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#### November News & Events

- For our MOOT: Life Event on November 11th, we are privileged to hear a word from Naomi McKinlay, and whole life worship series continues on November 18th and November 25th
- Youth Cafe is on at the Gateway November 16th from 7-9pm
- Illuminate & Kaio young people's discipleship groups continue on Tuesday evenings from 6:30-8:00 pm and 7:30-9:00pm respectively
- Bring along a shovel and come join our Currant Affairs event on November 17th at 10:00am
- Also on November 17th is our Tearfund BIG QUIZ Night from 7:30-9:30 pm. Gather a group together and come join the fun for a great cause!
- Don't miss the Annual Church Meeting on November 21st from 7:30-9:30 pm
- Ladies Bible Study meets on Friday mornings in the Jubilee Room from 10-11:30 am on November 9th, 16th, and 23rd before December break
- Wednesday Fellowship Group is back, 7-9 pm (location varies contact Harry Graham for info)

"Keep watch over yourselves and all the flock of which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers. Be shepherds of the church of God, which he bought with his own blood." Acts 20:28

## Coming soon! Our new website: www.cathcartbaptist.online

Our new website www.cathcartbaptist.online will be coming on stream in the next few weeks. Though our website we will be livestreaming the preaching on Sundays, through Facebook Live, and those videos will also be available through our facebook feed after the preaching event. We have just begun a series on John's Revelation, and the live streaming & podcasts will start to carry these messages online to make them available as needed. We thought it would be helpful, in preparation for that future livestreaming, if the beginning set of preaching on Revelation, with introduction, could be made available on audio podcast. We have audio-recorded these, and the link can be found through our CBC Live Facebook page: www.facebook.com/cathcartbaptist.

#### Opportunities for Service

- Have you considered hosting or joining a new small group? We are looking to start one or two new groups to meet regularly in homes and study God's word over tea and fellowship, contact us for questions or to volunteer!
- Fancy videography or media creation? Join our Media Team and help broadcast sermons and create content for various church events.
- Is your personal ministry to meet the needs of those in our greater church community? Consider donating some of your time each month to our new outreach mission. Contact Derrick or Alicia to get involved.
- Get involved in serving our local schools by joining the Hillpark Chaplaincy team for games and hot chocolate at the Cozy Cafe at Hillpark Secondary on Wednesday afternoons.

Contact hello@cathcartbaptistchurch.online to sign up



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### What's On: CYMP!

Please save the date for SHINE, a concert of songs from films and musicals! Come along on Friday 30th of November at 7pm for a brilliant evening to sit back and be thoroughly entertained!! Delighted that SHINE Youth Music Theatre is bringing a performance to Cathcart.... just before December begins!! Do come along to an excellent evening...where we are also delighted to let you know that proceeds will also go towards the Cathcart Youthwork in our community too.



Kaio (S4-S6) Tuesday Evenings 7:30-9:00pm

Illuminate (P7-S3) Tuesday Evenings 6:30-8:00pm

Youth Cafe (P7-S6): 16 November 7-9pm

Why stay in on a Monday evening when you can come learn some new singing skills?

The Vibe presents The Voice Project
Singing for all ages
7pm until 8pm
At Cathcart United Free Church
£3 per person, per week

To book your place please contact Cara on 07979761950



For more information, check us out on Facebook at Cathcart Youth Ministry Partnership, or email Cara at radiatecathcart@aol.com

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## **Baptist Assembly 2018 Update**

The Assembly this year was incredible! We had two full days of teaching, workshops, ministry updates, fellowship, prayer, and encouragement. From the Cathcart crew, we had Derrick, Karen, Alicia, Cara, Frances, and Alan and Joyce representing us in various roles throughout the assembly! It was refreshing to learn how God is moving in His Church throughout Scotland and the world.



if my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

2 Chronicles 7:14 ESV

The theme of the assembly was "Fearless" and we heard from many incredible speakers, ministers, and ministry directors on how to fearlessly and prayerfully advance the kingdom of God inside and outside our local churches. Teun van der Leer encouraged us to seek the Lord while He may be found (Isaiah 55), and to wait on him even in a culture of quick fixes and instant gratification.

The Fearless: Mission seminar focused on Mission Initiative Group, who spoke on church growth amidst declining church membership and attendance numbers. We learned about different needs in our communities and how to address them in a way that reminds people they are important, wanted, and included. Ali Laing spoke passionately about how to reach young people for Christ in an engaging and influential way. After identifying key generational characteristics of "Generation Z" (those born after 1994), we had table discussions on current issues for young people and how to address their needs how Jesus would: with compassion and Spirit-led wisdom. Laing encouraged us to keep discipling our young people outwith Sunday morning services and encourage them to shine their lights bright in the darkness.

Rev. Rosey MacFarlane of Stirling Baptist Church gave an inspiring sermon on 2 Chronicles 7:14;" If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land. Now my eyes will be open and my ears attentive to the prayers offered in this place." She brought to light what responsibility we should feel and act upon in relation to God's purpose, and recalled amazing testimonies from the summer prayer meetings and the incredible work God did in that normally slow and empty summer period. When we call upon His name, are we doing so with true humility and intimacy? How much do we rely on Him, versus our own plans and desires?

On day two of the assembly, Baptist Union director Alan Donaldson filled us in on the plans for the 2019 year and assembly, which will be the 150th anniversary of the union. This past year the Lord has brought Judges 1:12-15 to the forefront of his mind, specifically verse 15, when Caleb's daughter asks for a field with two springs of water in the Land of Negev for a wedding gift "give me also springs of water." It's a story of boldness, of dry land needing refreshment and receiving living water. Similarly, Scotland was once at the forefront of missions, healthcare, banking, etc. But living faith has dried up in Scotland, and so has our dependence on God. Alan asked how we are responding to the needs of the next generation, sharing our gifts and resources and time? As we reflect on the past 150 years of the union and pioneering the gospel in this country, we should equally look forward and prepare for the next 150; how will they characterise us? What is God asking of us now? Alan encouraged us to pray boldly, act faithfully, realize the harvest in front of us, don't put limitations on God, foster relationships on loving engagement, keep discipling and befriending, and truly allow God to work through us as we step forward fearlessly.

The final speaker of day two was Baptist Missionary Society director Kang-San Tan, who spoke from Ruth 1:1-15, when Ruth emigrates from Moab to Bethlehem with her mother-in-law Naomi. Through her story, Kang-San reminded us that God works through human risking, apparent chances, and providence for his stories of redemption. Unless God builds the house, we labor in vain. He has invited us to a new initiative, and we can fearlessly accept His calling no matter where that calling takes us. We highly encourage everyone to come along next year to the 150th anniversary Assembly Gala, end of October 2019 at the Motherwell Concert Hall!



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#### Minister's Mentions...

As I write this we are preparing for our 95th church anniversary, with Allan & Naomi McKinlay, who are serving at the forefront of committing to Jesus in worship - in the next few weeks they will be leaving Scotland to begin their next stage of ministry in the USA. And as we think on our 95th anniversary with the lines of worship from Psalm 95, as part of our Book4 project across the years 2013-2023, there are reminders here that God's ministry is a living, changing thing - as Allan & Naomi respond to these new leadings in their lives, so we have also grown and are changing in how we do and live this 'kingdom stuff' of Jesus.



These last five years have been much about a preparation for this next five years towards our 100th in 2023 and working out together these kinds of questions - how is Jesus making us the church for the next 100 years?; how do we share a living and breathing witness to Jesus with the lives of those who are growing up now?; who will lead the church over the next period?; what does all that look like & feel like, as a movement of God's people here? These next five years, 2018-2023 are full of potential for us, as God's people here - and some of the thinking and discussion around that next stage life as a church will be a part of our AGM on the 21st November, and drawing in some of the experience of and response to the 'Fearless' gathering in Motherwell last week - whether you are a member or not (& why not? ②) we'd love to see you come and share in the making of these ways with Jesus.

And remember - get your team together for the Tearfund Big Quiz Night - we're looking to get as many as possible along from amongst ourselves, our community hub & our neighbours around us, to make a difference in the world through Tearfund. And get the nominations in for deacons for this coming year, 2019 by Sunday 11th November!

 $\mbox{Grace \& peace} \\ \mbox{rev. dr. Derrick L. Watson - Cathcart Baptist Church} \\ \mbox{07511 699805} \\$ 

## >>>>>> COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHT



"Our foodbank is a project founded by local churches and community groups, working together towards stopping hunger in our local area. We don't think anyone in our community should have to face going hungry. That's why we provide three days' nutritionally balanced emergency food and support to local people who are referred to us in crisis. We are part of a nationwide network of foodbanks, supported by The Trussell Trust, working to combat poverty and hunger across the UK.



Our foodbank is part of The Trussell Trust's network of 428 foodbanks, working to tackle food poverty and hunger in our local communities, as well as across the UK. The Foodbank Network was founded in 2004 after four years of developing the original foodbank based in Salisbury. Since then The Trussell Trust has helped communities work together to launch foodbanks nationwide in a wide range of towns and cities. In 2017/18, The Trussell Trust's Foodbank Network provided 1,332,952 three-day emergency food supplies and support to UK people in crisis. Of these, 484,026 went to children.

As a network, we want to see more people helped out of crisis and fewer people needing foodbanks in the future. That's why The Trussell Trust and local foodbanks are working together to develop new ways to help people out of crisis through programmes like More Than Food."

To find out more about The Trussell Trust visit www.trusselltrust.org.