

# NEWTON MEARNS CHURCH SUPPLEMENT

DECEMBER 1937

## OFFICE-BEARERS AT CHURCH DOOR

Dec. 12.	Miss Pratt and Mr Walter Rodger.
„ 19.	Messrs Jas. A. Anderson and Andrew Russell.
„ 26.	„ W. H. Fyfe and S. Telfer.
Jan. 2.	„ J. W. Jarvie and A. Moreland.

## COLLECTIONS FOR OCTOBER

Systematic Giving . . . . .	£72 19 5
Church-door Plate . . . . .	30 9 10
Retiring for Home Missions and Colleges . . . . .	2 9 6

The annual collection on behalf of the Congregational Benevolent Fund will be taken on 2nd January on retiring from both Services.

**Communion.**—On 7th November there was an attendance of 393 Communicants which compares with 296 in November 1936. At the four Communion services this year the total attendance was 1336 Communicants, while in 1936 the total was 1171.

The following members joined the Church and were welcomed to our fellowship:—

### *By Certificate*

Mr and Mrs A. F. Dunn, Ravenhill, Delamore Avenue, Whitecraigs.  
Mrs Hayworth, Main Street, Newton Mearns.  
Misses Florence and Phyllis Hayworth, Main Street, Newton Mearns.  
Misses Marion, Jeanie, and Dorothy Holland, St. Ola, Arthurlie Drive.  
Mr and Mrs David Law, Hazelwood Avenue.  
Dr. and Mrs Macdonald, Dunrobin, Kilmarnock Road.  
Mr and Mrs M'Ewing, Solano, Edzell Drive.  
Mr and Mrs James M'Laren, Ardtornish, Beech Avenue.  
Mr William B. M'Laren, Ardtornish, Beech Avenue.  
Mr and Mrs Park, The Lodge, Crookfur.  
Mr and Mrs Phillips, 10 Kilmarnock Road.

### *By Profession*

Miss Alexandra M. Duun, Ravenhill, Delamore Avenue, Whitecraigs.  
Miss Helen Hood, Penderry, Firwood Road.  
Miss Helen Logan, Hazeldean.  
Miss Elsie W. Meiklejohn, Raploch, Larchfield Avenue.  
Miss Mary Newlands, Hazeldean.  
Miss Cecilia J. Stevenson, Overdale, Lethington Road, Whitecraigs.  
Mr Alexander Keir, Yesnoby Arthurlie Drive.

**The New Church.**—Is the district of Newton Mearns a rural one or a suburban one? That was the question that created discussion at the meeting of the Congregational Board when the plans of the new Church was submitted to it by the Church Extension Sub-committee, consisting of Mr B. C. Maitland and Mr Andrew Russell. The feeling of the meeting was that while the area around Mearns Cross was still partly rural in appearance, the character of the district has become distinctly suburban, and that thus the architecture of the new Church must conform to this. The Committee have departed in this plan from the thought of a brick Church, and submitted a drawing of a building whose front exterior would be completely of stone, and whose sides would be of cement with stone facings around the windows. The interior of the Church would consist of

a long nave without transepts, and with a centre aisle, and with stone pillars extending down both sides of the Church. The interior would be finished in plaster, with stone facings round the windows.

The Board accepted the plan, and enjoined the Committee to ask Mr Honeyman to prepare half-inch detailed plans, and thereafter to ask the Measurer to have the plans scheduled. The cost submitted by the architect is £11,015, but once the plans are detailed and scheduled we will be able to know this more definitely.

**District Socials.**—The second of these was held on 19th November, and comprised the districts of Mr Fyfe, Mr Hood, Mr Sam Rodger, and Mr Telfer.

The dates for the remaining districts will be announced later. Our thanks are due especially to Mr Nimmo, who has taken a leading place in the arrangement of these.

**The Badminton Club (Afternoon Section).**—As you took your place amidst that vast congregation that assembled on 7th November to celebrate the Lord's Supper, you perhaps realised how many people in the Church you did not know. We ought to endeavour to get to know one another, not merely for the enrichment of our own lives—that would be a selfish ideal—but for the good of the lives of others. Such an opportunity is given to many of you in the Afternoon Section of the Badminton Club, which meets every Tuesday in the Hall, from 2 P.M. to 5 P.M.—the keys of the Hall are to be had from Mr Russell, Stationer, Barrhead Road. The subscription is only 8/6, and entitles you to play, if so desired, in the Evening Section also. There must be many of those who have recently come to the district who will welcome this opportunity of recreation, fellowship, and service.

**Christmas Festival.**—The two great festivals of the Christian year are Christmas and Easter, and the Church of Christ must never forget them. This year Christmas Services will be held on Sunday 26th December, when the children of the congregation will occupy the centre area of the Church at the Morning Service. The Choir are preparing some Christmas music, and we look forward to the Service of Praise that will be rendered to God at the evening diet of worship.

**Congregational Year-Book.**—The Treasurers of the various organisations of the Church might please prepare a statement of their intrusions, with relative vouchers, for the year ending 31st December 1937 for submission to the Auditors early in January 1938. The Secretaries might kindly revise the names of their committees and officials, and hand note of same to Mr Pollock not later than 10th January 1938.

## REGISTER

### Baptism

Oct. 31. Mary Gibson, daughter of Mr and Mrs S. Summers, Beech Avenue.

### Marriage

Oct. 23. Hedley Albert Amos to Janet Steven Garvie.

**Supplement.**—Contributions for January issue should be sent to Mr Johnston, 9 Redburn Avenue, Giffnock, not later than 15th December.