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## Dear Friends,

When I was in an airport in Canada, I noticed a sign put up by an airline which said: “You are a part of the team – Vous êtes une partie de l’équipe!” I squirmed slightly, but then it struck me what a good motto that would be for the Church! After all, it’s nothing new; the Prayer Book service for Baptism since 1552 has prayed that each newly baptized person, “may continue Christ’s faithful soldier and servant until *his* life’s end”, and if being a soldier isn’t being part of a team, what is?

In our day, this idea of teamwork and total ministry has come to be more emphasized than it had been for a variety of reasons. The decline in the “status” of the church and her ministers is something we have all seen, try as we may not to admit it! Anyone who wears a clerical collar in the street will be aware that it gains one more opprobrium than respect. Once, I met someone who was quite surprised to find that I was intelligent and skillful enough to wire an electric plug! And then, of course, there’s the shortage of money – and that’s something I don’t need to tell you! But we don’t need to believe that God sends our problems to recognize that he does manage to use them to teach us.

In recognizing these problems more than thirty years ago, the Scottish Episcopal Church began a programme of change. Part of this is a greater emphasis on Baptism as admission to full membership. Another aspect is that as part of the whole ministry of God’s people, the ministry of leading, serving and enabling should be that of a team, and a “ministry team” is now recognized as both normal and desirable. Holy Trinity has been a leader in developing this concept, and it has been a joy to join an excellent team here.

It is very good news that after all the work of the Charis campaign, it is now possible for you to look forward to the appointment of a new Rector. All the same, don’t lose sight of all you’ve gained in the process of being a livelier manifestation of the whole people of God!

And finally a request for the intercessions: please don’t pray for “Bob and the team” – just “the team” is fine, because, while I’m here, je suis aussi une partie de l’équipe!

With love,  
Bob

## Dear All,

Many, or most, of you will know by now that at the Vestry's meeting with the Bishop on the 11<sup>th</sup> of August, he was very positive about the outcome of our Charis campaign and that, in Consultation with the Chairman of the Diocesan Finance Committee, he is happy for us to go ahead to appoint a full time Rector for Holy Trinity. This would not have been possible without the contribution made by so many of you in so many different ways

With some regret, I have decided to step down from the Chairmanship of the Vestry as my husband's state of health gives cause for concern and the immediate future is somewhat uncertain. I have enjoyed the challenge of the past year and would like to thank so many of you for your kindness and support then and now.

With every good wish as we move into the next phase of life at Holy Trinity. No-one could ever say it is dull!

Davina



### **WANTED**

Some more second hand toys for the area at the back of the church to increase variety.

Various activities and books for toddlers and primary school age children, as well as paper and crayons.

## **The Organ of Holy Trinity Church**

Our organ was built in 1877, by one of the most respected and greatly revered organ builders of the 19th Century - Thomas Harrison, now Harrison and Harrison of Durham, with installations throughout the world.

Renowned for quality of tone and workmanship, in all their instruments, ours would have been supervised, tuned and voiced by Thomas Harrison himself.

The organ had its last rebuild and restoration in 1952 when the present ELECTRO-PNEUMATIC CONSOLE was installed at a cost of £3,000. (Refer to Holy Trinity Bi-Centenary Booklet, page 23.)

When I was first appointed as organist a year and a half ago, I found the organ motor to the blower was running in reverse, thus supplying only 70% of the necessary power to play all the stops and because the GREAT ORGAN CONSOLE was distorted some 8 to 12 keys were unreliable causing sticking and jamming on the notes just above middle C, over two octaves.

This has now been corrected as a first phase restoration at a cost of £800, + VAT.

A restoration now has been estimated at £25,000 with another £17,000 for all Leather Work Replacements (over 130 years the leather has perished in many areas, bellows, and inlets to pipes etc.)

I found it of interest to know something about the organ builders and do now pass on this knowledge.

*The following is taken from "The Harrison Story" published by Harrison and Harrison, Organ Builders, Durham in 1997.*

*Thomas Harrison, already an experienced organ builder, started his own business in Rochdale at the age of 22, in 1861. He rapidly established a reputation for first-class work, and attracted the attention of the musical world, including the Reverend Dr. J.B. Dykes, Precentor of Durham Cathedral.*

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*Thomas Harrison's sons Arthur and Harry succeeded him at the turn of the century. Their work included the cathedral organs of Ely, Wells, Newcastle, Ripon, Manchester, Gloucester, Worcester, Durham, Exeter and Winchester, as well as many other important churches and the Royal Albert Hall.*

*Organ Building almost came to a standstill with the start of the Second World War, but resumed with vigour in 1945 when C.T.L. Harrison, son of Harry Harrison, became Managing Director. He was succeeded in 1975 by Mark Venning, who is currently President of the International Society of Organbuilders.*

*Modern techniques of construction have been steadily introduced, but the firm remains committed to its original principles, each organ being individually designed and built. We have our own pipe-making workshop. Wind is supplied by traditional reservoirs, and slider soundboards have been used for every organ, large or small, built by the firm since its foundations. The restoration of historic organs - particularly those of the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries - continues to have an important influence on our work. The latest development in the Harrison Story is the construction of a new purpose-built workshop three miles from the centre of Durham.*

From the previous paragraphs we can see that our organ of 1877 would have been one of the Harrison & Harrison early instruments. It is fascinating to realise we have an instrument of such historical importance. I have initiated a fund raising concert on Thursday, 10th September, detailed elsewhere in this Gloria, and I hope to continue with an organ recital in the autumn and also musicians connected to the church have volunteered to give concerts.

I find leading the praise at Holy Trinity Church most satisfying and hope that my contribution enhances the spiritual impulses of you, the worshippers, through the performance of uplifting music and skilful use of the organ.

Jim Dickson, Organist.

## HOLY TRINITY WALKERS

We have done two walks (5 July and 16 August) which were enjoyed by eighteen people and four dogs who took part in one or both. On both occasions the day started wet but, by the time we set out, our prayers were answered and the sun shone.

The first walk was on the lower slopes of the Lammermuirs taking in Kidlaw, Latch and Long Newton. We enjoyed beautiful views, an excellent picnic spot and Cindy's Cookies. But first we had to find a way through a herd of cattle blocking our footpath. Bob voluntarily strode ahead and with the aid of his dog and a stick bravely cleared a safe route for the rest of us!

The second walk was from Dirleton Kirk to North Berwick via Yellowcraig beach. There was a strong wind but fortunately it was on our backs. Thanks to Peter we found an excellent sheltered picnic spot in the sand dunes. Before returning to Dirleton by bus we just had time for a quick cup of tea and a cake in North Berwick in the Abbey Church hall and were pleasantly surprised to find it was organised by members of St. Baldreds. Strongly recommended!

Following the success of these two walks another will be organised, probably in early October. The aim is to find routes of about four to five miles which can be enjoyed by people of all ages and abilities. Watch this space.                      Jeremy Willing



## The Notice board

### **TRAIDCRAFT STALL**

**The next Traidcraft Stall will be on Sunday 13th September.**

**Please note the October Traidcraft Stall will be on Sunday 4th October, to coincide with Harvest Festival.**

### **TAIZE PRAYER**

Taize Prayer will be in Chalmers Memorial Church, Cockenzie, on Friday, 28th August and in St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Musselburgh, (provisionally) on Friday, 25th September.



### **Trinity Centre Film Club**

**Thursday, 3rd September, 2.00 pm Trinity centre**

#### **Young Victoria**

**The story of her early years up to her accession to the throne.**

**This recent film has had good reviews, and stars Emily Blount, Rupert Friend, Paul Bettany, Miranda Richardson and Jim Broadbent**

Tea, biscuits and gossip to follow.

**Please note the change of time of start, which will be the same for the rest of the season.**

## HT AND SCOUTING

Although it is never listed as part of our church outreach, Scouting is never far below the surface among our members interests and activities. Right from the beginning 100 years ago when HT sponsored the formation of the 2nd Haddington Scouts, members of HT have been members and leaders of the movement. William Grant was the first. A member, then leader, for about 25 years before he moved to Edinburgh where he continued to be associated with the movement. Jumping then to WW II, it was kept alive when so many were away at war, by HT's Canon Boxer who involved Jean Fairbain who maintained a link in one capacity or another at local and county levels for at least 50 years. She in turn twisted the arm of your present treasurer to act as Group Leader in Haddington for a five year period from 1977-83 during which time Andrew Hamilton's father was a Scout Leader.

Now you may wonder why we don't see much of Liz Wilson. Well, she has been an ardent Cub leader all round the county for about 30 years, starting as a girl in Dunbar and more lately supporting Tranent cubs to re-establish themselves. Throughout she has helped in a variety of capacities at camps and jamborees most weekends and now to crown her scouting career she has been appointed as County Commissioner. Thanks and congratulations to her. This is very brief and sketchy but it would appear that for the whole of the 100 years of the existence of the Scout movement there has been at least one member of the congregation who has taken a prominent local role and even some others who like Jennifer Green who actively supported on the fringe, helping at camps and with jumble sales for over 30 years. Perhaps we should consider including Scouting in our list of Outreach activity. You can tell that once people have tasted Scouting they are hooked on it for a very long time. It is a brilliant organisation for boys and sadly at this very moment there are 33,000 boys nationally waiting to join but cannot because there is shortage of leaders .

## THREE CUPS OF TEA

Book Review by Rosemary Brannan

One Man's extraordinary Journey to Promote Peace....One School at a time. By Greg Mortenson and David Oliver Relin

I recently read this wonderful book, which I recommend to anyone who cares about peace and understanding between nations.

Greg Mortenson was a climber who set out with others to climb K2, but after helping an injured member of the party descend from the mountain, he failed to reach the summit and then got lost in the remote north-east corner of Pakistan.

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(Three Cups of Tea, cont.)

He eventually found his way to a village where he was looked after with great kindness. He grew interested in their way of life and wanted to know more about education in the village; he was distressed to be shown the school—a patch of earth where the children were writing with sticks in the dust. Money which had been allocated by the government to build schools had somehow been misappropriated.

Greg went home to the United States determined to raise money to build a school for that village, but at first found it enormously difficult to interest anyone in his project. At last he came to the attention of a rich Swiss American who donated enough to build that first school and later enabled him to set up the Central Asia Institute with its programme of school building in Pakistan and Afghanistan. He was supported by those who came to see the value of education for all children, but ran into opposition from extremists, funded by Saudi money—literally suitcases of it—who disapproved of educating girls and set out to build madrasas with their very narrow, Qu’ran-based education aimed at producing jihadists.

After the 11th of September Greg encountered much hostility in the States because to many ill-educated Americans muslim equated with terrorist, and he struggled to get across his message, that unless moderate Islam is understood and supported through education the extremists

## FROM THE REGISTERS:

### Funerals:

9th July 2009, John Callander Stewart

20th July 2009 Phoebe Blanche Perowne

May they rest in peace and rise in glory



### Baptism:

2nd August, 2009 Eliza Diana Jack

*We welcome you. We will care for you.  
We will share our faith with you.”*



# CONCERT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH



Thursday, 10th September 2009  
At 7.00pm

St. Ronan's Future Band are a talented and award winning Group of Brass Players, now in great demand. They won the Gold Award at the Borders Entertainment Contest in 2007 and 2008.

The Concert will also feature music for clarsach, and the St. Mary's Choristers, another group known locally for the excellence of their performance.

This is to raise funds for the Organ Repair Fund, so it is hoped there will be a good attendance.  
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## THANKS

To all who opened their gardens over the summer, and to all those who attended and enjoyed them.



Gill £87  
Sari £430  
Hermione £70  
The Alders £130  
Penelope £140  
Jean Blackadder £151

They raised for the church the total of  
£1,008 (plus Gift Aid)

## **Notices from the Fellowship Group,**

**Judith Wilkinson, Sari Salvesen, Margaret Fairbairn**

### **Monthly Sunday Lunches**

On the first Sunday of the next three months (Sept, Oct, Nov) we are planning to have a "Soup and Pud" lunch immediately after coffee in the Trinity Centre. There will be a list at the back of the church for you to add your name and your intended contribution to the fare.

We hope you will all join us as part of our Fellowship within the Charis Campaign.

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### **Quiz Night**

There will be a Quiz Night in the church on Friday 25 September at 7.30pm. Martin Lugton will be our esteemed quizmaster and he will be looking for teams of 4 persons. Please support this event as part of our fellowship.

You should supply your own drinks, glasses and nibbles.

This is meant to be a fun evening so please give your team an amusing title!

Donations towards the cost of the heating would be appreciated on the night.

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### **Homecoming Holy Trinity Weekend**

We are planning an evening's entertainment on Saturday 14 November in the Trinity Centre to include a traditional Scottish supper. We shall invite past members of Holy Trinity to join present members and if you know of anyone who you think we should be inviting, please let one of us know as soon as possible.

Also, if you, or someone you know, has skills in entertainment and you would like to share your talents with us, please let us know! Perhaps you are a magician, a musician or a thespian willing to entertain us for a few minutes?

Tickets for this event will be available at the beginning of October so that we have an idea of numbers for catering. There will be no charge for the ticket but donations towards costs would be most welcome.

The 10am service on Sunday 26 September will continue the Homecoming celebration

**The Fellowship Group**

## **TIME TO BE SERIOUS**

A church in London was fined £30,000 for three contraventions of the Fire Regulations at Woolwich Crown Court on 24/7/2009. Namely, they had (1.) twice as many people as approved and notified by the Fire Officer, (2.) blocked exits, (3.) had open flame heater with gas bottle.

"These offences presented a real risk of injury to the congregation who are our main concern. Church groups and others which organise large gatherings need to be sure their premises are fit for purpose and that they take their responsibilities very seriously to ensure the safety of visitors" Quite right too, you would say.

Can you believe that in the last 12 months all of these offences have been committed at the same time on more than one occasion in Holy Trinity?

You can see why the Vestry might take this seriously. Presently we are undertaking sidesperson training and would like a larger number of the congregation to be conversant with our emergency procedures. Ensure you enrol on one of our familiarisation evenings which take only about 45 minutes. Shortly we shall have to have a practise evacuation. Please bear with the Vestry in these matters as they discuss management of larger gatherings at the next Vestry.

Incidentally we do need more sidespersons and stewards to replace those lost recently. Please let Judith know you are available. Thank you.

Peter Green

### **Day Centre Lives.**

### **Mrs Jane Gaffney AKA Calamity Jane !**

Jane was born in Stanley Place, Edinburgh in 1928, she was the 3rd of four children. Her earliest memories are of stealing apples, playing the piano and being so jealous of her sister, Margaret's doll that she poked the eyes out ! This was something they squabbed about until Margaret's death in 2008. Unfortunately Jane's mother died when she was only 7 years old and the family were split up with the girls going into care with The Christie Homes in Haddington. Jane remembers the staff being very strict but she loved the huge gardens they had to play in with fruit and chestnut trees, once again Jane was in trouble for stealing apples ! The girls all attended school in Haddington and all walked to school together, they were one big family. When Jane was 14 years old she worked in the home as a domestic but later moved back to Edinburgh to her father's home and started work in Patrick Thomson's department store on the Bridges, Edinburgh. Jane loved working at PT's and remembers the girls there taking her to the theatre and for a meal to celebrate her 21st birthday.

Jane later returned to Haddington and worked in The George Hotel, she met her husband, James Gaffney there and they were married at St Mary's RC Church in Haddington. She has two children George and Elizabeth. Jane spent her later years as a well known dinner lady at Haddington Infant School a job she loved as she loves being around children. When she retired Jane volunteered at the Lunch Club in Haddington until her health prevented her doing so. She attended Haddington Day Centre until quite recently and was well known for her sense of humour and love of fun and games.

## Sunday Lectionary readings

<b>Sept. 6th</b>	All Age Worship
<b>13th</b>	Proverbs 1 20 - 33, James 3 1 - 12, Mark 8 27 - 38
<b>20th</b>	Proverbs 31 10 - 31, James 3 13 - chap. 4 3 - 7 and 8a, Mark 9 30 - 37
<b>27th</b>	Esther 7 1 - 6, 9 - 10, 20 - 22, James 5 13 - 20, Mark 9 38 - 50

<b>Date</b>	<b>Daily Eucharistic Readings</b>
Sept. 1st	Luke 4 31—37
2nd	Luke 4 38—44
3rd	Luke 5 1—11
4th	Luke 5 33— 39
5th	Luke 6 1—5
7th	Luke 6 6—11
8th	Luke 6 12—19
9th	Luke 6 20—26
10th	Luke 6 27—38
11th	Luke 6 39—41
12th	Luke 6 43—49
14th	Luke 7 1—10
15th	Luke 7 11—17
16th	St. Ninian of Whithorn, Matthew, 9 35 –38
17th	Luke 7 36—50
18th	Luke 8 1—3
19th	Luke 8 4—15
21st	Luke St. Matthew, Matthew 9 9—15
22nd	Luke 8 19—21
23rd	Luke 9 1—6
24th	Luke 9 7—9
25th	Luke 9 18—22
26th	Luke 9 43b—45
28th	Luke 9 46—50
29th	St. Michael and All Angels, John 1 47—51
30th	Luke 9 57—62

## INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS' HOSPITALITY SCHEME

In recent years the various churches throughout Edinburgh have offered invaluable support with the hospitality scheme for overseas students at the University of Edinburgh and this is greatly appreciated.

With an ever increasing number of students from overseas coming to the University and with financial restrictions and distance preventing many of them from going home during their time at Edinburgh, there is a greater demand for hospitality.

Hence we would like to ask if any members of your congregation would be prepared to invite an overseas student to join them for a family meal or visit, either during term time or over the period of the University's general closure at Christmas and New Year.

No overnight accommodation is required.

If you are interested in taking part, please contact

Stephen.McFadden@ed.ac.uk or write to Stephen McFadden  
C/O 57 George Square, EH8 9JU or phone 0131 650 4296 and we will send out a form for your details.

It is with the support received from our contact with the churches throughout Edinburgh that we are able to place so many of the students who request hospitality each year.

Many Thanks for your consideration.

*From the Bishop's Notices for week ending 17.7.09*

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**DEADLINES...** You can greatly assist the production process by submitting information and articles as soon as possible and not waiting for the deadline.

The deadline for the October issue is **Sunday 12th September 2009**

Please send all material to Wendy:

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Or phone 01620 822 891

## ROTAS

	Coffee & Tea	
Sept 6th	Kay Kemball	Helen Willing
13th	Jennifer Green	Liz Wilson
20th	Wendy Wilkinson	Sheena Wood
27th	Effie Bowman	Mary Wallace
	Sidespersons	
Sept. 6th	Julian Tennent	Jim McAndie
13th	Mary Wallace	Peter Green
20th	David Hinley	Elisabeth Cooper
27th	John Elcock	Kathy Warrender
	Readers	
Sept. 6th	Margaret Fairbairn	Christopher Stephen
13th	Mary Wallace, Effie Bowman, Jeremy Willing	
20th	Margaret Wastie, John Elcock, Astrid Ritchie	
27th	Alison Cowe, Judith Wilkinson, Davina Briggs	
	Flowers	
Sept 5th	Aileen Lamb	Mona Cook
12th	“ “	“ “
19th	Liz Wilson	John Elcock
26th	“ “	“ “

## **Dates for the diary:**

**Sept. 1st Vestry meeting, 7.30 pm**

**6th All Age Worship**

**10th Concert in Holy Trinity**

**16th St. Ninian of Whithorn**

**21st St. Matthew, Apostle**

**25th Quiz Night**

## **WEEKLY SERVICE TIMES**

<b>Sundays</b>	<b>Eucharist</b>	<b>8.30am</b>
	<b>Family Eucharist</b>	<b>10.00am</b>
	<b>Eucharist</b>	<b>11.45am*</b>
	<i>*(First Sunday of the month only)</i>	
	<b>Evening Prayer</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>

<b>Wednesdays</b>	<b>Eucharist</b>	<b>10.00am</b>
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