



'Women of the Way'

Ladies Home Groups

We look forward to the start of another season of Thursday night Women of the Way (WOW) bible study evenings, starting at around **7.30pm on 5th September, at 10 West Park Terrace** (existing "WOWers, note change of Thursday venue!).

We will start the session off with a round up of the excellent study we've just completed, on the book of Mark; we will follow this up on 19th September with a "Film Night", watching a DVD production of The Gospel of Mark, before moving onto a new study.

If you have been thinking of joining a Bible Study/House Group meeting, or have never been to one and would like to find out what it's all about, please join us on either or both of these evenings. We usually finish around 9pm, then have a fly cup, a fine piece (hopefully) and a chat. **Contact Sandra Wright on 07511 497768** if you'd like more details.

We also welcome ladies to the Monday group which meet at 1.00pm on Monday's **9th and 23rd September**— at 3 Queen Johanna Drive.
For more information contact Margaret Wells 01561 362289



Encounter Christ ▾ Know Christ ▾ Live Christ

After all the excitement of Bervie Holiday Club, Kingdom Kids re-start on

SUNDAY 25TH AUGUST 11.15 / 12.45 in the Church Centre

Children have great fun exploring the Bible in a meaningful way. Please

encourage your children to give it a try and join us weekly. In addition

there is a creche, on request, for 1 - 4 year-olds and baby changing facilities

For more information please email kingdomkidz@bervie.net or contact

Ruth Paterson 01561 362 749 or Jill Simpson 07884 073893

August / September 2019

WOTS **it all about?**

**The Church and Community
newsletter for Arbutnott, Bervie,
Gourdon and Kinneff**

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A birds-eye view of Bervie?

Items for the **October /November 2019** edition of WOTS should be sent to wots.editors@gmail.com by 5.00pm on **Friday 20th September**

We welcome your items and financial contributions towards the cost of printing and distributing this free newsletter which is prepared entirely by volunteers. Thank you very much.

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Often, I have colleagues in the ministry and other friends who ask me how life is in Bervie and being the minister of ABK Church. My answer often involves me explaining that there always seems to be something new and exciting happening – I’m always planning, learning or having to get with grips with something here. It’s the same at home as Kirsty and I recently got a new puppy called Bonnie. Each day she gets bigger, she learns new skills and she’s able to run faster when it’s bath time! Both life at home with Bonnie, and life as part of ABK Church might keep me on my toes, but I’m glad that’s the case!

And, despite what the culture may suggest, or even we may have been used to, the Church was never meant to be a static thing. For nearly 2000 years, the followers of Jesus have been pushing boundaries, crossing cultural borders and breaking language barriers to advance God’s Kingdom here on earth.

Today, at ABK Church, in our little part of Scotland, this still goes on. We might worship an eternal God, and learn from a book 2 millennia old, but that doesn’t mean that our faith is dry, dusty and lifeless. All these generations later, Jesus is still changing lives, and the people of Jesus are still pushing on with the greatest news the world has ever heard. Jesus said to his followers go into all the world sharing this amazingly good news of the abundantly good life he has come to bring to all people. Since Jesus hasn’t returned yet, that calling is still in place on us in 2019.

I had the great privilege in my first 4 months here to conduct my first baptism, of little baby Alexander in Bervie, and a few weeks later celebrate as Duncan declared his faith in Jesus as his saviour and friend, and he joined the church at Arbuthnott. If you would like to also join the church, just get in touch.

Because this mission of the Church doesn’t stop, coming up over Summer and into Autumn, we have a few things we’d love to encourage you to support or come along to. On 13th – 16th August, we have the annual **Bervie Holiday Club** for primary aged children (see centre page), and then starting Thursday 5th September we’re going to be running an **Alpha Course** (see page 5) which is a wonderful introduction to the Christian faith and what it means to follow Jesus. If you have children in your life, sign them up to the Holiday Club, and if you or a friend wants to know more about what it means to follow Jesus (with no pressure to commit or sign up to anything after Alpha) then get in touch with me.

May you know the never-ending, earth-shattering, death-defeating Good News of Jesus that still changes lives today.

Your friend and minister, Andrew Morrison

Dates for your Diary

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| <u>August</u> | Fri 2nd 9.00am Bervie Prayer Meeting. Church Centre |
| Sun 4 th | 3.00pm Cluster Songs of Praise & BBQ Fettercairn Church |
| Tues 6th | 7.30pm New Scottish Hymns Band concert—Bervie Church |
| Wed 7th | 9.45am Gourdon Prayer Meeting; 2 Davidson’s Buildings |
| Wed 7th | 10.00 / 11.30am Fairtrade Café - Church Centre |
| Fri 9th | 9.00am Bervie Prayer Meeting. Church Centre |
| Tues 13th / Friday 16th Bervie Holiday Club Week- ”Backpackers” | |
| Wed 14th | 10.00 / 11.30am Fairtrade Café - Church Centre |
| Fri 16th | 9.00am Bervie Prayer Meeting. Church Centre |
| Sun 18th | 12.00noon Holiday Club Celebration Service & BBQ—Bervie Beach |
| Wed 21 st | 9.45am Gourdon Prayer Meeting; 2 Davidson’s Buildings |
| Wed 21st | 10.00 / 11.30am WaterAid Café - Church Centre |
| Fri 23rd | 9.00am Bervie Prayer Meeting. Church Centre |
| Sun 25 th | 11.15am Kingdom Kidz / Totzone Creche resume Church Centre |
| Tues 27 th | 9.45/11.15 Totzone resumes in Bervie Church Centre |
| Wed 28th | 10.00 / 11.30am Fairtrade Café - Church Centre |
| Fri 30th | 9.00am Bervie Prayer Meeting. Church Centre |
| Sat 31st | 7.00pm “Dinner with a Difference” £12 Gourdon Mission Hall |
| <u>Sept.</u> | Sun 1st Communion Services 10.00 Arbuthnott;-11.30 Bervie- 6.00 Gourdon |
| Wed 4 th | 9.45am Gourdon Prayer Meeting; 2 Davidson’s Buildings |
| Wed 4 th | 10.00 / 11.30am Church Café - Church Centre |
| Thurs 5th | 7.30pm New Alpha Course begins. Bervie Church Centre. |
| Thurs 5 th | 7.30pm Women of the Way Monday group resume at 10 West Park Terrace |
| Fri 6th | 9.00am Bervie Prayer Meeting. Church Centre |
| Mon 9 th | 1.00pm Women of the Way Monday group resume at 3 Queen Johanna Dr. |
| Wed 11 th | 10.00 / 11.30am Fairtrade Aid Café - Church Centre |
| Wed 11 th | 2.00pm Bervie Guild resumes. Church Centre. Andrew Morrison |
| Fri 13 th | 9.00am Bervie Prayer Meeting. Church Centre |
| Sat 14 th | 3.30-5.30pm Messy Church; Church Centre. Something for all the family |
| Wed 18 th | 9.45am Gourdon Prayer Meeting; 2 Davidson’s Buildings |
| Wed 18 th | 10.00 / 11.30am WaterAid Café - Church Centre |
| Thurs 19 th | 7.30pm Women of the Way - at 10 West Park Terrace |
| Fri 20th | 9.00am Bervie Prayer Meeting. Church Centre |
| Fri 20 th | 2.30pm ‘Sing-a-Long’ at Castle Lodge. All welcome. |
| Fri 20th | 5.00pm Deadline for WOTS Aug/Sept to wots.editors@gmail.com |
| Sat 21 st | 11.30 / 1.30pm Soup & Roll Lunch £5 Church Centre |
| Mon 23 rd | 1.00pm Women of the Way - at 3 Queen Johanna Drive |
| Wed 25th | 10.00 / 11.30am Fairtrade Café - Church Centre |
| Fri 27th | 9.00am Bervie Prayer Meeting. Church Centre |
| <u>October</u> | Thurs 24th 7.30pm Alastair McDonald in concert Gourdon Mission Hall |

A BIG thanks for your generous support once again!

Christian Aid 2019

Door to Door Collection £702.90
Tay Bridge Sponsor Walk £802.00
Sponsored Slim £ 55.00
Big Brekkie £140.06
Coffee Afternoon £150.00
Church Offerings £129.70

TOTAL RAISED
£1,979.66



Meikle Carewe Wind Farm Community Fund

The Meikle Carewe Wind Farm Community Fund opened for applications on 1 July 2019. Applications to the fund can be made from not-for-profit groups and organisations based in the following Community Council areas:

Crathes, Drumoak and Durriss ; Newtonhill, Muchalls & Cammachmore

North Kincardine Rural

Portlethen and District ; Stonehaven and District

The energy company RES has established a community fund which will see more than £25,000 available to support local community projects every year during the lifetime of the Meikle Carewe Wind Farm. The fund is administered by Kincardineshire Development Partnership (KDP) and managed by a Decision Making Panel made up of representatives from the local Community Councils.

The fund is open for applications from **1 July to 30 September 2019**. The Decision Making Panel, along with a representative from Kincardineshire Development Partnership (KDP), will then meet in November to consider applications.

Application forms and guidelines are available from the KDP office Tel: 01569 763246 or Email: windfarms@kdp.scot Or via the website www.kdp.scot

Arbuthnott Bervie and Kinneff Church

Communion Services

The Lord Jesus Christ welcomes you to take the bread and wine as you remember his death on the cross and resurrection for you.

Sunday 1st September 2019

10.00am - Arbuthnott Church; 11.30am - Bervie Church ;

6.00pm - Gourdon Mission Hall

“This do in remembrance of me”

Important—Updating of Church Roll

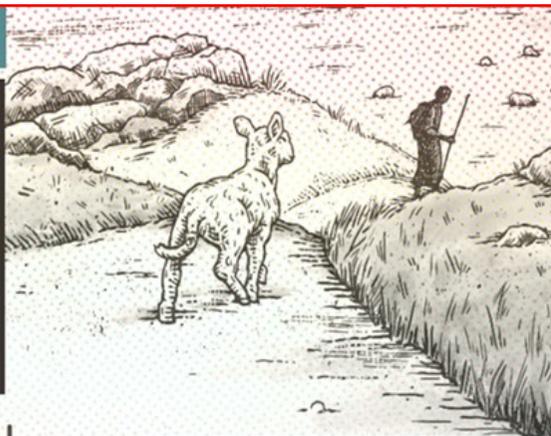
Thank you for being involved in the life and community of ABK Church. The leadership team are currently in the process of ensuring our membership records are up to date, which helps us be in line with Church of Scotland regulations, but also allows us to stay in contact with everyone. We are asking our members especially, but also anyone who wants to stay in touch with ABK church, if you could please fill in this contact info form below, so we can ensure everything is correct for your record. Only the very select few who need this information will have access to it. Your information will also be kept securely so it is completely safe. If you have any questions about this, please speak to Rev. Andrew Morrison.

Please cut out this form and return it by 31st August during any Sunday service, or drop it through the Bervie Church Centre letterbox or to 5 West Park Place, Inverbervie. Thank you in advance for your help.

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| Title (Mr/Mrs/Ms/Dr etc) | | Date of Birth | |
| First Name | | | |
| Last Name | | | |
| Address | | | |
| Postcode | | | |
| Landline No. | | Mobile No. | |
| Email | | | |
| Relationship with ABK | <i>Member / Adherent / Visitor</i> | | |

ALBUM LAUNCH TOUR

JUL 18 ABERDEEN
JUL 24 GLASGOW
AUG 2 PERTH
AUG 6 INVERBERVIE
AUG 11 DEESIDE
AUG 16 SALTCOATS



NEW SCOTTISH
HYMNS BAND
JOY WILL FOLLOW

NEW ALBUM
JULY 2019

www.newscottishhymns.com

The New Scottish Hymns Band - have just released their anticipated 3rd album **JOY WILL FOLLOW**, a creative collection of new "*psalms, hymns and spiritual songs*". Join them for a joy-filled worship concert as they share the songs and the biblical inspiration behind them. Buy tickets £10 or £8 concession. at: <https://newscottishhymns.com/events>, at the church door or speak to Andrew Morrison. **Bervie Church, 7.30pm Tues 6th August**

South Kincardineshire Churches Cluster Group

Songs of Praise +



Sunday 4th August 2019 at 3.00pm

- in the field next to Fettercairn Church

A special welcome to Cluster Group congregations

**Mearns Coastal, Laurencekirk I/w Aberluthnott,
Arbuthnott Bervie and Kinneff, West Mearns,**



Totzone Baby and Toddler group **RESUMES ON**

TUESDAY 27TH AUGUST

and continues during term times on
Tuesdays from 9.45am - 11.15am
in Bervie Church Centre

For info please contact Natasha on
01561361925 or email

natasha.hepburn13@btinternet.com

"Sing-a-Long" @ Castle Lodge

Friday 20th September at 2.30pm

Yes, we are very pleased to resume after the summer holiday. Please come along and join us to bring cheery music to the residents. It's good therapy for them—and for the singers! All welcome

Why not join us for the ever popular Wednesday Café's



**A wide selection of
delicious home baking**

**A plentiful supply of tea
and coffee**

**A bright and cheery
atmosphere**

A very warm welcome

10.00 / 11.30a.m.

Bervie Church Centre



The Guilds resume for the season in September

Bervie Guild— Wednesday 11th at 2.00pm in Bervie Church Centre;
Speaker Rev Andrew Morrison — "My Story of Faith and Testimony so far"
Sunday 15th September 11.30am in Bervie Church; Dedication of Guild

Gourdon Guild— Meet at 2.30pm in Gourdon Mission Hall, Brae Rd
Details of the new syllabus still to be confirmed— Watch out for posters.
We welcome ALL ladies and gents in the community to The Guilds. Join us!

DINNER WITH A DIFFERENCE!



CASUAL SUMMER DINNER MENU WITH FRIENDS

Enjoy a delicious 3 course summer dinner, plus coffee, in a relaxed atmosphere, together with music between courses—for only £15
Soft drinks provided. BYOB.

When - Saturday 31st August at 7.00pm

Where - Gourdon Mission Hall, Brae Road.

To make reservations — email weemac41@aol.com or phone
Rev Linda Broadley 01674 850 141 ; Betty Stewart 01561 361 516 ;
John Gillespie 01561 361513 - in aid of Gourdon Mission Hall Restoration Fund

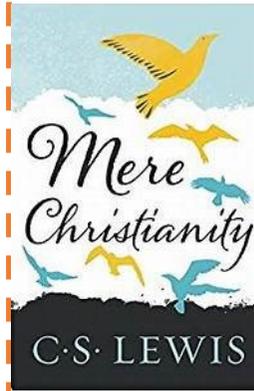


Brighter Bervie — on the right path!

This month Brighter Bervie is pleased to have helped facilitate the installation of a slabbed path to ease access across the gravel between Bervie Church and Church Centre. The photo shows Mary Finch admiring the newly laid path. The slabs were recovered from 2 gardens in Edinburgh, our daughter's and her neighbour's - thanks to both. Brighter Bervie's trailer was used to haul the ton of slabs up here for reuse. So we're being enviro and disabled friendly at one and the same time. New volunteers are always welcome!

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Andrew's Book of the Month C.S Lewis, *Mere Christianity*



Mere Christianity is one of those few Christian books that even a lot of folk outside the church are aware of. It's often considered a classic, even in the secular booklists – and for good reason! It's full of wonderful truths and helpful points about the Christian faith. In it, C.S Lewis (also the author of the Narnia series) lays out his arguments for the Christian faith, especially those arguments and points that took him on the journey from devout atheist to devout follower of Jesus. Maybe you're a sceptic, or still unsure of some things. Make sure you pop into CLC in Aberdeen and pick up a copy!

LIFE IS WORTH EXPLORING

Alpha Course

"What is life all about?", "Why am I here?", "Who is Jesus?", "What is the church for?" These are the kind of questions that the Alpha Course tries to answer. Alpha is for everyone – but particularly those looking to find out more what the Christian faith is, and what it means to follow Jesus. The Alpha course is an opportunity to explore these things in a relaxed, non-threatening manner over 10 thought-provoking weekly sessions. It's low key, friendly and fun. It's a place where people can come and relax, eat, share thoughts and explore the meaning of life.

There's food each week, and it's all completely free! ABK Church are going to be running an Alpha Course starting on

Thursday 5th September—7.30pm at Bervie Church Centre.

Come along and bring a friend!

For details about our upcoming Alpha Course, contact Andrew Morrison tel -01561 362530 mob- 07720275028 or explore www.alpha.org



The Power of Prayer !

Ask God for guidance; Ask for forgiveness;
Give thanks for all that you have; Seek help;
Pray for friends and family; Share your worry.
"A little talk with Jesus makes things right, all right."
In trouble of every kind, thank God I always find, that
A little talk with Jesus makes things right, all right."

TRAVEL PASS FOR
BACKPACKERS
 HOLIDAY CLUB

Bervie Holiday Club 

BACKPACKERS

Save the Dates!

Tuesday August 13th – Friday 16th

Bervie Holiday Club

There will be a new four day format this year
 Tuesday 13th - Friday 16th August 10am -12.30pm
 at Bervie Sports Centre.

All children starting P1 to those entering S1 in August
 will be welcome to come and join in.

Contact Cheri Young from Scripture Union for more information
 phone S.U. 01224486749 Cheri.young@suscotland.org.uk
 Alternatively, ring Jonathan Simpkin on 07971196791,
 or Natasha Hepburn on 07539871589

A Special Celebration

To mark the conclusion of the Holiday Club Week we will be
 having a Special Bervie Beach Celebration Service and BBQ at
12.00 noon on Sunday 18th August
 to which ALL children, family and friends will be most welcome.

Please also pray for all the local young people who attend the club and
 think about any children you could encourage to come along!



at Bervie

Saturday 14th September
 3.30-5.30pm
 Bervie Church Centre

There will be lots, of fun; lots of
 games, stories and great FOOD!
 Let's get MESSY –
 Family fun with a message



Soup and Roll Lunch
Saturday 21st Sept.
11.00am / 1.30pm
Bervie Church Centre
Only £5

For much needed church funds

**A fine healthy meal plus tea/coffee served in a really
 happy company. All welcome!**

The very warm return of Alastair McDonald - In concert.



Yes, we are delighted to welcome back this
 very popular and well known
 Folksinger, Entertainer and Broadcaster

Thursday 24th October 2019
at 7.00pm

Gourdon Mission Hall

Tickets £10, will be available soon
 in aid of Gourdon Mission Restoration fund