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HISTORY OF FERRY-PORT-ON-CRAIG CHURCH

Although there is a stone in-built into the East Gable of the present building indicating the year 1607, it is now known that this is a stone from the original place of worship built on this site in that year. It does however confirm that there has been a substantial place of worship here for 378 years, during which time there have been two major rebuilding programmes to enlarge the building to its present size, to accommodate a larger congregation as the village grew in size. Also during all these years there has been a succession of 29 Ministers, from the first name Rev. John McBirnie up to the latest incumbent and the present Parish Minister Rev. G. L. Eddington, when because of the union between the Queen Street Church and the Erskine Ferry-Port-on-Craig Church, the former was deemed to be the place of worship at a general meeting of the joint charge, and thus Ferry-Port-on-Craig Church is now no longer used as a place of regular worship.