



# Dalsersf Parish Church Newsletter



September 2022

## Mission Statement

**“Dalsersf Church exists to make disciples of Jesus Christ through the preaching of the word and witness of every member”**

## All Welcome

Worship at Dalsersf Church is at 11.30am Sundays, all year through

Worship at Rorison Church Has been suspended until further notice.

## Announcements

### Deaths

Margaret Kent  
on Thursday 30th June 2022

Alex Weir  
on Sunday 17th July 2022

### Weddings

Simona Gulbinaite and John Prentice  
on Monday 25th July 2022

Laura McKinlay and Adam Hunter  
on Friday 5th August 2022

### Births

Congratulations to Janet and Graham Tennant on the birth of their granddaughter Olivia

## *Nursing Home Visits*

*Have been suspended until further notice*



## Church Services

Sunday 4th September - Revd. Bill Murdoch

Sunday 11th September - Ian White

Sunday 18th September - Revd. Alastair Lusk

Sunday 25th September - Revd. David Doyle  
(Guild Rededication)



## Bible Verse of the Month

“And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them. This is how love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment: In this world we are like Jesus. There is no fear in love. But perfect loves drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love. We love because he first loved us.”



1 John 4 : 16 - 19

## Prayer for Others

Rita and Somerville Fairley  
Willie Miller  
Colin and Marion McAllister  
John Grove  
Mary Grove  
Forbes Gillespie  
Anne Brown  
Norval Toryusen  
Janette McPhee

May the light of God surround you,  
May the love of God enfold you,  
May the power of God protect you,  
May God place his healing hands upon you and heal you quickly,  
May the presence of God watch over you,  
Wherever your God is,  
Amen



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I was born on the 27<sup>th</sup> March 1943 in my parents house overlooking the village of Rosebank, at a time during World War II when the Clyde valley was a quiet picturesque backwater well away from the industry of the central belt, and often the only sound was, on a Sunday, the sound of the church bell tolling at Dalsersf Church.

As a youngster I thought Rosebank was the centre of the universe and that life everywhere was all peace and quiet. I attended the Sunday School in the church hall in Rosebank, diagonally opposite the entrance to the Popinjay Hotel. This was also the home of Alex Brown, the church beadle, and his widowed mother.

My earliest memory in life was seeing Santa Claus in all his regalia, presenting gifts at the Sunday School Christmas party. I can still envisage that scene today as he came through the door with his sack over his shoulder.

My second earliest recollection was being told the story of The Good Samaritan. A parable Jesus related in answer to the question “Who is my neighbour?” In my childish mind that event was very real to me, so much so that I could picture it happening locally. Indeed, I knew the very spot! It happened one third of the way up the Horsley Brae in a rough lay-by surrounded by tall trees. To me the participants were travelling from Wishaw to Larkhall, along the road which was later to become the route of the Hutchisons bus.

In the parable, having first been ignored by the priest and the Levite, who both passed on the other side, the Samaritan took pity on the traveller who had been attacked and robbed in the lay-by. He dressed his wounds and brought him on his donkey to the Popinjay Hotel, where he asked the inn keeper to look after him till the traveller got better. Jesus asked, “which of the three was a neighbour to the man who fell among thieves?”

In recent months I have been repeatedly reminded of that story in relationship to the Ukrainian war and the love and generosity of the people who opened their hearts and homes to the millions of refugees who poured over the border to Poland and neighbouring lands. I still feel emotional when I recall the sight on TV, of people standing at the receiving railway stations holding placards reading words such as “I can take a mother and child,” or “I can house a whole family.” Giving without counting the cost. Such generosity of spirit, in the face of the atrocities and evil across the border has touched my heart. So too have the innumerable fundraising events that took place to financially relieve the suffering of those left destitute. As time progresses we should not forget that the “need” is still great and requires our continuous giving.

It reminds us that throughout history good has prevailed over evil and that in the end love conquers hatred. The ultimate proof of this, of course, for a Christian, is the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Our faith holds fast to the belief that as we pass from this world of sin and grief we will enter a world where there are no more tears, no more sorrow, no more crying and no more pain, for the former things will have passed away.

The Lord so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have everlasting life.

**Bruce Archibald**





**GUILD REPORT**

*It is with great pleasure and thankfulness I can report the guild will resume meetings on 14th September at 7.15pm in Rorison Church Sanctuary.*

*The topic for the evening will be a speaker from the National Guild Project "CHOCOLATE HEAVEN". A Christian Mission working with growers and producers taking the Christian message through fair trade to people who have never heard God's Good News.*

*The Guild welcomes anyone who would like to join us for an evening of Christian Fellowship with likeminded people. Come along and become a member or visit when a particular topic is of interest to you.*

*Thanks to our hard working Secretary Ann she had planned an interesting programme for the incoming session. Session 22/23 will meet on the second Wednesday of each month.*

*Looking back to June here are a few photos from the wonderful afternoon tea hosted by the Guild in June to celebrate the Jubilee of Her Majesty the Queen. Thanks to all who worked and supported resulting in a memorable afternoon.*

*Some photos from the afternoon.*



**" May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." ( Romans 15:13 )**





## With Sincere Thanks

I wish to thank everyone in the congregation for their prayers and best wishes during my time in hospital having a hip replacement.

I would also like to thank everyone who visited me when I came home, sent flowers and cards, not forgetting the delicious home baking I received.

John and I appreciate very much the support we have had from Dalsersf Church.

**Janette McPhee**

## Guild Rededication

The Guild Rededication Service will take place at Dalsersf on 25th Sept led by Revd. David Doyle".

## FOCUS

The Focus Group will return to meeting in Rorison Sanctuary from the 8th of September at 1.30pm.

The speaker at the first meeting will be Revd. Bev Gauld

Focus is an informal time of worship, meeting monthly, with a variety of speakers leading us in a time of reflection.

Meeting on 8th September and then first Thursday of month thereafter we invite you to join us for a time of worship, fellowship, a wee cup of tea and a blether.

**Kay**

## Scripture Rota

The rota for the Scripture Readings will be re issued on 11th December.

If you are already on the list and wish to remain.

If you wish to be removed from the list

If you wish to be added to the list

If any of the above apply to you, please let Kay know.

Please note that if you are unable to do the Sunday allocated to you, let Kay know well in advance so that someone else can do it.

Please do not arrange someone to replace you, as we have a list of people to do this.

Blessings

**Joan**

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| <b>4th Sept</b>  | Mrs J McPhee     |
| <b>11th Sept</b> | Mr & Mrs Gilmour |
| <b>18th Sept</b> | Mrs King         |
| <b>25th Sept</b> | Mrs M Weir       |

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