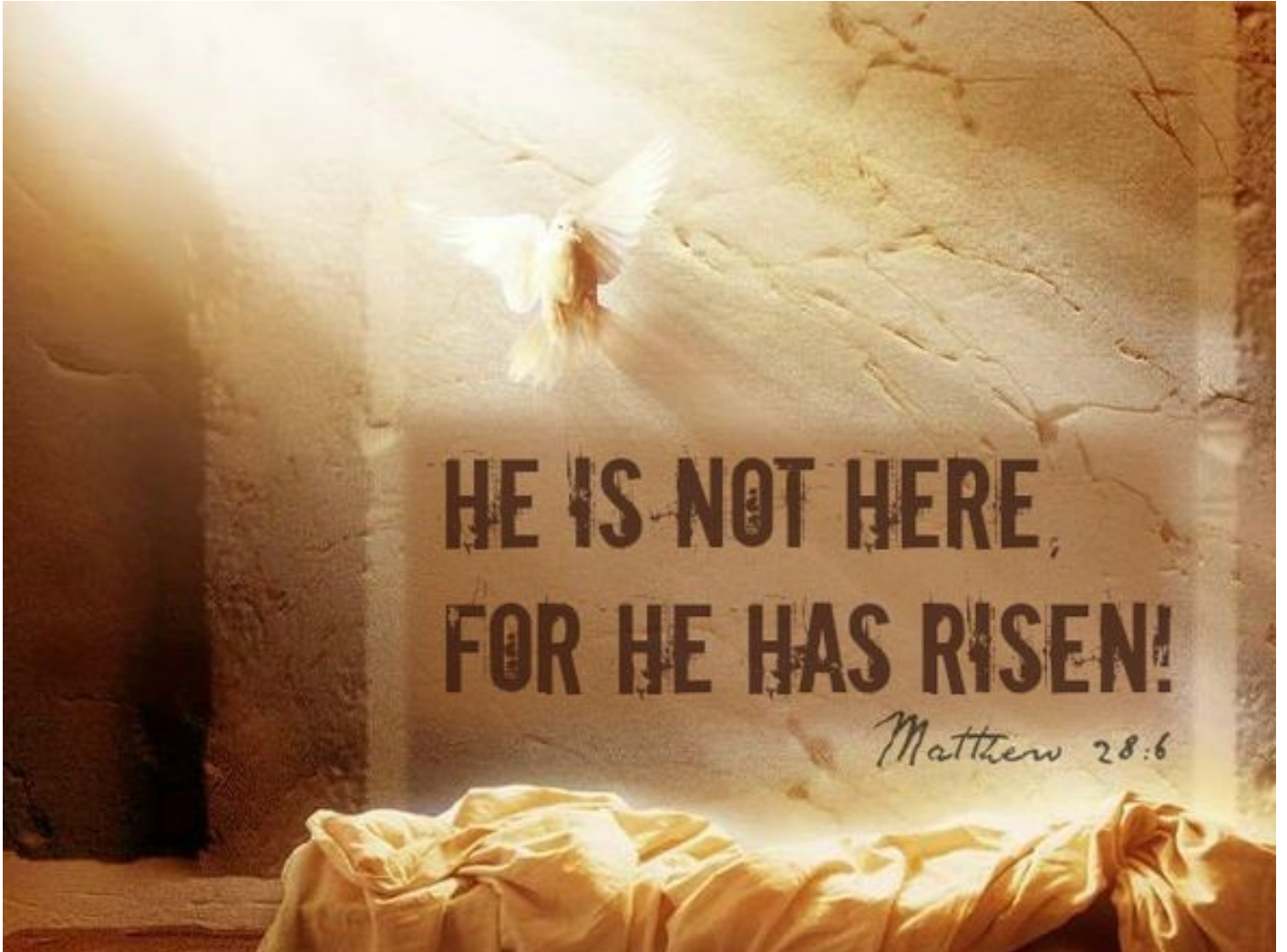


# West and Wardlawhill News

APRIL 2024



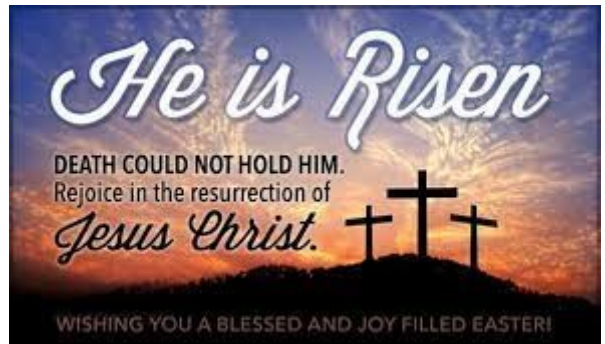
*Happy Easter*

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*Hello from Interim Moderator and a Happy Easter,*

Do you have an Easter meal together with your family during the holidays? We try to at the Manse but it's not really quite the same as Christmas but there is usually some get-together with offspring turning up and Jackie (my wife – *just to be clear*) will do a nice meal. Food is usually somewhere significant in Christian festivals.



That was obvious in my local primary school recently. I have a big, huge book (50cm by 30cm big!) about Easter around the world and was in Newton Farm Primary School ... in a Primary 1 class! We were going through various Christian beliefs and Easter customs and we got to Munday Thursday. No iPhone pictures to draw on so we were as usual relying on classical art – specifically, Di Vinci's Last Supper was the illustration – it's on page 3 the magazine. One wee boy was most keenly looking at the painting. (I do know it's not a painting by the way – technically it's a fresco i.e. painted directly onto a plaster wall.) The wee boy was clearly trying to understand the situation and make sense of what he saw before him. Eventually, he asked me, very earnestly, "Was it a buffet?" If you see the fresco you can see why he enquired as he did. It was plainly a genuine question – he wasn't 'going' for laughs. After the laughter and smiles had subsided, it set my mind going.

I confess the idea of a Potluck Supper with disciples down Jerusalem way occurred to me. Or maybe one of those "James can bring the savouries and Zechariah can do desserts" events. But the real question is more theologically important. What should we bring to our own remembrance of the Last Supper? Plainly Jesus would be on "the bread and wine" – he has to provide those – cause he did! But what could we bring – what are we expected to bring to this unique buffet? Did Christina Rossetti get it right at Christmas?

*What can I give him? Poor as I am. If I were a shepherd  
I would give a lamb; If I were a wise man I would do my part.  
But what I can I give him? Give him my heart.*

In this instance, I would actually say no. At Easter we bring Jesus our sins – that's our contribution to the buffet. That's us showing we now understand our involvement in Jesus' buffet – there's nothing pot-luck about it. It was never intended to be. The contributions were planned centuries before as the Old Testament prophesies about the Messiah make clear.

So have a wonderful Easter; a great holiday if you're lucky enough to be going away; and not too many Easter eggs if it's 'hameldaeme' this holiday time. But most of all leave the savouries – and bring that which will change your life; bring your sins to the buffet and take home the new life that Jesus alone can offer.

Grace and Peace

*Ian Cathcart*

# Herbert Protocol – Missing Person Form

There has been some coverage of this on TV recently – below is some information should it be of interest to you, copies of this form are available at the front door of the church or in the T-Bar.

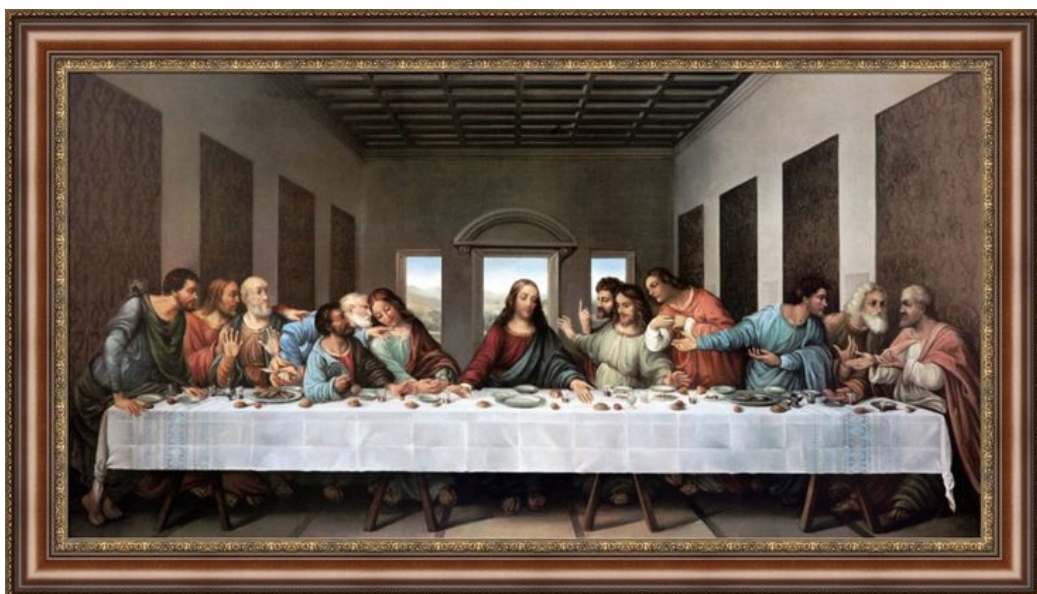
Since 2017 the Herbert Protocol has been used many times to help police and other agencies quickly and safely locate missing people who have dementia. The scheme was rolled out nationwide from 21 September 2021.

Families of a person with the condition are asked to download the Herbert Protocol form at

[www.scotland.police.uk/what-s-happening/missing-persons/the-herbert-protocol/](http://www.scotland.police.uk/what-s-happening/missing-persons/the-herbert-protocol/)

and provide information such as places of importance to them, often visited places, health issues and places they have been found in the past if reported missing. Ownership and responsibility for updating the form remains with the family.

Following its introduction in Scotland, the Hebert Protocol has been used many times to trace missing people with dementia and return them home. It is another example of how emergency and care services are working together to keep those with dementia safe.







**FILL-A-SMARTIE TUBE**

Thank you very much for such a generous response so far to this fundraiser, the last time we had these Smartie tubes for filling was in 2018 - and YES, compared to so many other sweets back then, Smartie tubes HAVE shrunk - but still taste great!!

Please return your filled tubes by the end of this month to either Sandra Blakeley or myself. In the meantime, these will remain available for you at the front door of the church and also at the Sunday morning T-Bar.

We look forward to giving you the total raised in May's magazine.

**SPRING COFFEE MORNING**

**Saturday 23rd March**

**TOTAL RAISED – A WONDERFUL £509.20**

**THANK YOU ALL** - for your company that day - for your kind donations of baking, raffle prizes, and gifts/sweets for our 'wee corner shop', all of which gave us the great result mentioned above. To my Committee and helpers, thank you for your time and work, both on the day beforehand, during and after the event finished.



**LOOKING AHEAD -**

**'LANDEMERE DAY' SATURDAY 8TH JUNE**

**the event's "50TH ANNIVERSARY!!"**

This will be a very special Landemer Day for Rutherglen, we wish the Committee concerned every success as it works through all the arrangements needed for the 8th of June.

Our church will once again be featured on the Main Street of Rutherglen - well, despite the work involved, we could hardly miss this special Anniversary, now could we? We have booked our normal 5 stalls and are joined right next to us by our much-loved Cub book stall. We once again look forward to the help needed from extra people, enabling us to take our church to the Main Street through this particular fundraiser. Last year £1428.80 was raised through Landemer Day.

We also look forward, as in prior years, to your generous donations which help us to sell gifts, baking, soft drinks and allow us to purchase the many other things needed across our catering stalls. **MORE DETAILS IN NEXT MONTH'S MAGAZINE.**

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

Tuesday 23rd April 2024, 7.30 pm

Committee Room, off Black Hall

*Morag Smith*

Ways & Means Convener

# ROTAS FOR APRIL & MAY

## DOOR AND OFFERING PLUS COUNTING DUTIES

### 7th April & 5th May

C-K Johnston, C-M Feeney, C-S Brown,  
C-J Duncan, A Kennedy, C-D Baird,  
C-D Smith, C-K Jackson  
Beadle - C-A Chambers

### 14th April & 12th May

C-E Ross, C-E Reid, C-S McDonald,  
C-M Ross, C-A McMillan, C-M Cruthers,  
C-D Smith, C-K Jackson  
Beadle - C-J Brown

### 21st April & 19th May

C-M McInnes, C-A McInnes, L Fotheringham,  
C-T McEwan, C-S Kerr, C-D Smith,  
C-K Jackson  
Beadle - C-S Blakeley

### 28th April & 26th May

C-L Fletcher, C-K Mann, C-D Fraser,  
R Tennent, C-S Harbinson, C-D Smith,  
C-K Jackson  
Beadle - C-I Tennent

*Alistair McInnes*

Session Clerk

## SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE READERS

### APRIL

7th M McInnes  
14th M Ross  
21st I Tennent  
28th T McEwan

### MAY

5th M Smith  
12th D Aitken  
19th S Rowan  
26th A McInnes

*Alistair McInnes*

Session Clerk

### NOTE FROM THE EDITOR:

Items for the April edition of the Magazine to be handed in for Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April

Magazine available Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May.

Items for the June magazine to be handed in by Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May. Magazine pick up, Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June.

Please note there will be no issue of the Magazine in July and August.



## T-Bar

Every Sunday following morning worship  
Enjoy a cuppa and fellowship in the Baker Hall from 12 noon

### **7th & 14th April, 19th & 26th May**

I White, N Hay, K Johnston,  
E McMillan, J Doherty

### **21st & 28th April**

S Blakeley, B Reid, S Kerr,  
J Brown, M Ross

### **5th & 12th May**

L Fletcher, V Rowan, A Chambers,  
G McMillan, H Mulholland

*Morag Smith*

T-Bar

## CHURCH FLOWERS

### APRIL

7th J Doherty  
14th M Feeney  
21st M Smith  
28th J Doherty

### MAY

5th M Feeney  
12th M Smith  
19th J Doherty  
26th M Feeney

*Morag Smith*

Church Flowers

## DEDICATIONS:

Saturday 14th April 2012

"In Loving Memory of my wife, Jessie Malloch. She was a lady, a lovely lady."

From Jim, Lesley Ann and Jim

*Thank You*

A very sincere Thank You for the lovely flowers I received on Mother's Day, delivered by Betty Duckett. I am not able to attend Church but, as I listen to Songs of Praise on Sundays, I just imagine I am in my usual pew surrounded by happy friends.

God Bless you All

May Fleming

## **EASTER EGG APPEAL**

I would like to thank everyone, who gave very generously to the Easter Egg Appeal. One hundred and twenty eggs were delivered to the Lodging House Mission, and were gratefully received by two members of staff.

Many thanks again

*Sandra Brown*

Lodging House Representative

## **Glasgow Kilt Walk - The Mighty Stride Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

Karen Johnston and Lesley Fletcher are taking part in Glasgow's annual Kilt Walk on 28<sup>th</sup> April. We will be walking from Glasgow Green to Balloch, a total of 23 miles in aid of Cancer Research UK.

If you would like to help us support this great cause, you can donate direct through JustGiving online. Search for Team Karen and Lesley, then make your donation or look out for our sponsor sheet on the noticeboard. We are also in Tbar most weeks if you would like to speak to us in person.

We are looking forward to the challenge and are out pounding the streets, in preparation. We will let you know how we get on.

*Thank you,  
Karen and Lesley*



It was a mad March with two Quizzes  
and a coffee morning

March was kicked off with the Christian Aid Quiz held at Hamilton Road Halls. There was a fabulous turnout and every table was congested.

Donnie McInnes was the Quiz master and topics ranged from TV themes to Sport. Our own church team was there for a bit of fun, but there are always those who are very serious quizzers.

Our team thought we could get away with sitting in the corner and just hoped not to embarrass ourselves.

Well, there was no hiding, after each topic of questions we had to pass our paper to another team for marking.

We didn't even get away with marking it ourselves and no we wouldn't have cheated.! We then had to read our scores out to Donnie.

Despite not having a clue we had a good go. Extra points should have gone to Mr Dickson who kept us entertained with his banter when he read his team's score out.

In quiz terms there can only be one winner and the winner was Christian Aid with a whopping £1000 extra.

### **Next was the BB Quiz**

Thankfully the questions were designed so that the youngest members of the BB company could take part.

Although it has to be said some of these questions had us stumped. The home baking and good atmosphere kept our spirits up.

There were excellent Raffle prizes to be picked and I didn't manage to win any of these great prizes. My prize was a box of lovely cakes to take home.

It was great to see the boys all taking part and a sum of over £400 was raised.

### **Ways and Means Spring Coffee Morning**

Another great turnout for the first of the year's coffee mornings. The tables were decorated with Easter decorations and novelty spring chicks. Trays of excellent home baking were available from my favourite meringues to cupcakes and shortbread. There was something for everyone and endless cups of tea and coffee.

There were loads of raffle prizes but I didn't win a thing - again. Not that I am bitter or anything because I went home with a couple of boxes of cakes. Again a sum of over £400 was raised.

A big Thank you to all who organised, baked, sold tickets, poured teas and coffees, and raised money for all these good causes.

From a Tea Drinking, Cake eating, (not so much of a Quizzer!) Church Member.

### **Palm Sunday Service**

The service was extremely enjoyable with Isabelle Tennant as our lovely host. A play was put on by church members to tell the story of Jesus riding on a donkey into Jerusalem and being greeted by cheering crowds who were waving palm branches. The congregation took part waving their own palm branches.

The story was interlaced with songs that depicted the story and these were sung to the tune of 'Wheels on the Bus'.



It was an excellent way through drama and song to portray a part of Jesus' story. The Bible passage was read by our youngest member of the congregation, what a brilliant job.

Well done to our church's 'acting company', who donned wigs, tea towels, and the scarves and kept their Donkey in check in the church – yes it was fake, no animals were hurt in the production of this play.

A special thank you to Isabelle and the team for a memorable service that had everyone involved.

A Church Member

## **“Eggs Galore At the Church Door”**

It was lovely to arrive for the Sunday Service with 'Eggs Galore at the Church Door'.

These have been donated by members of the congregation for the Lodging House Mission.

I am always amazed at the generosity of our church members and looking at the growing mountain of Eggs every week filled me with pride.

Grateful Church Goer

### **CHURCH FINANCES**

<b>FEBRUARY 2023</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>YEAR TO DATE</b>
Receipts	£4462	£10577
Payments	<u>£9123</u>	<u>£16362</u>
Surplus/Deficit	<u>-£4661</u>	<u>-£5785</u>

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Do you shop online? Did you know by registering with [easyfundraising.org.uk](http://easyfundraising.org.uk) you could help raise funds for Rutherglen West & Wardlawhill!

It's easy to register, will cost you nothing and you can help raise funds when you shop at more than 3,300 retailers by just going through the easyfundraising website.

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**GIFT AID** - Are you a Taxpayer? If so, your **offerings** and any **other donations** you make to Rutherglen West & Wardlawhill Parish Church, could have 25p per pound added to them. For more information, please speak to Sandra Blakeley (Gift Aid Convener) or Kim Jackson (Treasurer)



# Easter Story

## WORD SEARCH

DIRECTIONS: Find and circle the vocabulary words in the grid. Look for them in all directions including backwards and diagonally.



APOSTLES  
BETRAYAL  
CAVE  
CHURCH  
CROSS  
CROWN  
CRUCIFIXION  
DISCIPLES  
FAITH  
GOOD FRIDAY

JESUS CHRIST  
JUDAS  
LAMB  
LAST SUPPER  
LENT  
MARY  
MIRACLE  
PASSOVER  
PENANCE  
PENTECOST

PRAYER  
REDEMPTION  
REJOICE  
RESURRECTION  
RISEN  
SAVIOR  
SON  
THORNS  
TOMB

