

# **Aberlemno Guthrie & Rescobie**

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## **Church Services**

### **September**

10.00am Guthrie 11.30am Aberlemno

### **October**

10.00am Rescobie 11.30am Aberlemno

### **November**

10.00am Guthrie 11.30am Aberlemno

### **December**

10.00am Rescobie 11.30am Aberlemno

### **Harvest Thanksgiving**

17th October

Rescobie 10.00am Aberlemno 11.30am

### **Communion Services**

21st November Aberlemno 11.30am and 6.30pm

24<sup>th</sup> October Rescobie 10.00am

More details of the arrangements for the above services will be announced in due course.

### **Remembrance Services**

14<sup>th</sup> November

Guthrie 10.00am Aberlemno 11.30am

**CHURCH OF SCOTLAND**

**Guthrie Manse  
August 2021**

Dear friends,

As I write this message, we are preparing to hold services with less restrictions although it might be some time yet before we are back to the normal we remember. Life in our church and parishes has been very limited but there have still been a number of very positive events and activities. We had the lovely garden open days at Gardyne and the very popular Annie and Bill Cameron tractor run. As well as the financial benefits to both our congregations it was lovely to see people being out and about together. I would like to add my own thanks to those of our treasurers.

Another activity which delighted me was Aberlemno School P 4-7's Dragon's Den Social Enterprise Project. The children chose Global Food Poverty as their challenge and raised funds for Mary's Meals, a charity which provides meals for school children around the world. By providing a "Treat Tuesday Tuckshop" which gave us some lovely treats and food bags, complete with easy to follow menus (which even the School Chaplain was able to use) they raised £654.02 which will provide 41 children with meals for a year (8,175 meals!) The children were also the winners of the Dundee and Angus social enterprise project. It was wonderful to see the enthusiasm and interest the children showed and heartening that they wanted to put in such an effort for this very worthy cause.

These have been a difficult and for some people a tragic 18 months but there have also been a number of positives too. As well as activities such as the above project I have heard of many, many acts of thoughtfulness and kindness. The problems in meeting loved ones have led, in many cases, to an appreciation of how important family and friends are.

As we now go forward, it is important that we remember that despite the darkness of so much that has happened we have been given a reminder of those things that really matter in life and for which we should always be thankful to God for.

God bless you all,

Brian

Messages from the Minister

Although we have now returned to more normal services the Minister is going to continue with his weekly messages on the Aberlemno.org website. (Under The Kirk)

## **Guthrie Village Hall**

At last it looks as if we now have the green light to open up Guthrie Hall. We have put in place all the requirements as stipulated and are looking forward to your bookings for parties, celebrations, children's gatherings and weddings.

There will be no committee fund raising this year but hopefully next year we will be able to organise a few community events where we can meet up with friends and neighbours. In the meantime, should you wish to hire the hall please contact Christine Shand on 01307 819473.

## **Aberlemno Sunday School**

We will have our first Sunday School on the 5<sup>th</sup> September at 11.30am and there is always a warm welcome for any youngsters who would like to join us. We have lots of fun together and try different activities. The plan is to meet on the first Sunday of each month. If you would like more information please contact Mr Ramsay.

## **Guthrie and Rescobie Sunday School**

We will have our first Sunday School on the 5<sup>th</sup> September at Guthrie at 10.00am and there is always a warm welcome for any youngsters who would like to join us. We have lots of fun and are always being creative. If you would like more information please contact Mr Ramsay.

## **Three Church Challenge Run**

One of our Elders at Aberlemno Church Raymond Kennedy is going to be running between our 3 churches to raise funds for both our congregations

The run will take place on Sunday 10th October starting at Guthrie taking in Rescobie and finishing at Aberlemno during morning service (fingers crossed).

Donations can be left in buckets provided at churches and sponsorship forms will also be available.

## **Aberlemno Treasurer's Report**

This is the usual time for me to let you know about sums of money raised from various events which would normally have taken place but due to restrictions our regular fund-raisers have had to be postponed.

However, on 16<sup>th</sup> May a Tractor Run was organised by Ewan & Wendy Cameron in memory of Annie & Bill with the proceeds being donated to our Church. I sat in my car at the entrance to Turin House and enjoyed waving to everyone in their tractors. The day was a great success and the considerable amount of £940 was very much appreciated.

During Christian Aid week, a retiring offering from our service enabled us to send £112.00 towards their cause.

I would like to convey my thanks to all who continue to contribute in many ways to Aberlemno Church to enable us to remain on a healthy financial footing during these difficult times.

Lorna Hooghiemstra  
Treasurer  
August 2021

## **Guthrie and Rescobie Treasurer's Report**

Many of us were delighted to visit Gardyne Castle one weekend in May when its garden was opened to the public. It was wonderful to see so many visitors wandering through the formal garden and wildflower meadow and orchard in warm sunshine, enjoying the results of all the hard work put in by the owners, Willie and Camilla Gray- Muir, over the last 18 years.

Camilla provided tea, coffee and delicious homemade raspberry lemonade and ladies from the Church Guild helped man the stall over the two days.

Money raised from the event was shared between Guthrie and Rescobie Church and Scotland's Garden Scheme charities and we received a magnificent £1800.

Huge thanks are due to the Gray-Muirs for choosing Guthrie and Rescobie Church as their charity.

James Osborne  
Treasurer

## **Guthrie and Rescobie Guild**

The happiest of people don't have the best of everything, they just make the best of what they have.

Nothing to report from the Guild as we have not had any meetings. We hope you have been enjoying the lovely sunny days between the showers. This year we have been unable to hand out Sunshine Bags but I am sure we all have a jam jar or sunshine bag at home that we can put our loose change in. When summer is over we could hand it to the Rev.B.Ramsay or bring them to church. As the Guild is not meeting I am sure James, our treasurer would be very happy to accept them.

Stay safe and remember Life doesn't come with guarantees of forever. So don't take things for granted, appreciate what you have and cherish the ones you love.

Joyce Smith

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## **PARISH REGISTER**

### **Aberlemno**

#### **Baptism**

Jack Albert Simpson, son of Donna and Darren on 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2021

#### **Wedding**

Nicola Millar and Glenn Jackson on 19<sup>th</sup> August 2021 at Kirriemuir Parish Church

#### **Death**

Miss Margaret Wilson, Forfar on 13<sup>th</sup> August 2021

#### **New Member**

Mrs Laura Watt, Gowanbank

### **Guthrie & Rescobie**

#### **Baptism**

Ellie Louise MacPherson, daughter of Sharon and Rory at Rescobie Church on 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2021

#### **Weddings**

Sarah Reid and Andy Higgins on 8<sup>th</sup> May at the House of Dunn

Shonagh Ferguson and Garry Kane on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2021 at Guthrie Church

Lois Bennett and Ross Gibson on 16<sup>th</sup> July 2021 at Guthrie Church

#### **Deaths**

Mr Ron Duncan, The Meadows (formerly of Burnside) on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Mrs Edith Jamieson, Friockheim (formerly of Guthrie) on 11<sup>th</sup> June 2021

**Items for the December Newsletter to be with Mr Ramsay by 14<sup>th</sup> November.**