

Dear Friends,

After what seems like forever, we have been able to welcome young people back to the church again. Our Sunday night Engage group has been going for a few weeks, the Lego Club started back last Friday, and we are looking forward to re-starting our youth club, Impact at the end of this month.

We are still waiting for the go-ahead to re-start schools work but it's exciting to get our other groups going.

The reason for telling you this is to ask you to pray for all of the groups and all of the young people who will attend.

Pray for us as we plan and organise.

Pray that the young people will be keen to come.

Pray that our publicity will be effective in reaching as many young people as possible.

Pray for Impact, we have some great leaders, but we need more.

Pray for the Engage group as we read through Mark's gospel and discover how much it has to say to us today.

If you would like to know more about our work with young people, contact Gordon M at [gordon@craiglockhartchurch.org](mailto:gordon@craiglockhartchurch.org)

God Bless

Gordon McBirnie

### **Sunday Services**

Work has started on our sanctuary project and at some point we will be having services in the large hall. This will depend upon what work is underway in the sanctuary. We hope to minimise the number of Sundays when we will be meeting in the hall.

Face coverings and the track and trace system will continue to be in use for the foreseeable future. Booking to attend services is no longer required.

It is important that if you have been at church on Sunday and have a positive test you let us know about this.

We will continue with the use of hand sanitiser and will continue to do everything we can to welcome you all to our services safely.

We will continue to broadcast a service at 10.30am on Sundays which will be on our YouTube channel,

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCRBBa9pHWuZsfhPFPwUrE4g>

### **Harvest Thanksgiving**

Our Harvest Thanksgiving service this year will be on Sunday 10 October. Our theme this year will be climate care as we think of the wonders of God's creation and our duty as disciples of Jesus to care for all that God has created. If you would like to bring a harvest gift to support the work of the Food Bank, please bring your gift to church on Sundays, or bring it down to the church during the week. To check if the church will be open during the week please email [office@craiglockhartchurch.org](mailto:office@craiglockhartchurch.org)



### **Yellow Canaries**

We would like to create a flock of yellow canaries to decorate the gates, fences and trees of our church grounds. We hope this will remind all those who see them of the climate crisis and the need to engage with the COP26 summit.

There are patterns to make yellow canaries

knitting

<https://craftivist-collective.com/blog/2021/06/canary-knitting-pattern/>

crochet

<https://craftivist-collective.com/blog/2021/06/canary-craftivists-crochet-bird-pattern-by-dippycatcrochet/>

felt

<https://craftivist-collective.com/blog/2021/06/free-felt-canary-pattern/>

If you can't access the internet but would like a copy of one or all of these patterns, please phone Gordon Kennedy, 0131 444 1615.

Please join us to make a flock of yellow canaries for our church grounds.

### **New Website**

We have been working on renewing our congregation's website. It is still at the same address,

[www.craiglockhartchurch.org](http://www.craiglockhartchurch.org)

The site is still under construction so not all the pages are filled in. Please let us know you feedback on our new website, email: [office@craiglockhartchurch.org](mailto:office@craiglockhartchurch.org)

### **Guild**

The Guild are meeting online this Wednesday 6th October at 2pm. The speaker is Mike Bullock from the Lighthouse Board. The Zoom log in details are below.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85916319402?pwd=TnZOaFViZ2hmWjA3Z1IYNURnLzFKQT09>

Meeting ID: 859 1631 9402

Passcode: 641669

Thank you for reading this email, and please do pass it on to others who may find it interesting,

Yours,

Gordon Kennedy