

FALKIRK ARCHIVES

Records of Churches

Stenhouse Parish Church finding aid

McLaren Memorial Church was opened in 1900 as an extension congregation of the Church of Scotland. The parish was formally disjoined from Larbert in 1904 as a quoad sacra parish and took the name Stenhouse Parish Church in 1929. In 1963 the congregation was united with Carron Parish Church to form Stenhouse & Carron Parish Church.

The Church of Scotland kirk session for Stenhouse sat in the presbytery of Stirling until 1929. It then sat within the presbytery of Linlithgow and Falkirk and from 1976 in the presbytery of Falkirk.

The church was named after the Rev John McLaren, D. D. who was minister of the united parishes of Larbert and Dunipace from 1847 until his death in 1898. The building was begun in 1897 to celebrate Dr McLaren's 50th anniversary and was completed in 1899 and dedicated in 1900. There are four stained glass windows by Dr Douglas Strachan.

<i>Reference Code</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Brief Description</i>
CH2/1331/1	1904-1926	Session Minutes
CH2/1331/4	1927-1950	Session Minutes, indexed
CH2/1331/5	1950-1963	Session Minutes, indexed
CH2/1331/3	1900-1945	Trustees Minutes, including Managers and Trustees Minutes, Managers Minutes, Annual Meeting of Congregation Minutes, Joint Meeting of Kirk Session and Trustees
CH2/1331/6	07 Aug 1931	Letter from Church of Scotland General Trustees, 40 Queen St, Edinburgh to Rev David Merrow, The Manse, Stenhouse, Larbert concerning the transfer of the Statutory Properties and Endowments of the Parish to the General Trustees, formerly enclosed in CH2/1331/5
CH2/1331/8	1897-1904	Scroll Cash Book
CH2/1331/9	1900-1922	Communion Roll, with index
CH2/1331/10	1922-1934	Communion Roll, with index
CH2/1331/2	1904-1926	Register of proclamations of banns for marriage
CH2/1331/11	1890s	Theology Lectures [of Rev David Merrow], written in note book of Dundas Vale Training college, also attached to inside cover cuttings of newspaper Death Intimation for Rev David Merrow
CH2/1331/7	Apr 1950	Plan of Proposed Extension to Stenhouse Church, with accompanying letters, formerly enclosed in CH2/1331/5