

Emmanuel Church Clermiston

July/August
2012

A Church for all people to celebrate Good News

Moving on.....



Dear Emmanuel,

Thank you so much for all your prayers and support over the years of discernment and training for ministry, for your friendships, for the fun that I've had being part of your fellowship, and for the growth I've known from travelling with you over the years. Particular thanks for your support over the past year or so when things have been especially difficult. All my training is finished and all the marks are in. I just have one more residential week to go in July.

This sounds like a goodbye, and in some ways it nearly is. I'm due to be ordained deacon at St Mary's Cathedral, Palmerston Place, at a service at 3.00pm on Sunday, 30th September. Everyone is most welcome to come along to the service. You don't need a ticket! The news I can finally officially share without having to say not to tell anyone else is that I'm going to be serving my curacy at the Cathedral as well. This lasts up to three years and, all going well, I will be ordained priest after a year of that time. It's not really the sort of place I thought I'd serve my curacy, but God knows best and I'm satisfied that his hand is behind this (despite quite a few initial objections). All the same, going from a church that has no building to the biggest church building in Scotland will be quite a leap.

So my Sunday to Sunday involvement, which has decreased slowly over the last few years, will come to an end, but I'm sure that our paths will cross many more times over the coming years. Indeed, I really hope they will. I look forward to hearing and seeing how Emmanuel is blessed by God and how people are blessed through your faithfulness.

Please don't lose touch!
Willie



Pray for...

- ❖ David as he travels in East Africa with the Lawyer's Christian Fellowship working alongside Christian legal aid organisations and doing general missions work in outlying villages.
- ❖ **The Holiday Club**, run by SU in St Andrew's Parish Church from **6-10 August**. Pray for our young people who will be helping in this important outreach activity to the children in the area.
- ❖ **Willie** as he prepares for his ordination on **30th September** at St Mary's Cathedral.
- ❖ Everyone going on holiday, that they would have safe travel and a happy and refreshing time.

Dates to Remember

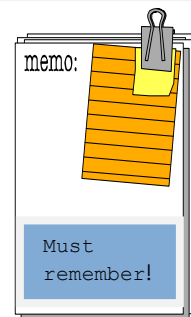
Sunday 8th July
10.30am

Daniel's Baptism
at the Priory Church
South Queensferry

Sunday 5th August
Fellowship lunch after the
service

Monday - Friday
August 6th-10th
Holiday Club at
St Andrew's church

Sunday 30th September
3.00pm
Willie's ordination at
St Mary's Cathedral
Palmerston Place



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Rev. Terry Harkin

The Alpha Course

Alpha is a basic course exploring the Christian faith in a relaxed atmosphere of fun, food and friendship. Over 18 million people from 166 countries worldwide have attended typically because they:

- are searching for more than life has to offer
- have a Christian background looking for a refresher
- went to church when they were younger and are thinking about returning
- want to know more about the Christian faith

Our course is run by a partnership of four local churches in West of Edinburgh: Emmanuel, Clermiston; The Priory, South Queensferry; Holy Cross, Davidson's Mains; Barnton Baptist.


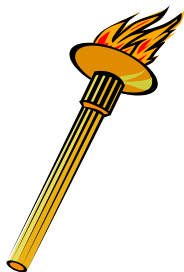
We run an Alpha course each year that starts with an Alpha Supper, a taster evening with a main course meal, further information and a short talk titled "Is there more to Life than this?"

Our next Alpha Supper will be on **Wednesday 19th September** starting at **7.00pm** at "The Brig Restaurant & Bar" previously Cramond Brig. If you would like more information about Alpha, go to the Alpha Scotland website.

Countdown to the 2012 Olympics!

At the time of writing, it's Day 41 and the torch has reached Lincoln. So much sport to watch in July and August! Wimbledon is in its 4th day and Murray is still there! It would be good if he could do something special in Olympic year. As we watch all the athletes at the Olympics and the Paralympics giving their all, we are reminded of Eric Liddell's race in the 1924 Olympics where he beat the world record in the 440 yards - his preferred race of 100 yards was run on a Sunday and Eric wouldn't run on Sundays!

'Those who honour me, I will honour.' 1Samuel 2:30



Sermon Series

July/August

1st July 'Life in the Spirit'
Romans 8:31-39
[Iain MacRobert](#)

8th July Daniel's Baptism at
The Priory Church
[Terry Harkin](#)

15th July – 26th August
Looking at various themes
in the book of Proverbs

Let your creative juices flow...



- ❖ Please give Dorothy items for the **September** Newsletter by **Friday, 17th August**. email ken.dorothy.893@btinternet.com
- ❖ Please let Dorothy know any **change of address or phone number**.
- ❖ **Remember you can post articles directly to the blog** on the website by emailing info1588.emmanuel@blogger.com
- ❖ **Jane has started to update the website** to reflect the change to the Rannoch Centre but **please review the website** and email janerobbo@blueyonder.co.uk with any new information. It is important to keep the website up-to-date as many people looking for a new church will check the internet first.

