CRAFT FAYRE Saturday

10th November



Craft Stalls — something for everyone:

Christmas Hamper to win; Prize Raffle; Music;

Snacks and Light Lunches;





Finish at 2.00pm

BANKFOOT CHURCH CENTRE

If you would like to help in any way at this fundraiser, please leave a message on 01738 788017.

Waiting staff, dish washers, kitchen helpers, car parking staff people to set up and take down all needed!

And tell all your friends about the Fayre so that we can have even more customers to buy from our wonderful craft stalls.



ABOUT GROWING OLDER...

1st Eventually you will reach a point when you stop lying about your age and start bragging about it.

2nd The older we get, the fewer things seem worth waiting in line for.

3rd Some people try to turn back their odometers. Not me; I want people to know 'why' I look this way. I've travelled a long way, and some of the roads weren't paved.

4th When you are dissatisfied and would like to go back to youth, think of Algebra.

5th You know you are getting old when everything either dries up or leaks.

6th I don't know how I got over the hill without getting to the top.

7th One of the many things no one tells you about aging is that it's such a nice change from being young.

8th One must wait until evening to see how splendid the day has been.

9th Being young is beautiful, but being old is comfortable and relaxed.

10th Long ago, when men cursed and beat the ground with sticks, it was called witchcraft. Today it's called golf.

And, finally. If you don't learn to laugh at trouble, you won't have anything to laugh at when you're old.

Welcome to our Church Centre Magazine

If we are looking forward to something, time can seem to go so slowly while we are waiting. But often when we look back we are amazed at how fast it feels, that the time has just flown by. It certainly feels like no time since the Bankfoot Church Centre was just newly opened, and yet this year we are celebrating its tenth anniversary - and celebration it is!

The Bankfoot Church Centre has not only become the new home to our congregation with our regular Sunday Worship, our times of celebration like Baptism and Weddings, as well as our times of sadness and grief. The Church centre has become so much more than that. Ten years ago the vision was Bankfoot Church and Community Building Together, and over the last ten years that is what we have strived to do. As with so many things in life, we are aware that not everything has gone as we would have wished. We are aware that we have made mistakes, for which we are sorry. Through all of our various ups and downs we have, in the Grace of God, tried to keep in focus our vision, and as we look forward that is still our vision.

"Bankfoot Church and Community Building Together"



But the successes of the last ten years have only been possible because individuals and groups from Bankfoot and beyond have come alongside the church congregation to share in our vision and help to make it a reality. Let me say a big "Thank You" to all of you who have come together to make all this possible.

Therefore we would like to invite everyone to our 10th Anniversary Celebration Service on Sunday the 28th of October 2018 at 11.15am.

We look forward to seeing you there. Your Minister and friend, Adrian



Singing Group

The Singing Group is a dementia friendly singing group for anyone who enjoys singing.

People with dementia and their carers meet together with others who enjoy singing, volunteers and music makers for a good sing-song. There are no auditions, rehearsals or performances, it is all about the pleasure of singing favourite songs from the Beetles, Sound of Music, Abba, folk songs, Rod Stewart.... As the group grows so will our list of your favourite songs too. Come and enjoy making a joyful sound with Claire, our wonderful church organist, leading us.

If you would like to sing in a group, or would like to volunteer to help out, or are living with dementia and would enjoy singing favourite songs please get in touch with Fiona Lough and Claire Bywalec through the church office (01738788017)



Heart for Art

Heart for Art is a dementia friendly art group that meets fortnightly for two hours. We seek to support those affected by dementia, providing respite for carers and creative sessions for our participants. The group is about joining together in the community in an understanding and accepting environment.

We are currently looking to recruit a new volunteer to support our growing group. If you have a flair for the creative and would like to put it to a good cause, we would love to hear from you. We meet for 2 hours on a Wednesday morning every fortnight at Bankfoot Church Centre. If you are interested in volunteering with us or would like to hear more, please contact laura.macleod@crossreach.org.uk or phone 07342 993585.





BANKFOOT GUIDING ON WEDNESDAY EVENINGS



Rainbows age 5-7 meet from 5pm -6pm Brownies age 7-10 meet from 6pm -7.30pm Guides age 10+ meet from 7pm - 8.30pm

We warmly welcome any girl who is interested in joining us. Also if anyone in the village used to be in guiding please come along and see us or contact us.

Please contact Marie O'Brien 07540938342.



Baby & Toddlers

We meet every Wednesday morning during term time, 9.30-11.30am in the Auchtergaven room.

Auchtergaven & Moneydie Church Guild

SESSION 2018/2019 Theme - Seeking the Way

President Correspondence Secretary

Mrs Alice Melville Miss Evelyn Morrison

This year the Bankfoot Guild are having a programme which, we hope, will encourage folk (ladies and gentlemen) to come and join us and we sincerely hope that you do.

We meet on the first Thursday of each month, September – March at 2.00 p.m. in Bankfoot church Centre. Our usual order of meeting is from 2.00 - 2.30 p.m. we discuss whatever business is necessary and then from 2.30 p.m. either have a speaker or a demonstration, after which we have tea and eats.

We do hope that you will come along and enjoy the fellowship and look forward to seeing you.

GUILD PROGRAMME FOR 2018/2019

6 September Concert with Michael Ellacott

4 October Talk/Demo on Aloe Vera by Kevin Kulik and Moira

1 November Boys Brigade
6 December Carols with Clare

<u>2019</u>

10 January Tony Hooten – Sign Language

7 February Woodlands Trust
7 March AGM and Crossreach



Badminton Club

September has come around once more and like most organisations the Badminton Club has started up for the season.



We meet on Wednesday evenings in the Moneydie Hall and all abilities are catered for. The club also enters a team in the Campus Sports Perth & District Badminton League.

If you, or anyone you know, is interested in playing badminton and want to find out more then come along on a Wednesday evening or contact the Secretary on 01738 787531 or email alanflerming44@btinternet.com

Playing times are:

Intermediates (1st – 3rd year) 6.30 – 8.00 pm Adults 7.00 – 10.00pm

Over the past two seasons we have had a number of P5-7's and we hope to start their section again later in the season. We look forward to seeing members old and new.

Boys'Brigade

This year is the 125th year of the foundation of Perth & Kinross Battalion of the Boys Brigade. We are having a celebratory meal in Dewar's Rink on Saturday 16th February 2019 with previous BB Captains and Officers.



Barbara Heeps 01738 827326 barbaraheeps@btinternet.com

Country Dancing

The Scottish Country Dancing Group has its first meeting on Monday October 8th in the Auchtergaven Room from 7.30 – 9.30pm.

There is a welcome cup of tea and a well-earned rest halfway through the evening. We really need new people to come and join us. We are not professionals, we just love to dance and you will find us a very helpful and friendly group while our teacher, Sandra, is very patient. We have lots of fun while learning new skills. So please come along and give it a try. Alice

"Geared for Growth"

The Ladies Bible Study group recommenced their fortnightly meetings on 11th September in the Logiebride Room at the Church.

We enjoy reading and studying the Bible together using "Geared for Growth" materials. http://www.gearedforgrowth.co.uk/ Pat Urquhart Tel: 787501

Crossreach



As you will see by the photos, we have been busy with craft activities, this has helped us enormously as part of our recent fund raising, we have been able to purchase a tablet which the service users are thoroughly enjoying, not only for fun and learning about technology but this has also been a great benefit to those with communication barriers.

We recently donated hand knitted blankets to The Cat Rescue Thrift Shop, we are at present knitting poppies and are to be helping the Stanley Nursery out with one of their projects.

Movement to music remains very popular, Abbas music is a favourite to do exercise to, we have many true "dancing queens "

We had an outing to Stewart Dairies for lunch, this proved popular, and the ice cream on the way back was particularly welcome as the weather was very kind to us on our visit.

We are now looking towards Christmas and preparing to make cards, gift bags and tags as well as organising our Christmas party.

As always we would welcome and appreciate anyone who would like to pop in and perhaps give a talk or demonstration. Kind regards Lorna Smith

Kirk Players - End of an era

After 30 glorious years the final curtain has come down for the Kirk Players Bankfoot. Originally started in 1988 by Alison McGregor, the players enjoyed many a rousing production in the old church hall before the new church centre opened in 2008.



The most notable being the staging of Ochtergaen in 2000 which also involved many people from the village both young and old.

Here are a couple of photos to remind you of Jessie Cumming's play (written in 1927) and restaged by KP to celebrate the millennium.



It only remains to say a big thankyou to all who have been involved both behind the scenes and on stage over the last 30 years and to all the people in and around the village who turned out to support the productions each year. Thank you all. Sheena

Auchtergaven Old Church

Restoration Project Update



The "old" Auchtergaven church was gutted by fire in February 2004, with only the stonework of the tower and walls left standing.

The General Trustees of the Church of

Scotland offered to transfer ownership and responsibility for the building to a responsible independent local community organisation in order that parts of the building can be saved – the purpose of the Auchtergaven Old Church Restoration Community Group. This group was set up after the public meeting in January 2017, which demonstrated the interest and enthusiasm of the community in restoring the church tower.

The ideas that the restoration group have come up with are to restore the Auchtergaven old church tower to provide the following facilities:

A restored tower, possibly with a new clock;

An access stairway and viewing platform at the top of the tower;

Restoration of the side rooms to the tower to provide a local historical archive / display;

A community garden and outdoor recreational space; and

A shelter facility for visitors to the surrounding graveyard.

We have received a modest amount of funding from the General Trustees, the PKC Participatory Budget and from fundraising at the Bankfoot Gala. This has allowed us to engage a "conservation accredited" architect to assist us with the feasibility work, which together with other work volunteered without cost that has been carried out by Ian Stokes (survey work) and Millard Consulting (structural engineering advice).

The feasibility work has taken longer than hoped to progress, but is now almost at the stage that we can go to Historic Environment Scotland to establish the case for obtaining funding from them. Several threads of work should be completed within the next month, and another meeting of the restoration group is planned for late October.

If you are interested in joining the group or getting involved in some other way, please get in touch with me. I look forward to updating you in the next issue with some good progress towards saving the landmark building in our village.

Chris Pasteur chris.pasteur@btinternet.com

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New Lawn Tractor

A new, bright yellow lawn tractor was gifted to the Church Centre by Jimmy Meikle before his death in August. It has a system for chopping the grass as it cuts, eliminating the need to gather the cuttings and provides mulch for the grass area. It also has a snow plough which can be attached for winter use. Grass cutting for the large area round the Centre will be made that little bit easier.

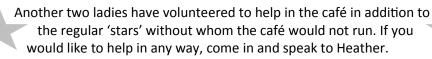


Dave had some extra help over the summer but would be happy to have more people to call on. However, you may need a 'supervised cutting test' before you get a shot of this new machine!

Jimmy provided various forms of support for the centre from the start and this grass cutting machine is only one of the more obvious ones. Many thanks for his generosity.

Our Daily Bread Café and Softplay

Our Daily Bread Café is open weekday mornings from 9.30am as is the Soft Play area for younger children. Drinks, soup, sandwiches, scones and cakes are all available including healthy options. Look out for some' specials' in the coming months.



The Café will be closed over the October and Christmas Holidays –

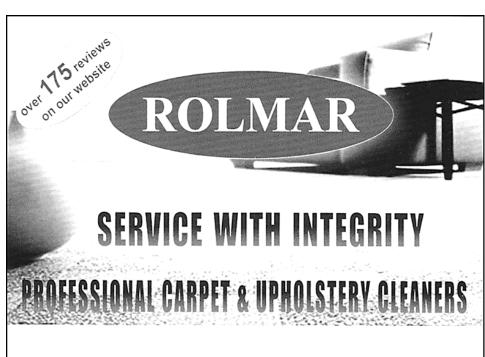
What type of lighting did they have on Noah's Ark? Flood lighting

Messy Church: is a way of being church with a focus on being family friendly, creative and fun, it is found across the world. Messy church is messy not just because of paint, in messy church we mess with tradition and expectations, mix it up a bit and go back to the core values of being church.

Messy church values are about being Christ centred, Jesus should be at the heart of all we do, family friendly worship for all ages, based around creativity, hospitality and celebration.

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Airleywight Walking route from Church Centre

Distance 3.32miles; a mix of side roads, farm tracks and pavements. Park and start from Centre

Leave Centre on pedestrian path then turn left on to Tulliebelton Road.

Cross bridge at end of road and turn left along Back Mill Road.

When you reach the Back Mill steading, turn right.

Follow the track up the hill and turn left at Airleywight Cottage.

(Short route

Turn right here and follow the track along the top of the field then the park and back to Prieston Road)

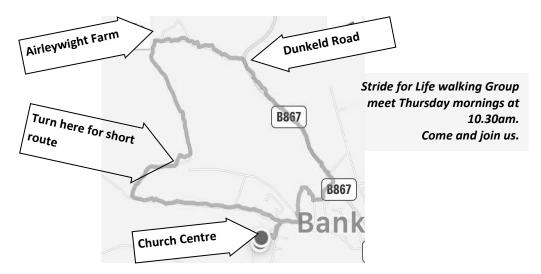
Continue down the farm track to Mains of Airleywight Farm.

Go through farm buildings and turn right to Dunkeld Road and turn right back towards the village.

Turn right through Carriers Entry and right along Cross Street then through the park back on to Prieston Road.

Turn right and follow the road to the bridge and back to the Church Centre.

Toilets and café are open here on weekday mornings.



Website/Facebook

If any organisation wants to have material placed on the Bankfoot Church website, could it be sent in to the office in the first place. It will then be passed on to Fiona who is the administrator for the website.

There is also a Facebook page for the Church Centre and again, if you think that it would be helpful in advertising your group or activity, then send details to the Church Office.

Volunteers

Thanks to those of you who saw and answered our plea for help from the last magazine. Unfortunately, there is still a need for more people to become involved. It doesn't need to be a regular commitment and you can do as little or as much as you feel able to. It is a chance to meet new people and make new friends – there's a lot of laughter as well as work – plus giving something back to the community. The centre can only operate if there are people there to help.

Current 'openings':-

People for the catering group – waitresses, bakers or soup makers, dishwashers.

People to help set up and take down before and after functions

People to help in the café

Artistic people to help with Heart for Art

Contact the Church Office on 01738788017 or drop in any weekday morning

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Bankfoot Wednesday Club

We started our new season on 12th September and meetings take place at 2.00pm every second week in the Auchtergaven Room at the Church.

Our Programme this year includes Magic with Adrian Harris; a demonstration (and tasting) by Chocolatier, Charlotte Flower; a Valentine party; a variety of music from Ian Petrie, Joan Blue, Anne Kemp and Callum Wallace and on his annual visit, comedian Eddie Rose.

Having enjoyed the wonderful "Chicago" at Pitlochry, we shall be having a Christmas outing to see the "The Wizard of Oz". Further details can be seen on the poster outside the NISA shop.

All "Over 50s" are welcome, both ladies AND gentlemen. Annual subscription is £5.00 and £1.00 per meeting, visitors £2.00. This includes the very enjoyable break for tea/coffee, biscuits - chat - and, especially, laughter.

Further information from Pat Petrie (788107), Joan Blue (787842) or Sheena Garland (787477).



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Scotland has just renewed its status as a Fairtrade Nation and in March 2018 Perth and Kinross became the 25th Fairtrade Zone. Thanks to the ongoing support of the public and campaigners, an increasing number of farmers in developing countries are now selling their products on Fairtrade terms, bringing them a stable income, and the chance to trade their way out of poverty.

Traidcraft goods will be on sale after Sunday morning services on Sunday 7th October and 4th November. We have a wide range of speciality chocolate and other food, drinks and soaps. In the lead up to Christmas there will be additional opportunities to view the beautiful crafts, cards, clothing, homewares and festive foods from the Traidcraft catalogue and order through us to save on postage and packing. The website already has some of the special items at www.traidcraftshop.co.uk

Christian Aid Carol Service

It seems no time since the successful Christian Aid lunch and house to house collection was being arranged in May. Thank you to all who contributed in any way—the faithful group of collectors, those who gave generously, and all who contributed to, and helped serve the bread and cheese lunch.

Now we are planning our popular annual Advent Carol Service for Christian Aid with interesting readings and much loved carols. It is a lovely way to help us look forward to Christmas. As soon as the date is confirmed, it will be well publicised. Everyone of course will be most welcome. Helen G. Simpson

Church Flowers

Once again, my thanks to everyone who helps with the flowers in church on Sundays – those of you who buy and arrange them and those who donate money for the Flower Fund. There are always people who appreciate the flowers they receive from the church. If you feel that you would like to help, perhaps for a special date, then just add your name to the Flower Calendar in the Foyer. Just give me a call if you have any questions. Annie Currie 828218



Bankfoot Church Community Centre Support Group

Our Country Market raised a total of £1951. After expenses for hire of fridge and prizes for Ball Race, we banked £1681.

Winners of Ball Race were:-

1st Tam Shilladay; 2nd Marcus O'Reilly; 3rd Nan Brown

Thank you to all who contributed, attended and supported in any way. *Coming up-*

Big Christmas Raffle
St Andrew's Night Dinner
on 30th November (see poster)
Wreath Making - orders taken by any group member

Thank you all for your continued support for this group run by the young ladies of Bankfoot with the support of a few 'oldies' raising funds for our Church Community Centre.

BANKFOOT COMMUNITY CENTRE SUPPORT GROUP

DINNER Friday 30th November

6.00pm

Dinner -

4 course meal with wine

Entertainment by -

Michael Ellacott

After dinner speaker -

The Very Rev Dr Jim Simpson

Tickets £25 Available from Etta or Church Centre Cafe



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T is it true?

H is it helpful?

I is it inspiring?

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K is it kind?

If, what I am about to say, does not pass those 5 tests, I will keep my mouth shut!