

Matthew 7:24 –27 So then, anyone who hears these words of mine and obeys them is like a wise man who built his house on rock. The rain poured down, the rivers flooded over, and the wind blew hard against that house. But it did not fall because it was built on rock.

I am sure we all remember the parable mentioned in Matthew's gospel we have known it since were children, probably because we loved the actions used in the song "the rain came down and the floods came up".

But there is a serious side to the parable, What most people do not realize is that flood damage is done long before we see a house collapse or a car float downstream. The damage starts as the water pressure rises enough to move the smallest grains of sand, which means that the larger bits then have no support and so they fall because their own weight works against them.

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That is the lesson we need to keep in our minds in the next months, The church is precious yes, but the church only becomes alive when you are in it,

What we have to believe is that the God who inspired those who have gone before us to pray and work for a Church is the same God. Today, Yesterday and Tomorrow.

How we manage these changes will decide what Church our children and grandchildren have to worship in.

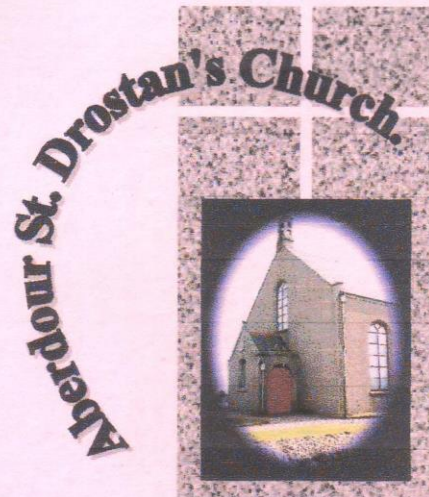
Every Blessing, Bill

Once again summer should be with us, but as I write this it is a bit dreich.

The Sponsored Walk & BBQ was a success again and this year we were able to have everything outside. Thanks to all those who helped out in anyway and everyone who came along to enjoy the day with us. Not all the money is in yet but so far we have raised over £700.

This year, again, we intend holding a buttery/coffee morning in August, please see over. There will be various stalls eg. baking, bottles, books, bric a brac and raffles and competitions. Donations for the stalls or the raffles will be greatly appreciated. Tickets will be available for this event but you can also pay at the door - £2.00 for adults and £1.00 for school age children. On the Saturday evening, instead of the Ceilidh, it will be a Variety evening of music, song and dance, again from local talent. If you require tickets for the Variety Evening or any further information please contact any Board member.

I would like to advise that we have a new Session Clerk, Miss Heather Gibson and Assistant, Miss Gail Wheelhouse.



New Aberdour

SUMMER TIME

Aberdour Parish Church
Registered Scottish Charity: SC007197

Forthcoming Services/Events:

Family Service – Sunday 26 June 2016 @ 10.00 am.

A warm welcome awaits anyone wishing to join us at any of our Services. We also have a cup of tea/coffee at the end of the Service on the first Sunday of each month and at Special Services – please feel free to join us in fellowship at this time.

Buttery/Coffee Morning – Saturday 27 August 2016 with various stalls/draws/competitions – 10.00 am - midday

Variety Evening – Saturday 27 August 2016 in Village Hall @ 7.30 pm £3.50 – **Ticket Only** - Bring your own refreshments.

Note - why not visit our web site

www.aberdourstdrostan.org.uk

Please visit this site and pass on your comments – you may even find yourself on one of the photos that appears on the site.

We hope you have a good summer and for those going on holiday hope you have a good one from the Board and Session of Aberdour Church