

## CHURCHES TOGETHER in GLENROTHES & DISTRICT

### St Margaret's 13<sup>th</sup> September 2017

- PRESENT:** Christ's Kirk - Wilma Page, Ruth Anderson  
St Columba's - Anne Rennie (Minutes)  
St Margaret's – Rev. Eileen Miller (temporary chairperson), Joy Allan, Betty Menzies  
St Ninian's – Rev David Smith, Mary McIndoe (Treasurer)  
Sts Paul & Mary – Fr Gerry Hand  
Trinity – Irene Ross
- Apologies:** Rev Alan Kimmitt, Margaret Duffy, Ron Page, Allan McDonough, David Robertson, George Carratt

#### Action

- 1 **Opening Welcome & Worship** – Rev. Eileen Miller chaired the first meeting of the new session and read a passage from the Gospel of John chapter 1 v 1-14. She spoke about robots and how glad she was that we were not made in that image and how the Word had been made flesh and was a living thing which enabled us to work and grow together as individuals and churches. She also pointed out that there is now a Robot who conducts an orchestra and is appearing in Pisa but she wondered how this would work as there would be no emotion with such a device which gave us all food for thought.
  - 2 **Minutes of Previous Meeting (May)** – Following George Carratt's resignation as Chairman the position is open and nominations are welcomed.  
The minutes and Treasurers Report were passed as correct by Wilma Page and Ruth Anderson.
  - 3 **Matters Arising** - As suggested at the AGM in June, it was agreed that groups should be set up to deal with various projects and this was acted upon. 4 groups were set up as follows:
    - The God Question.** There will be a group dealing with the God Question. Alan Kimmitt, Ally Stark, Irene Ross, Anne Rennie, and Eileen Miller. This has still to be confirmed and Anne will speak to Ally Stark to confirm his willingness to call a meeting and to report back to the November meeting of Churches Together.
    - Oberammergau trip in 2020** A group dealing with the possibility of a trip to Oberammergau in 2020 which is being taken forward by David Smith. Information to be brought for discussion to the October/November meeting with a possible working group to follow.
    - Christian Unity Service.** Another evening Service of Unity will take place on Sunday 21 January. A small group will take the planning forward and Rev David Smith agreed to lead this group. Joy Allan, Mary McIndoe and Anne Rennie volunteered to be part of this group. It is hoped to have representatives of St Luke's and St Paul's and St Mary's and possibly a youth worker involved. A report is to be given at the November meeting.
    - Good Friday Walk of Witness.** A small group was proposed with Eileen Miller, Wilma Page, Anne Rennie, a representative from St Paul's and St Mary's and any other interested churches to look at the possibility of a Walk of Witness in Easter 2018.
- The Constitution Review** was discussed and it was decided to give extra time to this matter at one of our meetings when more representatives and clergy are present. If sufficient numbers are available, this would take place at the October meeting or failing that, at the November meeting.

#### 4 **Correspondence**

A letter was received from Grasping the Nettle regarding the God Question.  
A request was received from Amanda Hunter to speak at one of our meetings to highlight the needs of Dementia Patients in church surroundings and an invitation will be sent to her.

#### 5 **Reports**

##### Treasurer

Mary reported that £62.00 was paid out as half the money requested for the Hustings and Bob Grant paid the other £62. 00. The balance was asked for and will be presented at the next meeting.

#### 6 **AOCB**

No other business

#### 7 **Diary**

St. Columba are hosting an informal gathering on Tuesday the 19<sup>th</sup> of September at 7pm in the church hall and everyone is welcome. This is an opportunity to meet with four visitors we partner from Malawi who have come to visit with us for two weeks. Refreshments will be available.

St. Columba are hosting a Ceilidh night on 23 September at 7pm for our visitors and everyone is welcome. This will be a free event although donations are welcomed and refreshments will be available.

The Labyrinth is now ready to be walked or viewed at the Riverside Park.

St. Ninian's are holding a GBEG German night on Friday the 29<sup>th</sup> September. Tickets are £5 each and can be purchased by contacting Mary McIndoe or St. Ninian's Church.

Amanda Hunter has accepted an invitation to speak at the November meeting of Churches Together about making our churches more Dementia friendly. The talk will last for no more than 30 minutes.

#### 8 **Close**

The meeting was closed and the Grace was shared.

#### Meeting Schedule 2017-2018

<b>October 11<sup>th</sup> 2017</b>	<b>St Ninian's</b> (St Ninian's to provide chairperson)
<b>November 8<sup>th</sup> 2017</b>	<b>St Paul's</b> (to be confirmed, St Paul's to provide chairperson)
<b>December 13<sup>th</sup> 2017</b>	<b>St Columba's</b> (to be confirmed, St Columba's to provide chairperson)
<b>January 10<sup>th</sup> 2018</b>	<b>St Luke's</b> (to be confirmed, St Luke's to provide chairperson)
<b>February 14<sup>th</sup> 2018</b>	<b>Trinity, Leslie</b> (to be confirmed, Trinity to provide chairperson)
<b>March 14<sup>th</sup> 2018</b>	<b>Thornton</b> (to be confirmed, Thornton to provide chairperson)
<b>May 9<sup>th</sup> 2018</b>	<b>Collydean Baptist</b> (to be confirmed, Collydean to provide chairperson)
<b>June 14<sup>th</sup> 2018</b>	<b>URC Coaltown</b> (to be confirmed, URC to provide chairperson)

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