

Falkirk West Church WAR MEMORIALS



(SMR281)

The wall tablet to perpetuate the memory of the members of the congregation who fell in the war was unveiled by Capt. H.J. Kennard, R.N. of Kershill at the West U.F. Church in December 1920. It was of brass upon a white marble background. Inscribed upon the plate, in black and red letters, were the names of the fifteen men of the congregation who made the supreme sacrifice.

The brass plaque was transferred to St Andrews Church and is now fixed to the wall to the east of the organ (the marble was disposed of). It is rectangular with an arched central section. Within the arch crossed union flags are engraved with the dates 1914 and 1919 to either side.

Below is a ribbon containing the words "TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN/ EVERLASTING REMEMBRANCE OF/ THE MEN FROM THIS CONGREGATION WHO/ LAID DOWN THEIR LIVES IN THE GREAT WAR".

HENRY ANDREW,
JAMES A. DAWSON,
HENRY MUNDIE,
GRAHAME H. WADE,
THOMAS WAUGH,

WILLIAM E. ARNOT,
JOHN R.M. FERGUSON,
JOHN A. RENNIE,
JAMES H. WATSON,
WILLIAM M. WHYTOCK

ROBERT CAMPBELL,
ALEXANDER S. GREENHILL,
JAMES M. SMELLIE,
JOHN E. WAUGH,
WILLIAM WINCHCOLE.

At the foot of the tablet the following inscription appears:-

"MAY WE IN FAITH AND HONOUR KEEP THAT PEACE FOR WHICH THEY PAID."



The memorial was erected by Messrs W. Roberts and Son, sculptors, Falkirk.

After the Second World War a second brass plaque was installed, also with an arched centre. It has a simple beaded border and there is an interlaced Celtic Cross at the top.

"TO THE GLORY/ OF GOD/ IN LOVING MEMORY OF THOSE WHO FELL/ IN THE WORLD WAR 1939-1945

PATRICK NIMMO
RONALD ALEXANDER PHILP
WILLIAM BAIRD FERNIE

War Memorials in Churches, Schools, Works and other Public Buildings

JAMES MANDERSON ROBERTS
DONALD MCINTOSH
ROBERT MATHISEON D.S.O., O.B.E., T.D.
ROBERT PATERSON D.C.M.
GEORGE ROBERTSON NIMMO M.C.
JAMES RUSSELL NIMMO D.S.O.
WILLIAM MCGILL
THOMAS WALLACE CUNNINGHAM
ROBERT HARLEY MATHIESON
JAMES PHILLIPS

GREATER LOVE HATH NO MAN THAN THIS
THAT A MAN LAY DOWN HIS LIFE
FOR HIS FRIENDS"