

REVIEW & OUTLOOK



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MINISTER'S LETTER TO THE CONGREGATION

April 2011

Dear Friends,

How much would you spend on a coffee and a scone? Prices vary so much but I think you would be very surprised if you could get both for £2 (could easily be twice that) Why mention coffee and scones? Is this a continuing Lent challenge? Well it could be but it isn't—read on.

In March we had our Stated Annual Meeting and once again we reported a deficit. This year it amounted to £14,000, which would have been worse but for a £10,000 legacy. This is a recent phenomenon, as for years our income has kept pace with our expenditure. However, in the last few years our offering income has remained static and even declined. There are various reasons for this, including the impact of the financial crisis and the death of some very generous members. We can cope with this deficit, but only by using up reserves, which will one day run out. Now is the time to get our house back in order, especially as we face the additional impact of losing roughly £400 per month on Gift Aid as the government reduces the amount tax payers can claim back.

While we can do nothing about matters outside our control there are two things that can be done. The Property and Finance Team have agreed to scrutinise carefully all our expenditure and seek ways to reduce it. On your part will you take time this month to review the level of your giving? We have not done a stewardship campaign in our church for a good number of years and we will not need to do so, if we can resolve our situation now.

Here is a suggestion. If each member were able to give an extra £2 per week (coffee and a scone) or £10 per month, then we would not face this problem. Now some, of course, cannot give this extra amount and we appreciate what you do give. Others have recently reviewed the level of their giving and we are very grateful to you. But for the rest (and I include myself!) is it unreasonable to ask that you give the equivalent of a coffee and a scone each week to our church? Think what it would do for your health and the church's!

This month we move towards Holy Week and Easter, the most significant season of the Christian year. As we marvel at the generosity of God in giving his only Son to be our Saviour, let us show by our worship, service and giving that we proclaim him now also as our Lord.

Warmest greetings



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



APRIL

Monday	4	7:30 pm	Kirk Session
Tuesday	5	7:30 pm	Bridging the Gap
Wednesday	6	7:30 pm	Manse House Group
Thursday	7	2 pm 7:30 pm	Friendship Club Prayer Meeting
Sunday	10	11 am 3 pm 6:30 pm	Morning Service Sutherland Street Service Evening Service
Monday	11	6:30 pm	Monday House Group in Annan House
Wednesday	13		Palmerston Place People (PPP) Spring Outing
Thursday	14	2 pm 7:30 pm	Friendship Club Thursday House Group
Sunday	17	11 am 6:30 pm	Palm Sunday Evening Service
Monday	18	7:30 pm	Property and Finance Team meeting
Tuesday	19	7:30 pm	Choir
Thursday	21	2 pm 7:30 pm	Friendship Club Maundy Thursday Service
Friday	22	7:30 pm	Good Friday Service
Sunday	24	6 am 10:30 am 11 am 6:30 pm	Joint Dawn Service with St. Mary's (at the Cathedral, Palmerston Place) Kirk Session meeting Easter Communion Service Easter Day Service
Tuesday	26	7:30 pm	Hitch-Hiker's Guide—Windows on the Word Talk 1—the Bible as Sonnet
Wednesday	27	7:30 pm	Evening without a name
Thursday	28	2 pm	Friendship Club

MAY

Sunday	1	11 am 6:30 pm	Morning Service Evening Service
Tuesday	3	7:30 pm	Hitch-Hiker's Guide Talk 2—The Bible as Symphony
Sunday	8	11 am	Morning ³ Service Guest preacher—Rev Peter Neilson Peebles Outing following the service.

The Prayer Page

AN EASTER PRAYER



Sovereign God,
we thank you that Easter is not just about events long ago
but about now;
not just about others
but about us;
not just about certain aspects of life
but about life itself!

We thank you for the truths of Easter we can continue to celebrate today:
the victory of good over evil,
love over hate,
and life over death;
the turning of weakness into strength,
fear into courage,
and doubt into faith;
a new beginning where it had seemed like the end,
hope where there had been despair;
and confidence where there had been confusion.

Help us to live each day in the light of Easter,
with its joy bubbling up in our hearts,
its laughter shining from our eyes,
and its message always on our lips.
So may others,
seeing the difference it has made to us,
discover the difference it can make for them, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Colin Sinclair



PALMERSTON PLACE NEWS

PRESBYTERY MEALS TEAM

We pride ourselves on providing the folk who attend the Presbytery meetings with good food in a welcoming atmosphere. Our marvellous Presbytery Meals Team ladies thoroughly enjoyed an excellent lunch at the Ellersley House Hotel last month: very pleasant to be on the receiving end!



Would you like to join the Presbytery Meals Team? You would be very welcome! Contact Ruth Sinclair for more information.

Margaret Moodie



EASTER SERVICES

Our Easter Services begin with Palm Sunday on 17th April. During Holy Week we have two special services. On Maundy Thursday we meet in our "upper room" (Carlow Room, Annan House) for a reflective service and informal communion.

The following night we meet in the Church for our Good Friday Service at which the choir will sing. On Easter Day the early birds are invited to join with our neighbours in St Mary's Cathedral for a dawn service at 6 am. As Easter is so late this year, it coincides with our April Communion Sunday, so we will celebrate Communion at our Easter service (which is how many congregations celebrate Easter each year). As always, you are welcome to all these services and encouraged to invite others to join you.

Colin Sinclair

ANNIVERSARIES AT THE MANSE

Many of our senior members at Palmerston Place Church remember that 2011 is an important date for the Manse household.

On the **3rd May 1981** the Rev Colin Sinclair was ordained as Assistant Minister and a month later Colin and Ruth got married on the **2nd June 1981**. 30 years together in the ministry, with a variety of experiences here and in other places, is a special anniversary.

On **Sunday the 8th May** at the morning service we welcome back a good friend of Palmerston Place Church the Rev Peter Neilson (Mission Consultant) to mark Colin's 30th Anniversary. Peter has taken services at Palmerston Place in the past, is a friend and colleague of Colin, and they have often worked together over the years. We look forward to a good attendance of the congregation on this occasion.



Willie-John Macdonald (Pastoral Assistant)

A thought for Easter

"The resurrection gives my life meaning and direction and the opportunity to start over no matter what my circumstances."

Robert Flatt

UNLESS THE LORD

Final extract from the report.

Evangelism:

Areas of strength:

Evangelistic activity is seen as needed across the range of activities. So whether something could be characterised as fellowship or service or discipleship; the evangelistic dimension is not lost. It is to the congregation's credit that reaching others continues to be high on their priority list.

Areas for future consideration:

The gathered nature of the congregation means that for many people their mission field will not be based in the geographic parish but within their social and work networks. To be effective evangelists in such settings will entail training people how to share their faith and giving them the confidence to do so. We recommend that the Kirk Session give thoughtful consideration to how they can best prepare their people for this type of evangelism.

Yet although the congregation is predominantly gathered, it exists within a parish system where Palmerston Place Church has been given responsibility to reach the people of Palmerston Place parish. No other congregation in Presbytery has been given responsibility for these people.

As mentioned before, one of the biggest challenges will be finding places in the lives of parishioners where the church can meet them. Evangelistically this again means stepping out of the familiar into their world. We recommend the leadership give thought to ways they can bring the good news of Jesus into the lives of those who live within their Parish bounds. As St Francis of Assisi is reputed to have said "use words if you have to".

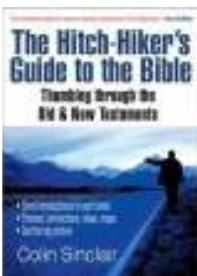
Summary:

We were impressed with the energy and enthusiasm people brought to the table. We were impressed with the willingness to reach others as well as grow those already in the church. No one shied away from the difficult discussion nor was put off by the scale of the task. In fact the creative approaches and the wide variety of methods used in tackling the exercises stand them in good stead. There is no shortage of talent in Palmerston Place.

It became clear to the visiting team there was an on-going tension between the UP heritage of the church and the gathered nature of the congregation sitting alongside the Parish system. We recognised the UP tradition brings much good with it, such as a strong emphasis on biblical preaching, discipleship and worship. When coupled to the opportunities offered by the parish system of giving evangelism a loci and offering a definitive mission field, the results could be a congregation where there is a healthy balance between all 5 areas of church life. There was a sense among the visiting team that the congregation has been putting the bulk of its energy into itself, evidenced in a desire for others to come in. The majority of the discussions were about people coming into the church, how that could happen and what kind of bridges / connections needed to be made for it to happen. Whilst this is important, we encourage the congregation to expand its vision to move from people coming in, to Christians going out.

Colin Sinclair

WHAT'S ON?



HITCH-HIKER'S GUIDE TO THE BIBLE— WINDOWS ON THE WORD

This year I will be offering a short mini-series to help us to see the Bible through different eyes. As part of our celebration of the 400th Anniversary of the Authorised Version (KJV), and part of the BibleFresh initiative to help people to get into the Bible, I will be giving four Hitch-Hiker's talks this year. At the end of May on Sunday 29th we will hold a special service to mark the 400th Anniversary of the KJV including the chance to see a film about this— more details to come next month.

Tuesday April 26 7.30 Talk 1 The Bible as sonnet
Tuesday May 3^d 7.30 Talk 2 The Bible as symphony
Tuesday May 10 7.30 Talk3 The Bible as screenplay
Tuesday May 17 7.30 Talk 4 The Bible as street-map

Colin Sinclair

AN EVENING WITHOUT A NAME

Of course you have the date in your diary but just to remind you: -

Wednesday 27th April at 7:30 pm.

Speaker: Ian Garden **Topic:** A War in Celluloid?! Intrigued? Come and find out!

Margaret Moodie

PEEBLES OUTING ON SUNDAY 8 MAY

Our Seniors' Outing to Peebles Hydro Hotel takes place this year on Sunday 8th May. Hopefully we will be blessed with sunshine as we travel there by various routes, enabling us to view the surrounding countryside at its best—we may even see some lambs frolicking in the fields!

Notice Boards will be in the Lothian Room from Sunday 3rd April. Those who are willing to drive and all those who would like to join us please add your names to the lists. I will be in touch with you all nearer the time.

Our Peebles Outing is a much enjoyed day out & the Hydro provide us with a splendid High Tea which is followed by a short service.

Our Outing gives us time to get to know each other better, to chat and most importantly - time for those now less able to get about to meet up again with folks they once were able to see more frequently.

Please feel free to ring me if you have any questions.

Helen Macpherson.





AN UNMISSABLE DAY IN MAY!

Sunday May 22
1pm—6pm

There is something for all ages at a new event in the Church calendar, intended to replace the Garden Party during Assembly week. The title says it all – **Celebration, Inspiration and Discovery**. The aim is to have something to suit the whole family, and I quote from the letter from the Principal Clerk, John Chalmers (remember him?!) -

"A wonderful afternoon, with a chamber orchestra from New Scottish Arts, Fischy Music, the Scotland African Massed Choir, contemporary bands, Easter Play drama, interviews, stories and music from around the world, comedy, clowns, puppets, messy church, drumming workshops, organ recitals, bell-ringing, school choirs, Souper Sunday, insights into the broad range of work the whole church is involved in, and lots more."

Entry to the event is **FREE!** It will range across the West Princes Street Gardens, around and in the Ross Bandstand, along to the fountain and the open area there, and into St Cuthberts Church. (In the unlikely event of poor weather, alternative arrangements are in hand!)

STEWARDS NEEDED!

An event like this takes the dedicated commitment of a large team of volunteers, none more important than the stewards/marshals.

We're expecting at least 3,000 people and possibly as many as 5,000 so we require the assistance of 60 stewards/marshals organised into teams of eight or ten. Our role is to be the welcoming face of the event. We are there to ease the flow of the crowds, point folks in the right direction and ensure that everyone enjoys their afternoon to the full. Informal training and briefing meetings will be arranged in due course.

As well as getting the experience and satisfaction of serving others, you will be provided with food while you're on duty. And, you will have the opportunity and joy of wearing the loudest fashionable jacket you will ever be seen in!

Contact Susan Kidston for an application form.



BOOK REVIEW

“Secret Believers” by Brother Andrew and Al Janssen

This relatively short book is the remarkable story of what happens when Muslims turn to Christ. It is written by the man known as God's Smuggler who smuggled tens of thousand Bibles into the Communist world before the Wall came down in 1989. Since then he has been working tirelessly among oppressed Christians providing practical resources and spiritual encouragement to enable them to continue living faithfully against all human odds.

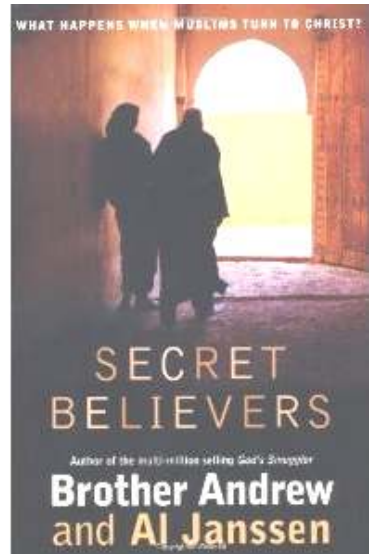
These are terrifying true stories of the men and women – born Muslims and still living in strict Islamic states – who have chosen to convert to Christianity. They have been rejected by their families and shunned by local communities, prohibited from sharing their faith; threatened, and in extreme cases, beaten and even killed by extremist Muslims.

For those of us living in a country where we are still free to talk about Jesus Christ, to live as Christians and to meet publicly to worship, this book is very revealing as to what happens to people in a Muslim country who *dare* to change religion. This despite many Muslim countries having signed up to the UN declaration to permit freedom of worship.

I found this book extremely challenging, and it has made me think much more deeply about my commitment to Christ. It can be a very uncomfortable, not to say harrowing account of the price many Christians pay to follow Jesus, but there is also joy and a real love for fellow Muslims. I warmly recommend it. The day may come when we lose some of our freedoms and we need to be prepared.

The book only costs £7.99, and there is a copy in our church library. Do read it, and then pray for our Christian brothers and sisters in Muslim countries.

Dorothy Steel



STATED ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION, 21 MARCH 2011

Each year towards the end of March, the Stated Annual Meeting of the Congregation takes place, as required by Church law. This year's Stated Annual Meeting was held in the Church on the evening of Monday 21 March. 37 members of the Congregation were present to receive the Trustees' Report and Financial Statements for the year ending 31 December 2010.

The Stated Annual Meeting might be compared to the Annual General Meeting of a public limited company at which shareholders are presented with the annual accounts and a report on the company's performance during the preceding year. We are all shareholders in Palmerston Place Church plc, and we each have a responsibility for ensuring that the organisation is well managed and suitably funded.

To continue the analogy, the company made a loss in 2010, and ended the year with a deficit of £14,294. Thanks to the generosity of former shareholders, we were able to cover this loss from reserves; but we cannot continue like this year after year or our reserves will soon be used up. The Managing Director (aka Colin Sinclair) is making a further announcement about how we might deal with the situation, and will be giving shareholders a pep talk encouraging them to spend less on coffee and cakes and put the money instead into shares in Palmerston Place Church plc. Our major shareholder has given us an assurance that He will not leave us short of funds, because there is very important work for us to do. (See His statement in Philipians chapter 4, verse 19.)

Though our trading experience was difficult in 2010, the company's assets were very well managed. The property is in excellent condition thanks to the skill and expertise of our Property Director (George Dickson) and his team. Our reserves are in a healthy state, and increased in value during the year. We greatly value the careful attention given to our finances by our two Finance Directors (Isobel Gray and David Taylor), supported by HM Treasury Liaison Directors (Ian Meikle and Ian Garden). Incidentally, the Chancellor of the Exchequer is offering generous tax relief on shares purchased under Gift Aid, without any cost to the shareholder. More of us should take advantage of this offer, and indeed consider increasing our shareholding.

Like all companies, our success depends largely on having a good business plan and a highly committed staff working to give effect to the plan. The Directors (otherwise, the Kirk Session) will be reviewing the business plan during 2011 and looking to shareholders to support new initiatives, even to the extent of offering to take on some jobs. Our present staff, ably led by the Managing Director, with the support of the Company Secretary (Peter Gray), have put in a great deal of hard work, for which the shareholders are most grateful. Special thanks are due to Willie-John Macdonald, Mark Lowey, Andrew Caskie, David and Eileen McColl, David Holt and Fiona Baker who have contributed so much to the success of Palmerston Place Church plc.

Angus Macpherson

TRIBUTE TO JIM McNEILL

James McKenna McNeill

Jim McNeill, an elder of our church died on Monday 14th March aged 81. James McKenna McNeill was born on 28th January 1930 in Beaverhall Road, the youngest of a family of three. His father was a baker. When Jim was 10, the family moved to Douglas Terrace, Dalry Road. Jim went to Broughton, then Dalry Rd Primary Schools and then got a bursary to Boroughmuir High School. Jim went to Sunday School and Bible Class in Palmerston Place. Through the Youth Fellowship which met in the Walpole Hall, Jim met Margaret Baird.

Jim began his working life as a book-keeper for Dundee, Perth and London Shipping Office in Leith. In 1947 Jim spent his National Service in the Army Pay Corps first in Reading and then in Singapore. He returned in 1950 to a Solicitor's Office in Bonnyrigg before joining Ransomes, Sims and Jeffrey, a grass machinery firm, for the next three years, where he was book keeper. On March 21st 1953 Jim got married to Margaret and they lived in 19 Fowler Terrace. In 1958 their elder son, Derrick was born. Following their move to Corstorphine their younger son Kenneth was born. Jim had a variety of interests. He enjoyed looking after his garden, he liked photography, he read widely, he enjoyed Scottish fiddle music, and watching films and musicals. In 1966 Jim was ordained as an elder in our church.

Jim became the accountant for Marshalls Chunky Chicken in Newbridge and worked there for 9 years. When that job came to an end, he bought a bakery and grocery store in 222 Dalry Road. Together, supported by Jim's parents, Jim and Margaret worked there for the next 15 years. Jim was famous both for his rolls and for his bran scones. One of the highlights of the Sunday School outing each year was his apple charlottes.

In 1979 Jim gave up the shop and went back to Telford College to improve his accountancy qualifications. He had just accepted a job in 1980 in a surveyor's office in Drumsheugh Gardens when the minister, Rev John Cumming invited him to become Church Officer. Jim was reluctant to give up his new job and so Margaret became Church Officer during the day and Jim took over in the evenings and Sundays. Jim took his role as Church Officer seriously and liked things to be done properly. He was a very good church officer and helpful to ministers, members and visitors. In those days there was a telephone in the pulpit connected to one in the Church officer's cubicle (where the toilets are now) I remember having to ring him up during one service to bring me my sermon which I had left in the vestry! If my memory is right he carried it in on a tray! Sadly the carrying in of the sermon has not become part of Palmerston Place's liturgy!

Jim stepped down from the Session on being appointed Church Officer, but both he and Margaret were still heavily involved in PP. They attended the Couples Group, Jim was involved with the Drama group helping with the music, and Margaret was in the Action Group. Jim and Margaret stepped down as Church officers in 1987 and joined Blackhall St Columba's for a few years.

On leaving PP they moved to 41 Groathill Avenue. Jim carried on working until 1994 when he finally retired. Jim's health was beginning to deteriorate as he faced and accepted without complaining, a series of serious illnesses over the next 16 years including cancer, a stroke, an irregular heart beat and diabetes.

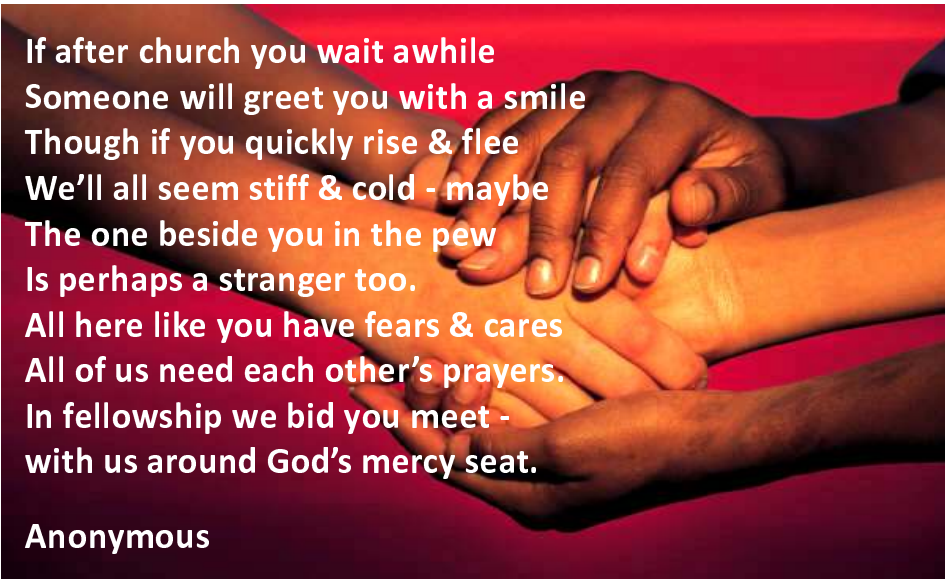
In 1998 they returned to Palmerston Place where they regularly attended worship and Jim rejoined the Session. They both attended Palmerston Place People and enjoyed the Friendship Club and the annual Peebles outing. They were very supportive of all that went on.

Jim greeted people at church or at home with a smile and a welcome. He had a pawky sense of humour which could catch you unawares. He was a kind, gentle man and took an interest in everything. Mostly he was fairly quiet, yet he could be, and was, a bit of a character, not afraid of having his own views and resolute in defending them.



Last year a splendid 80th birthday party was held for Jim and he enjoyed a measure of restored health in his last year. To visit him was always a pleasure. He accepted his illnesses and made the most of his limitations. He and Margaret were inseparable and he was proud of his two sons, Derrick and Kenneth. Jim had a second stroke whilst in hospital in the New Royal and was transferred to the Astley Ainslie where Margaret visited him each day often accompanied by her sons until he died.

The thanksgiving service here in church was held on what would have been their 58th wedding anniversary.



If after church you wait awhile
Someone will greet you with a smile
Though if you quickly rise & flee
We'll all seem stiff & cold - maybe
The one beside you in the pew
Is perhaps a stranger too.
All here like you have fears & cares
All of us need each other's prayers.
In fellowship we bid you meet -
with us around God's mercy seat.

Anonymous

Organ Recital by Andrew Caskie

Newport-on-Tay Parish Church

Wednesday 13 April, 7.30pm (£5 admission)

Part of series marking the restoration of the Willis organ

Sousa High School Cadets

Handel Organ Concerto No. 16 in F

Franck Pastorale, Op. 19

Mendelssohn Organ Sonata No. 4 in B flat

Wesley, SS Andante cantabile

Grainger Handel in the Strand

Hielscher Three American Songs

LOOKING AHEAD

The Annual PPC Church Barbecue is planned for Sunday 26 June.
More details to come next month!

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Norma Rolls



NOTES FROM THE ORGAN BENCH



During April we continue our journey through Lent to the great climax of Holy Week and Easter Day. There is much wonderful music to hear along the way. Interestingly there is considerably more choral and organ music for Lent rather than Easter. I wonder why composers have found more inspiration in the former?

Continuing in Lent, the voluntary after the morning service on Sunday 10 April will be JS Bach's great five-part *Fantasia in C minor*, a solemn but moving work featuring five different 'voices' interweaved throughout the piece. During the musical reflection in the evening service, I will be playing a meditation on the spiritual *Were you there?* composed by Graham Morrison, long-time organist at the Methodist Central Hall in Tollcross until his death a few years ago.

Sunday 17 April is Palm Sunday, when we mark Jesus' entry to Jerusalem. The palm branches and cries of 'Hosanna' are remembered in a short *Choral Fugue* on the Gregorian chant *Hosanna Filio David* by French organist Jeanne Demessieux (famed for playing in her high heels!) No doubt we shall be singing the great Palm Sunday hymn *All glory, laud and honour* to the tune *St Theodolph*; the postlude after the morning service is a voluntary based on this tune by Canadian composer Healey Willan.

In recent years it has become a tradition for the choir to sing at our service on Good Friday evening. In this often very moving service, the anthem shall be Orlando Gibbons' moving *Drop, drop slow tears*. At the end of the service I always play JS Bach's beautiful but heart-aching prelude on the chorale *O Mensch, bewein' dein' Sünde groß* ('O Man, bewail thy heavy sin'). The celebration of Easter has much more significance if we have journeyed with the Saviour through His suffering – please do come to our Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services.

This year we combine our April communion with the celebrations of Easter Day. The choir will be singing again; their music will include the ancient Easter hymn *Most glorious Lord of lyffe* to Kenneth Leighton's splendid tune *Dunoon*, one of the precious few musical gems introduced in CH3 in the 1970s. Our thanks are due to the choir for all the hard work they will put in over the Easter period.

The postlude after the morning service will be an arrangement of the *Sinfonia* from JS Bach's *Cantata No. 29*, turned into a joyful French organ toccata by Marcel Dupré. During the evening service, the musical reflection will be the rousing prelude by Healey Willan on *Vulpus*, better known as the tune for the Easter hymn *The strife is o'er*.

The Royal Wedding will be watched by millions on Friday 29 April. To mark the occasion, the morning postlude two days later on Sunday 1 May will be William Walton's *Orb and Sceptre*, the spiky march composed for the Queen's coronation in 1953.

I hope that you enjoy the music.

Andrew Caskie



Did you miss the Christianity Explored course in Palmerston Place and wish you had gone? Have you worked through the course before and want to do it again with different people? ce@costacoffee could be for you!

What is ce@costacoffee?

ce@costacoffee is a Christianity Explored course run and supported by a host of Edinburgh area churches, across the denominations, including Palmerston Place.

Who is ce@costacoffee for?

Anyone who wants to investigate Christianity in an informal, non-church, group setting. Whether you have experience of church, Christians and the Bible, or none at all, this is the course for you. Everyone is welcome. We will respect your background, culture and beliefs. Tell us as little or as much about yourself as you feel comfortable. Christians are encouraged to invite non-Christians to the course and accompany them, if desired.

What goes on?

Costa Coffee refreshments are available upon arrival giving an opportunity to relax. The course is run in groups of 6-8 people, and after briefly discussing the previous week's material there is a 20 minute talk on a different topic each week. The groups discuss questions that arise and the evening ends around 9 pm.

Can I pull out if I want to?

Of course you can. Bring along your doubts and questions and feel free to leave the course at any time.

How much does it cost?

The course is free but an opportunity will be given to contribute towards the cost of the refreshments.

Do I have to bring anything?

No. All the course materials are provided.

Is it like church?

No. It's a non-church venue and it is not a church service. There will be no praying or singing, and you will not be asked to read aloud.

Am I going to get preached at?

Each evening includes a talk designed to explain an aspect of Christian belief and to stimulate discussion. Group leaders will facilitate discussion and try to answer questions. You don't have to speak if you don't want to. You are welcome to come and just sit and listen.

This course runs for 7 weeks on Tuesday evenings from 26th April,
7:15pm for 7:30pm start until 9pm.

**Go yourself, go with a friend, enjoy a latte¹⁵
and explore the reality of the Christian faith.**

SUNDAY SERVICES IN PALMERSTON PLACE CHURCH

*"bringing Christian worship, fellowship
and service back to the heart of everyday life"*

11.00 am Morning Worship

6.30 pm Evening Service

Crèche is available every Sunday morning.
Beginners, Seekers, ESMS Boarders and Senior Horizon
normally meet during the Morning Service.

HOLY COMMUNION

There will be a **Traditional Communion Service** on Sunday 24 April
(Easter Sunday)
where the elements will be served in the pew.

KIRK SESSION

Next meeting will be held on Monday 4 April at 7:30 pm.

Meetings of Kirk Session are held in public.
You are welcome to come along.

PROPERTY AND FINANCE TEAM

Next meeting will be held on Monday 18 April at 7:30 pm.

THE REVIEW AND OUTLOOK

All material for the May issue
should be in the hands of the Secretary
by **Sunday 17 April.**

Rev Colin Sinclair asks those who read the *Review and Outlook* to please inform him and his team about ways in which they can help, such as requests for hospital and other visits, and also about changes of address. The card in cover of the congregational hymnbook can be used for this and for the use of those visiting the congregation. You may wish to draw visitor's attention to it.