
The Church of Scotland

**NEWTON MEARNS PARISH
CHURCH**

1739 — 1973

Minister :

Rev. W. MURRAY MACKAY, M.A., S.T.M.

**The Annual General Meeting of the
Congregation will be held in the Hall on
Wednesday, 21st March, 1973 at 7.30 p.m.
Tea will be served during the evening.**

**ORGANISATIONS
and
ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS
FOR YEAR 1972**

OFFICES OF THE CONGREGATION

Minister:

REV. W. MURRAY MACKAY, M.A., S.T.M.,
The Manse, 204 Ayr Road, Newton Mearns.
Telephone: 639 2747

Session Clerk:

Mr. W. T. DAVIDSON, 1 Raeside Avenue, Newton Mearns.
Telephone: 639 2534

Congregational Treasurer:

Mr. ANDREW M. MCCANCE, 30 Larchfield Avenue, Newton Mearns.
Telephone: 639 3320

Deputy Treasurer:

Mr. IAN W. WILSON, 30 Fruin Avenue, Newton Mearns.
Telephone: 639 1149

BONDS OF ANNUITY

Treasurer:

Mr. A. B. MCCLURE, 29 Broomvale Drive, Newton Mearns.
Telephone: 639 2690

Clerk to the Congregational Board:

Mr. T. A. WRIGHT, M.A., LL.B., Lyncrest, Shawhill Crescent, Newton Mearns.
Telephone: 639 2758

Roll Keeper:

Mr. WILLIAM W. BLUE, 19 Townhead Road, Newton Mearns.
Telephone: 639 3214

SYSTEMATIC GIVING SCHEME

Treasurer:

Mr. Joseph Knight, 6 Larchfield Avenue, Newton Mearns.
Telephone: 639 3378

Registrar:

Mr. D. J. MACPHAIL, Hightrees, Gilmourton Crescent, Newton Mearns.
Telephone: 639 2898

MISSION & SERVICE FUND

Treasurer:

Mr. JOHN B. MCCORMICK, 27 Larchfield Avenue, Newton Mearns.
Telephone: 639 2164

SEAT RENTS

Treasurer:

Mr. JAMES POLLOCK, (Struan) Arthurlie Drive, Uplawmoor.
Telephone: Uplawmoor 375

DISTRIBUTION OF SUPPLEMENTS

Mr. J. H. FROST, Braeton, Burnside Road, Whitecraigs.
Telephone: 639 2517

Organist and Choirmaster:

Mr. JAMES A. LITTLEJOHN, 9 Glen Eagles, St. Leonards 16, East Kilbride.
Telephone: 32 36503

Church Officer:

Mr. WILLIAM G. R. DINSMOR, 52 Castle Road, Newton Mearns.
Telephone: 639 2777

MEMBERS OF THE KIRK SESSION

(With year of Ordination or Induction)

Moderator: Rev. W. MURRAY MACKAY, M.A., S.T.M.
The Manse, 204 Ayr Road, Newton Mearns
Telephone: 639 2747

1.	1934	ANDERSON, JAMES A., Balmae, Lethington Road	639 1662
2.	1940	ANDERSON, ROBERT, 31 Norwood Drive	638 0419
3.	*1971	ANDREW, SAMUEL, 14 Blackfarm Road	639 4016
4.	1965	BAIRD, BASIL J., Windhill Farm, Eaglesham	644 2704
5.	1942	BAIRD, BASIL N., Woodlea, Eaglesham	644 2705
6.	1951	BLUE, WILLIAM W., 19 Townhead Road	639 3214
7.	1957	BRUNTON, SYDNEY, Dalzell, Burnside Road	639 2430
8.	*1972	BURT, G. H., 184 Capelrig Road	639 5711
9.	1965	CLEMENTS, E. HARVEY, Hollytree House, Todhill	639 3183
10.	†1940	DAVIDSON, WALTER T., 1 Raeside Avenue	639 2534
11.	1959	DINSMOR, WILLIAM G. R., 52 Castle Road	639 2777
12.	1971	DUNSMORE, IAN L., 6 Lomond Drive	639 4270
13.	1967	FITZGERALD, MALCOLM A., 6 Ford Road	639 2499
14.	1957	FROST, JAMES H., Braeton, Burnside Road	639 2517
15.	*1962	GILLIES, MALCOLM, 49 Arisdale Crescent	639 3716
16.	*1971	GRIERSON, WELLWOOD G., 5 Craig Place	639 5439
17.	*1962	HODGINS, ROBERT, 46 Cheviot Drive	639 3795
18.	1962	HUNTER, J. STIRLING, 65 Beech Avenue	639 3099
19.	1945	JARVIE, JOHN W., The Haven, Carmunnock	644 3319
20.	1959	LEITH, FRED. D., 22 Blackhouse Avenue	639 2596
21.	*1965	LITTLEJOHN, JAMES A., 9 Glen Eagles, St. Leonards 16, E.K.	32 36503
22.	1951	MCCANCE, ANDREW M., 30 Larchfield Avenue	639 3320
23.	1948	MCCLURE, ALLAN B., 29 Broomvale Drive	639 2695
24.	1962	MCCORMICK, JOHN B., Chaurnley, 27 Larchfield Avenue	639 2164
25.	1959	MACDONALD, RODERICK A., 155 Ayr Road	639 5255
26.	1971	MACINTYRE, A. Cameron, 3 Barr Place	639 4037
27.	*1971	McKERRAL, JAMES, 46 Newtonlea Avenue	639 3655
28.	1965	MACKINNON, WILLIAM T., 7 Roddinghead Road	639 1839
29.	1945	MACPHAIL, DOUGLAS J., Hightrees, Gilmourton Crescent	639 2898
30.	*1965	MAXTON, JOHN B., 20 Pollok Road	639 4154
31.	*1962	OGILVY, D. GRIERSON, 51 Larchfield Avenue	639 3726
32.	1951	ORR, JOHN A., 47 Beech Avenue	639 3171
33.	1971	PATERSON, ALAN, 46 Rodger Avenue	639 4972
34.	1971	PATTERSON, EDWARD H., 2 Eaglesham Road	639 4974
35.	1945	PIRRET, CHARLES, 2 Paidmyre Road	639 2647
36.	*1962	POLLOCK, JAMES, Struan, Arthurlie Dr. Uplawmoor	Upl 375
37.	*1967	ROACH, JAMES, 14 Eddington Drive	639 2829
38.	1962	ROBERTSON, JOSEPH S., Calvine, Glebe Road	639 2433
39.	*1965	RODGER, JAMES N., 22 Arisdale Crescent	639 3803
40.	1959	ROSER, GEORGE A., Apt. 18 Shawfarm, 64 Newtonlea Ave.	639 2628
41.	1957	RUSSELL, ANDREW M. R., Netherfield, Glebe Lane	639 1658
42.	1942	RUSSELL, JOHN, 206 Ayr Road	639 2353
43.	1967	SELLARS, GEORGE W., 9 The Loaning	639 1688
44.	1965	SMITH, ARTHUR R. Y., 4 Blackhouse Gardens	639 3616
45.	1967	SPENCE, EDWARD, 7 Firwood Road	639 2627
46.	1959	TODD, ROBERT L., Hirstlands, Ayr Road	639 3149
47.	1951	WALKER, WILLIAM M., Wilmorhan, Ford Road	639 3102
48.	1971	WATT, ALEX J., 25 Orchard Drive, Giffnock	638 6704
49.	1965	WILSON, HENRY C., 6 Cameron Drive	639 4424
50.	1967	WILSON, IAN W., 30 Fruin Avenue	639 1149

* Inducted

† Presbytery Elder

PROCLAMATION OF BANNS

Application should be made to the Session Clerk

COMMUNION ROLL

Number on Roll at 31st December, 1971	935
Number removed from the Roll during the year to December, 1972.				
(a) By Death	22
(b) By Certificate	16
(c) By removal to Supplementary Roll	42
				80
				855
Number admitted during year to 31st December, 1972				
(a) By Profession of Faith	7
(b) By Certificate	44
(c) By restoration from Supplementary Roll	—
				51
Number on Roll at 31st December, 1972	906
Number of members who communicated at least once during the year	..			648
Total number of members on Supplementary Roll	100
Attendances at Communion Services during the year ended 31st December, 1972:				
February	458	May	October	
		467	549	
Number of Baptisms during the year	26

CONGREGATIONAL BOARD—1972

The Minister and Kirk Session and the following Members who were appointed by the Congregation:

Miss A. C. HAMMOND, Miss M. HAY, Miss M. MEIKLEJOHN, Miss V. WATSON, Mrs. W. W. BLUE, Mrs. W. S. CUTHILL, Mrs. N. S. HOLLYWOOD, Mrs. J. M. HULLEY, Mrs. I. N. HUNTER, Mrs. J. B. MAXTON, Mrs. J. C. PELOSI, Mrs. J. ROACH, Mrs. J. M. WHALLEY, Messrs. R. C. ANDERSON, T. DOBSON, W. DUNCAN, A. B. JOINER, J. KNIGHT, A. G. W. MUIRHEAD, J. A. MCKELVIE, H. A. M. PEDEN, G. N. RODGER, W. T. WARNOCK and T. A. WRIGHT.

The following retire this year but are eligible for re-election:

Miss A. C. HAMMOND, Miss M. HAY, Miss M. MEIKLEJOHN, Mrs. W. W. BLUE, Mrs. J. C. PELOSI, Mrs. J. M. WHALLEY, Mr. G. N. RODGER, Mr. A. G. W. MUIRHEAD, Mr. A. B. JOINER.

There is also a vacancy for one year in place of Mr. THOMAS DOBSON, who has left the district.

Nominations proposed, seconded and approved by the Nominee, will be accepted before or at the ANNUAL MEETING.

Auditors: Mr. IAN W. WILSON, and Mr. H. C. WILSON

COMMITTEE CONVENERS

Church Halls—Miss ALICE HAMMOND, 2 Cheviot Drive

Finance—Mr. A. M. McCANCE, 30 Larchfield Avenue.

Flowers—Mrs. J. S. CARLAW, 20 Larchfield Avenue.

Mr. JOHN RUSSELL, 206 Ayr Road.

Bells—Mr. R. A. MACDONALD, 155 Ayr Road.

Year Book—Mr. A. M. R. RUSSELL, Netherfield, Glebe Lane.

Property—

WAR MEMORIAL HALL FUND COMMITTEE

Convener: Mr. A. M. McCANCE

Committee: Messrs. R. C. ANDERSON, B. J. BAIRD, E. H. CLEMENTS, W. T. DAVIDSON, I. W. WILSON, A. B. MCCLURE, E. H. PATTERSON, H. A. M. PEDEN, G. A. ROSE, J. RUSSELL, G. W. SELLARS, T. A. WRIGHT, Mrs. W. W. BLUE and Mrs. J. ROACH.

SOME NOTABLE DATES IN THE HISTORY OF THE CONGREGATION

- 1738 "The Associate Congregation of Mearns" formed by the union of "Prayer Societies" in the parishes of Eaglesham, Mearns and Neillston. (These "Prayer Societies" had been formed after the Revolution of 1688.)
- 1743 The first church and manse built in Main Street behind the site of the present church hall.
- 1746 The first Minister, Rev. Andrew Thomson, called and inducted.
- 1747 "The Breach" over the Burgess Oath. The congregation split into Burghers who subscribed to the Oath and Anti-Burghers.
- 1754 The second church and manse (Newton House, now demolished) built at the other end of Main Street by the Anti-Burghers.
- 1760 "The Breach" healed and the Anti-Burghers returned to the first church, the second church and the first manse being sold.
- 1839 The third church built on the present site to seat 400, as the congregation had become too large for the first church.
- 1847 The Union of the Secession and Relief Churches to form the United Presbyterian Church.
- 1866 The present manse built in Ayr Road.
- 1900 The Union of the United Presbyterian and Free Churches to form the United Free Church of Scotland.
- 1924 The present church hall built.
- 1929 The Union of the United Free Church and the Church of Scotland.
- 1931 The present Minister, Rev. W. Murray Mackay, M.A., S.T.M., ordained and inducted.
- 1939 The fourth church built to seat 729. A corbel stone from the first manse is built into the wall in the vestibule.
- 1949 The War Memorial window unveiled and dedicated.
- 1951 The belfry built and the Constant-Martin Electronic Bells installed and dedicated.
- 1956 The present Minister celebrated his Semi-Jubilee.
- 1965 Pipe Organ installed and dedicated.

Note: Further details of the history of the congregation can be found in "Old days and ways in Newton Mearns", by a former Minister of the congregation, Rev. A. Boyd Scott, D.D.

COMMUNION PLATE

The old Communion vessels of pewter, now no longer used, except two of the chalices placed on the Communion Table for the Minister's use are of interest. The service consists of six chalices, four patens and two flagons. Two patens used for the carrying in of Church door collections. Four of the chalices are inscribed "Belonging to the Associate Congregation of Mearns 1748". The two flagons each bear the same inscription. The patens are inscribed "Associate Congregation Newton Mearns". Each one of them bears two stamps: (1) a ship in full sail squarely bordered with the words "Success to the United States of America" and (2) an oval stamp with the craftsmen's names, "Graham and Wardrop".

The vessels can be seen by arrangement with the Session Clerk.

Financial Statement for Year ended 31st December, 1972

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(Sgd.) A. McCANCE, *Treasurer*

RECEIPTS									PAYMENTS						
BALANCE AT 1/1/72	£343.87	Transfer to General Funds	£500.00
Request	500.00	BALANCE AT 31/12/72	
Interest	9.77	3% Savings Bonds	50.00
								Deposit Account	303.64
							<u>£853.64</u>								<u>£853.64</u>

RECEIPTS									PAYMENTS							
BALANCE AT 1/1/72	£4,251.18		BALANCE AT 31/12/72							
Interest (including tax recovered, £64.43)	285.71		9½% Clyde Port Authority Bonds	£3,500.00
									Deposit Account	1,036.89
							<u>£4,536.89</u>									<u>£4,536.89</u>

RECEIPTS					PAYMENTS				
BALANCE AT 1/1/72	£3,897.20	Organ Maintenance—Year 1973	£66.60
Interest (Including tax recovered, £54.25)	250.27	BALANCE AT 31/12/72	
					8½% Hamilton Burgh Loan (11/11/75)	3,500.00
					Savings Bank of Glasgow	580.87
				<u>£4,147.47</u>					<u>£4,147.47</u>

	RECEIPTS				PAYMENTS		
BALANCE AT 1/1/72	£15,832.79	Transfer to General Funds					£25.80
Interest (Including tax recovered, £253.63)	1,112.01	BALANCE AT 31/12/72					
Stock Appreciation	1,231.79	8% Treasury Loan (£18,000) (2002/06)					17,630.56
		Deposit Account					520.23
	<u>£18,176.59</u>						<u>£18,176.59</u>

RECEIPTS								PAYMENTS							
BALANCE AT 1/1/72	£3,689.89	BALANCE AT 31/12/72						
Interest (Including tax recovered, £42.63)	203.79	8½% Hamilton Burgh Loan (11/11/75)	£2,750.00
									Deposit Account	1,143.68
								<u>£3,893.68</u>							<u>£3,893.68</u>

	RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
BALANCE AT 1/1/72	...	£31,073.10	BALANCE AT 31/12/72	
Contributions	25.00	34% War Stock (£600)	£403.00
Collections	9.27	8% Treasury Loan (£27,300) (2002)	26,913.43
Stock Appreciation	1,803.85	8% Hamilton Burgh Loan (11/11/75)	2,500.00
Interest (Including Tax recovered, £477.95)	...	2,130.36	8½% Hamilton Burgh Loan (11/11/75)	3,750.00
Deeds of Covenant (Including Tax recovered, £48.06)	...	186.81	5% Hamilton Burgh Loan (Snowball)	300.00
Balance of Stock Transactions	2.79	Deposit Account	1,221.25
			Snowball Deposit Account	143.50
		<u>£35,231.18</u>		<u>£35,231.18</u>

WOMAN'S GUILD

RECEIPTS										PAYMENTS									
BALANCE AT 1/1/72																			
Cash in Bank	£107.08	Mission and Service Fund	£150.00	
Cash on Hand	1.54	Church Funds	25.00	
Hamilton Burgh Loan (Miss Watt's Legacy)	200.00	Missions and Guild Project	30.00	
Bring and Buy Sale	14.76	Printing Syllabuses	9.70	
Tea Collections	32.28	W. G. Central Expenses Fund	6.60	
Donations	6.00	S. W. District Council55	
Spotlight Magazines	3.78	Spotlight Magazines	3.78	
Syllabuses	9.15	Hire of Films, Tapes and Costumes (India)	3.50	
Coffee Morning	205.00	Hire of Mini Bus (Woman's World Day of Prayer—Mearnskirck)	1.50	
Bank Interest	3.05	Speakers Expenses and Flowers	12.50	
Interest on Hamilton Burgh Loan (Miss Watt's Legacy)	11.69	Secretary's and Assistant Secretary's Expenses	5.45	
										Catering	12.37	
										New Cash Book and Beetle Cards73	
										Postages and Poundage	1.14	
										Delegates Expenses	6.00	
										Gratuity	5.00	
										BALANCE AT 31/12/72		
										Cash in Bank	115.22	
										Cash on Hand	5.29	
										Hamilton Burgh Loan	200.00	
									£594.33									£594.33	

(Sgd.) ELLA C. S. CORMACK, *Treasurer*

ORGANISATIONS' ACCOUNTS

YEAR 1972

Organisation	Balance 1/1/72	Receipts	Payments	Balance 31/12/72	Officials
2nd Mearns Company Brownies	£21.76	£64.95	£47.74	£38.97	R. BOOTH, <i>Brown Owl</i>
3rd Mearns Company Brownies	Nil	70.42	64.18	6.24	V. MCKENZIE, <i>Brown Owl</i>
Youth Fellowship	92.00	266.38	251.84	106.54	I. CLARK, <i>Treasurer</i>
Badminton Group	52.72	37.63	57.98	32.37	M. I. RAYBOULD, <i>Treasurer</i>
79th Glasgow Company Sparks	6.66	11.04	6.46	11.24	C. PRIME, <i>Leader</i>
79th Glasgow Company Junior B.B.	37.44	27.96	59.38	6.02	M. OGILVIE, <i>Leader</i>
79th Glasgow Company the B.B.	88.87	184.22	164.65	108.44	A. J. WATT, <i>Captain</i>
Sunday School	140.58	297.18	267.97	169.79	R. HODGINS, <i>Treasurer</i>
Flower Fund	67.12	17.34	24.15	60.31	E. CARLAW and J. RUSSELL, <i>Joint Conveners</i>
Young Wives Group	89.26	127.93	40.67	176.51	I. LIVINGSTON, <i>Treasurer</i>
2nd Mearns Company Girl Guides	79.52	39.28	33.02	85.78	J. C. PELOSI, <i>Captain</i>
3rd Mearns Company Girl Guides	Nil	87.13	35.34	51.79	M. C. RUSSELL, <i>Acting Captain</i>

24th February, 1973.—Accounts audited and found correct.

(Sgd.) I. W. WILSON and H. C. WILSON, *Auditors*.

OFFICIALS OF THE CHURCH ORGANISATIONS

THE WOMAN'S GUILD

President: Mrs. R. L. TODD, 142 Ayr Road.

Telephone: 639 3149

Vice-President: Mrs. W. DINSMOR.

Telephone: 639 2777

Secretary: Mrs. A. M. R. RUSSELL, Netherfield, Glebe Lane.

Telephone: 639 1658

Asst. Secretary: Mrs. J. ROACH, 14 Eddington Drive.

Telephone: 639 2829

Treasurer: Mrs. E. CORMACK, 10 Townhead Road.

Telephone: 639 2562

The Guild meets on Monday evenings at 7.30.

YOUNG WIVES' GROUP

President: Mrs. J. MCKERRAL, 46 Newtonlea Avenue.

Telephone: 639 3655

Secretary: Mrs. G. DURHAM, 218 Harvie Avenue.

Telephone: 639 5615

Treasurer: Mrs. I. LIVINGSTON, 9 Larchfield Avenue.

Telephone: 639 2826

The Group meets in the Upper Hall on alternate Wednesday afternoons, from 2.30-4.30. A Creche is available.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Superintendent: Mr. J. MCKERRAL, 46 Newtonlea Avenue.

Telephone: 639 3655

Treasurer: Mr. ROBERT HODGINS, 46 Cheviot Drive.

Telephone: 639 3795

Secretary: Mr. ALAN PATERSON, 46 Rodger Avenue.

Telephone: 639 4972

THE YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

President: Mr. GORDON MCFADYEN

Telephone: 638 1580

Secretary: Miss AVRIL SHAW, Bye-Ways, Humble Road.

Telephone: 639 3060

THE BOYS' BRIGADE—79th GLASGOW COMPANY

Captain: Mr. ALEX J. WATT, 25 Orchard Drive, Giffnock, Glasgow.

Telephone: 638 6704

The Company and Senior Sections meet in the Hall on Friday evenings at 7.30.

THE JUNIOR SECTION

THE BOYS' BRIGADE—79th GLASGOW COMPANY

The Company meets in the Hall on Friday evenings at 6.30.

THE GIRL GUIDES—2nd MEARN'S COMPANY

Captain: Mrs. A. PELOSI, Glencairn, Rysland Crescent. *Telephone:* 639 2830

The Company meets in the Church Hall on Thursday evenings at 7.30.

THE GIRL GUIDES—3rd MEARN'S COMPANY

Acting Captain: Miss MURIEL RUSSELL, Netherfield, Glebe Lane.

Telephone: 639 1658

The Company meets on Thursday evenings at 7.30 in Mearns Primary School.

2nd BROWNIE PACK

Brown Owl: Mrs. R. BOOTH, 53 The Oval, Clarkston.

Telephone: 637 9154

This Pack meets in the Church Hall on Thursday evenings at 6.00.

3rd BROWNIE PACK

Brown Owl: Miss SIMMIE, 30 Windsor Avenue.

Telephone: 639 3177

This Pack meets on Tuesday evenings at 6.15, in Eastwood High School.

7th BROWNIE PACK

Brown Owl: Miss VIVIAN MCKENZIE, 6 Castleton Drive.

Telephone: 639 5293

This Pack meets on Tuesday evenings at 6.15, in Eastwood High School.

THE BADMINTON CLUB

President: Mr. COLIN ATKINSON, 106 Beech Avenue.

Telephone: 639 2970

Secretary: Mrs. I. GRAY, 58 Kinloch Drive.

Telephone: 639 5710

Treasurer: Mr. M. I. RAYBOULD, 62 Kinloch Drive.

Telephone: 639 6240

SPARKS—BOYS 5-7 YEARS

Leader: Miss CATHERINE PRIME, 53 Newtonlea Avenue.

Telephone: 639 2572

The Sparks meet on Wednesday evenings between 6.00-7.30