***The vision of the Church of Scotland is to be a church which seeks to inspire the people of Scotland and beyond with the Good News of Jesus Christ through enthusiastic, worshipping, witnessing, nurturing and serving communities.***

Entry of the Bible

*(we stand as the Bible is brought into church)*

Welcome and Notices

Introit

Grace & Call to Worship

Praise **448** *Lord the Light of your love* (v1 &2)

Prayer of Approach and the Lord’s Prayer

Chat for All

Praise **359** *He came down that we might have love*

Bible Reading Acts chapter 1 v 6 – 14 (pg 1092)

(Moira Graham)

Anthem

**Reflection on God’s Word**

Praise **609** *Come, living God when least expected*

Prayers of Thanksgiving and for Others

Praise **446** *Lift up your hearts, believers*

Benediction

**Notices**

**A warm welcome is extended to everyone** this morning and especially to any visitors worshipping with us today.

**Please take a few minutes to read the screens** as there may be information, which was received too late for the printed intimations.

Our minister, the **Rev. Fiona Maxwell, can be contacted** by telephone on 01563 521762, by mobile on 07507 312123 or by email, [FMaxwell@churchofscotland.org.uk](mailto:FMaxwell@churchofscotland.org.uk)

The email address for the **Church Administrator** is [chrchdmnstr@outlook.com](mailto:chrchdmnstr@outlook.com). or phone 07394 173977

**Session Clerk - Janette Steven**

Janette is recovering from replacement knee surgery.  During this time Jeff Davies will be supporting the work of the Session Clerk.  Jeff can be contacted on, 01563 525243 or email, [jeffandsheila@talktalk.net](mailto:jeffandsheila@talktalk.net)

If you are watching the service via live stream the digital order of service is available on the church website under the services page.

There is now creche and young church facilities in the side chapel, if you have children with you, please use this room as and when you need to.

Tea/coffee will be served after morning worship, please come down to the hall for a warm cuppa and even warmer chat and fellowship**.**

**General Assembly of the Church of Scotland**

The 2023 General Assembly is being held from Saturday 20 May until Thursday 25 May.  One of our elders, Olive Gow will be attending the proceedings in Edinburgh on behalf of Kay Park Parish Church and the Minister will be attending 'online'.  Please remember Olive, Rev Fiona and everyone involved in your prayers this week.

Further information about the General Assembly and a live stream to follow proceedings can be found at [https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/about-us/general-assembly](https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.churchofscotland.org.uk%2Fabout-us%2Fgeneral-assembly&data=05%7C01%7C%7Ca35386d264eb4fc93c3208db56d98b46%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C638199264557278852%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=YvQkC%2BpQQUUAMZ32EBOatXImgo0jcMlG1gAqbrv%2F9TA%3D&reserved=0)

**Scalliwags** meet Monday at 9.30am – 11am. The group is for all children under 3 and should be accompanied by an adult.

**Brownies & Guides** 17th Kilmarnock Brownies and 6th Kilmarnock Guides will meet in the church halls on Monday at 6pm and 7.30pm.

**Wednesday café** is open every Wednesday morning from 10am – 12 noon. Please tell your friends and neighbours and come and enjoy the company and chat.

**Kilmarnock to Formosa (Taiwan)** on Thursday 1 June 2023 at 7pm in Kay Park Parish Church. Guest speaker Dr David Lui from Taiwan will share with us the remarkable story of missionaries who left Scotland and travelled to work in Taiwan. Refreshments will then be served in the church hall. All welcome.

**Keswick Ayrshire 2nd – 4th June** 7.30pm – 9.30pm in the Park Hotel, Hearing, Becoming, Serving, music led by Keswick Ayrshire Band, speaker Paul Mallard. Free Entry.

**STATED ANNUAL MEETING**

This will be part of our worship on SUNDAY 18 JUNE.  It is an opportunity to be updated on the life of our congregation.

To give thanks for what has been and to look forward in faith to the future.

**Reachout Together** are running a Dementia Awareness Information Evening Monday 19 June 7pm – 9pm in Kay Park Church Halls.

**Summer**

Alex Ferguson will finish with us on Sunday 28 May for his summer break.  During the summer we will have my friend, Charles Donnelly, ([charles.donnelly203@outlook.com](mailto:charles.donnelly203@outlook.com)) with us and also be assisted on certain weeks by Grant Donald, ([jaromigh@gmail.com](mailto:jaromigh@gmail.com))

**Church Litter Pick**

The Church plan to carry out a litter pick as part of the Coronation ‘Serving the Community’ initiative on Saturday 24th June at 10.30am to 12.00 Noon. The work will start and end in the Church car park with tea, coffee, juice and sandwiches in the café area afterwards. We need 12 Pickers who will each be provided with picking equipment, sacks, gloves and high viz tabbards. All interested in supporting this programme should give their names to Jeff Davies or Bill Caldwell as soon as possible. A short Risk Assessment will be given before the work starts. This is open to non-Church Friends who may be interested in sharing this useful Community work. We are hoping this will be a more regular activity in the future as we help the Community to overcome the scourge of littering.

**Foodbank**- Items can still be left at the back of the church in the wicker basket, these items are then taken to the Salvation Army for their foodbank, supplies are required urgently, so please give generously.



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**Easter 7 - Ascension**

**21 May 2023**

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