood quietly at each stall
While the mouse crept out to look around and to survey it all.
Then suddenly a grating noise the door was opened wide
Two travellers tired and weary were pleased to come inside.

Two serving girls brought in a tray with pillows for their head
Then spread a rug out on the straw to make a comfy bed.
They hung two lanterns on the wall then lit them so the light
Would cast their glow upon the rug throughout that winter's night.

How did it know to leave that place when all was hushed and still
And then sneak out beneath the door to feel the cold nights chill.
The little mouse looked to the sky and watched the brightest star
Which slowly moved across the sky to guide Kings from afar.

But then it felt the chill of night returned inside to the warm
To find a mother full of joy with the Son of God just born.
While high above the angels sang, Glory to God on high
And in the stable all was peace but for a baby's cry.

Now many years have passed since then but the message is quite
clear

We wish you Peace and Joy and Love, this Christmas and New Year.

Fabric Updates

Meadowside St Paul's Notice Boards

We have recently placed two printed notices on the two empty notice boards at Meadowside St Paul's.

1. Our regular Sunday worship service takes place at 11.00 a.m. and is currently held at Kingsgait Kirk, which is located at 2 King Street, Dundee, DD1 2JB.
2. The entrance for Just Bee Productions, which can be found round the corner from the main entrance.

Dan Cruickshank's Memorial Tree

To honour the memory of Dan Cruickshank, we have engaged a stonemason's firm to construct a wall around his memorial tree later this year. The new wall will be designed to complement the existing wall located beside the outside bells on the East side of the church, maintaining a cohesive and respectful appearance within our grounds.

Perth Presbytery Maintenance Pilot Scheme

Both of our churches have joined the Perth Presbytery Maintenance pilot scheme. For a fixed annual cost, a contractor assigned by Perth Presbytery will visit our churches up to twice a year, if required. The maintenance programme includes tasks such as cleaning gutters and drains, repairing and replacing loose or missing roof tiles, treating slippery areas, and undertaking other essential upkeep to ensure the continued safety and integrity of our buildings.

Glasite Hall Emergency Evacuation Chair

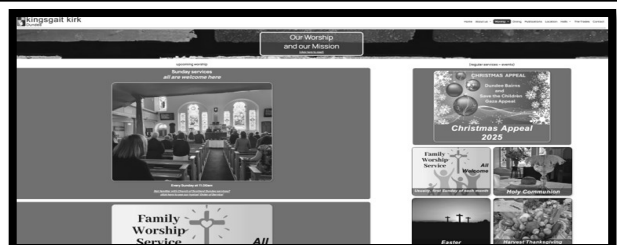
As the refurbishment of our Sanctuary is set to begin, worship services will temporarily move to the Glasite Hall. During this period, in the event of a fire evacuation, the lift will not be in operation. To ensure the safety of all, particularly those unable to use the stairs, we have now purchased the recommended emergency evacuation chair to assist with safe evacuations when needed.

Ron Chimiak

Take a look at our new website—

Launched November 2025

<http://www.kingsgaitkirk.org.uk>



Christmas from the Holy Bible

I M G X R T K V B I Z V Y P D S Q T G O E P J M
 M B M J J V C C I Z D I E C A Z P S Q F U B D U
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Frankincense	Holy Spirit	Hallelujah	Immaculate	Bethlehem
Christmas	Shepherds	Emmanuel	Rejoice	Worship
Angels	Donkey	Flocks	Joseph	Manger
Myrry	Savior	Virgin	Birth	Earth
Jesus	Gold	King	Lamb	Magi
Mary	Star	God	Inn	Joy

Flower Donor and Committe Information

<u>Flower Donor</u>		<u>Flower Committee</u>
<i>November 2025</i>		
16th	Mrs. R. Findlay	Mrs. A. Sanderson
23rd	The Guild Mrs. A. Steinson	Miss. M. Graham
30th	Mrs. M. Pert Miss. M. Stalker	Mrs. M. McKenzie
<i>December 2025</i>		
7th	Mrs. A. Sanderson	Mrs. A. Sanderson
14th	Mrs. H. Giblin	Miss. M. Graham
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