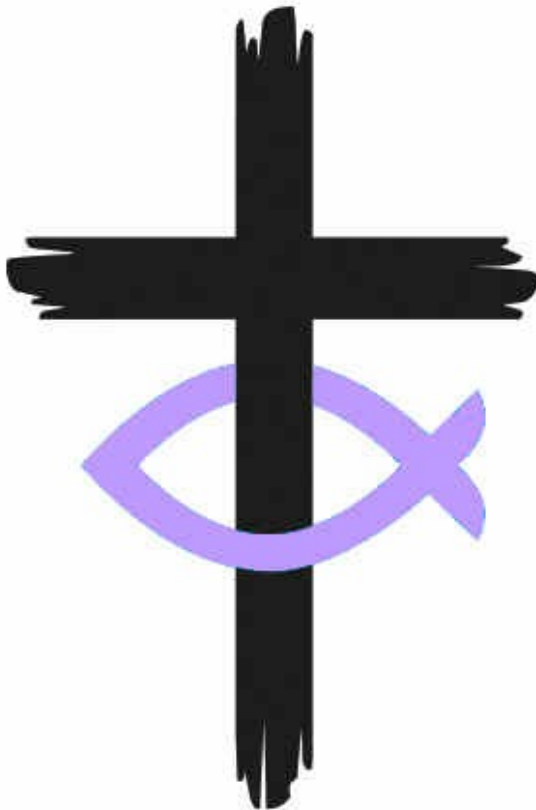


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The Recorder

October '23

News and views from Redland Park &
New Brunswick United Reformed Churches



Vestry Vibes by Dougie Burnett

Dear friends,

The month of October will see the induction of our new Korean minister to the Bristol Korean Church, and also to the role that will be focused on our new partnership with the Seoul Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church of Korea. The B.K.C. have been with us since 2002. They became a Mission Project of the URC in 2012. In 2013 we were able to call the Reverend Bohyun Kim to be its fulltime minister.



In 2021 he was then called to be the General Secretary of the Presbyterian Church of Korea and this returned to Seoul. We were then, during the period of the pandemic, able to negotiate into existence, this new project and partnership. Both the U.K. and South Korea have seen the significant impact of secular society upon the church, with reduced numbers. This is also common across other developed countries. Our partnership project will have a focus on best practice in both countries to counter this impact and to share how we might together find a way forward. Yohan and his family will be with us for the next few years. We look forward to working with Yohan and the BKC as we seek to develop these new opportunities.

Yohan's induction service will be on Saturday October 28th at 11.00am in the morning. You might think that it is a slightly odd time to have an induction. Such services normally happen later in the day. You'd be right in thinking that. The reason that it is at 11.00 a.m. is that we shall be livestreaming with Seoul!

Members of Yohan's sending church in Seoul will be streaming in to share in the service in that way. The Reverend Bohyun Kim

will also be joining us. We reckon that this might well be the URC's first truly globalised induction service enabled through Zoom. It all goes to say that the world moves on. Four years ago we would never have imagined such a thing. But during the pandemic it was one of the new skills that we learned, and we thank God for the gifts and skills around Redland Park that have allowed all this to happen.

So, make a note in your diary. And even if you can't get along yourself, do please pray for this wonderful new beginning, that it may produce good fruit, make God's Kingdom known, and give glory to God.

Dougie

“Crisis? What crisis?”

In the last couple of weeks our government has:

- Failed to secure any new offshore wind farms in the latest auction. Up to 5 GW of offshore wind was up for bidding, which could have powered nearly 8 million homes a year. That would have saved consumers £2bn a year compared with the cost of using electricity generated in a gas power plant, according to the industry group Renewable UK.
- Not sent anyone to the UN's Climate Ambition summit. “We are not seeing the leadership we need,” said Sir David King, the UK's former chief scientific adviser. “This is the biggest challenge civilization has ever faced and yet we can't get the response we need. I can't tell you how I feel about them just not showing up. It's difficult to be optimistic, we are in a terrible place.”
- (And, as I'm putting this edition together) Is scrapping or delaying a whole raft of the country's green energy targets - cars, boilers, home insulation.

Unfortunately nobody has told the Earth's climate, the wild fires, the floods, the melting ice, to delay or scrap the effects they're having.



Worship details

... at Redland Park

Sunday morning worship 10.30 a.m. (at Redland Park and on Zoom)

October	1 st	Rev Dougie Burnett (will include Communion)
	8 th	Rev Dougie Burnett
	15 th	Rev Dougie Burnett
	22 nd	Rev Dougie Burnett
	29 th	Rev Dougie Burnett

There will be Junior Church learning opportunities each Sunday.

Zoom log in: 732 001 8996 passcode 8cC7Zv

Sunday evening worship at 7 p.m.

October 8th & 22nd via Zoom

Zoom log in: 815 4053 7777 passcode 087103

... at New Brunswick

Sunday worship at 11 am

October	1 st	Brenda Isherwood
	8 th	Angus Gregson (will include Communion)
	15 th	Astrid Molyneux (Leprosy Mission Sunday)
	22 nd	Rev. Helena McKinnon
	29 th	Rev. Stephen Newell
November	5 th	Angus Gregson



Also “at” Redland Park:

Cell groups – both via Zoom

Mondays at 8 pm

Zoom log in: 831 5113 5751 passcode 508239

Tuesdays at 7.30 pm

Zoom log in: 312 983 3387 passcode 795550

Other Redland Park dates:

October Wed 4th Elders’ meeting at church, 7.30 p.m.

Tue 24th Finance and Property Committee, 4.30 p.m.

Sat 28th Induction of Rev Yohan Song to Bristol Korean Church
11 a.m. In the church

Other New Brunswick dates:

October Tue 3rd Joint Prayer meeting hosted by Kingsholm at 7.30 p.m.

Fri 6th Tearfund Quiz on Zoom - more details on page 8.

Sat 21st Synod meeting at Bridgewater. See Brenda if you would like to attend.

Thu 26th Church meeting at 7.30 p.m.

Fri 27th Southmead Quiz Evening 7 p.m. at New Brunswick.

Sat 28th Southmead Craft Fair at Greenway Centre 12-3 p.m.
Free entry.

Mon 30th 7.30 p.m. Bible Study (*and cake*) at New Brunswick. The parables - shepherds, sheep and goats.

People news

... at Redland Park

We wish **Andrew Hayden** well as he moves house, hoping he and Becky will soon be happy and feel settled.

Elined Grand has just started school at Filton Avenue, and **Emily and Alexander Hirsch** are now beginning their GCSE courses. We wish everyone well.

We wish **Sally and Terry King** a happy holiday in Guernsey, and also **Martyn Steel** who is about to spend a month in Italy, where he does much charitable work in Venice. **Myra and Derek Jones** are still in Canada and seem to be enjoying themselves.

Ali has been worshipping with us for several months now, and he has just welcomed his younger brother to Bristol. **Javad** (known as Jai) is undergoing a Masters degree course at the University and we wish them both well.

We again welcome **Pastor Yohan Song**, his wife **Puleep** and son **Andy**, who will have joined us, together with the BKC, for a joint Harvest Service. They arrived some time ago but Yohan's induction was delayed and will now take place on Saturday 28th October at 11.00 a.m. Everyone welcome.

For those who remember the Edwards family, **Owura** has now signed for Colchester United (from Ross County), **Opi** now plays for Weston (after a season at Rochester New York), and **Sister** is just starting a course at the Integrity Theatre School in London. We send them all our best wishes.

We pray for all those countries suffering from natural disasters such as Morocco's earthquake, floods in Libya and Greece and a typhoon in Florida, those suffering from climate change, especially those in the developing world, from conflicts and wars, repression and abuse.

Dear God, please look after all your people and the wonderful world you gave us.

Meanwhile at New Brunswick ...

It was good to have Elizabeth P share with us recently, not only for the service but also sharing with us at our Fellowship Lunch. She did enjoy her time with us. We hope her health will enable her to be with us again soon.

We think of Wenda. She is doing well and wishes to be remembered to all. She would appreciate prayers for her daughter Susan who has had to move to a new care home. We do give God thanks that Susan has been able to be accommodated at a place in Henbury. This enables Wenda to visit easily. We pray that Susan will settle well in her new home.

Some of our folk have been poorly. We remember Angie, who has had Covid and been quite poorly.

Julie also has had a nasty cold and was concerned that she may pass it to Pete who is receiving treatment for cancer. But it would appear that he hasn't caught it.

Elaine has also been suffering from the flu.

We are pleased to hear that Liz has a date for her second knee operation and we wish her well when she has surgery at the beginning of November,

Jen S is still in BRI receiving treatment. She remains cheerful and is making slow progress. Although she would like her progress to be quicker! We send her our greetings.

Ruth W has had a fall and broken her femur. We uphold her and her husband, Peter, to the Lord. Peter's health is giving cause for concern. May God minister to both of them as each has need.

On a happier note. We send warm congratulations to Becky who has had her hair shaved to raise money for MacMillan. Her brave efforts, to date, have raised £1,500. WELL DONE BECKY. We all agree the 'new' look really suits her.

Jo and Fidel have started rehearsals for the local Clevedon Pantomime. We wish them well and hope they enjoy 'treading the boards'.

We pray for all the people above who are in need of God's blessing, comfort, healing and peace.

OCTOBER CELEBRATIONS

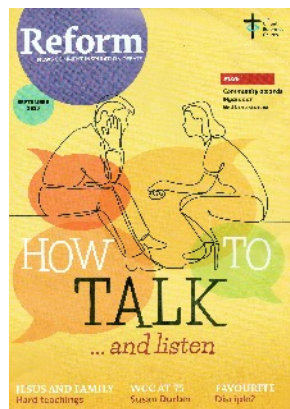
12th Becky and Nick's Wedding Anniversary. We send them warm congratulations on this special day.

For all those who have something to celebrate we ask that God grant them a happy day and His richest blessings.

CHURCH MAGAZINES

Not only do we have the *Recorder*, but the URC has a monthly magazine, *Reform*, with some excellent articles from intelligent professionals – and not just ministers!

Paul Kerensa, a professional stand-up comedian takes a sardonic look at the world; four relevant people (different each month) are asked to answer one question; a painting or sculpture is given the spotlight, there are reviews of a new film and some recent books, and the editor interviews some high-profile people.



Special offer at the moment of £24.50 for 12 issues (down from £29.50). Call 020 7520 2721 or www.reformsubs.co.uk/offer and use the coupon NEW at the checkout.

What's on at Redland Park?

if you're quick...

NEED MORE SPACE?



The Church in Society Group are holding another Book Sale on **Saturday 30th September**.
If you're sorting out your book collection, please bring unwanted books to church.
If you can help, or if you want to find a good read, please come along - 11.00 a.m., 30th September.

TEAR FUND BIG QUIZ NIGHT

Redland Park and New Brunswick have together raised over £1000 for Tear Fund in the last four years by taking part in their Big Quiz Night.

We'll be taking part again this year on the evening of **Friday 6th October**.

As sunset will be at 6.37 p.m. that evening, we'll be running the quiz on Zoom so you won't even have to venture outside to take part.



Usual RP Zoom log in: 732 001 8996 passcode 8cC7Zv

There's no entry fee but I'd ask that you make a donation to Tear Fund at www.justgiving.com/page/rpandnb

If you're reading this online you *might* just be able to click on the link and go straight to the Just Giving page (sorry - I don't know - I haven't been using this software package long enough). Or you could copy-and-paste the url into your usual website browser. Or you could just laboriously copy it.

Whatever you do, however much effort you have to put in to make to make your donation (which you can Gift Aid), the people who will benefit from Tear Fund's work with them would like to thank you.

And I hope you enjoy the quiz.

COFFEE MORNINGS → WARMSHARE and the NIGHT SHELTER

We've held coffee mornings each Wednesday in the front vestibule of the church for several months, but the Bristol Churches Night Shelter will be opening on 1st October and our much appreciated volunteers will be preparing or serving lunches for the guests on Wednesdays now.

We're also going to begin Warmshare again, hopefully from November 1st, when we'll open the church for people to stay during the cold days of winter (should we have done this in July?), serving tea, coffee and soup lunches, and providing newspapers and games or just social opportunities. This will be coordinated by Derek Jones. Thank you, Derek.

BRISTOL CHURCHES NIGHT SHELTER

This winter the night shelter will be running from 1st October to 29th March 2024. We hope that Redland Park URC will support this outreach again as we have done for many years, and we'll be serving lunches on Wednesday mornings as before.



If anyone is able to make sandwiches, or bake a cake or biscuits, or make a financial contribution towards fruit and drinks, we will be very grateful.

Carol & Les Fry are coordinating this work. Thank you, Carol & Les.

SRI LANKAN ARTWORK

14th October from 9.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. in the church.

Announcing a fantastic opportunity to visit a gallery of original artwork carefully designed and coloured by Sri Lankan children I have worked with over the past 15 years. They have had little or no artistic tuition and yet the results are filled with passion, movement and colour. Their instruction was solely to portray Sri Lankan life and leave no patch of white paper showing. All the pictures are available to purchase and all funds will go to support the training of teachers and students in Sri Lanka. Tea and coffee and light refreshments will be available.

Mary Yuille

GO PLASTIC FREE IN '23!

The former Traidcraft stall is now simply trying to stock fair trade items which are also eco-friendly to align with our Climate Justice work; this means NO PLASTIC! I am still able to find Divine chocolate which is always popular, and still have toilet paper and kitchen rolls now wrapped in paper, rather than plastic. There are also bath scrubs and washing up scrubs made from loofah (remember that?) and soap and shampoo bars in cardboard packs, not plastic. There is a wide range of biscuits and chocolate, tea and coffee. Please come and have a look.

COMMITMENT FOR LIFE

Commitment for Life (CfL) is the URC's global justice programme in partnership with Christian Aid and Global Justice Now! The goal is to enable us, a local congregation, to make global justice a core foundation of our mission. One of its three areas of focus is Zimbabwe. Here's a story about the sort of thing CfL is enabling.

Batsirai Byanutete, lives in the Mutoko District in Zimbabwe. He is a young man who has had his life turned around by the intervention of our Christian Aid partner. Christian Aid has assisted with the help of indigenous knowledge, doing brilliant work in identifying indigenous plants and shrubs that can be carefully combined into livestock feed. These bushes and plants are processed using a Christian Aid supplied milling machine. The product is then bagged and stored, ready for sale.

This highly nutritious supplement is given to animals in lean times (like now) and just before market. The animals are healthier, which means that the community is healthier too.

Your support for Commitment for Life, means that Batsirai Byanutete, instead of hanging out with directionless youths, drinking and getting into mischief, has a sense of purpose now that his milling expertise is much valued by the community.

Myra



Photo: Kevin Snyman, July '23

The URC's webpage about CfL says:

There are several ways your church can support people through Commitment for Life:

- Pray for your region 'without ceasing'
- Stand up for global justice through action and advocacy
- Hold an annual Commitment for Life service
- Consider committing 1% of your income
- Collect envelopes. Gift Aid can be added via your church
- Consider leaving a legacy
- Host social, educational and children's events.

How many of these do we do as a church? How committed are we?

The URC is 51...

A lot has happened within the life of the URC, and society, over the past 51 years, and the sense that the world is so different it can feel like we are in exile. The Church Life Review Group (CLRG) was set up in 2021 with the key question, "What enables local URCs to flourish, and how might the URC most effectively use the financial resources it has to enable that flourishing?"

The CLRG asked *Theos*, the UK's leading religion and society think tank, to conduct research into the life, identity and flourishing of the URC. *Theos* has a broad Christian basis and exists to enrich the conversation about the role of faith in society through research, events & media commentary.

The key objective of the proposed research was to provide a snapshot of the URC today, exploring its identity rooted in practice, what flourishing looks like, what resources exist or need to be sought, and what barriers there are to flourishing in the future.

A copy of the full report is available at

<https://urc.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/URC-report-Final.pdf>

or a paper copy at Redland Park, but here's the conclusion...

“As the title of the report (*The United Reformed Church: A Paradoxical Church at a Crossroads*) the URC is a paradoxical church. It is top heavy, with structures forged in, and arguably fit for, a different era, yet vibrantly activist at the level of local congregations. It is people poor, as a result of ongoing congregational decline; yet for the same reason – and somewhat ironically – ‘cash rich’ with a solid financial situation resulting in part from the sale of closed church buildings.

At just over 50 years since it was established as an expression of ecumenical fervour and hope, the URC now finds itself at a crossroads; will it simply manage its decline or leverage its paradoxical position and rich heritage to rediscover its *raison d’être* and forge a path towards the future? This report is offered as a resource to help with answering this question.

Chapter 1 outlined areas and aspects where the URC is flourishing, notably in the vibrant community outreach of many URC local congregations, the positive culture of listening, inclusivity and collective decision-making that are at the heart of the URC identity. Chapter 2 identified key barriers to flourishing, at both local and wider levels of church life. These include the various challenges faced by largely ageing and declining local congregations, as well as denominational structures that risk stifling rather than enabling local congregational life and mission. Finally, in Chapter 3 we suggest a series of pathways to flourishing, which include the improvement of leadership and ministerial training and reforming the structures of the denomination.

In the end, the future of the URC depends, we believe, on the way the denomination chooses to prioritise and properly resource local congregational life, discipleship, and holistic mission. Therein lies the promise of flourishing.”

Know Your Elder

A column where we get to know a little more about our Elders.

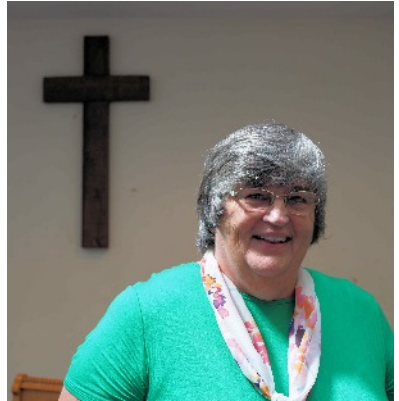
Gill Waines at New Brunswick

Where did you grow up?

I grew up in Bristol and have never lived anywhere else.

A memory from my youth

My memory is playing cards with the whole family on a Sunday. This was bath night so we would go out of the game to have our bath and then rejoin the game.



Who/what led me to faith in Christ?

A friend played an important part in my coming to faith but I was already on that journey but she showed me more. It was for me a gradual process.

Why did I start worshipping at NB?

I came to NB because my daughter had started Girls Brigade and I was invited by the Captain, Moira. We felt at home straight away. This was reinforced when the organist, Ruth, came and sat next to me when the girls went out to Sunday School so I would not be sat on my own. I have never forgotten this kind gesture.

Something good about living in Bristol

Bristol has so much to see and do but I'm guilty of not taking advantage of it all.

Something I really value about NB

I value the friendships I have within the church.

They are my church family.

Two great men, one small town

Martyn Steel

It's a rainy, gloomy morning in August as I write. I made it to my favourite coffee house near my home just before the heavens opened. Trapped here until the rain stops, I thought I'd put my mind to writing whilst waiting.

The coffee shop is called 'Nook' which aptly describes this intimate place. I often come here just to get out of the house to chill out and meet some friendly faces. Occasionally I sometimes find inspiration to write articles!

First and foremost it's a coffee shop but with an eclectic mix of other things to buy. There are plants, books, ceramics, paintings, cards and paintings to purchase as well as other nick-nacks.

Sitting with my latte and looking at the inclement weather outside I was transported to a visit I made to Germany in mid-July. The weather couldn't have been more different. I had wall-to-wall sunshine during my five day sojourn and the temperature was a brutal 32-35°C each day.

I based myself in Leipzig, east Germany and used this place as a hub to see other towns. I hope you enjoy the pictures.

One of the towns on my itinerary was Eisenach in Thuringia. Two big names are associated with this small town; those of J S Bach (1685-1750) and Martin Luther (1483-1546). Both men between them were to single-handedly change the direction of music and theology respectively. It is impossible to avoid these giants of western civilization here in this place.

Hardly had I left the station at Eisenach that a statue of Martin Luther came into view, dominating a small square, the Karlsplatz.



It was in Wartburg Castle high above the town where he spent twelve years translating the bible from Latin into the vernacular, German. This was not just a labour of love, but a mission to enable ordinary folk to read the bible in their own tongue.

This was an extremely risky business and when the Catholic hierarchy heard about this Luther became a marked man. For them, it was the priest alone who read the bible and interpreted it for the people. Luther grew a substantial beard, changed his name and hid in a room in Wartburg Castle as a virtual prisoner. Rome sent out men to find him but fortunately failed to do so.

Coincidentally, and well over a hundred years later, in this small, quiet Thuringian town, another monumental figure appeared. On the 21st March 1685 Johann Sebastian Bach was born. This is his statue outside the Bachhaus.

Known as God's composer and as the 5th Evangelist, Bach's immense musical output has had a colossal impact on western music. His organ and choral music being just two strands of his output has inspired generations of church musicians and singers.



Luther's words based on Ps46 on the Georgenkirche, Eisenach

A staunch Lutheran, Bach used many of Luther's hymn texts and melodies in his passions and cantatas, the most famous melody and text being 'Ein Feste Burg ist Unser Gott' (A Safe Stronghold is our God), a hymn we sing in church today – a Reformation hymn.

Two men, both from the same small town who changed the world.

The Editor adds:

Like Martin, I went to Germany this summer as well and had an encounter with Luther.

But all I managed to come away with was this statue of the great man.



Keeping up with the vicar, part 138

Here are the Lectionary readings for October and the first Sunday in November. Preaching my way through September (lucky escape for you, NB!) it's been exciting to see how the message in the passages builds up: what to do if someone "sins against you"; so just how many times *should* you keep forgiving? (and the realisation that the need to keep forgiving might be because I haven't really completely forgiven them - *I* need to recommit to that forgiveness); and then the "Parable of the Unforgiving Servant" to bring home the point. And then a reflection about whether I actually have any right to feel resentful. (Ans: I don't.) And that's just looking back to September!

With Paul, we move on to his letter to the Philippians - a lot shorter and more digestible than Romans. It sounds like Paul's getting a bit weary of being in prison. But yet it's full of joy about how the people who are the church in Philippi are growing in their christian lives. The last verse-and-a-half of the reading on the 1st are as challenging as they are exciting. Unfortunately the Lectionary misses out the last seven verses of chapter 3. And yet 3:20 speaks clearly to Jesus' questions in the Matthew reading on Oct 22nd, and in a sense makes clear the underlying point of Pauls' letter.

Many preachers use the Lectionary readings as a basis for their preaching. The suggestion is to read them sometime in the week before Sunday worship so that if they are the ones used, it might help you get a bit more from the sermon.

Angus

	OT	Psalm	Gospel	NT
Oct 1 st	Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32	25:1-9	Matthew 21:23-32	Philippians 2:1-13
8 th	Isaiah 5:1-7	80:7-15	Matthew 21:33-46	Philippians 3:4b-14
15 th	Isaiah 25:1-9	23	Matthew 22:1-14	Philippians 4:1-9
22 nd	Isaiah 45:1-7	96:1-13	Matthew 22:15-22	1Thess 1:1-10
29 th	Leviticus 19:1-2,15-18	1	Matthew 22:34-46	1Thess 2:1-8
Nov 5 th	Micah 3:5-12	43	Matthew 23:1-12	1Thess 2:9-13

Minutes of Redland Park Church Meeting 17.9.2023.

Apologies for absence: Ron Lyle, Derek and Myra Jones, Les Brentley, Alison Hooper, Brian and Wendy Day, Malcolm Johnson, Viv Hayden.

In attendance: Rev Dougie Burnett and 20 members.

Minutes of last meeting of 16 July 2023, were agreed as accurate and signed by the minister.

Matters Arising: all covered elsewhere in the agenda.

News of Members was shared, with particular details of 10 current members.

Ministerial Matters: Dougie Burnett

1. Bristol Korean Church.

Induction of Rev Yohan Song is scheduled for October 28th at 11 a.m., live streamed with Seoul - it was agreed that Adam would seek a more permanent Internet connection to enable this.

The Bristol Korean Church will be asked to provide the flowers.

A manse has been purchased on Cranbrook Rd for Yohan and his family

2. Christmas Plans

10 Dec Junior Church presentation 10.30 a.m.

17 Dec Cell led worship 10.30 a.m., Carol Service 4 p.m..

24 Dec Morning Worship 10.30 a.m., Crib Service 4 p.m.

25 Dec Joint worship with Tyndale at Redland Park 10 a.m.

3. Synod.

No new Moderator appointed yet.

Rev Stephen Newell unwell, but continuing to work.

Rev Helena McKinnon announced that she would be retiring at the October Synod meeting.

4. Harvest Service, 24th Sep.

With contributions from Redland Park, Bristol Korean Church and the Zimbabwean Church, followed by a Bring and Share lunch.

5. 60% Scoping for Dougie.

Dougie explained how, although still receiving 100% Stipend, Redland Park will only receive 60% as he also has responsibilities at New Brunswick,

Portishead, the Bristol Korean Church and Horfield, although Helena largely fulfils the role at Horfield.

Committee Updates:

Finance & Property: Andrew Hayden

Confirmation that repairs to the organ and to the roof have been completed and covered by Insurance.

Repairs to Hurle Road Club Rooms expected to be completed in coming weeks.

Kumon have now signed their lease for the next three years.

Forms submitted to HMRC to nominate our authorised officials. Once agreed, Dan Hirsch will be able to submit our Gift Aid claim.

Offertory giving through the static collecting bag are being monitored by the Elders.

Joint meeting with the Climate Justice Group included:

Research about the heating of church rooms, including a visit to the Friends Meeting house has concluded.

1. Infra Red heating would cost £14,039 plus installation costs (quote from Herschel) plus installation costs for 29 heaters, controllers and thermostats.
2. Other systems have been investigated, in particular gas boiler replacement and stand alone electric heaters.
3. Key investigation is around battery installation to enhance value of our solar panels. (Decision recommended by recent Energy Review: cost approx £10k). SolarSense have been approached.
4. Immediate decision taken to purchase 5 x larger portable heaters @ £200 = £1000 while we gather more data about impact and savings through installation of a battery.

Next FPC Meeting 4:30 p.m., 26th September (Zoom)

Climate Justice Group:

A written report from Angus Gregson endorsed the Finance update about the additional heating with these conclusions:

- a. The CJG would appreciate being able to develop a common strategy with F&P, the Elders Meeting and the Church Meeting, as to how Redland Park as a whole can commit to clean energy production. This

includes how we can together find the finances to pay the required up-front costs to achieve that outcome.

b. Perhaps when we know the cost of the battery, or for an IR installation, we could invite donations as we have in the past, for example, for major organ repair work.

3. Church in Society: Carol Fry

a. Coffee mornings, Wednesdays 10.30 a.m. to midday, only to the end of September.

b. Harvest Bring and Share lunch September 24th.

c. Book Sale, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., September 30th.

d. Bristol Churches Winter Night Shelter, Wednesday lunchtimes from October 4th.

e. Warmshare from early November, probably on Wednesday mornings.

f. New Brunswick Quiz, 7 p.m., September 22nd.

g. Tear Fund Quiz, by Zoom, 7.30 p.m., October 6th.

Secretary's Issues;

1. Entrance Vestibule: Helena McKinnon

Further ideas- developed through consultancy with Yanna Vogiatzaki.

Highlight green issues reflecting our commitment to the wellbeing and sustainability of the planet.

- Living wall with plants set into hexagonal shapes, interspersed with Bible verses. (Possible purchase by Church Members @ £25 each).
- Working in partnership with St John's School, year 6 and our Junior Church to help create the 'Living Wall'.
- Views sought about background pale green colouring for the walls.

2. Les Fry is seeking to develop a Rededication Service on November 5th

- a Communion opportunity for members to renew their Redland Park commitments.

Any Other Business;

Sally King reminded members of the importance of flowers in the Sanctuary, and urged financial contributions to the Flower Fund.

Next Meeting; 19th November, 12.00, in church.

Shared Grace.

Deadline for contributions for the
November Recorder is **12th October.**

*(Sorry it's even earlier, but the Editor's away
on holiday for the latter half of the month.)*

Please send your contributions
to the editor Angus Gregson

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