# Cornerstone

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## Farewell

Rev Murdo Campbell

"Whenever the cloud lifted from above the tent, the Israelites set out; wherever the cloud settled, the Israelites encamped". Numbers 9.17

We all know the children's game, "Follow the Leader." In this game you only have one task: do whatever the leader does. If the leader walks up a hill, you follow up the hill. If the leader jumps, you jump. When the leader stops, you stop.

In the wilderness, God's people followed the Lord, their leader and this is all that God asks his people to do, follow Him.

What a privilege it has been to share part of our journey of faith with you. I count it among my deepest joys. Even in our sad times and in your sad times, what a blessing it has been to support each other in these moments. Our lives have been interwoven in the fabric of faithful service to God and our Saviour. I thank you and Lorraine adds her thanks to my own.

If we could take a snapshot of the congregation in February of 2019 and hold it alongside today, we would see a church we recognize, but also a church that has gone through changes. The responses we have acted upon due to the pandemic, and all the measures we have initiated to meet this highly unusual situation — indeed, all that we have accomplished together took optimism and dedication, in which you generously shared. Two years ago, none of us could have predicted Zoom meetings, online services or online Sunday Club. I am sure, just as we have done



these things with God's help, shaped our work to meet the needs and demands of the day, so too, you will continue to work together and face the new demands of the future, shaping your work and worship for the glory of our Living Lord. This is God's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

Our departure date is the 14th of August. We will be gone by the time you read this but we will continue to hold you in our prayers and ever be the friends to you that we have been.

What I will not be is your minister and pastor. Someone yet unknown, who will be called as your next minister, will fulfil those roles. Give your new minister the same support and encouragement you have given to me.

Some of you have asked: Where will you be next? The answer is, I do not yet know. All through the Bible, God's people are called to be ready to go where God is leading them; and with those many examples as our guide, we will say yes to what God has envisioned as the next chapter in our lives. We will miss you deeply. Strathblane Church will ever be written upon our hearts and held in our prayers.

Love and blessings, now and always,

Murdo and Lorraine

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# Church Family

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Bob Harrison 12 August 2023

Now the dwelling place of God is with men, and He will live with them and be their God. Rev 21:3

## Message from the Interim Moderator Peter Murdoch

Dear Friends,

It is a great privilege to be appointed by Presbytery to be your Interim Moderator following the demission and retirement of Rev Murdo Campbell. I know you have thanked Murdo for his faithful ministry with you and I am sure that you would all join me in wishing God's richest blessing for Murdo and Lorraine as they embark on the next phase of their lives.

By the time this newsletter is published, I will have met many of you either in the Kirk Session or in the Sunday morning worship on 20th August. However please permit me to introduce myself and my role in coming months of your so -called "vacancy". "Vacancy" is a misleading term as the worship and missional life of the congregation will continue, and by God's grace, flourish in this interim period.

I am a retired medical doctor, a session clerk in Park Church Stirling, and an Elder in Presbytery and my responsibility, on behalf of Presbytery, as Interim Moderator, is to support your office-bearers and members through this period. I am delighted that the Rev John Wilson, already well known to and respected by many of you, will be your locum minister leading services most Sundays and is also providing pastoral care, supported by your office bearers.

The Presbytery's Mission Plan, already approved by the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland envisages a linkage of Strathblane Church with Killearn Church in the first instance. This would be an equal partnership of two active and similar congregations, definitely not a takeover of one by the other, but rather seeking to work out together how best to progress with a shared ministry in light of the national shortage of ordained ministers. An initial step already agreed is for a small group from Session to meet with counterparts in Killearn to discuss a mutually acceptable basis of linkage and also to meet with representatives of Presbytery. Any proposed agreement would then be voted on by both kirk sessions and congregations separately. We will try to ensure that members are fully informed of progress, but it may take a few months to sort out details. Please try to be patient.

Unless we seek God's guidance and strength in helping discern God's will and serving him faithfully in this congregation and parish, our efforts will come to naught so I would ask that we support and encourage each other in regular prayer.

Many of us find potential change and uncertainty challenging, and some of the proposed changes may cause anxiety and upset, but I pray that we might remain focused on the big picture, seeking to share God's Love and to God's Kingdom in our communities. In the words of the writer to the Hebrews, "let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes upon Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith"

Please contact me if you have any concerns and I will do my best to address them.

Blessings

Peter

Well. Since the last Cornerstone, so very much has happened hasn't it?

In the June Cornerstone, I was writing about the proposed linkage with Killearn Church as a future decision. One which we would be approaching, but quite slowly, with both Murdo, and Stuart Sharp in Killearn still being the ministers in their parishes for some time to come.



John Gray took this photograph of Murdo to hang in the Ministers Gallery in the vestry

This all changed, of course, when Murdo indicated to Presbytery his desire to "demit" by mid August.

As I write this, the removal vans have left the manse, and so has our minister of the last six years.

We will all miss his quiet wisdom and gracious dealings with those in need of support in so many ways. He led us faithfully through the difficult days of the pandemic, delivering comfort to those who, during this anxious, and often lonely, period, so sorely missed the support of face to face worship with their church family. Many people have come up to me in the village to say what a good and kind man they found him to be, a living witness to God's love for all.

What we must do now, though, is look ahead with the knowledge, and faith, that God has a new plan for us all, and one that He knows is for our good. It is right for us to care about what the future might hold, but it is not right for us to be fearful; we know that our God oversees all, and knows our every worry, He will not ever let us down , we are safe under His care whatever that future holds.

In the first instance, it is perhaps important to write down what linkage IS so that there may be no worries about what it is NOT.

It is about equally linking two separate churches under one minister, learning from one another and working together in a mutually beneficial way. It is about learning new ways to remain two caring and vibrant church families within our own communities. It is not about moving swiftly to a union of the two churches, it is not about one church taking over another, it is not about losing our buildings, or our individual identity.

We will be linked under one minister, but we will continue to reach out within our own communities, while also learning about one another's congregations.

There may come a time when, together, we feel that a union of the two churches may be the best way forward, but that time has not yet come.

A small group from Killearn and Strathblane has been set up to explore the basis of linkage, discussing practical solutions regarding services, the shared use of a minister, and how we can lean on one another for shared expertise. These groups will report to their Sessions and, in turn, update the congregation.

ANY decisions will only be finalised after the congregation has been consulted and balloted for their wishes.

This is an ongoing process, and nothing, so far, has been specifically discussed between these two groups. The first joint meeting is in the process of being organised, and there will be others to follow over the coming weeks.

Your elders are here at any time for you to contact about any concerns you may have.

We ask that each one of us holds in prayer the time ahead of us as we all seek to know what God's will is for our brothers and sisters, both here in Strathblane and also, in Killearn.

On your behalf, we bid a warm welcome to our Interim Moderator, Peter Murdoch, who has kindly given an insight into his role with us, and a brief but informative biography (page 2). We can be assured of his prayerful support throughout the next few weeks and months.

Peter is a new face for us, but we also welcome back a weel kent, and well loved face as our locum minister. John Wilson has very graciously agreed to be our locum for the foreseeable future, and we remember his faithful ministry to us in previous times with great fondness. Welcome back John, and Elizabeth, it will be lovely to see you both Sunday by Sunday.

#### Presbytery Elder:

Eric Livingston has recently stepped down from the role of Presbytery Elder, and indeed from an active role in Session. He cites reasons of age, but he always looks perennially young to me, given that mischievous twinkle I often catch in his eye!

We thank him for his service to the Session and his willingness to preach when need arose, a willingness to use this gift, I hope will continue. While the caravan and family commitments call them away from time to time, we will hope still to enjoy Eric, and Margaret's presence with us in Sunday worship.

We are grateful, and pleased that Ian Mills has stepped into the role of Presbytery Elder and we wish him well as he takes on this responsibility. We know that he will have the prayers of Session and congregation to support him.

## PAGE 4 Message from our Locum Minister Rev John Wilson

It is my privilege to be the locum in Strathblane. Like 6 years ago it is at a time of vacancy. The circumstances are slightly different at this time due to the Presbytery Plan. It is important that we realise that we are not alone as this happening throughout the Church of Scotland. We have to seek the way ahead by being united and working as a family of God's people. All of this appears devastating at the moment and we all have our own thoughts about it all.

Interestingly, in the news recently we saw the devastation in Hawaii. The news bulletin shared an interview with a member of a congregation whose church building was completely destroyed.

One lady said, "our building was destroyed completely but we are not finished; we will rebuild our church because our faith has not been destroyed." The hymn writer put it well when he wrote:

A Message from the King Ian Mills

I am sure a number of people in the congregation will know of someone who received a message from the late Queen Elizabeth. In my own family, there was great excitement at the time of my mother's 100th birthday when she received a card from the Queen. Also, both our granddaughters received a card after writing to the Queen on the occasion of her Golden Jubilee.

Recently, I received a message from the King no, not King Charles 3, but Neptune-Rex on the occasion of 'Crossing the Equatorial Line'. There is a long standing maritime tradition whereby those sailors who are crossing the equator for the first time known as the 'pollywogs' - are initiated by the 'shellbacks' who had previously experienced this passage. This tradition has now become a feature of entertainment on many cruise ships when crossing the equator. The pollywogs are summoned before King Neptune and his court to undergo their initiation ceremony which can include 'kissing the fish' or being 'baptised' in the pool. Thereafter they become 'shellbacks'. Fortunately, in my recent cruise experience, only members of the crew were involved and so the passengers were not obliged to go through this ritual - although a few brave souls did! I can now sail with an easy mind as according to my message from King Neptune, I have 'the freedom of the seas and all dwellers of the Deep will abstain from maltreating my person'. All taken in the spirit of innocent fun.

In the bible, there are numerous references to different Kings. In many cases they feature as part of the historical narrative of Old Testament kingdoms and tribes. Some Kings are well known eg Saul, David, Solomon. However, there are also references to the fact that both God and Jesus occupy a more significant status than all other Kings. The New Testament in particular states quite clearly (eg Paul in his first letter to Timothy), that Jesus is 'King of Kings and Lord of Lords'. Whilst the Old Testament may not use the exact phrase 'King of Kings and Lord of Lords', there are verses which recognise God's suJesus, stand among us at the meeting of our lives,

be our sweet agreement at the meeting of our eyes;

O Jesus, we love You, so we gather here,

join our hearts in unity and take away our fears.

I, along with Elizabeth, will be with you to serve God and be your pastor. I am available to speak with you whenever you feel the need to talk to someone. I finish with a quotation from one of the speakers at this years Keswick Convention who said:

God loves you more than you can imagine and He wants you to know it.

Let us look forward in faith and He will be with us.

preme rule: In the book of Daniel, King Nebuchadnezzar glorifies the 'King of Heaven' and in Chronicles, David praises God as 'Head over all'.

Many will be familiar with the famous Hallelujah Chorus from Handel's Messiah (based on Revelation 19.16), with the pivotal phrase 'And He shall reign forever and ever, Hallelujah! King of Kings and Lord of Lords'. Allegedly King George 2 was so moved by the music, that he stood up and of course the audience had to follow suit. Although some have challenged the reasons for the King standing, the tradition has carried on to this day.

During the recent Coronation of King Charles 3, the Archbishop of Canterbury reminded us that 'The King of Kings, Jesus Christ, was anointed to serve, not to be served'.

So how as Christians are we aware that we have received a message from The King? It will not be as obvious as receiving a card on the occasion of a 100th birthday. In the bible there are examples of God 'speaking' through a burning bush or a thick cloud, of Samuel hearing God call his name, of Saul's conversion on the Road to Damascus, to name but a few. There are various commentaries describing ways in which 'Messages from The King' are conveyed to us today: Some may be by pure chance as a reaction to hearing something, reading something, meeting somebody or by simply taking in the wonders of nature or the arts.

We can draw an analogy with the use of mobile phones, which if switched off all the time, will never register receipt of a message. Likewise, we too must be 'switched on' to receive a message from The King. Just as I now apparently have the freedom of the seas thanks to King Neptune, hopefully for those still in the pollywog state of receiving a 'Message from The King', there will be an opportunity to cross the Christian equatorial line to become a shellback and enjoy the freedom of communicating with The King of Kings.

## Cuppa Time Georgina Marshall

On Thursday the 10th of August a good time was had by all as we said goodbye to our minister Murdo. We began with afternoon tea followed by a quiz with a Scottish theme. Later Tamara led us in singing a selection of Scottish songs, finishing with Lovely Stornoway. We thanked Murdo for his work over the last six years and presented him with a framed photograph of the Campsies by local photographer Stevi Jackson, and a box of chocolates. We will miss Murdo as he often popped in for a chat on Thursday afternoons.

Cuppa Time continues every Thursday from 2pm to 4pm in the Kirk Rooms and all are welcome.



## Guild Emily Brown

The second half of our syllabus from Jan 9th 2023 was very successful, with good attendances. On January 23rd we had a Burns afternoon with poems and singing, and Joyce's address to the haggis and more.

On February 6th it was Guild Project—Beat Eating Disorders.

On February 20th we had slides and the story of Martin Luther by Caroline Hunter.

On March 6th we had our Spring outing to the Antiques Centre In Doune for lunch.

March 21st was our AGM with our minister, armed with baking ingredients and blind folds! Always very amusing. Yes, we will miss him.

The Spring Fayre on 13th May also was well attended which meant we could give Strathcarron Hospice a substantial donation. Thanks to Strathendrick Pipe Band who also gave a donation. And thank you to everyone who came along to support the cause.

Finally, on 15th May we had a lovely lunch at the Glazert Hotel.

We will be resuming our Guild afternoons on Monday 2nd October 2023 at 2pm, and will look forward to a new start. Everyone is welcome.

And together we can touch the lives of those in need both here and round the world

"for whose we are and whom we serve".

Details of the Guild Programme for October to December are included in the Dates for your Diary on Page 7.

## Flower Ministry Christine Cresswell

A big thank you to all the ladies who help with the flowers for each Sunday service and sharing in the deliveries. This brings so much pleasure to those who receive them, knowing that they are remembered by the Church family.

I am grateful to those who stepped in to help on the Sundays I was unable to come to worship.

Do you notice the planted tubs as you enter? Thank you, Norma, for providing a bright welcome by the Church door. Thank you also to those who have left donations in the Flower Box. These are greatly appreciated.

## Harvest Thanksgiving

Our Harvest Thanksgiving Service will be on **Sunday 1st October** (at the usual time of 11am). We will again be supporting the work of Start Up Stirling, donating non-perishable foodstuffs to support their local work.

# Christmas Card Sale

The Fellowship Group's annual Charity Christmas Card sale will be on **Saturday 28th October** from 10am to 12 noon in the Kirk Rooms. Please come along to enjoy some tea/coffee and cake, support our many worthy charities and get ahead with your Christmas Card purchases.

## Tearfund Lunch

After a break of several years it is a pleasure to say that we plan to hold a Tearfund Lunch on **November 19th**. The work that Tearfund do is so precious to so many around the world and it is a privilege to be able to support them in some small way as they bring love and hope to those whose lives they touch.

# Christmas Gifts

Advance Notice. The date for the annual collection of Christmas Gifts for Children will be **Sunday 3rd December 2023**. More details regarding the age range of children and the charities we are supporting will be provided nearer the time. We are very grateful for the wonderful support we receive from the church and other village organisations for this annual event.

# Sunday Club Lynne James

For the last few weeks the Sunday Clubbers have been backpacking.

Without leaving the Kirkrooms they have travelled to: India, Egypt, Kyrgyzstan, Vietnam, China..all countries where they learned about young Christians like themselves. We learned that many young people need great bravery to continue in their Christian faith and that many of them are desperate to get their hands on bibles which are in such short supply in their countries We learned their names and their family backgrounds, and, above all we learned to pray for them and their needs.

Alongside these stories we learned of God's answer to the "sin problem" ... to send His Son to save us, and His Holy Spirit to be our friend and helper. We learned, through a real packed backpack, to use the Bible as our guide through life, to

## The Gleaner – by Christine Cresswell

Where fields of ripened barley sway and sigh beneath the harvest blade, where little children laugh and play by corn sheaves as their parents played not many years before; and startled crows, with raucous cry, flap-flap away to nearby trees, while thirsty labourers stretch to ease sore backs, relieve the pain of aching limbs, to drink their fill in ash and elders' beckoning shade; so peacefully she goes her lonely way, a slender form, gathering a golden store of fallen grain, stooping for more until she, too, must pause to rest her weary frame. Soft skirts ruffled by a welcome breeze, she sees the others chat and stare, but she's a stranger there, and so she sets to work again, this other Ruth, gleaning the land. No-one can stand and see her gentle face till by her side they also bend the knee, and as she lifts each precious seed some of the Creator's love we see. How far He stooped to lift our fallen race, reaching down to you and me; He meets us in our deepest need And holds us safely in His hand.

keep a compass pointing the way God would have us go, and to know that no amount of human first aid can fix our broken world. Only God's love can truly heal us and He has promised to wrap us in that love for all time.

As ever, it is a delight to spend time with an ever growing bunch of enthusiastic, smart and charming young people...the time each Sunday flies by....and they are also growing up so fast! Literally growing up past me in several cases...mind you, at 5'1 I am easy to grow past!

As they grow in height, my prayer for them is that they grow in their knowledge of, and love for, God, and that they always know that they have in Jesus, one steadfast friend who is always on their side no matter where they may be in the years ahead.

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	Dates for your Diary
Sunday 10th September	Communion Sunday
Sunday 1st October	Harvest Thanksgiving service (see Page 6)
Monday 2nd October	Guild: Musical Afternoon with pupils from Balfron High. 2pm, Kirk Rooms
Monday 16th October	Guild: Sarah Black, Changing Lives Malawi. 2pm Kirk Rooms
Saturday 28th October	Charity Christmas Card Sale. 10am-12 noon, Kirk Rooms (see Page 6).
Sunday 12th November	Remembrance Sunday. Meet at the war memorial for 10.45am. Service in the church following procession back from the memorial.
Monday 13th November	Guild: Comfort International, Lyndsay Kirk. 2pm Kirk Rooms
Sunday 19th November	Tearfund lunch in the Kirk Rooms following the church service (see Page 6)
Monday 24th November	Guild: Tropic Skin Care by Gillian Anderson. 2pm Kirk Rooms
Monday 4th December	Guild: Christmas Entertainment—Esther and Friends. 2pm, Kirk Rooms
Sunday 10th December	Communion Sunday
Monday 11th December	Guild: Christmas meal
Every Sunday:	Morning worship at 11am; tea and coffee are served after the service Sunday Club for children from 11am
Every Wednesday:	Bible study at 11am, Lynne James Prayer meeting at 7pm, Kirk Rooms
Every Thursday:	Cuppa Time 2pm-4pm, Kirk Rooms Bible Study at 7pm, Wylma Dunbar

## PAGE 8 Changing Lives Malawi Sarah Black

Whilst the students and teachers are on summer holidays in Malawi until the new term starts on 11th September, work has started on phase 2 of Bright Futures Secondary School. The school opened initially with classrooms 1 and 2 but now the next class of students who pass their primary school leavers exams will need a classroom to continue their education.

These teenagers, without our support, would not have the opportunity to attend secondary school. As they all live in extreme poverty and most are orphans, their education would usually stop at the end of primary school as their families cannot afford the fees that need to be paid for secondary school.

Bright Futures Secondary School is providing free secondary education for the most vulnerable students. They are also receiving a free cooked meal each lunchtime. For most of the students, this is their only meal each day. Education is the best way to escape extreme poverty and have a better and brighter future with choices and chances.

Foundations have been laid and filled, bricks have been made and fired and the walls are being built. However, we haven't reached our target yet, and would be very grateful if anyone would like to donate towards the school project. Thank you so much for continued financial support and prayers, Sarahx https://gofund.me/ece5753a contact\_us@changinglivesmalawi.com

Bank details: Bank of Scotland, Changing Lives Malawi, S/C 80-22-60, A/C 21081462

PS Hot off the press!! Exciting news! All our S2 students passed their national exams! 100% pass which is amazing – we are so proud of them. Please help ensure they have a classroom and textbooks next term.







Photos: Bricks made by hand are left to dry out and then stacked to make a kiln. The structure is covered in mud, fires are lit in the gaps that have been made. It will take two weeks for the bricks to be cool enough to use. The foundations have been laid. Students outside classrooms 1 and 2 of Bright Futures Secondary School.

**Yvonne Mildred:** In Sandema they are now in the middle of the planting season, with every family around growing their food for the coming year. The rains started two months late, in June, so the harvesting of the first crop, was missed by most families. Some say the rains have never been this late before, and this is caused by global warming. As the Harvest season progresses from November to Janu-

ary, we will learn how severe or not the shortages are.

At Zurugalu, the building for receiving, washing and cutting the veg-



etables, they are putting up the trusses for the roof on the second building, and the zinc roofing sheets have been delivered. Thanks be to God that the electrical contractor has planted all the poles now, and continue to wait for the metal clamps that attach the cables to the poles.

Recently Yvonne has been enjoying arranging 31 Bible meditations for business people to use as daily devotions in a month (she is not the original author). These will be recorded and made available to people involved in the Discipling Marketplace Leaders Ministries in several countries. There are also 7 memory verses for business people who are oral learners to pray through weekly. Yvonne prays that they do en-

courage Christian business people to walk closely with God in their businesses daily.

Yvonne does have some free time. here she is at a dedication of a Vocational Training Centre, where she was requested to join the local dancers.



Lorna Ferguson is back in Japan after celebrating the wedding of her eldest son Daniel to Yada in Thailand. Having completed 25 years in Japan she is frequently called upon for advice and help. Lately it has felt like a spiritual battle. There has been one difficult challenge after another, each one requiring quite a bit of work and a lot of wisdom and discernment. But she has been encouraged by the arrival of new members to the missionary team whom



she welcomed at Tokyo airport before spending a day with them doing some orientation. Then a week was passed in the north of Honshu supporting some missionary church leaders. In September she will be involved in the Japanese Congress of Evangelism where around 1,000 Christian leaders will gather. Her thoughts too will have been with her son Callum who has been in Scotland, seeking to promote his football ambitions. It's a big change for Carolyn Kemp from her early days as a missionary in the discomfort and health hazards of the shanty towns of Manilla. Recently in the comfort of her base in Fife, sometimes in person, sometimes by Zoom at all hours, she has directed her Diaspo-



ra colleagues who engage with (mainly) Asians who, while studying in the West, become Christians and then return to their homelands where they need continuing care, support and encouragement. Now, after 12 years at the helm, Carolyn has stepped down and awaits the next assignment.

**James and Kirsty** (with Deborah and Susanna) after 16 years in SE Asia, latterly in Hong Kong under the watchful eyes of the authorities, have moved to Edinburgh and have taken on Carolyn's job. They have spent a week in Stuttgart at the Diaspora European Conference where they had the opportunity to meet some of their workers in Europe and will be keen to get to know their other widespread colleagues in US, Canada, Kenya and beyond.





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## Treasurer's Report Jean Strachan, Treasurer

For the first 7months of 2023 and 2022 our giving may be compared as follows:

	2023 2022		Change	Change
	£	£	£	%
Non Gift Aid Envelopes	210	320	(110)	(34.38)
Gift Aid	23,708	25,963	(2,255)	(8.69)
Open Plate	2,128	1,787	341	19.08
	26,046	28,070	(2,024)	(7.21)
Other Donations	808	1,136	(328)	
The Guild	500	0	500	
Fund Raising	454	0	454	
Weddings/Funerals	490	375	115	
Legacies	0	15,972	(15,972)	
Total	28,298	45,553	(17,255)	

# Cornerstone and Communications

Traci Leven

Many thanks to everybody who contributed to this edition of *Cornerstone*. All contributions are most welcome, and especially first time contributors—please do get in touch with any news updates, articles, recipes, puzzles, etc for the next edition. Photographs of church events are also much appreciated.

Please note that the deadline for the next edition is **Saturday 18th November**. Submissions can be sent to me at the strathblanekirk@gmail.com, or phone me on 07939 898722.

If you have any notices you would like intimated, please let me know by the Thursday prior to the Sunday service for notices for the weekly sheet or the overhead slides. I can also post notices on the church Facebook page at any time of the week.

Please remember that if you miss a service or would like to hear a sermon again (including Murdo's past sermons) these can be found on the church website at:

#### https://

strathblanekirk.wordpress.com/sermons/

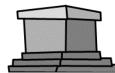
You can also hear the most recently available sermon recording by phoning 01360 606060.

Sunday Club are learning about Elijah and Elisha									
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## Photographs from Murdo and Lorraine's farewell lunch on 6th August

















