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Front cover: Pentecost reimagined (Titian, 1545)

MINISTER'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

It was a huge privilege to welcome the new Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, the Rt. Rev. Shaw Paterson, to St Cuthbert's on Assembly Monday as he and Mrs Paterson hosted the ecumenical delegates and commissioners to a reception. The main sanctuary looked stunning full of so many people all enjoying each other's company over a glass of wine. His theme for his year in office is 'building together'.

As we chatted, he told me about his relative and family link with St Cuthberts; Tom Dymock was an elder here and head psychiatrist in several central Scotland hospitals



This lovely link with the past is what building together is all about. And we continue to build at St Cuthbert's with others; as we chatted, I told him that behind us on the other side of the wall behind the stunning Lake Tekapo painting we were, that evening, hosting a meal for our homeless friends in partnership with Steps to Hope, whilst above them in the clocktower our Ukrainian refugee friends 'the spiders' were weaving camouflage nets to send back to protect vulnerable people in their home country.

I also mentioned that both our homeless guests and refugee friends had been part of our Advent worship which started our new year of Mission and outreach.

We are indeed a well-equipped space in the right place that is full and vibrant doing God's work in the West End all under one roof. Mrs Paterson then said "as the Church, we should be shouting about what is going on in St Cuthbert's from the rooftops!"

Indeed, we should, and may we do so in his Name who is the way, the truth and the life.

God Bless

Peter

FROM THE TOWER ROOM

Welcome to the early summer edition of the magazine.

As the wife of the Moderator said in Peter's letter, let's shout from the rooftops! Sometimes it is not easy to comprehend how a kind thought, a word of encouragement or action can actually make a difference. St Cuthbert's certainly should be proud of its efforts for the homeless and the refugees.

Mrs Paterson certainly appreciates the work going on in St Cuthbert's and we have a further couples of examples in the magazine. We have included the talk given by Bridget Cameron on behalf of Soul space on the subject of 'entertaining strangers' while we also include an essay from a young volunteer from Fettes who writes about the joy of volunteering in the church preparing the tables for our homeless guests.

Martin Pearce keeps us updated on our continuing support for Ukraine and on the Bible Fellowship Group. He also talks about the Holy Spirit and poses the question to us, "have we been helped by the Holy Spirit and if so, how?"

We feature Peter's role as Chaplain to the Convenery of Trades of Edinburgh, explaining the historical role this body and the individual deacons of each trade have played in the city and close with a short story about, I imagine, the only such deacon one has heard of.

Dr Anne Robertson informs us of the next congregational lunch so put a note in your diary for Wednesday 31st July.

Finally, an appeal from the editor for any pictures or photos of St Cuthbert's former mission halls at Castlebarns (Morrison Street) and Freer Street (also known as Gilmore Park).

Stewart Cowe

Update on Bible Fellowship Group

One of the benefits of meeting in a group is that questions arise about our faith and our understanding of scripture, and by sharing in experiences and understandings, we get a collective understanding or at least an alternative understanding. Scripture was not written in the English language so we are not the only ones who have difficulty in understanding the mysteries of the Word of God.



We might quibble about how to interpret parts of God's Word, but there is no argument about its basic point: that God created us, and loves us; but without Jesus, we would be struggling in a world of sin.

We are currently reading through the letter to the Galatians and then we will turn to some of the lesser-known characters in the Acts of the Apostles, who helped to grow the Christian Communities in the First Century.

Another important feature of our time of fellowship is sharing in prayer when prayers can be said for one another, our church family and God's world. Sometimes prayers of encouragement for one another leaves us in a positive mindset and ready to cope with whatever challenges we are confronted with.

Please give this Bible Fellowship group a try. You do not have to come every week. No one does. All are welcome.

Yours in the service of Christ,

Martin Pearce

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The Group meets Thursday evenings on Zoom from 7.30pm to 8.30pm. Zoom details from martin.pearce2109@outlook.com

Reflections on the Holy Spirit

The Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles describe Jesus' resurrection, ascension, and the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost into three distinct events.

The Acts of the Apostles moves us from the seven weeks of Easter and the eye witness accounts of the risen Jesus, through to the Ascension, to the supernatural events of Pentecost - when the Holy Spirit came upon the followers of Jesus.

In our church calendar we celebrate the Holy Trinity shortly after remembering these events; namely God the Father - who is the Almighty who created the universe and us, God the Son - whose teachings we try to follow, and God the Holy Spirit – our helper and comforter.

So here are a few thoughts for us to reflect on the work of the Holy Spirit.



For Luke, the Spirit is the power of God that takes the Gospel to all nations that starts with the events of Acts.

For John, the Gospel writer, the Spirit is the continuing and comforting presence of Jesus within the church, and the source of inner peace for believers.

For Paul, the Spirit is that bond which unites us to Christ, in one body, and gives gifts to each person because we are all part of the same body.

The transforming Spirit was given to all the followers at Pentecost, when Peter addressed the crowd, which marked the birth of Christianity.

The gift of being made into God's messengers continued to reverberate throughout the Acts of the Apostles, not only through the Apostles but through many followers, which is one reason that Christianity grew so quickly. People of all backgrounds like Stephen, Philip, Barnabas, John Mark, Timothy, Silas, Aquilla and Priscilla, Apollo, Lydia, Agabus and many others became part of the Christian family of evangelists.

Christian messengers have continued to pass on the message through the generations for over 2,000 years, which is why we worship our gracious God today.

The Spirit is offered to all and can call ordinary people to do extraordinary things in serving God the Father.

And we are left with the question, **who are the modern-day evangelists** in our churches today?

Will we be moved to allow the Holy Spirit to use our personal experiences and caring hearts to tell people about Jesus?

There is only one saviour, Jesus, and he wants nothing more than to save us, all of us, and love us

Hence, everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved from sin, death, and judgment day.

God gave us a helper and comforter - the Holy Spirit - who helps us cope with all the challenges of life including the hard times of illnesses and bereavements and so on.

Through the encouragement of the Holy Spirit, we became a family of Christian worshippers at St Cuthbert's, and so he sends us back into the community to serve him and bring hope to others so that **everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.**

We need to allow the Spirit to work within us ... and when we do, the fruit of the Spirit, namely, love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control will show through us in the way we speak, act, and love one another.

When people sense such love, they will value the local church and enquire about the risen Jesus and perhaps they may allow the Spirit of God to work within them.

We experience new life in this life and are given the hope of a life to come in the heavenly home when the Spirit is within us.

Hence a question to ponder: **Have you been helped by the Holy Spirit? If so, in what way?**

Continuing support for Ukraine in 2024

Ukrainian St Margaret's Saturday School.

The School continues to thrive and will complete its first year as an independent school for Ukrainian children in June. The children are learning the Ukrainian language and customs, as well as English language, mathematics, social and business skill, and art.

Five Ukrainian teachers and three English language teachers teach 30 or more children/teenagers aged 5 to 18 years old every Saturday during term time

A group of General Trustees chaired by Reverend Peter Sutton oversees the governance of the School and have had success in raising sufficient funds for the first year of teaching, not least because of the generosity of St Cuthbert's. In addition, the Trustees applied for and received charity status from OSCR for the school. (SC 053287) and are now engaged in raising further funds.

Such is the popularity of the School with the pupils, parents, and teachers that the Trustees have decided to run the school for a second year, not least because there are no Ukrainian Saturday schools in Edinburgh for secondary pupils. There is one other Ukrainian Saturday school for primary age children, such is the demand.

The summer term will finish on Saturday 22nd June with a prize giving ceremony at St Cuthbert's from 12 noon to 1pm when each child will receive a prize for their attendance and effort. Members of St Cuthbert's and supporters are welcome to attend and hear the children sing and read poetry as well as receive their prizes.

Refreshments will be available.



Ukrainian Children's Choir

We hosted a Ukrainian children's choir, supported by some adult singers, on Friday 3rd May in the sanctuary when they gave an uplifting concert of singing and dancing to an audience of about 300. It was a two-hour concert without a break - a real tour de force by very determined and talented Ukrainian families. The sanctuary was vibrant with people who have suffered much but had an evening of joy and togetherness.

The next Ukrainian Concert is on Tuesday 4th June 6pm to 7pm in the Lindisfarne Room when a gifted solo musician called Yurly will give a concert on an ancient instrument called a Kobza. All are welcome.

Camouflage Nets.

We continue to provide the Tower Room at St Cuthbert's for the Ukrainian Spiders who make camouflage nets, which provide protection from surveillance drones for people living in bombed housing. The nets are also used for field hospitals.

As ever, more volunteers are welcome to help make the nets. At the four manufacturing sites in Edinburgh, the Spiders have made over 150 nets.

Thank you

All our Ukrainian friends thank St Cuthbert's for your continuing support to the local Ukrainian community in Edinburgh/Lothian and to the people in Ukraine.

Further details from: martin.pearce2109@outlook.com

The Kirking of the Deacons

At the beginning of May, Peter took part in a colourful and historic ceremony unique to Edinburgh in his role as Chaplain to the Convenery of Trades of Edinburgh.

The Convenery dates back to the mid-16th century, although the constituent trade bodies go back even further. For comparison, the Convenery of Trades is a similar but smaller version of London's Livery Companies.

There are currently 15 trade bodies in the Convenery although over the years, many others have either been lost or have been subsumed into others. These trade bodies' original role was one of quality control, ensuring that their products came up to the standards expected of the craft, but much of the work nowadays is of a charitable nature.

Each trade elects a Deacon, whose office dates to an Act of Parliament exactly 600 years ago this year. At a time when the trades were seeking to combat the growing influence of the merchant guild in the city – the Royal Company of Merchants of the City of Edinburgh – each Deacon was appointed to the city's Town Council – a role that endured until 1833.

The Convenery was formed just after the Reformation in 1562 with the prime objective of combining the strengths of the various trades in the Town Council.

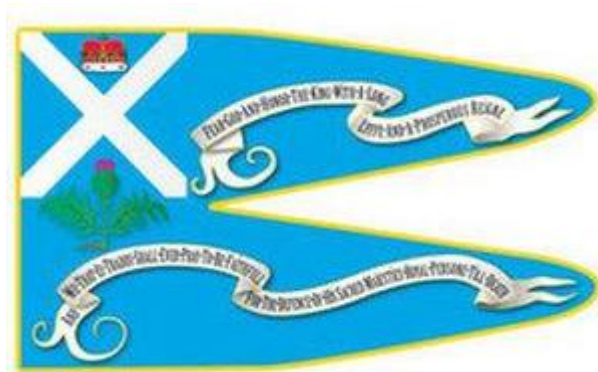
The ceremony referred to above is the 'Kirking of the Deacons' held at the beginning of May. Each year, the Deacons are 'kirked' at Beltane (marking the beginning of Summer) in which the Deacons march in ceremonial dress along with their banner-bearers, led by the Convenery's Officer bearing the Blue Blanket (extreme left on picture above), under escort from the High Constables of Edinburgh, from Candlemakers' Hall to Greyfriars Kirk. They are met by the Lord Provost and some of the Town Council, where the Chaplain (Peter) conducts the service.

There are 15 trade bodies in the Convenery. Their precedence is determined not by their date of founding but by the Act of Sett of the Burgh of Edinburgh, agreed by King James VI in 1583. Their precedence is as follows:



- The Incorporation and Royal College of Surgeons
- The Incorporation of Goldsmiths
- The Incorporation of Skinners
- The Incorporation of Furriers
- The Incorporation of Hammermen
- The Incorporation of Wrights
- The Incorporation of Masons
- The Incorporation of Tailors
- The Incorporation of Baxters
- The Incorporation of Fleshers
- The Incorporation of Cordiners
- The Incorporation of Weavers
- The Incorporation of Waulkers
- The Incorporation of Bonnetmakers and Dyers
- The Incorporation of Candle makers

The Blue Blanket referred to also has an interesting history. The Blue Blanket is the Edinburgh Tradesmen's Banner. Its early history is unclear, but legend has it that it was given to the tradesmen and craftsmen of Edinburgh by King James III in 1482. It is also said to have been carried as the battle flag of the Edinburgh Trades at the battle of Flodden in 1513. The tattered remains are reputed to have been brought back to Edinburgh the next day together with news of the defeat of the Scottish Army and the death of the king.



Deacon Brodie (1741-1788)

If the preceding article implies that the deacons mentioned were all upright citizens of the capital, then think again. Perhaps the most well-known deacon (probably the only well-known one) was Deacon (William) Brodie, a successful cabinet-maker and locksmith, member of the Town Council and Deacon of the Incorporation of Wrights and Masons.

But what he is most remembered for is not day time activities but for his secret second



life as a night-time leader of a gang of burglars. This second 'occupation' was needed to support his extravagant lifestyle, particularly his gambling.

His night-time pastime was made easy thanks to his day job as a maker and repairer of locks. When he was working in the homes of his clients, he took copies of their house keys, for use in the future.

His downfall came about following a daring armed raid on His Majesty's Excise Office in Chessel's Court, on the Canongate. Brodie had planned the raid himself but it went disastrously wrong and two of his associates were caught and turned King's evidence on the rest of the gang. After fleeing to London, Brodie was eventually caught and arrested in Amsterdam and returned to Edinburgh for trial.

There was little evidence to incriminate Brodie until a search of his house revealed the tools of his illicit trade. The jury found Brodie guilty and he was hanged at the Tolbooth in front of a crowd estimated at 40,000. Ironically, Brodie was hanged from a gibbet (or gallows) that he had only recently designed – proudly stating that the gallows upon which he was about to die was the most efficient of its kind in existence.

Conspiracy theories suggest that Brodie survived the hanging, by wearing a steel collar, and having bribed the hangman. 'Sightings' of him in Paris only further enhanced that fanciful tale.

And the story does have a connection to St Cuthbert's – of sorts. Brodie was buried in St Cuthbert's Chapel of Ease in Buccleugh.

Soul space: Entertaining Strangers

This is a transcript of Bridget Cameron's Soul space delivered on 1st May. As the Church's sound system was not functioning that day, few will have heard the message. In Genesis chapter 18, we find the familiar story of how Abraham and Sarah received strangers at their encampment by the oaks of Mamre. Abraham was sitting in the door of his tent when he looked up and saw three men standing near. He at once went forward, bowed to the ground and offered them water to wash their feet, bread to eat and a place to rest in the shade of a tree.

He then ran to his wife Sarah and asked her to bake a special loaf. He went to the herd and chose a fine calf and ordered it to be prepared for the guests to eat. He also provided curds and milk. This was all done and Abraham stood beside the guests while they ate. Subsequently there was the conversation with Abraham in which he was told that he would have a son (and Sarah laughed).



Verse 16. 'Then the men set out from there and looked towards Sodom; and Abraham went with them to set them on their way.'

In this story, food and drink were at once offered, perhaps rather more lavishly than usual as Abraham seemed certain of their identity, and subsequently he accompanied them on part of their onward journey.

Traditions of this kind are observed to this day in some areas. In his book *The Places in Between*, Rory Stewart describes his walk across Afghanistan from village to village. The warmth of the welcome varied but he always seemed to be housed (rather primitively) and fed, but sometimes people went out of their way to help. In one place he was given a fierce dog to guard him from wolves. In another village, the headman told his 17-year-old son to guide him over the next pass. This the lad did, refusing money for the service saying it was the least he could do for a guest; it was a six hour round trip.

There are also traditions about how to greet a guest. In some Middle European countries, there is a custom of offering bread with salt to dip it in on arrival. Years ago our Greek guidebook carefully instructed the traveller on what to do should they be offered a tray bearing a glass of water, a spoonful of jam and a cup of coffee (see picture, below).



Many of us enjoy foreign holidays and I hear stories from my own family of highspots in their visits which often involve staying in small unpretentious hotels or village apartments where you meet the local people, eat the local food and often are given wonderful treats 'because you are a visitor.' The human touch can make things so very special. My husband and I were lucky to do a lot of travelling, often on holiday but also in connection with his work, and had



many special encounters. These were memorable for us and varied from unexpected hospitality offered so warmly by a Cretan farmer who had unlocked a church for us (see picture, top), to much grander occasions in other countries where people seemed to go out of their way to make us feel special and at home.

Here in St Cuthbert's, we welcome thousands of visitors every year. They come for all sorts of reasons, interest in churches, stained glass, or because it's raining outside and they want to sit down, but sometimes they come because they want to find peace and

the presence of God. Those of us who do guiding here can tell of many interesting encounters.

About two years ago, my colleague Tom and I were on duty one Friday afternoon when a tall man dressed in black and rather stern and military in appearance marched into the church. He came straight to me and said one word, his nationality. I gave him a guide leaflet in his language and he disappeared into the church. He was there for some time and emerged apparently a changed being. He was smiling and desperate to communicate but he had minimal English and had to use the translation service on his phone. However he had some sort of a conversation with Tom and eventually produced from his pocket a small book of Psalms. He showed Tom his favourite psalm so Tom looked it up in a pew bible. Our visitor then read out the psalm in his language and Tom responded with the English version. At the conclusion, the two men virtually if not actually shook hands. Our visitor then tried to convey that, whatever our differences, we had our faith in common; we are all brothers and sisters in Christ.

I would like to think that his memory of St Cuthbert's was a place where he lost a burden, found the peace of God and also friendship.

How do we treat strangers? Do we welcome them as honoured guests or do we consider them tentatively, unsure of their background, their motive for coming here, wondering what they want of us? Whitby was once a much busier port than it is today but has seen many strangers. In the church, there are pews labelled in fading lettering 'Strangers only' (see picture, below). They are welcome, they are expected, there is a place for them. Abraham was in no doubt that his strangers were of divine origin; they represented the Almighty and he addressed them as My Lord. In the monastic Rule of St Benedict, hospitality is of great importance; all guests who arrive should be treated as if they were Christ.

There is a story told by the Russian author, Turgenev, when one day in his youth he found himself in a little wooden church full of icons and lit by candles.

A man came in and stood beside him and he became convinced that this man was Christ. With mixed emotions, the boy made himself turn and look at the man and what he saw was 'A face like everyone's, a face like all men's faces...

What sort of Christ is this? I thought.

I turned away. But I had hardly turned my eyes from



this ordinary man when I felt again that it was really none other than Christ standing beside me.

Again I made an effort over myself...

And again the same face, like all men's faces, the same everyday, though unknown features.

And suddenly my heart sank, and I came to myself.

Only then I realised that just such a face—a face like all men's faces—is the face of Christ.'

Whether the Celtic church had any connection with the Rule of St Benedict, I do not know but there is an ancient Rune of Hospitality known to many of us:

*I saw a stranger yestere'en.
I put food in the eating place,
Drink in the drinking place,
Music in the listening place,
And in the sacred name of the Trinity
He blessed myself and my house,
my cattle and my dear ones,
and the lark said in her song
Often, often, often,
Goes the Christ in the stranger's guise.*

Bridget Cameron

OUT AND ABOUT

Life and Work

The June edition contains:

The True Measure of Fatherhood: The fathers of the Bible

'We Genuinely Care About People': The Railway Mission

General Assembly 2024: Four pages of reports to the Assembly

Our Presbyteries: North East and the Northern Isles

Letter from the Holy Land: Update from the Church's mission partners

'Fundamental to Who He Was': A new book on the faith of Scottish physicist James Clerk Maxwell

'This is Not About Worldly Success': Artist Linda Hoskins and her connections with a Christian homelessness charity



Regulars

The Very Rev Dr Martin Fair on ministry recruitment

Reflection by the Rev Dr Richard Frazer

The Rev Ruth Kennedy on digital church

Bible Study by the Very Rev Dr Colin Sinclair

My Church: Paul Riley of St Andrew's in the Grange, Guernsey

Youth: Christian Aid prophetic activist Oluwatoyosi Baruwa

View from the Pulpit: the Rev Maggie Hunt, minister of a new union in Forfar

Plus: official updates from the Assembly Trustees and Faith Action Programme, readers' pictures, news, letters, reviews and puzzles – all for £3.50.

www.lifeandwork.org/subscribe or speak to St Cuthbert's Life and Work co-ordinator.

The joy of volunteering

One of the most rewarding privileges I get to carry out as the Minister of St Cuthbert's is to sign the Duke of Edinburgh Award Passports of the volunteer school pupils who come to be with us on Sunday afternoons as part of their community service outreach. Invaluably they set up the tables in the sanctuary in preparation for the meals that are served to our homeless guests by our partner charity Steps to Hope. This outreach by these fine young people goes beyond Sunday afternoons and last year it was a joy to host so many of them and their chaplain here in St Cuthbert's.

The impact of serving in God's House can be very powerful and one of the students shared the following beautiful reflection with me:

"During my volunteering block for my DofE bronze award, I had the privilege of immersing myself in the local community of Lothian and gaining a deeper understanding of the significant work carried out by the church. This experience not only expanded my knowledge about the community I reside in but also inspired me to actively engage with individuals from diverse backgrounds. Interacting with new people during this period was a transformative experience, as it exposed me to a myriad of perspectives and provided me with invaluable insights into the lives of others.

One particular activity that stood out as immensely fulfilling was our weekly commitment to setting up tables and chairs for homeless individuals in Edinburgh to enjoy a warm and complimentary lunch. This seemingly small gesture of kindness not only brought joy to the recipients but also instilled within me a profound sense of purpose and satisfaction. Witnessing the smiles on the faces of those we helped served as a powerful reminder of the positive impact that even modest acts of generosity can have on the lives of others.

Through these volunteer sessions, I cultivated a deep sense of community and forged meaningful connections with the individuals who call this place home. Understanding that my contributions were making a tangible difference in alleviating the challenges faced by those in need filled me with a sense of fulfilment that words cannot adequately express. The time spent at the church was treasured, and I eagerly anticipate the opportunity to continue serving and giving back to the community in the future. I wholeheartedly encourage others to partake in similar volunteer activities, as not only does it benefit those in need, but it also cultivates a greater understanding and appreciation of the community in which one resides.”

GENERAL NOTICES

Congregational Roll

Deaths *I am the resurrection and the life*

19th April Mr Hugh Neilson

20th April Katherine (Rena) Scott

New member by Resolution of the Kirk Session

Mrs Carolyn Kerr

Congregational Lunch

We are having congregational lunch which includes the housebound on 31st July.

Further details will be announced later.

Dr Anne Robertson

Church Garden

St Cuthbert's churchyard is the property of the City of Edinburgh Council and very well cared for by their gardeners. However, for a number of years the garden area just outside the main door and referred to as the Church Garden has been lovingly cared for by volunteers.

Anyone who would like to assist and can commit to a few hours on a Tuesday morning please contact the Church office –0131 229 1142.

St Cuthbert's Mission Halls

I wonder if anyone has any old photos of the mission halls in Castlebarns (more recently known by its postal address 75 Morrison Street) or Freer Street (also known as Gilmore Park). It is a long shot, as St Cuthbert's gave up these premises in 1967 and 1958 respectively.

While we know enough of their history over the 20th century, we do not have any photos of the buildings.

If you do have any (or even have just a description of the halls), please get in touch with the editor at magazine@stcuthberts-edinburgh.uk

Any photos will of course be returned.

Church Flowers

We are now arranging flowers in the Sanctuary every Sunday. Anyone who would like to donate flowers on an anniversary or other special occasion or give a financial donation to the Flower Fund is invited to contact the Flower Committee via Church Office or place a donation in the offering bag clearly marked Flower Fund.

We would also like to welcome new members to the Committee and shall be very pleased to hear from any member interested. Help will be provided if required.

Communication

It would be helpful if members moving house would notify either their elder or the Church office of their new address.

Recordings of 10.30am Sunday Services

Recordings of the Church services are available on the Church website (stcuthberts-edinburgh.uk).

Telephone Prayer Circle

Requests for prayer in a crisis situation or in time of trouble should be sent by email to Irene Gill at prayercircle@stcuthberts-edinburgh.uk

Prayer is normally offered for one week. Names of those for whom prayer is required in the longer term should be entered in the Intercession Book (to be found on the table in the vestibule).

All information will be treated in confidence.

Fresh Start

Fresh Start are very grateful for all our donations of household items and non-perishable food. Please continue to place your donations in the "Big White Box" in the vestibule.

If you are unable to deliver them, please email Jim McLean jamesangusmclean@gmail.com with your name and that the email is about Fresh Start.

Tuesday and Saturday Coffee Mornings

A reminder that St Cuthbert's have two dates for coffee mornings in the Church.

Every Tuesday, you can come for a coffee and a chat in the Lindisfarne Room between 10.30am and 11.30am.

Support continues to grow for the monthly Saturday coffee mornings and the upcoming ones are as follows:

29th June 11am - 2pm

27th July 11am - 2pm

Please hand in baking beforehand and any help on the day would be appreciated. Any enquiries, please text or phone Lyn or Derek.

Lyn & Derek Deans Contact: 07704 131 276:

Future Church Magazines



Thank you for sending in articles for the magazine. Please keep sending them in.

If you wish to contribute items to the Church Magazine, please note the following deadlines for the upcoming editions. Material should be sent to the editor by:

August/September by Friday 19th July

October/November by Thursday 19th September

either by e-mail to: magazine@stcuthberts-edinburgh.uk or please leave in the 'Magazine Editor' pigeon-hole in the Church Office.



STANDARD WORSHIP AT ST CUTHBERT'S

SUNDAY

9.30 am **Holy Communion**, Memorial Chapel, on the first Sunday of the month

10.30 am **Morning Worship**
Communion is included in the service on the last Sunday of each month

We celebrate a more formal Holy Communion service on a quarterly basis: on the last Sunday of January, June and October and on Easter Day

On the second Sunday of each month, Holy Communion is celebrated after the morning service in the Anam Chara Chapel

FIRST TUESDAY IN THE MONTH

12.15 pm Post Coffee Morning Worship, Memorial Chapel

FIRST WEDNESDAY IN THE MONTH (not January, July and August)

12.30 pm-5 pm **soul space** *Come and go!*
Reflection at 1 pm and 4.30 pm,
Soul Space takes place in the Church and is
also available online



THE VISION OF THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST CUTHBERT

To be living out the Gospel of Jesus Christ at the heart of our city as God's people in the West End of Edinburgh; sharing God's love, offering a home to friends and strangers alike, and providing a hub to discern the Vision of God.

St Cuthbert's is a congregation of the Church of Scotland. We also belong to the ecumenical parish grouping Edinburgh City Centre Churches Together. We are also part of the HeartEdge network of churches initiated by St Martin-in-the-Fields, London

St Cuthbert's is an 'eco-congregation'



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