

From the Church of Scotland, Dunlop

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Hello

We live in changing and exciting times!

David Donaldson our minister with Jean his wife have left for a new ministry in Harris. A very busy church gathered for his last Service on 22^{nd} February to thank them both, to wish them well, to let them know that we appreciated what they had done for the Church and for Dunlop and to remind them of God's love for them in their new challenge.

So, there is now a "Vacancy" in Dunlop and Caldwell. I find that a strange way to describe the situation. We're all here!! The Church and congregations are here!! The work which the Church does for the community will be done – although in some ways differently that's all!! So for all of us things will change to some extent and change offers the possibility for exciting times.

I have been asked to lead a ministry team for both Dunlop and Caldwell congregations and when I have more information I will let you know all who are involved. Many of you will not know who I am so I would like to tell you that I am a retired Church of Scotland minister (having been a minister in Fraserburgh for 10 years, The Auld Kirk of Ayr for 17 years and in Bermuda for more than 9 years). I have lived in Hapland Mill for more than 6 years.

I know you will receive this copy of the Dunlop Diary before Easter, and so I would like to take this opportunity to remind us all of the wonderfully positive message of Easter which offers a quality of life with a renewed sense of purpose and hope. Happy Easter.

God bless!

Alan Garrity

Dunlop Friends of the Ayrshire Hospice

Bagpack in Asda on Saturday 28th March 2015

The Dunlop Friends of the Ayrshire Hospice kindly request your help to raise funds for a very worthy cause. As funds raised are usually proportionate to the number of helpers available, we hope to encourage as many people as possible (yes men too) to give up two hours of their time. So, please join us on Saturday 28^{th} March – no previous experience required!!!

If you can help, please contact either Andrena Reid on 01560 483696 or any other committee members.

Fun Day!

On Saturday 14th March Dunlop Baby & Toddlers will be hosting an under 5s Fun Day event at the Church Hall to raise funds for the group. From 10am - 12noon there will be a bouncy castle, face-painting, home baking and other games and activities for wee ones. Tickets £3 for one child or £5 for families with two or more.

'The young people of both Caldwell and Dunlop Churches would like to thank everyone who made last Sunday's fundraising lunch such a success. We would particularly like to thank all those who donated soup, baking or sandwiches or their time. We raised a magnificent total of £816.20 which will go towards helping the over 12000 children orphaned by ebola in West Africa. Thank you so much once again. Debby Gill'

Welcom	e Teams	Creche Rota				
March April		8th, 15th March Maureen Jackson & Isabel Kerr				
Jimmy Howie	Sandy Hutchison	22nd, 29th March Isabel	Kerr & ANO			
Douglas Bell	Lynn Davidson					
Marilyn Bell	Jess Duncan	Flowers April				
John Campbell	Irene Kerr	5th	Kristeen Hare			
Alison Howie	Margaret Robb					
Isabel Kerr	Roy Wyllie	12th	Irene Neilson			
Andrew Pinkerton	Sheila Wyllie	19th	Margo McMurdo			
Linda Pinkerton		26th	Susan MacColl			

Sunday Morning Services, in the church, at 11.30 a.m.:

Sunday 1st March: Preacher: Rev Gavin Niven Reader: Douglas Bell Flowers: Anne Sinclair

Sunday 8th March: Reader: Anne Sinclair Flowers: Sandra King

Sunday, 15th March: Reader: Simon Gill Flowers: Margaret Hunter

Sunday, 22nd March: Reader: Elizabeth Garrity Flowers: Jeanette Picken

Sunday 29th March: Reader: Beverly Kirk Flowers: Bertha Horne

Holy Week Services - 2015

Sunday 29th March - Palm Sunday Family Service - 11.30 am

Mon 30th March - Caldwell - Arkleston singers - music and meditation

on the last 7 words Jesus spoke from the cross - 7 pm

Thurs 2nd April - **Maundy Thursday Service in Caldwell** - **7 pm**

Short Communion and the joint choirs

of Caldwell and Dunlop

Friday 3rd April - Good Friday Joint Service in Caldwell - 7 pm

Sunday 5th April - **Joint Dawn Service**

at the Gibson's Uplawmoor - 6 am

Easter Sunday Morning Service followed

by a short Communion Service - 11.30 am

Thursday, 2nd April, at 9.30 a.m.: Dunlop Primary School Easter Service, in church.

W.R.I. WEDNESDAY 25th MARCH

The History of Nursery Rhymes By Mrs Catherine Mills

Competitions: An Old Children's Story Book

Childs Mittens Double Knitting

GUILD

MARCH

3rd Street Pastor Ian Henderson

Fri 6th World Day of Prayer in Dunlop Church

10am for 10.30am

17th Interguild in Dunlop Church

Glasgow Bridges Mr T Marchant

LODGE DUNLOP CALEDONIA No. 1408

A Way of Life and a Moral Education

The regular meetings of the Lodge during March 2015 will be held in the Village Hall at 7.30pm

Thursday 12th Exemplification of F C Degree

Conferred by Lodge Union and Crown No. 307 Barrhead

Conferred by Bro. John C. Taylor PM and Brethren from throughout Scotland Visitors most welcome on both occasions

Hugh B. Gilbert PM Secretary

The next meeting of the **Dunlop Alzheimer's Circle of Friends** will be on Thursday, 12th March, in the church hall from 2pm-4pm. A warm welcome will be given to anyone who comes along to the meeting.



Dunlop Community Cinema

Upcoming Films

Friday 20th March **Gone Girl**



Saturday 7th March **Boyhood**

Dunlop Primary School PTA

family ceilidh

featuring:

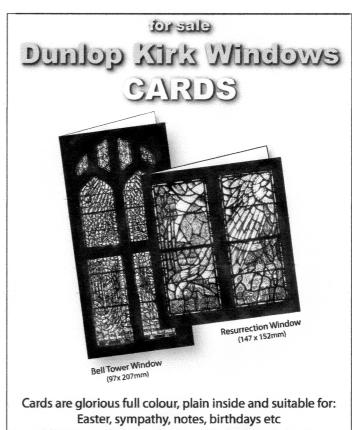
The Caraidean Ceilidh Band Jim Cowan

Elizabeth Kitson School of Dance

21st March 6-10pm

Family ticket £25 Adults £10 Kids £5 Under 3s go free

For further information and to buy tickets: <u>DunlopPAevents@yahoo.com</u> or phone Alison on 07446053089



All proceeds go to Dunlop Kirk church funds

Choose from "Bell Tower" or "Resurrection"

£2.00 each / £5.00 for three

To purchase please phone: 01560 484846 or 483231

THE CONSERVATORY CAFE

TEA @ THREE

TRADITIONAL AFTERNOON TEA

Tuesday 17 March 2015 3pm Dunlop Village Hall

Book a place for a lovely afternoon tea and enjoy homemade baking which includes scones, delicious cakes and sandwiches.

Only 50 seats available – tickets £7.50 each – to be bought in advance from the Conservatory Cafe (open Thursdays and Fridays) or phone 01560 485667.



(in aid of village hall funds)
FOR MORE INFO CONTACT: LESLEY PARKER @
07870521035

Dunlop Bowling Club



Where

In the Clubhouse

When Friday 6th March at 7.30pm

Who

Members and Friends

Teams of 3 or 4 £5 per team

THE VILLAGE HALL GALLERY - DUNLOP

THE CURRENT EXHIBITION BY STEWARTON ACADEMY SENIOR ART STUDENTS ends on Thursday 12th March, so there is still time to view the range of work by these talented young people – it includes still life, design work and photography portfolios.

THE NEXT EXHIBITION – from Friday 13 March until Thursday 9th April – is by **Alison MacVicar, BA Hons Degree, Art & Design.** The Open Evening will be held on **Friday, 13 March from 7pm to 9pm**. Alison specialises in fused glass jewellery, glass panels, dichroic glass paintings, laser engraved panels, and portraits. Come along and view Alison's glass work in this interesting and varied exhibition.

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