

Pastoral Care Group update

Care Home residents---Over the past few months the group have continued to visit those in care homes (11 at present). Some of those in care homes at present are visited mainly by relatives but we try to keep contact and visit as much as possible. All residents in care homes received a Christmas card and good wishes from the church and we continue to be grateful to Janice Lindsay for her work in their distribution.

Hospital visits---Visits to those in hospital continue to be visited regularly and also received Christmas Cards. At the time of writing this update we, thankfully, only have three members in hospital.

Christmas cards---An additional 18 cards carrying greetings from the church were sent or delivered to members over the Christmas period who may be housebound or have difficulty joining us on Sunday mornings.

Fellowship day---A fellowship day was held on the 18th November. This was initially a day aimed at those who may find difficulty attending normal worship but was open to all. The day consisted of worship led by Mark Malcolm and included communion for all present. In total the attendance was around 40 which include volunteers, helpers, drivers and of course two excellent musicians.

The day was much appreciated by all present and those attending indicated that they were very much looking forward to coming again.

Drivers---When organizing the fellowship day we were aware that we had a shortage of people willing to drive people to and from events and we will be addressing this in the near future.

Future events---We will be having a meeting of all volunteers in the near future to give them an update and deal with administration connected to the protection of vulnerable adults and children.

General---Pastoral care is of course something which we all care about and if you have any ideas, talents, suggestions, or you see gaps in care which could be considered please talk to one of the pastoral care group.