

NETHERLEE AND STAMPERLAND PARISH CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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From The Interim Moderator, including an Edict

I am delighted to announce that we have a Sole Nominee for the position of Minister for Netherlee and Stamperland Parish Church. Having interviewed and heard selected candidates, the Nominating Committee has unanimously chosen to recommend Rev Jillian Storrie to the congregation. Arrangements have made for Rev Jillian Storrie to conduct public worship in the Church on 24th August 2025 at 10.30am. At a congregational meeting that will take place straight after the service on the 24th August, those whose names appear on the Electoral Register will be given a ballot paper to vote for or against Rev. Jillian Storrie becoming the new minister. Remote voting will not be possible. On Sunday, August 10th, an edict to this effect [see below] was read in church and will be read again on Sunday, August 17th.

I would encourage as many people as possible, even those who cannot vote, to show their support by attending this significant service in the church's life. Special recognition and thanks must go to the superb Nominating Committee, for their diligence and enthusiasm over the past few months in helping to bring Netherlee and Stamperland to this important occasion in the church's history.

Edict

At a meeting held at Netherlee & Stamperland Parish Church on 29th July 2025, the Nominating Committee chose the person who they wish to propose to this congregation of Netherlee and Stamperland Parish Church to be our new minister. The name of the person proposed is the **Rev Jillian Storrie**.

Arrangements have been made for the Rev Jillian Storrie to conduct public worship in this Church on **Sunday the 24th day of August at 10.30 a.m.** Immediately after that service, there will be a vote on whether or not the Rev Jillian Storrie should be appointed as the new minister of this congregation of Netherlee and Stamperland Parish Church. Anyone whose name appears on the Electoral Register of this congregation of Netherlee and Stamperland Parish Church shall be entitled to vote. No-one else shall be entitled to vote.

Rev. Jeanne Roddick
Interim Moderator

Nominating Committee Update

As may be seen from the edict, the Nominating Committee have concluded the task they were asked to do and are pleased to propose the Rev. Jillian Storrie as our new minister. Jillian will preach as sole nominee on Sunday 24th August at 10.30am.



When drafting the vacancy advert, the Committee carefully considered the key priorities we would look for in a minister who would build upon our shared heritage and take the congregation forward with vision and enthusiasm. Such priorities included engaging worship leader, strong pastoral heart, community and outreach focus and collaborative and visionary leadership. We were encouraged that Jillian's application demonstrated many of these priorities and this was affirmed further during visits to hear Jillian preach and during the interview process.

Jillian brings a depth of experience across many aspects of ministry and is particularly keen to create a space and place where all feel welcome, loved and cared for as well as building a strong sense of community within the church and beyond. It is evident that pastoral care and caring is very important to Jillian, which is one of the many gifts she will bring to our congregation. The committee unanimously agreed that Jillian would be a good fit for Netherlee and Stamperland and we commend her to the congregation.

Alison McKean on behalf of the Nominating Committee



From the Editor

And so, the schools return this week. We send our best wishes to all the children in the Parish especially those starting P1 and S1 - exciting times ahead. The deadline for the next Newsletter will be Tuesday **16th September 2025**. Articles (and pictures in .jpg format) can be submitted at any time please to the mailbox nandsnewsletter@btinternet.com.

Karen McQueen

Services

Service times are **10.30 a.m.** on Sundays only throughout August.

The mid-week services will resume in September, however, during the summer months, the Sanctuary will be open and available on Wednesdays between 10 a.m. and 12 noon for anyone who wishes to have a time of quiet or private prayer. We will also continue to offer the opportunity for fellowship over a cup of tea or coffee with home baking in the small hall. Just drop in any time between 10 a.m. and 12 noon. All are welcome.

On the remaining Wednesdays in August, Rev Ian Galloway will continue to hold discussion groups on the film "The Way" in the Lesser Sanctuary at 10.30 a.m., tea being served at 10.00 a.m.

Hellen Illingworth

Sunday Club

Sunday Club will be back very soon; we may be small, but we love our fellowship together! We join the congregation as the beginning of Sunday worship, then head to the Upper Hall where we learn about Jesus through stories, crafts, and fun activities. After the service, we can join the congregation again in the large hall with juice and biscuit and catch up with our church family.

Before we finished in June, the Sunday Clubbers marked the changing of the school year with the congregation. George will start Primary School and Anna starts High School. George, Anna, and Lucy (starting P4) were all presented with gifts by Rev Ian Galloway as they looked to their new journeys ahead with the good wishes from all who love them; family, friends and God. Anna chose her favourite song 'Our God is a Great Big God' which all the congregation enjoyed complete with actions. It was a trip to the Derby thereafter for a celebratory ice cream. We wish them, and all children starting back at school, the very best for the new session. We hold you in our thoughts and prayers.

With all the brown pennies that have been donated Sunday Clubbers Anna and Lucy, went on a shopping spree and filled two trollies with essentials for Starter Packs. Dishes, pots, cleaning materials, toiletries to name a few.

The children were rewarded for all their efforts by a visit to the Broom Café where waffles and ice cream were the order of the day. The charity was delighted and shared a [video](#) of all that was donated, sending their grateful appreciation. We will continue to collect brown pennies but also welcome any small loose change that doesn't



seem to be welcome in many places these days. We can help those settling into new homes with the essentials they don't have. Just pass them to anyone in the Sunday Club at any time. Sometimes we find the odd foreign coin – these are held separately and sent off to Christian Aid when we have sufficient.

We hope all our Clubbers have had a great summer break; we are looking forward to welcoming you back and hearing all your holiday news. It would be lovely if we had some new friends too (aged 3 years to P7) when we return on **7th September**. Please feel free to join us in the Welcome Hall before the service (which starts at 10.30 a.m.). We would also love to see as many of you as possible in Church on Sunday 24th of August when we will hear our sole nominee, Rev. Jillian Storrie preach. It would make her all age address so much more if there were some young faces!

The Sunday Club Team



With Thanks

Heartfelt thanks to our Church family for all the kind words, hugs, cards, flowers, home baking and other expressions of support during Jim's final hospital stay and upon his death. These have meant so much at such a difficult time.

Our thanks too to Ian for conducting the funeral service with sensitivity and grace, and to Marie for her regular visits to Jim in QEUH, where she delivered pastoral care with humour and love. God bless you all.

Karen, Jamie and Kara McQueen



Can You Help?

Before the Covid pandemic, there was a rota of ladies who made coffee/tea for the young mums at toddlers on a Friday morning. This also helped forge a link between the church and our community. We would like to get this going again. Hopefully, if there are sufficient offers of help, folk would only be on duty once every 6 weeks or so and the group does not meet during school holidays.

If you are interested in helping please contact me on marjorie35@hotmail.co.uk or speak to me on a Sunday morning. Thank you.

Marjorie Lang

Netherlee and Stamperland Walking Group

We walk every Friday unless extreme weather conditions prevent a safe walk. We are a friendly and welcoming bunch of men and women, sometimes joined by dogs and occasionally children and young people, who enjoy a leisurely walk in Linn Park followed by a cuppa in the church hall. We offer both a shorter and a slightly longer walk to suit different fitness levels.



Some of us walk every Friday, others occasionally and some only when they don't have a 'better offer', like a lunch with friends or visiting family. Please feel free to join us any Friday and find out if this gentle exercise and friendly chat is something you would enjoy. We meet at the main park gates on Clarkston Road at 2pm every Friday. Please contact me on 07969 982 621 if you have any questions.

Dagmar Kerr



My Church

Why the Influences of Yesterday Remain Relevant Today and for Tomorrow

MY wife and I joined Netherlee Parish Church in the autumn of 1962 after our marriage in St James's Church in Paisley, the town of our birth. Evelyn was a dedicated Sunday School teacher there. As an undergraduate at Gilmorehill I attended church infrequently and later, when my parents moved from the west to the east end of the town I preferred to attend the bible class at Sherwood Church, almost next door to the Family home - and only a couple of hundred yards or so away from Whitehaugh, where I indulged my love of cricket.

We had decided on Netherlee for good reason. Evelyn then worked in public health as an assistant to a certain Dr Isobel Mair, the charismatic wife of Netherlee's charismatic minister, the Reverend Stanley Mair. Stanley had served as a chaplain to the Chindits in Burma, throughout the so-called 'forgotten war'. He had lived a full life and he always told a good story. Like the Fry's chocolate bar, the Mairs had five boys.

I still recall that in these now far-off days Netherlee, when we arrived there as a newly married couple, was packed every Sunday with entire families - often over several generations. Churches were like that then. Our arrival coincided with a reception in the hall for new members. We were assigned to a table where the hosts were a certain Leonard l'Anson and his lovely wee wife Betty. In a few years' time Leonard became Session Clerk and a few years after that I succeeded him in the same capacity. I learned a lot from Leonard. What had immediately struck us both was the sincerity of the welcome accorded us as newcomers. As I look back, I remain convinced that part of the reason for that was the example set by Isobel Mair. She remains an inspirational legend for all of us who recall her success in creating what has become her memorial: the Isobel Mair School in Stewarton Road, Newton Mearns, but also on account of her work among the grindingly poor in Thailand after Stanley's death and her own retirement. In her fine *Herald* obituary Dr Mair's amazing life was (rightly) compared to the story of Mother Teresa.

But all that is history. What has our church become in these challenging times for Christians everywhere? I am glad to report in our case a clean bill of health. What, I earnestly believe characterises our church in its successful union with Stamperland is the continuance of that family atmosphere that had so engaged both of us when we first crossed its threshold nearly sixty-three years ago. As a congregation we strive more than ever to regard ourselves as essentially servants of the parish and community which thankfully remains the guiding force behind our mission. No stuffiness, no exclusions, no membership cards. We are still, if you like, inspired by the example set long ago by Isobel Mair.

Professor Ronald L Crawford

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Glasgow South-East Foodbank continues to fulfil a need in the area it serves. They are asking for UHT milk, diluting juice, tinned meats and fish, tinned tomatoes and chickpeas.



As always, they are very grateful for the support from Netherlee and Stamperland Church. I don't know if everyone is aware but if you donate via the card machine in the welcome hall the money goes to their 'fresh food initiative' which provides items which cannot be donated e.g. fresh fruit in season, bread and eggs.

Thanks again for your continued support.

Marjorie Lang and Catriona Gomez



**CRANHILL
DEVELOPMENT
TRUST**

The nearly new shop at Cranhill Development Trust (CDT) is still 'open for business' on Tuesdays (2:30 pm to 4:30 pm), Thursdays (10:30 am to 12:30 am) and on Saturday mornings. As you are aware it continues to fill a need for some of the folks in that area of Glasgow. Donations of nearly new clothes and bric-à-brac are very much appreciated. If you could leave any such items, clearly labelled for Cranhill, in the cupboard in the Welcome Hall opposite the ladies' toilet. If this is full, please get in please get in touch with me so I can make alternative arrangements regarding storage and/or collection.

More information on [Cranhill Development Trust](#) and the amazing work they do will appear soon on the new notice boards in the Welcome Hall.

Again, many, many thanks for your kind generosity.

NLS Coordinator Gordon Lang

Lisa Kerr is Fundraising

Many of you have known Lisa and taken a keen interest in her development all her life. Some of you know that she has managed to secure employment as a sessional playworker at The Yard Adventure Playground who have recently taken over and re-opened the facility in Linn Park. They undertook extensive refurbishment of the place and are providing a safe and exciting space for children and young people with additional needs.



As an employer, The Yard could not be more supportive and helpful to Lisa who is feeling valued and included amongst her colleagues. Now she wants to give something back and has decided to walk the 'Mighty Stride' (around 20 miles) of the Edinburgh Kiltwalk on Sunday, 14th September. Lisa would be delighted if you would support her by making a donation on her [fundraising page](#) or in person over the next few Sundays. As always, she is extremely grateful for your support and friendship.

Dagmar Kerr



Glasgow Close Knit

You are invited to an exhibition of the hundreds of knitted and crocheted blankets that have been carefully crafted by churches, community groups and individuals for 'Glasgow Close Knit'. Our group, which meets every Tuesday, has contributed 25 blankets so far. The exhibition is currently taking place in The 1873 Hall, The Briggait, G1 5HZ, from Monday 11th to Thursday 14th August, 9am-5pm. If you can't

make it along to the Briggait, there will be another opportunity to see the exhibition with even more blankets in Wellington Church in September. Exact dates will be confirmed nearer the time.

Elinor Mair

Capelrig Trefoil Guild

Trefoil Guild is for everyone aged 18 and over. We are a place to find friendship, to get involved in new challenges, or get active in your community. We are a place to give support and find comfort within a network of members across the UK.



Our Guild is a sister organisation to Girlguiding Scotland, and our members agree to support guiding's values. Many members help local Girlguiding units with projects or badges, as well as supporting local and international charities. As well as regular meetings, there are opportunities to undertake challenges, gain awards, join others for rambles, activity weekends as well as holidays in the UK and abroad. Every guild is a ready-made circle of new friends, tailored to the interests and lifestyle of its members. Whether you are or have been involved in Girlguiding or not, or possibly still are, the Trefoil Guild is a fantastic opportunity to meet like-minded people to share your next adventure – whatever that might be! Meeting monthly on Thursday evenings in Netherlee and Stamperland Church, the Capelrig Trefoil extends a warm welcome to you all. Please contact the Church Office if you are interested, or come along to our first meeting of the session on the **4th September** in the lesser sanctuary.

Elaine Murray



Spectacle Recycling

I have placed a marked box in the Welcome Hall for spectacles you may no longer need. I plan to take them to [Specsavers](#) who are in partnership with [MYgroup](#), a recycling and waste disposal company,

that will turn your old glasses into something different. Many thanks to all those who have donated their old spectacles so far.

Jean Pearson



From Barbara

If you or you know of someone who has a special birthday (ending in an '0') or a special anniversary coming up, we would love to hear from you, so that we can have a special cake to celebrate with you over coffee on a Sunday after the service. Please let me know in advance at barbaracochrane857@gmail.com or speak to me on a

Sunday.

A big thank you to all the volunteers who have given their time over the summer to help with the provision of coffee and cake/ biscuits after the Wednesday and Sunday Services. Your support has been much appreciated. We have a coffee rota for provision of coffee after the Sunday service and a hospitality group who help out at other times we have events or things happening. We are always looking for new helpers and if you feel that you can offer some time for either/both groups, Marjorie Lang or I would love to hear from you.



To welcome back the new session, we are having a soup and pudding lunch on **Sunday 14th September**. So put the date in your diary and come and join us for fellowship and a lovely lunch. If anyone is able to help by providing a soup or a pudding or help serve or clear up, please get in touch with either myself or Marjorie Lang. We look forward to seeing

you on the 14th.

Barbara Cochrane

Poppy News

Hello Everyone,

I hope you are all enjoying Summer. As the Autumn arrives it is time to plan this year's Poppy Campaign. As always there will be cans in lots of local shops. There will be the in-store collection in Sainsbury's and the Coffee Afternoon on **Saturday 8th November**.



If any of you wish to help with any of these things or if anyone has any ideas for something different, please phone me on 07796277544 or email me at john-mann4@sky.com.

Thanking you in anticipation.

Anne Mann



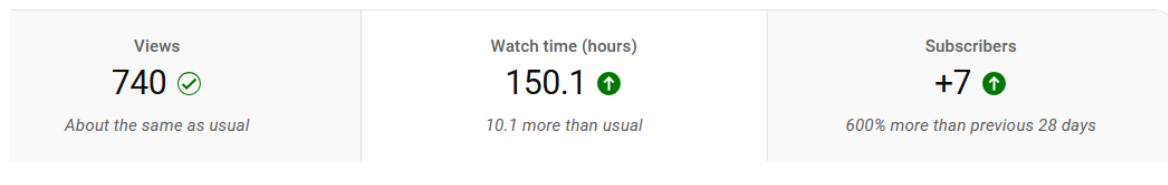
AV Update August 2025

Although the Summer holidays usually means fewer viewers, overall we continue to engage with our audience in increasing amounts as the months roll onwards.

In the Spring of 2024 our total viewer numbers (since 2015) was 80,000, it reached 90,000 in early Feb this year and is now 95,285. We could still possibly pass the 100K number by late autumn as folk return from holidays. The Sunday Service of 3rd August currently has a higher number of 'likes' – i.e. 4, typically it's 1's and 2's !! Also typically, Services achieve 100 + views by the following Tuesday and often attract steady increases from then onwards.

STOP PRESS: as at 1900 hrs Mon 11th August – our Sunday Service streamed yesterday has hit a **record number of views, 127 - within the first 24hrs of being streamed.** And this figure will continue to climb as statistics do for the majority of our Services and other videos.

Your channel got 740 views in the last 28 days



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