

## Youth Alpha Reunion - 30 June



We met on the evening of Tuesday 30 June with the original members of the Youth Alpha of 2023 as Charis and Jamie who originally held it in their house are back on holiday from Australia so we arranged a meet up

## New Notice Board to display events at Church

See our new notice board with posters and information as you approach the front door.



## Unused Lego for



**Holiday Club**  
4-7 August 10am – 1.30pm  
Trinity Community Church Hall

For more information  
Contact – Agnes Haggart

If you have any unused Lego lurking in your attic, we would be glad to relieve you of this for one of the week's activities.

## Further information from Agnes Haggart.

The Tale of Two Kings' aim is to help children come to understand how the events and promises of the Old Testament are fulfilled in the New. Join them on a medieval adventure to see how King David points us to God's greatest King – King Jesus – the only King we can give our lives to!

# TYBG

TUESDAY YOUTH BIBLE GROUP

A huge thank you to everyone for their continued support for the young folk attending TYBG. We've had a good year using Youth for Christ material which covers a lot of everyday topics that have a biblical perspective.

It's our prayer that we're able to equip the

young folk with tools that will help them now but also in their adult lives. Whether you've supported the group financially or been part of the prayer support group or one of our amazing foodie people we thank you from the bottom of our heart for making each Tuesday possible as it's definitely a church team effort.

Sadly we're losing Katy, Favour and Eric as they move onto university life but we hope they'll go into adulthood with a strong faith in Jesus and shine out to people they meet.

The young people who are still with us will hopefully continue to come and we're praying we'll see more youngsters come along when the next session starts after the summer.

Please continue to pray for Isla, Adam, Noble, Nicanor, Ben, Lachlan, Samuel and Holly.



# Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

## Trinity Community Diary

5, 12, 19, 26 July 7.15pm	Sunday Evening Prayer Meeting. - Church Hall
6, 13, 20, 27 July 7.00pm	Monday Bible Study Group - Small Hall. Details Kathleen Downey 07985 294495
6, 13, 20, 27 July 7.15pm	Monday Bible Study Group - Zoom. Details Sheena Dawe 07810 477597
6, 13, 20, 27 July 7.30pm	Monday Bible Study Group - - Zoom. Details from Neil & Joan Cape 674276
6, 13, 20, 27 July 7.30pm	Monday Bible Study Group - Various homes. Details Ruth Aird <a href="mailto:rutheaird@outlook.com">rutheaird@outlook.com</a>
7, 14, 21, 28 July 10.00am	Tuesday House Group - Small Hall. Details Mary Darling 01968 660585.
7, 14, 21, 28 July 7.00pm	Tuesday House Group - Various homes. Details Caroline McIntosh 07747 894046
8, 15, 22, 29 July 10.00am	Wednesday Bible Study Group in the Church Hall (Meeting Room)
12, July 12.00pm	Annual Congregational Meeting - held immediately after morning service
5 August 10.45am	Friendship Hour in the Church Hall (Meeting Room)

**Pastoral Care** - Please remember that we are always here for church members and for anyone in the community, and you are welcome to phone (in confidence) at any time for a chat, prayer, source other help or to request a visit;  
Either: John Urquhart (01968 382116); Margaret Webster (01968 672347 or 07761 096 472) or Wilma Wilson (07719 665505)



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## Church mouse

From the mouse of  
Editor's PC

Summer arrived with a heat wave, not a common occurrence in Penicuik!

Great to have Fiona Devoy back again, covering for John as he and his family take some R & R to recharge their batteries.

Some of the regular activities are taking a summer break too, so check with their organisers to get those dates into your diary.

The **SU Holiday Club** is planned to happen during holiday time, as you can guess by the name. The call for LEGO bricks is interesting. I wonder what they will be doing with them. All will be revealed in a later issue.

## Grief Support Group

Find Healing in Togetherness  
Grief is a personal journey, but you don't have to walk it alone.

Food Facts Friends are pleased to announce that we are starting a Grieving Support Group here at the Hub, in partnership with William Purves, Funeral Directors.

Next Group Meeting  
Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2026  
Time: 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM  
Where: Food Facts Friends Hub

A free and informal space to talk about grief. Enjoy tea, coffee & cake, have a chat about your experience of grief or just sit and listen.

Enjoy the summer season and this issue of your church newsletter

Jim Paterson  
Newsletter Editor  
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## Trinity Community Welcomes Fiona Devoy

Whilst our minister Rev John Urquhart was on a well earned holiday the Trinity Community members and visitors welcomed back Fiona Devoy to lead our services on 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> June. Her brief was to continue the Evangelism theme that John had started. No pressure there then! The service on the 21st found Scotland still in the World Cup - Just! Fiona used that in her All Age talk with the children, which included teams, be as leader, choosing who will be in the team, or being selected or not to join the team. This led to Jesus' team, including the disciples, and how we can be accepted into God's 'team'.



Fiona is a great user of questions to the congregation, and for her sermon asked about our relationship with God. We tend to be comfortable talking about our families, friends, relations within groups rather than our relationship with God, which makes evangelism somewhat difficult. Listening to others talking about their relationship with God is more acceptable than telling others of our own testimonies.

You can hear the full service on our youtube channel at <https://youtu.be/blAzBiWuzBo>

Fiona's second service with us was on 28 June where we used the parable of the Mustard Seed teaches that the Kingdom of God starts from the smallest beginnings but grows into something vast and with significant impact.

## Mustard Seed

A selection of plants grown by members of the congregation



Neil Cape reminded us of our previous service on 17 May where packets of mustard seeds were handed out to congregation members to plant and had asked those who had planted the seed to bring photos of their growth.

All the photos showed good growth, some at an earlier stage than others, but all displaying how something so small can grow so strongly. As Jesus said in Matthew 13 "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his field. Though it is the smallest of all seeds, yet when it grows, it is the largest of garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds come and perch in its branches"

We are being asked to be like the mustard seed to grow and take the word of Jesus out into our community .

The mustard seed, though tiny, grows into a large plant or tree, symbolising the humble beginnings of God's Kingdom and its potential for expansive growth.

You can hear the full service on our youtube channel at <https://youtu.be/vKkh4y8kdLs>

## Food Facts Friends Launch No-Knife Campaign.

Mark Wells of FFF led the official launch of their Bleed-Save Kit & No-Knife Campaign on Friday 26 June.

There was a wonderful turnout, lots of interest from everyone who came along, and some really encouraging conversations about how we can roll this out across Midlothian to keep our community safer.

It was also good to speak with the Council Leader Kelly Parry, Community Police Officer Ben Stobbart, Lisa and other guests about the work we do at Food Facts Friends, and how this campaign fits perfectly with our mission to support lives and



Lisa McNab, Kelly Parry, Ben Stobbart



protect people.

A huge thank you to Lisa McNab who runs a campaign, set up in loving memory of her son, firstly, to try and ban the sale of knives in shops and get them off our streets entirely, and secondly, to place these bleed control kits in communities everywhere. See full story in the June edition of TC News.

**This is just the beginning  
No Knives — Save Lives**

## Summer Fayre - 27 June Report by Jim Paterson

The Summer Fayre returned to our Trinity Community church on Saturday 27 June. Fortunately the recent heat wave where temperatures hit the high twenties (a rarity in Penicuik) had mellowed slightly to a more 21 degrees (70 degrees for those still stuck in Fahrenheit).

Margaret Black received lots of goodies' to fill the stalls and as prizes for the raffle. All in aid of church funds.

The hall tables were overflowing with all sorts of gifts and useful items.

First on my travels was the home baking stand. Previous experience of Summer Fayres reminded me to be quick as much of the baking is snapped up, a bit like 'snow of a dyke' as everything is so tempting. Sandra Knox and Marion Mathers were helping the customers choose, a personal favourite is the Apple Spice cake, of which I managed to grab one of the last remaining, to ensure that my morning coffee breaks over the next few days would have something tasty to go with it. Other cakes and jams were also on sale.



Lorna Ward and Wilma Wilson together with Liz Murray were on the bottle stall. I bought my tickets, good value at 3 for a £1. Unfortunately for me none of my tickets came up trumps this time.



The Raffle stall had a wide selection of items as prizes, including a Barbara Sprott knitted crinoline lady with a special twist; Jenny Ramage, along with Liz Chisholm showed me how turning her upside down she appears in a different dress! Margaret is a very clever knitter and this amazing pattern must have taken hours to create.



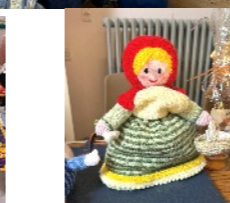
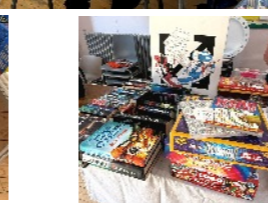
Joan Cape and Linda Paterson were behind a table heaving with CD's, DVD's books and magazines with many different music genre's film styles and reading categories.



The tombola is always a good opportunity to win a prize. Jean Lennie and Linda McKay were tempting. Finally Joyce MacLean looked after the 'Miscellaneous stall, covering anything that didn't fit on any of the other stalls!



By time I'd had a good look at all the stalls it was time for a refreshment break. Christine Jackson, Helen McCall, Maureen Hazel and Nora Cox were busy creating plates of cakes and scones with never ending tea and coffee available to keep everyone chatting at the tables.



Margaret Black reported at the following Sunday service a total of £910, rising eventually to £930 was raised for church funds. Well done to all who helped organise, setup and run the stalls and refreshments.

## CAKES FOR PENICUIK HIGH SCHOOL STAFF

# Thank You!



A massive **THANK YOU** to everyone who helped provide cakes, sweets, biscuits, fruit and money donations for all the staff at Penicuik High School as a token of the churches' appreciation of everything they do for the pupils throughout the year. Before finishing up for a well earned rest on the last day of term they were able to enjoy some amazing goodies and at the same time say goodbye to some of their colleagues who were also leaving that day.

By acts of kindness we pray that the school will know that the churches in Penicuik are here to support them in any way we can through prayer and practical help.



The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on

**Sunday 12th July**

immediately after morning service, in the church.

*This is an opportunity to review our activities in 2025 and our plans for this year, and to ask questions. Please send Neil Cape an email if you'd like a copy of the Accounts for 2025; he will print off a few copies for next Sunday (5th July).*

**FOOD FACTS FRIENDS**  
**YOUTH GROUP**  
Starting **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2026**  
at Food Facts Friends Wellbeing Hub  
42 John Street Penicuik. EH268AB  
Thursday's 4-6pm  
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Midlothian CLLE

**WAVES OF HOPE**  
LOGOS HOPE UK TOUR 2026  
LOGOS HOPE IS COMING TO EDINBURGH IN 2026!

**OM**  
**TYBG**  
TUESDAY YOUTH BIBLE GROUP

On the last night of TYBG we were privileged to have Ema Smithdorff from the Logos Hope come to share with us all about the work of OM and what happens on the ship. The Logos Hope travels the world taking the good news of Jesus to the people of those countries it visits. They do this in many ways offering practical and spiritual help to many.

Ema herself is from Japan and her dad is South African and her mum Japanese. She shared her testimony with the group telling them a bit about Japanese culture and her own faith story living in a country where only 0.5% of the population is Christian.

It was a great night and we hope that as many people from the group and the church will be able to visit the Logos Hope when it arrives in Edinburgh on July 10th. Well worth a visit if you can make it.

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