October 2009

Building For Mission

The last weekend in November - (closest to St. Andrew's Day, appropriately!) - will be a very special weekend indeed. It will begin on the Friday when specially invited guests will join the Kirk Session for a Reception. Those guests will include representatives of the businesses we have worked with on the refurbishment together with folks from local churches and other key people in the community – e.g. from the schools and services. The Fellowship Core Group will be in charge of catering for that event and a group of our young people will be acting as a hosting team.

On the Saturday, the doors will be flung open! From 10am until 4pm, we will be welcoming visitors to our buildings –

church members who want a closer look and, just as importantly, the general public. This will be a great opportunity for us to let the wider community see what a wonderful facility we have created – and, who knows, perhaps to welcome them to come back for more! Coffees will be served throughout the day with soups over lunchtime.

Then, on the Sunday morning at 11am, we will all gather together – in what is sure to be a packed-to-capacity sanctuary! – for a Celebration! What better occasion to give thanks for fifty years of St. Andrew's Church, to officially dedicate our new buildings and to look forward to the exciting things that God undoubtedly has in store for us! All of that will take place within the context of our Advent service during which the whole Church family will celebrate Communion together.

Lastly, the weekend will finish with a bang with a Sunday evening gig by the Christian rock band *Superhero*.



Remember this? It is now almost a reality!

"Can I just have a wee peek inside?" "Sorry, but <u>NO</u> - not yet!"

If all goes according to plan we will have access to our buildings again by early October. However, we will still be employing contractors to lay carpets, paint the Old Hall, renew some windows, and deliver chairs etc, and we will have much work to do ourselves in completing our new kitchen, using high level scaffolding and ladders to redecorate some areas and to re-install sound and visual

systems, kitting out the office, and much, much more ... including just getting everything back in! All in all, at least several weeks of work still to be done.

Because of this, <u>Health and Safety rules must continue</u> to apply. Therefore, <u>only</u> our contractors and those who are working on these jobs will have access to the buildings.

So, <u>please</u>, tempting as it may be, do <u>not</u> come and ask -

"Can I just have a wee peek inside?" !!!!

The Reverend Ruth Bell

Many of you will know by now that our Assistant, Ruth, has come successfully through her probationary period.



She met with representatives of the Ministries Council of The Church of Scotland on 19th August. After a ninety minute meeting / interview, they declared themselves thoroughly satisfied that Ruth's placement at St. Andrew's Church should be sustained and, therefore, that Ruth should be declared to have completed all necessary training and preparation for ordained

ministry.

Naturally, we are delighted and rejoice with Ruth at this time. This represents the culmination of many years of study and hard work. No one deserves it more than she does.

Of course, we at St. Andrew's were never in any doubt about Ruth's gifts and abilities. It's been a delight to have her with us during these last thirteen months. She has won a place in our hearts and her ministry among us has been highly valued by all. Even so, it is good to know that the national Church agrees with our assessment of Ruth!

And so now Ruth is in that period of seeking God's guidance as to what exactly her next move should be. There are various options available to her and we shall be praying with her that she gets a sense of clarity about what God would have her do.

In the meantime, congratulations to Ruth!!

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ST ANDREW'S ARBROATH

REGISTER OF MEMBERS

September 2009

Baptisms - None

Weddings - Tracey Stather and Michael McCallum

Funerals - None

DEADLINE DATES FOR DIARIES

NOVEMBER EDITION

Please note that DEADLINE dates <u>must</u> mean exactly that. Information that needs to be Word Processed should be handed in to the <u>office</u> by the <u>first</u> date and <u>not</u> to the Editor.

Friday 20th October (Written/preferably typed)

Tuesday 24th October (Word-Processed file)

Thank You

I would like to thank **all** of the St Andrew's family for their friendship and support during my years in Arbroath! A special thank you to the group who met to pray for persecuted Christians, for your love and faithful commitment, the lovely morning we spent together at OB's and for your generous gift.

My new address is 115, Coulpark, Alness, Ross-shire. IV17 0RB.

With quite a bit of work to be done, it will be some time before I'm settled, but when I am I would welcome a visit from **anyone** who finds themselves in that area. A cup of tea is assured!!

At the time of writing I do not have a telephone number, but when I do I will make sure that Alison has it at the office.

God bless you all!

Wilma Nicolson

New Venues are shown below

SUNDAY

10.15 am – Gathering for prayer.

10.30 am - Choir practice.

11.00 am – Morning service (with short communion on the third Sunday of each month. Tea/coffee after. Creche – up to age 3. Infants – ages 3 to 5. Juniors – ages 8 and 9. Seniors – ages 10 and 11

Sunday Club - Elaine Fair (873238). Teen Scene - S1 to S2

6.30 to 8.00 pm – Sunday evening ICE-BREAKERS – up to age 16

8.00 pm – Sunday evening Youth Group – age 16 plus (Guild Hall, Ogilvy Place)

MONDAY

11.00 am - Havilah - Drop-in Centre - Church Office (431135) (Café Project)

2.00 pm - Dorothy Dobson Over 50s Exercise Class (West Kirk)

6.00 pm - Rainbow Guides - L Hadden (875379) (Guide Hall)

7.30 pm – St Andrew's Guild : Fortnightly – Joyce Lownie (430053) (OBs)

7.30 pm – Flower Club: Fortnightly – R Spink (874690) (OBs)

WEDNESDAY

10.30 am - Midweek Meeting Point - M Fair (873238)

11.00 am - Havilah - Drop-in Centre - Church Office (431135)

5.45 pm – Brownies – Morag Scorgie (01674 820721) (United Free Church)

7.15 pm – Guides (New Life Centre)

7.30 pm – Women's Group – first Wednesdays – Elaine Fair (873238)

THURSDAY

SOMETHING FOR EVERYON

10.00 am – Parent and Toddler Group – Joan Archer (876522) (Old & Abbey Church) 2.00 pm – Friend's Club: first Thursdays – L Smith – B Gerrard, secretary (434821)

(Green Street Hall)

6.00 pm - Anchor Boys - S Jamieson (431942)

6.00 pm – BB Junior Section – W Ewart (876114) (Sea Cadet Hall) 7.30 pm – BB Company Section – M Clark (437758) (Sea Cadet Hall)

FRIDA

9.30 am – Coffee morning (Old and Abbey Church)

11.00 am – Havilah – Drop-in Centre – Church Office (431135)

During the refurbishment please contact the church office for information on alternative venues. Intimations, changes of address, hall bookings etc., please contact Alison Davie at the Church office, Monday to Friday, 9 am to noon and for 15 minutes after Sunday Service, telephone 431135.

Printing, tickets, syllabi, etc – W Marshall (873376).

Please call 875235 in the event of corrections or omissions, and an updated sheet will be produced.

Martin



Fair

October 2009

Dear Friends,

All being well, by the time you're reading QUEST <u>next</u> month we'll be back in the Church!! Yes, the work is almost complete – inside the time frame, without major budget overflows and, importantly, to our satisfaction and delight. Of course, we'll discover little snags and glitches over the first few weeks but the bottom line is that the buildings are looking fantastic. I, for one, can't wait for you all to see the finished product for yourselves!

There's still plenty to be done. We're taking the opportunity to do some other jobs while the buildings remain empty – e.g. redecorating the main hall. And then we'll need to move all of our furniture back in. For that, we'll be looking for a team of strong and able-bodied volunteers.

Even so, bearing these things in mind, the end is in sight. A group has been working hard on our 'opening plans' in an effort to make sure that everything goes smoothly and that we maximise the potential that there will be – the potential to draw as many people as possible to see our new buildings and, who knows, into the life of the congregation. Though we will be in sooner, the official opening weekend will be the last weekend in November, with a reception on Friday night, an open day on the Saturday and a Celebration Service on the Sunday morning. Then, on that Sunday evening, especially for our younger people, we are hosting the Christian rock band *Superhero*.

So, there's plenty to look forward to! But let's be clear about this: with the work on the buildings completed, we're not finished. The programme of refurbishment was never intended to be an end in itself – rather a means to an end. We've developed our buildings that they would be all the more suitable for the mission of the Church in these days. We've made our buildings more welcoming, accessible and flexible that we might more fully realise our potential to draw people in – and that within these buildings we might more fully develop a ministry to this community that operates morning, noon and evening all through the week.

And it's on that mission that we need to focus. As a congregation of God's people, we've come to appreciate for ourselves just how much God loves us; that he was willing to give everything for us, even his Son, Jesus. In these coming days, we're being called to explore all possible means of making sure that that love gets shared widely – as the Church speaks and acts. My sense is that we are about to enter quite the most exciting time in the life of our congregation. So, close the door, fasten your seatbelts and let's get ready for the ride of our lives!

God bless,

Martin, Elaine, Callum, Andrew, Fraser and Flossie!

MartinFair@aol.com

Welcome, One and All

As you all know, our three-fold motto at St. Andrew's is

Welcome – Worship – Witness.

Together, these words sum up what we are all about. We strive to be a **welcoming** community of believers who share together in **worship** and, thereafter, in giving **witness** in word and deed to the love of God made known in Jesus.

Well, you'll never have a better opportunity to work on the **welcome** aspect, as we move back into our buildings and over the forthcoming weeks and months as we settle in to them! **Why not make a point of inviting a friend along to one of our services**, so that they can see our newly refurbished buildings and enjoy being part of our fellowship. In this *Year of Evangelism*, let's be hoping and praying that our guests might just see and hear something that will bring them back for more!

Can You Help?

When we gain access again we will have many small(ish!) jobs needing to be done. Are you a handyman/lady, sewer, decorator, joiner, plumber, electrician, bricklayer, carpet layer, or built like

'The Hulk'

or just plain willing and able to assist in any way? If so, then we need you!

Please offer your help to Bobby Craig on 876112.

Home and Away - OUTREACH - Home and Away

7th Arbroath B.B.

All Sections of the Company resumed on Thursday 3rd of September. We are especially looking for boys who are 5 years old who have just started school. Also 6 and 7 year olds (Primary 1, 2, and 3) to boost our ranks in the Anchor Boy section. We are meeting in the Sea Cadet halls on a Thursday at 6pm while the Church is under refurbishment. We hope to be back in the Church in the near future.

The Junior Section meets at the same time of 6pm and the age groups are 8,9, and 10 years old (Primary 4, 5, and 6). We have lots of fun and games and achievements to gain all the badges in each section.

Company Section boys meet at 7.45pm in the same halls immediately after the other groups leave until approx 9.30pm. The company section has 11 boys and a full programme of activities too. This section could do with some adult helpers. If you feel that you could help on a Thursday night for part of the time and have any skills that you can pass on to our boys then please get in touch with an officer. Contact details are in the magazine.

During the summer break we were saddened to learn of the death of a well loved Officer who had recently retired from the Anchor boys, Jean Tasker. There was a great turn out of Officers and Boys from the Company for the funeral service which showed the high regard that the boys felt for all the leadership and skills that Jean had passed on to us all. She will be sorely missed by us all but more so for Ron and the whole Family.

Wilma H. Ewart O.I.C. Junior Section

A Stranger for Christmas

Visits from strangers at Christmas began with the arrival of wise men from a foreign land. You could carry on this tradition, by inviting an international student to spend Christmas in your home. HOST is a well-established charity, backed by the Foreign Office and many universities, which links adults studying in the UK with hospitable volunteers throughout Britain. Guests come from all over the world, including many from China. They speak English, are keen to share their own culture, while longing to know more about our way of life. They are prepared to travel to stay with a host far from their university.

Welcoming a student who might otherwise spend Christmas on a deserted campus, fosters international understanding, and will make Christmas special. See

www.hostuk.org

or call HOST's volunteer regional organiser in this part of Scotland, Brian Conn, on 01224 733073. HOST arranges visits throughout the year, so if your 'inn' is full this Christmas, you can still offer an invitation at another time.

An Amazing Experience

By Amy Ramsay

From arriving to leaving South Africa I had the most amazing time ever! I settled in almost immediately and felt like I'd been part of the team/family forever and, from the minute I arrived to the minute I left, I was busy working away with the team, doing whatever needed to be done. The team were fantastic and we all got along really well together.

The variety of work I took part in was huge: from painting, to working in crèches, the list is almost endless! It was a huge learning curve and I learned a lot about myself as well about the work that I was involved in.

I was involved in a youth outreach, which to start with I was a bit unsure about because youth work has never really been my thing and I've always preferred working with children. Despite this, I threw myself into the project and had an amazing time with the young people who attended the outreach. I also had the opportunity to speak at a training session for Sunday School Teachers. Again, I was slightly worried about this because I didn't have a clue what I was going to say. I probably know quite a lot about teaching

children but didn't feel like I was the right person to be teaching teachers! I really prayed that God would give me the words to say and He did. The training was a huge success and I spent a great day with the teachers. God really taught me through both of these experiences that I need to let him take control over situations and while I'm not amazing at everything He is and, when I let Him, He can do amazing things through me!

My WEC Trek was an amazing experience. I was hugely blessed by so many people that I came into contact with while I was away. The children were all gorgeous and I loved spending time with them. They were so generous and always so full of life and energy. Spending time with the young people was also fantastic as they were always so positive and willing to help out. Within about ten minutes of meeting one Pastor, I'd been invited to move in with her instead of returning to Scotland and had been offered almost all of the food in the house. The people that I met rely on prayer so heavily. Without God, many of them would have nothing and when God does answer their prayers, they never forget to thank God for what he's given them.

Now I'm back home to everyday life and university, the real challenge is to continue to remember the lessons that I've learned in a society where God isn't at the top of the list for everyone.

The Guild – Just Guild 2009

The Caird Hall in Dundee was the venue for the annual meeting of the Church of Scotland Guild on Saturday 5th September. Over 2000 members from across the country converged on Dundee for a day of fellowship and the launch of the movements new theme, 'Called To Act Justly', under the strategy , 'What does the Lord require of you?'

Chaired by National Convenor, Betty Dunn, the day was a moving testimony to the work of the Guild. There was a reflection from the current Moderator, the Rt. Rev Bill Hewitt who reflected on the theme of justice with a focus on climate change. He was followed by keynote speaker, Mary Miller, an experienced Scottish medical worker, who gave her first-hand testimony about the plight of those with HIV/Aids in Zimbabwe.

The full and varied programme included news and re-

ports on aspects of the Guild's work, including information on the new projects the Guild will be supporting in the coming three years.

This day of reflection, worship and fellowship was attended by some of our own Guild members, Shona, Margaret K, Margaret Mc G, May, Karen, Evelyn and Doris. Ena, Martin's mum joined them and a great day was had by all. A DVD link from Alison Twaddle, general secretary, was one of the highlights of the day and as was a very random meeting with one of our Guild link partners from Christ's Church, Glenrothes on the steps of the Caird Hall as we left

Our Guild's first meeting will have taken place on 21st September but on 5th October, at 7.30pm in OB's, the Guild welcome some members of our Youth Group and Dr. Allan Fraser to give a few of their stories, 'A taste of Malawi'

Please feel free to come along.

Moving Malawi Meeting

The Malawi 09 group held an evening on Sunday 6th September at the Windmill to share what they had been up to on their trip and also share what the trip had meant to them.

Everyone was really encouraged by the amount of people who came along. Although the evening was a bit longer than planned I am sure that everyone who was there would agree that it went really well. The evening was interspersed with video footage and photos of the 2 projects that we support as a church as well as other work the group was involved in. There was also an opportunity to hear first hand from the 12 young people who had been. All of them shared in their own way but each was as sincere and

profound. It is not an easy thing to stand up and share in front of a packed room but they all shared with great honesty about their highs and lows and the ways that God has challenged them through the whole experience.

The audience were then treated to some African songs sung in Chichewa and even got a chance to join in. The group will now be busy over the next months sharing at different group meetings so if you are part of a group who you think would be interested in having some of the group along please speak to me.

We had a meeting last week to speak to young people interested in being part of the Malawi 2011 team – 14 came along (none of whom will have been before)!!

Sheila (Picture of the evening on back page)

Friends Club

Liz Smith, President, welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the session, especially the new members.

We opened the meeting by singing, "What a friend we have in Jesus" and Jackie then led us in prayer. After the business, our entertainers for the afternoon were introduced. Nan and George Wishart and Crawford Taylor gave us a selection of old and sing-a-long songs. Crawford sang unaccompanied and Nan told us some stories. Irene Sim then gave the vote of thanks. After our closing hymn and the Lord's Prayer, refreshments were served.

Our next meetings will be held on 6th October and 5th November in the West Kirk Halls.

Once an Addict

I was explaining to the boys that to support a football team is to be loyal to them in good days and bad – you don't change your allegiance because another team is doing better than your team!! In my case, it's like this: Once a Rangers fan, always a Rangers fan.

That's a common phrase isn't it? We say of ourselves, or of others, 'Once a_____, always a _____.

Well, on Tuesday 27th October, we'll be hosting an evening with Barry Woodward whose book is entitled, 'Once an addict..." The implication is, of course, that once a person is addicted to drugs, there's no way of changing. Barry's life is testimony to the fact that that's not true! He changed and his message is that anyone can change, by the grace of God.

Clearly this evening relates perfectly to our *Havilah* ministry.



Children & Families

*Sunday Club – (catering for ages 3 to 12)

During the time we've been worshipping in the Academy, the Sunday Club has been meeting in one of the gym halls. As we've all been in one room, we've been able to learn together. We've started each week with a story, told through drama, puppets, DVD or sometimes the illustrated children's bible. We've then moved to our own age groups where we've completed a craft relating to the story. The children have then been free to move to any of the other groups. This has been varied and great fun and the children have come home with armfuls of crafts. During Sept and Oct we've looked at Daniel, Jonah, Moses and Gideon.

*Creche – (Ages 0-3)

Our crèche has been meeting in a cosy little room in the Academy. The purpose of the crèche is to allow parents/carers to relax in church, knowing their little ones are being cared for by qualified staff. Of course parents are welcome to stay if children are unsettled, and those who do choose to go back into church are assured that they would be discretely called out if their child was upset.

*One!

The P6 and P7 children are being given the opportunity to visit Iona on the 10^{th} – 13^{th} Oct. This is for the Church of Scotland's Children's Assembly. 'Fischy Music' will be there to help with the worship, there will be story telling and plenty opportunities for play. They will also be joined by children from partner churches from around the world.

*Happy Hallowe'en

The church is reclaiming Hallowe'en! A party for P1s – P7s will be held in Perth on

31st October at Bell's Sports Centre from 11am-4pm. There will be giant inflatables, ducking for apples, face painting, arts and crafts and some worship with 'Fischy Music'. Dress up as your favourite character in a film, book or comic. Cars will be going from our church, so contact Elaine (873238) if you are interested in joining the fun.

*Messy Church

We kick off again on 27th Sept 4-6pm in the Old and Abbey Church halls (next month we hope to be utilising our own 'fab' new and updated premises!) Over the coming months we will be learning about some Bible heroines. This month is the story of Ruth and Naomi. This is a fun, non threatening way to learn about the Bible – perfect for families who have an interest but are not yet ready for 'church'. It's also a great fun way to worship with your children. We have games and crafts, a very short story and worship all culminating in a 2 course meal together - quality family time! The cost to you need be nothing -if you are able and if you wish to, you can make a small donation. To help with numbers for catering please give names to Elaine (873238) or Alison (church office 431135)

*After School Zone

Look out for us starting up again after the October holiday (Tuesdays 3.30-5pm). This club is perfect for children who can't get to church on a Sunday because of other commitments, or for those just looking for some safe fun on the dark nights through the winter. Everyone is welcome from P3 – P7. We start with a drink and a snack, followed by games, dvd, quiz, craft, more games and maybe even a 'gunge' challenge! The cost is 50p a week. Elaine will drop off leaflets at schools with more information and permission slips in the coming weeks.

Contact Elaine Fair (873238) for more information about any of the above.

Home Groups

The Home Groups are up and running again after a well-earned summer break. These groups offer opportunities for all of us to

- get to know one another better
- get to know our Bible better, and how to apply its teachings
- grow in our faith through sharing the journey with others

With around one hundred people in these groups, clearly they are a key part of the life of our church. If you are not presently part of a home group, speak to Lawrence Davie (Tel: 871874) about getting involved.

LOOKING AHEAD

The first three Sundays in October will find us worshipping in Knox's Church with services starting at 11.30 am. If we are not quite in a position to move back HOME, we will continue in Knox's for the week or two after that.

OCTOBER

Sunday 4
11.30 am - Worship Service,
including
Sacrament of Baptism
8 pm - OFF the W.O.L.

Sunday 11 11.30 am - Worship Service

Sunday 18 11.30 am - Worship Service

Sunday 25 11.30 am - Worship Service 4 pm - Messy Church

NOVEMBER

Sunday 1 11 am - Worship Service

Sunday 8 10.50 am - Worship Service beginning with Act of Remembrance

Sunday 15 11 am - Worship Service including Service of Infant Blessing

Sunday 22 11 am - Worship Service Guild Sunday across Scotland

> Sunday 29 11 am

Celebration Sunday

First Sunday in Advent, with all-age Communion AND official thanksgiving for opening our newlyrefurbished buildings!

- N.B. As well as the services above there is the following:
- ♦ A 40 minute service every Wednesday morning at 10.30am in <u>Old and Abbey</u>
- ♦ We now know that we will be moving back into our buildings within a matter of weeks. Therefore, please watch local press and church notices for times and venues of all services and church activities throughout October and into the beginning of November.

Contact Team

By now, most of you will have had the chance to meet your Contact person – that is, the person who will be delivering your QUEST magazine, bringing greetings to you from the church and ensuring that all is well with you and your family. If you were out at the time of their visit – and on the occasions when your visitor tried again! – hopefully they'll have better luck next time around!

Remember, the Contact Team is the first part of how we do pastoral care at St. Andrew's. Your visitor won't need to come in but they do need to check that all is well – that's what the Church has asked them to do! Why?

So that we know when need arises...and So that we can do something about it!!

Last month, for example, we discovered that one of our members had suffered a bereavement that we hadn't been aware of. Subsequently, we were able to take steps to offer support to the person concerned.

So, watch out month by month for your Contact person to come knocking. They won't be trying to sell you anything... so give them a nice welcome!!!!

Clerk's Corner Are You Sitting

Are You Sitting Comfortably?

We are looking forward to the arrival of beautifully upholstered and comfortable chairs which will complete the seating and decoration of the sanctuary.

Now, as part of our on-going fund-raising for the cost of the project, we are offering you the opportunity to 'purchase' a chair. It may be that you would like to do this in memory of a loved one, or just as part of your giving.

There will be no commemorative plaques attached to the chairs, but a list of the donors and the dedications will be made and displayed in a suitable place.

The cost of a chair will be £50.

If you are interested in this, please contact Jane Miller (875235) or Alison at the office (431135).

HAAR OUTREACH

For the second year in succession, musicians from St Andrew's Church led the service of Community Praise at St Peter's Church, Auchmithie, on Sunday 6th September, the final day of the HAAR Festival.

A number of folks commented that this year's event already had the feel of an established and growing tradition. And the great acoustic quality of this little church was much commented on by an appreciative gathering.

So, special thanks to Chris and Rosalie for giving so much of their time in recent weeks to preparing the music in the first instance, as well as performing, and to David (Tarrant) and David (Paterson) for joining the group - and to Bronwen and Wesley for their support in helping to swell the ranks of the younger and slightly diffident 'Kirkbank Choristers'.

The service, led by Canon Dr John Cuthbert, drew its theme from the 'Year of the Homecoming' and touched more than a few hearts. And the church itself looked particularly beautiful, bedecked as it was for the Flower Festival - a feast for the eyes - and the music was a treat for the ears - and hearts!

Bless you and thank you all!

SUPERHERO

The group who have been planning our Celebration weekend at the end of November felt strongly that we should include something especially for our young people – who are so important to the life of St. Andrew's. With that in mind, a sub-group was established who, in turn, have managed to book the Christian rock group *Superhero*. The group is based in Glasgow and is growing rapidly in prominence. They have recently released their fourth CD and are just returning from an extensive concert tour of the USA. The music is guitar-based *indie*-rock and the lyrics are packed with meaning and challenge.

This is an event that we hope will draw young people from across Tayside so we will be publicising far and wide. You can help us in that department by passing on the information to any and all young people that you have contact with. Find out more about *Superhero* at

www.superhero.org.uk



The Malwai Evening was very well attended and our young people gave excellent accounts of their experience.



Retaining The Wow Factor

You may have been wondering why we have not shown more recent pictures of the refurbishment progress. Some months ago, we took a decision that we wanted to retain as much as possible of the 'wow' factor that we hope you will experience when you re-enter for the first time. But to whet your appetite a little, and specially for those of us who like a quiz, here are some pictures of items that are entirely new to our buildings. Answers or guesses(!) on a postcard to the church office by Sunday 18th October please. The winner will be given a special conducted tour of the whole building in the following week!

- 1. What is it? 2. What is it? 3. What is it?
- 4. What are they and on what?
- 5. What is it and where?
- 6. Looking into where ... and from where?
- 7. What is it? 8. What is it and guess where?
- 9. What is it?
- 10. How did I photograph the windows above the main door and the apse windows at the same time? No tricks were used.
- 11. What is it?
- 12. What is it and what is in the background?
- 13. What is it? 14. What is it and where?
- 15. What is it and where? 16. What is it?
- 17. What is it and guess where?
- 18. What is it?
- 19. What is this room, what was it previously, and who is it? 20. What is it and where?
- 21. What is it? 22. What is it? 23. What is it?









