

'For to us a child is born, to us a son is given.....

And he will be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace'
Isaiah 9 v 6.

Christmas starts so early in the shops and with TV adverts - now it's the middle of December and I'm just getting round to writing this letter and Christmas cards!

Our church is going through some changes - we are in the process of leaving the Scottish Episcopal Church and becoming an independent Anglican Church, also our minister who has been at the church for 38 years is retiring. We continue to reach out into the community through the café, foodbank, Care in the community and youth work. We've also been able to support two or three Syrian refugee families. I (Jenny) enjoy my involvement in the café, foodbank & Care in the community.

Steve's project over the summer and autumn was building a magnificent greenhouse - designed by him - only one accident when his finger got in the way of the saw!! He didn't lose his finger though! He is also busy at church as one of the elders particularly at this time of change.

We spent 3 weeks down South in June - visiting family and then we went to the Isle of Wight for a few days. Neither of us had been there since we were teenagers and before we knew each other. It is such a lovely place with many interesting places to visit and enjoyable walks along the cliffs and promenades.

Matthew & Susannah Matthew has had some time off work recently due to a long period of chronic pain but is slowly improving. He's used the time productively teaching himself videoing and editing skills as well as getting quite good at driving games on the PS4! Susannah continues as café manager. The café is doing well and keeps her busy. They went to see one of their favourite bands Steely Dan in February and had a week along the South coast in July visiting friends and family in Deal, Lyme Regis and Plymouth.

Tim & Izzy were married in February. It was a wonderful day - a lovely ceremony and reception. On November 27th they had a baby boy - Joshua Paul Neo!! He is adorable and we've just had a few days down in London meeting our grandson!



Brian & Naomi Brian has a new job in the oil industry and Naomi is doing a Mental Health Officer course whilst working - so a busy time for them both. They are going to South Africa for 3 weeks in March for the wedding of one of Brian's cousins and a holiday. They have also enjoyed weekends camping in Scotland - whatever the weather!!

It is good to hear from friends and family - we are aware that the last year has been a difficult year for some but we pray God's blessings on all for the coming year 2020!