

## Church Contact List

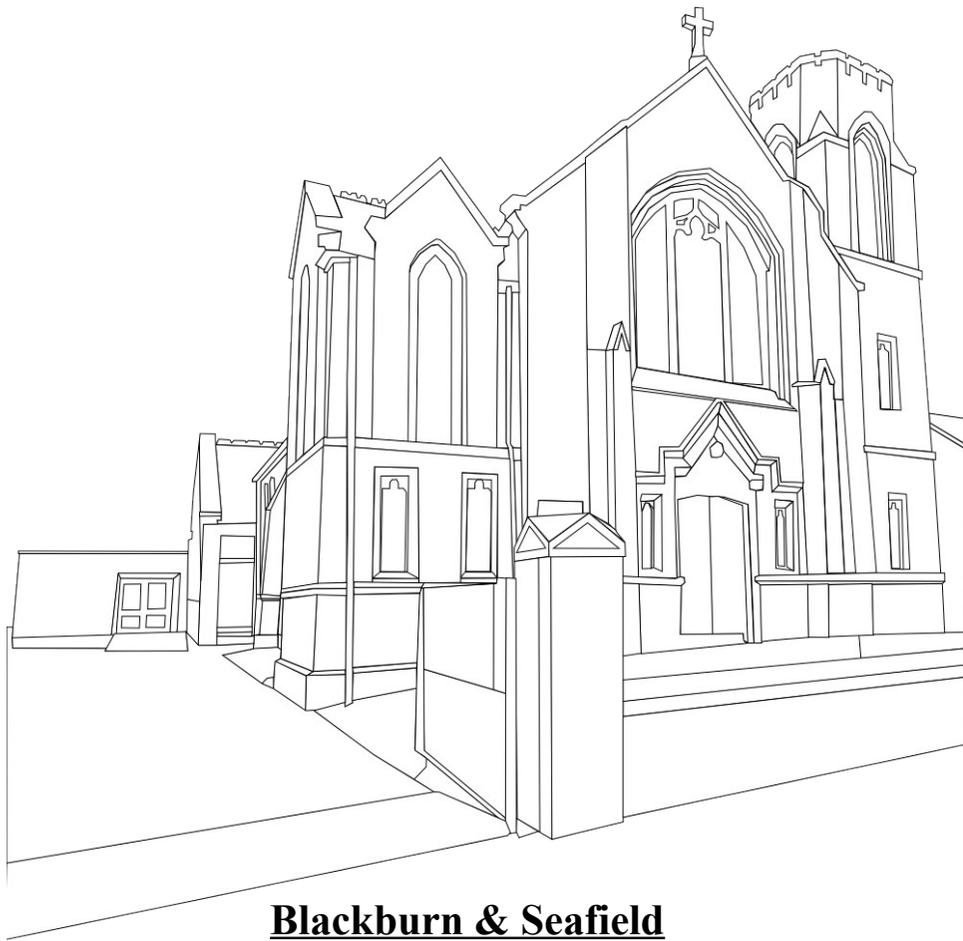
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Dear Friends

At the time of writing, it has been four months since I was appointed Locum to Blackburn and Seafield Parish Church.

I thank you for the warm and friendly welcome I have received. It is refreshing to see a vibrant church with an outlook to the community you serve with your weekly Food Bank, a meeting place for Alcohol and Gambler's Anonymous. In addition your halls are well used by Pinewood School, fitness classes and others. It is encouraging to see you have both, a Boys Brigade and Girls Brigade Company, as well as Stepping Stones on Sundays. I joined the Holiday Club for a few days in July, it is good to hear that children return year after year, but importantly you have the volunteers amongst your number to lead and help at these events.

It is important our Congregation are indeed open to the needs of our community; that we serve God as we are gifted to do, people should see the image of Jesus as they look at our Fellowship.

Let us ask ourselves what can we give to God's work in our Parish rather than looking to what our church can do for us. Jesus came into this world as the Servant King let us be His hands, feet and mouth in the communities we inhabit.

**Elder's Rota**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sept** – J. Lumsden, J. McAloon, J. Ewart, G. Todd, C. Naylor

**10<sup>th</sup> Sept** – I. Henderson, L. Graham, M. Shields, S. Merry, L. Thomson

**17<sup>th</sup> Sept** – E. Stockman, E. Younger, W. Gilfillan, J. Mitchell, E. Wood  
**24<sup>th</sup> Sept** – A. Gilfillan, I. Brown, I. Milne, J. Robertson, C. McCulloch

### **Tea Rota**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sept** – I. Culpin, S. Milligan, S. Stevenson, I. Henderson, M. Shields  
**10<sup>th</sup> Sept** – J. Lumsden, M. Arnott, H. Lind, K. Burnett  
**17<sup>th</sup> Sept** – J. McAloon, I. Ross, M. Savage, L. Thomson  
**24<sup>th</sup> Sept** – E. Stockman, K. Younger, M. Brown, S. McGowan

### **Flowers for the Sanctuary**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sept** – Mrs. M. Shields  
**10<sup>th</sup> Sept** – Mrs. J. Wallace  
**17<sup>th</sup> Sept** – Mrs. M. Millar  
**24<sup>th</sup> Sept** – Mrs. H. Stewart / Mrs. H. Lind



**1<sup>st</sup> Blackburn Girls' Brigade**  
**01506 631833**



Hello everyone,

I can't believe we are at enrolling time again. The summer holidays have flown in. Our enrolment night is on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September between 6.30pm and 7.30pm. Our Company nights begin the following Wednesday.

All girls from P1 to S6 are welcome as we Seek, Serve and Follow Christ in a fun and friendly fashion. If anyone could spare an odd Wednesday night to help our small band of officers, we will welcome them with open arms.

God bless.  
Moir.

I come at an exciting time in your Christian journey as you set out to find a new Minister to take our Congregation forward. I ask that you remember in your prayers your Nominations Committee that they will be prayerful, diligent and filled with discernment as they seek to find the person God has called to our Congregation. Pray also that this person will indeed respond to God's calling.

Remember your Office Bearers at this difficult time that they will continue to focus on Jesus and His calling for us to serve the community.

I believe I have a calling to Pastoral Care and hope to expand my visits to you folks but I need to know that you require this.

As we look to new session in the church let us try to show to any new prospective leader that we are indeed a congregation that seek to know God in a

personal way and to serve him in this parish through times of prayer, bible study and meeting regularly on Sunday morning to bring him the praise and glory He deserves.

With God's Blessings  
David Wilkie

### **Nominating Committee Update**

The nominating committee have been busy over the summer. The advert will be in the October edition of the Life and Work Magazine and will be on their website at during the same month. The closing date has been set as the 31<sup>st</sup> October.

Questions have been written and agreed on and we are now ready and waiting for the applications to come pouring in.

Please keep the vacancy and the nominating committee in your prayers as they continue to work towards finding the right person to minister within Blackburn and Seafield.

Many thanks & God Bless  
Elaine

A Prayer for Healing.

Let us all pray for the lost, those who are hurting, for the sick, the bereaved and those Christians who are imprisoned behind both visible and invisible walls. Send forth your comfort, your peace and your calming presence to those who are without hope. Protect the defenceless and hold them close to your heart. Pray that your word of good news of Jesus to people around the world. Jesus hear the cries of the persecuted and believers too, make them brave and give them your powerful protection. We pray you give swift justice to those who want to destroy the innocent and strengthen the believers everywhere, so many needs Jesus but you are adequate for every need. Your name is powerful and your power is great so it's in your holy name we pray and believe. Amen

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## **Flower Show**

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> Oct**

**10-3pm**

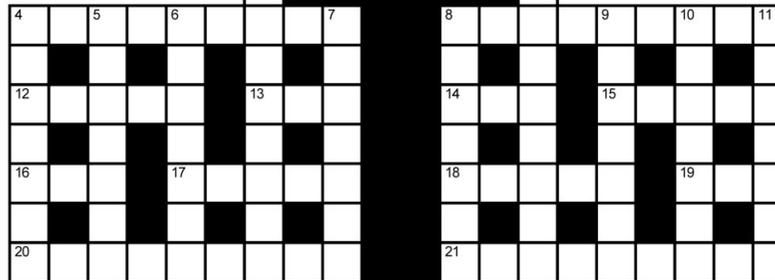
## Bible Crossword X

### Across

- 1 Donkey (3)  
2 Jesus' Father (3)  
4 One of the twelve (9)

### Down

- 1 One of God's messer (5,2,3,4)  
3 1940s archaeologica (4,3,7)



- 8 Didn't believe in resurrection (9)  
12 One of David's warriors (5)  
13 First word of the Lord's Prayer (3)  
14 New Testament name for Noah (3)  
15 Wish harm upon (5)  
16 Hole in the ground (3)  
17 Adversary (5)  
18 Saviour (5)  
19 First woman (3)  
20 Mother of John the Baptist (9)  
21 Family of priests (9)  
22 Third son of Jacob (4)  
23 Hates (8)  
26 Assurances (8)  
30 Endured pain (8)  
31 Return from the dead (4)  
32 Intercessor (8)  
35 Decorating (8)  
39 Old Testament book of the Bible (4)  
40 The prince of Rosh, Mesech and Tubal (3)  
42 A wise insect (3)  
44 Dwelling place of kings (6)  
45 Make bigger (8)

- 4 Tread down (7)  
5 Father of Jonah (7)  
6 Very salty water bordering Israel (4,  
7 Defensive structure  
8 Refuges (11)  
9 Dirty (7)  
10 Devout (7)  
11 Pieces of money (7)  
24 Used to listen (3)  
25 Used to see (3)  
26 Positions (5)  
27 Made available (7)  
28 Snake (7)  
29 Destroyed along wi Gomorrah (5)  
33 Finish (3)  
34 Possess (3)  
35 King of the Amaleki (4)  
36 Last letter of the Greek alphabet (5)  
37 Almost sacrificed by Abraham (5)  
38 Present (4)  
41 Unfasten (4)  
43 Fish traps (4)

<http://biblepuzzles.org.uk>

# Blackburn & Seafield Parish Church

(Unrestricted Call)

Can you help guide us on Faith's Journey?

We are looking for a Parish Minister to help us in our vision that our church is inspirational in bringing Jesus Christ, the light of the world into the heart of our community.

We would like our minister to:

- inspire and nurture us on our Faith Journey
- Provide approachable and strong leadership
- Help us to reach out to the younger generation
- Listen well and help us to provide quality pastoral care.

*For more information please contact: Rev Robert Malloch, Breich Valley Manse, 49 Main Street,*

*Stoneyburn, Bathgate, EH47 8AU, 01501 763142, rmalloch@churchofscotland.org.uk*

*Closing Date: 31st Oct 2017*

Brigade over the coming weeks.

Let's look forward to next year - who knows what theme we will come up with then!

God Bless,

Elaine & The Holiday Club Team

(Just a couple of photos from the week...)

