



Hello from Glasgow ...

Now that I am 64 and qualify as a Beatles song in my own right, it seems appropriate to mention another of that band's well-known songs: 'Hello, Goodbye'.

On the 8th of June I will lead my final service as the minister of Glasgow: Pollokshaws Parish Church and on the 9th of June will commence a new role as Interim Minister South and East Region, with you in Currie and Balerno.

Hello, Currie and Balerno!

This is a bittersweet experience. I am feeling excitement and curiosity at the thought of meeting new people and exploring places that are new to me. This is tinged with sadness at leaving friends and colleagues.

Ordained in 1987 I have served parishes in Glasgow since 1992, at Lansdowne in Glasgow's west end and Pollokshaws on the south side. Now, Pollokshaws and neighbouring parishes have their own future arrangements to work out and I will no longer be a part of that story.

Goodbye, Pollokshaws and parish ministry, hello Interim Ministry!

My leaving and arriving occur at a time of profound change in the Church of Scotland, locally and nationally. As a grandfather, I am acutely aware of life's fragility and preciousness. We are full of potential and a human capacity to adapt, to move on.

In my spare time I like to play bass guitar in a ceilidh band. In the progressive dance that is the church, I am about to join new partners. The dance goes on, a new story.

Goodbye, hello.

*'The Lord will keep
your going out and your coming in
from this time on and forevermore.'* (Ps 121.8 NRSV)

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