

2017 / 2018 Annual Report

Glenrothes & District Churches Together

This has been a full year for both Churches Together and for Glenrothes and district.

Member churches participated in the Peace Walk in November, Advent studies, carol singing in the Kingdom Centre in aid of the Foodbank, a service of prayer for Christian Unity at St Ninian's, a rearranged World Day of Prayer service at the Salvation Army, Lent studies, the Easter morning sunrise service with breakfast, and Christian Aid collections in the town.

New events included a display at the Go Glenrothes showcase in the Rothes Halls which looked forward to Glenrothes' 70th birthday in June 2018, and a very successful Walk of Witness on Good Friday which may become a regular event.

The group reviewing the constitution of Churches Together have brought a draft document to the AGM today for approval. Two groups are planning both Ecumenical and Interfaith services to be held later this year.

Amanda Hunter spoke to the October meeting about Dementia Friendly Glenrothes and how information and support was available to churches as well as shops and businesses. The March meeting was addressed by Davina Saunders who spoke on the National Prayer Breakfast of Scotland – an annual June event in Edinburgh which can be broadcast live to a local church with breakfast included. It may be that if suitable premises can be found in the town then this could happen in the future.

Contact has been made with Fife Interfaith Group, and we hope to hear from a speaker on the Fife Pilgrim Way progress in the autumn.

This year we bade a final farewell to the Rev Alex Wright who was one of the founders of the Glenrothes Council of Churches and a friend of ours to the end.

Having no chair at present, our monthly meetings have been led by a representative of the host church. This has been an enriching experience for everyone concerned, and it has been well supported by our members. Thank you to Anne Rennie for her prayerful service as secretary who stood down after the summer. Mary McIndoe accepted the invitation to become secretary and we were fortunate to regain the services of Allan McDonagh as treasurer. Allan was formerly treasurer for over 13 years and brings a wealth of experience to the role. He has already successfully updated the bank account signatories

This has been a challenging year for us, but with God's guidance and love we are moving forward in faith with a renewed vigour and shared love for the people of our town. Thanks are due to everyone in Churches Together who has carried forward the vision of Christ's Church working, praying and worshipping together here in Glenrothes. New members are always welcome to join us.

I pray that we have a blessed and restful summer and that we can meet together in September ready to carry the cross forward in faith in this place.

Mary McIndoe – secretary
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