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# Liberton Kirk Magazine



*'Our aim is  
to draw  
closer to God  
and to each  
other, so that,  
through us,  
He can make  
known to all  
people the  
joys and  
challenges of  
following  
Jesus'*

*Vision  
Statement*



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## A prayer for December and for January

*Jesus*

*Saviour and Lord*

*I welcome you*

*I bow before you*

*Jesus*

*My Jesus*

*I celebrate you*

*I worship you*

*Jesus*

*Name above all names*

*We lay ourselves before you*

*And live to serve you*

*Amen*

*O God*

*Of Adam and Eve*

*Of Abraham and Isaac*

*We believe in You*

*We trust in You*

*We seek to please You*

*Help us*

*Forgive us*

*Bless us*

*Lead us, Use us*

*Surprise us*

*This month, This year*

*In Jesus' name*

*Amen*

# Letter from the Minister

"I have called you friends"

In January of every year, Liberton Kirk holds a Congregational Focus Day - the day when we spend some time thinking through where we are going as a church. This year we invited Maggie Lane to be our guest speaker, and to focus on our chosen theme for the year -

*"We have this treasure in jars of clay" (2 Corinthians 4.7).*

Maggie Lane spoke of our need to accept our brokenness before God's light can shine through our lives. She challenged us to be more honest and humble in our relationship with God, and especially in our prayer life.

Looking back, there is no doubt that God has been at work. For me, some of the highlights have been the steady growth in our commitment to our monthly Prayer Gathering, the success of the BIG Alpha course, with a regular attendance of 45-50 people, and the joy of being involved in Messy Church.

Our twice yearly Internal Learning Communities, have also been a big success, enabling people involved in different areas of church life to spend time planning and sharing together. The overall impact has been a growing cohesion in how we work together as a church.

Our theme for 2019 came out of the discussions



that took place at the second of these Internal Learning Communities, where we focussed on our need to develop deeper relationships with each other and with the people we encounter - particularly in our church halls. It can be found in a verse in John's Gospel, when Jesus says to his disciples ...

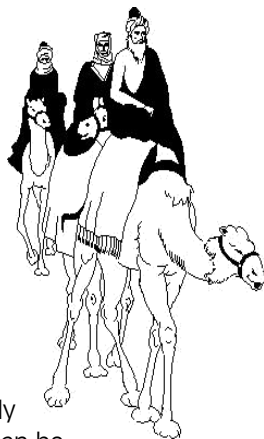
I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his masters business . Instead, **I have called you friends**, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. (John 15.15)

Our guest speaker at our **Focus Day on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2019** will be **Dave Rankin**, former minister of KLM (now Gracemount Church), and a good friend of Liberton.

Dave is one of the most naturally friendly person I know, and I am looking forward to hearing what he has to say.

In the meantime I wish you all God's blessing as we journey together through Advent and Christmas towards the year to come.

Much love



## What's been happening with LK youth and children's work?

In our Sunday time, children have been taught about the Last Supper, Jesus' arrest, and his crucifixion.

Most importantly, we've addressed the reasons behind why he chose to die for us, and how, through his death and resurrection, we can have a relationship with God. We followed that teaching up with our family communion on 4th November, so we're grateful to the congregation for helping us link our recent teaching with one of our most important acts as a Christian family.

Our teenagers have been continuing in their Bible study, completing the book of James; please pray for them that they'll equip themselves with God's Word daily. We have also enjoyed some social time together too, one of which was an overnight Sleepover at the end of October on a Friday night. Such events are always controlled madness, but the real highlight was that we had 18 young people (all members of our Liberton Kirk family!) all enjoying fellowship. I think this might be my personal highlight from Autumn, if I'm honest, as it was a lot of fun, and a good reminder that our LK teens are a really lovely bunch!

Chaplaincy continues in both Gracemount and Liberton High Schools. Assemblies, quizzes, and contact time. Most recently, the chaplaincy team has begun our series of RE Christianity classes for Gracemount High School S2's. Every pupil will hear faith stories, reasons to believe, and get an answer to every question they have asked. Please be in prayer for us that we'll connect the Gospel with the pupils in a meaningful way. Thank you for your prayers and your continued support!

Emily & kenny



## Pram Praise

Pram Praise will celebrate Christmas (quite early!) on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 3pm and on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 11am. The flyers with the dates for January/June 2019 will be available at the Christmas Pram Praise.

Advance notice -the dates in January are Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> at 3pm and Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> at 11am. Pram Praise is very popular with toddlers (and their carers) so don't miss it!

Mary Davidson tel 664 6789



# Bible Bite

## A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in  
Luke chapter 2 verses 1-7

The Roman Empire charged the countries  
it had invaded taxes, based on the  
number of people and what they earned.

Emperor Augustus gave  
orders that all people  
in the Empire  
were to be  
registered  
so they  
could be  
taxed.

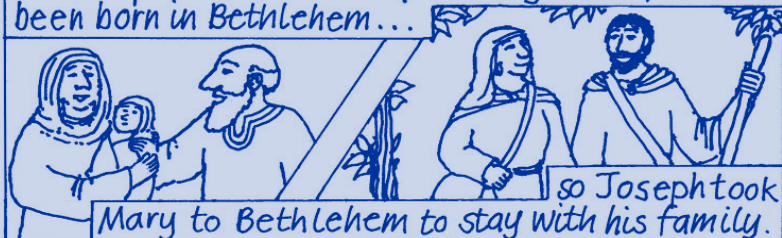


This census was before  
Quirinius became  
Governor of Syria\*  
(\* whose own  
census  
started  
riots -  
Acts 5:37)



When the order came,  
Mary and Joseph were  
living in Nazareth.

But Joseph was descended from King David, who had  
been born in Bethlehem...



so Joseph took  
Mary to Bethlehem to stay with his family.

Come and meet  
everyone!



A normal home in Bethlehem.



While they were staying  
there, Mary's baby was  
born.



There was no space in the  
guest room to put a new baby!

So they made a snug  
bed for Jesus in one  
of the mangers.



## Faith story from kenny

Back in 2004, I had been dating Ashley for a few months, when she went to study abroad in Argentina; but we kept in touch regularly. One day she reported that she found a stray dog with a broken femur, shivering in a wet gutter without much hope of escaping on his own. She looked at the pooch with compassion, scooped him out of the mire, sought veterinary care, and offered the dog shelter and meals during his lengthy recovery.



Ashley was juggling her studies in a foreign language and culture, but made time to take care of Cori in his need. What happened in the coming weeks is the crucial part of the story. Finally healed from his injuries, he was let go to continue raiding the bins and chasing the motorcycles of Córdoba. Yet every time Ashley left the flat, Cori would follow. He would sit outside the university or shops, waiting to and follow her wherever she went. This daily passionate adoration and following continued for months!

At the time, I had just come to faith in Christ, and was seeing through new eyes. Parallels with Jesus' call to adore and follow him rang loudly. In Luke 17, while traveling away from home, Jesus shows pity and miraculously heals a group of 10 lepers. Only one of the ten comes back to throw himself at Jesus' feet with thanksgiving! It's in this moment that Jesus says "your faith has made you well", indicating that not only was his physical ailment healed, but he was being made whole in an eternal sense. In his response, the leper's entire life had been changed in a profound way.

Cori's adoration and following continued until the end of 2004 when he found himself on a flight to America, and, years later, to Scotland where he lived out his life - healed, loved, and whole. This story of faith in action might be a bit unusual, but it's a precious reminder to me that when we receive something as unconditionally loving as being healed by the saving grace of Jesus, simply following our Saviour in adoration results in life to the fullest.

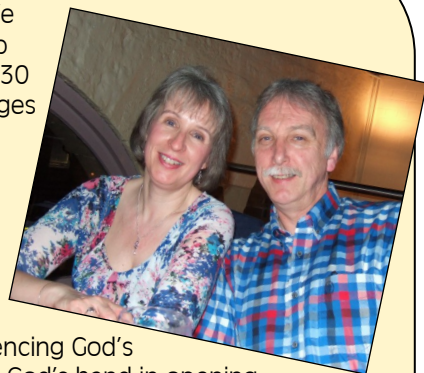
(John 10:10).

kenny



## Faith story from Derek and Susan Jardine

We were both born and raised in Edinburgh. We have been married for 36 years, have 3 grown up children, and have been following Jesus for over 30 years. We have seen various changes and challenges in our lives, but through it all faith in God has been a constant source of strength. It's hard to condense such a long time into a page, but here are a few thoughts from each of us:



### **Derek**

Where does faith come from? You can choose to believe in something but to have faith in it you need to add experience. It is through experiencing God's faithfulness in your life that faith grows. You see God's hand in opening doors, dealing with issues beyond your control and in protecting you from harm. I am immediately reminded of the verses written in my first bible after my decision to follow Jesus. It was written by my closest friend at the time - Proverbs: 3:5+6

*"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, in all your ways  
acknowledge Him and He will direct your paths".*

I have often shared my own thoughts with people as I believe that faith is the product of God working in your life.

Susan and I have seen God's faithfulness every time we have moved home. We have been positive which house we should buy, because we have had an awareness that God was encouraging us through our sense of His presence. On one occasion this led to our sharing with our lawyer why we were so positive in our decision. This, I know was one opportunity for us to witness to our Faith.

### **Susan**

Looking back, I can see that God has given me a constant stream of people who have encouraged me in my faith, both through teaching and example. For this I am very thankful. Over the last 30 years we have been in 3 different churches, and I have been involved in different ways, including singing and then playing in the worship band, leading house groups/Link group, and helping with Alpha courses. I love to pray with people, having been on prayer ministry teams both in church, at local conferences and even in Russia on couple of occasions. I was also part of "Healing on the Streets", which involved people from churches across Edinburgh, together offering prayer for healing to passers-by in Princes Street on Saturday mornings. I have seen God answer prayer many times, both personally and for others, which is always an encouragement to keep on trusting Him when things are tough.

I am privileged to work in finance & admin for a local charity, The Redwoods Caring Foundation, who provide care & support to adults with learning disabilities. This is another place where we have seen many answers to prayer over the years, as God has provided the right staff, clients and finances when they have been needed. Currently, in addition to leading worship on Sunday evenings, I am leading a small group of people as we explore together the spiritual gift of prophecy, and learn about what it means for us as individuals, as a group and ultimately for us as a church. I am also part of the prayer ministry team and the Finance Team.

# CHRISTMAS SERVICES

## Memorial Service for the Bereaved

This service will be held on *Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December, at 7pm* in the church, and is especially for people who find the thought of Christmas celebrations difficult without a loved one who has died. Everyone is welcome. There will be a cup of tea or coffee afterwards for anyone who wishes to stay.

## Service of Lessons and Carols

Join in singing some well-known hymns, listen to some lovely carols sung by the choir, and hear again the Christmas story from creation onwards in readings from the Bible.

This traditional service is on *Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm*, and is followed as usual by seasonal refreshments!

## Service with Sunday Club and other Young People

The second morning service on *Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> December, starting at 11am*, will be an all-age service with the young people of our church family involved. We can all join in the celebration, led by our Youth and Children's Workers, kenny McCartney and Emily Kerrigan.

## Big Carol Sing

Also on *Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> December, at 7pm*, we are in the Anderson Hall for the "Big Carol Sing". Informal, good fun, lots of favourite carols, and mince pies and shortbread afterwards. Ask your friends and neighbours along!

## Christingle Service

This service, at *4 o'clock on Christmas Eve*, is particularly suitable for young children and families, but everyone is welcome. If you want to make a Christingle, **please bring an orange with you** (a reasonable size, not a tiny one). Don't be late – it's very busy!

## Watchnight Service

Later *on Christmas Eve*, we will sing carols together from 11.15pm and the *service will start at 11.30pm*, leading up to the very first chance to celebrate the day Jesus was born. At midnight, it's Christmas Day!

## Christmas Day

Our *Christmas Morning Service starts at 10.30am*, and children are invited to bring one of their new toys with them.

## Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> December and Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> January

There will be one all-age morning service at 10.30am.



# December Diary

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> 9.00am-12.30pm - *Kirkgate Café*  
7-00pm *Kirkgate Café Pantomime*

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Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> **ADVENT SUNDAY**  
**Morning Worship @ 9.30am** (with Scots Communion)  
**& 11am** (with *Creche, & Sunday Buzz*)

Theme: Why Advent?

Preacher: Jonny Clipston

10.20am - *Prayer Time* in the Elders Room (All welcome)

2.30pm - Service at Ellen's Glen House (SEECAT)

**Evening Worship @ 7.00pm in the Anderson Hall** (Café open from 6.30pm)

Theme: Jesus in the Old Testament II - His death (Isaiah 53)

Speaker: John Young

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm - *Kirkgate Café*

7.30pm - *The Guild* meets in the Anderson Hall

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> 7.30am-7.30pm - Prayer space available in the *Upper Room*

9.00am-8.00pm - *Kirkgate Café*

2.00pm - Service at *Braeside House*

3.00pm - *Pram Praise* in the Small Hall

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm 6.00pm-8.00pm - *Kirkgate Café*

11.00am - *Pram Praise* in the Small Hall

8.00pm - *Gathering for Praise* in the Kirk

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm - *Kirkgate Café*

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-12.30pm - *Kirkgate Café*

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Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> **Morning Worship @ 9.30am**  
**and 11.00am** (with *Creche, Sunday Club, CC & BBC*)

Theme: God's glory - revealed through his son

Preacher: John Young

10.20am - *Prayer Time* in the Elders Room (All welcome)

**Evening Worship @ 7.00pm in the Anderson Hall** (Café open from 6.30pm)

Theme: Jesus in the Old Testament III - His Resurrection (Psalm 16)

Speaker: Jonny Clipston

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm - *Kirkgate Café*

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> 7.30am-7.30pm - Prayer space available in the *Upper Room*

9.00am-8.00pm - *Kirkgate Café*

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm 6.00pm-8.00pm - *Kirkgate Café*

1.30pm *The Guild* Christmas Party and Carols

7.00pm - **ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE**

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm - *Kirkgate Café*

6.30 - 7.30pm - Carol Singing at Sainsbury's, Cameron Toll (SEECAT)

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-12.30pm - *Kirkgate Cafe*

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Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> **Morning Worship @ 9.30am**  
**and 11am** (with *Creche, Sunday Club, CC & BBC*)

Theme: Messengers of God

Preacher: Jonny Clipston

10.20am - *Prayer Time* in the Elders Room (All welcome)

**Evening Worship @ 7.00pm in the Anderson Hall** (Café open from 6.30pm)

Theme: Jesus in the Old Testament IV - His return (Daniel 7)

Speaker: John Young

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm - *Kirkgate Cafe*

7.30pm - *The Guild* Christmas Party in the Anderson Hall

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> 7.30am-7.30pm - Prayer space available in the *Upper Room*

9.00am-8.00pm - *Kirkgate Cafe*

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm 6.00pm-8.00pm - *Kirkgate Cafe*

2.30pm - Carol Service at *Braid Hills Care Home*

7.30pm - **SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS**

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm - *Kirkgate Cafe*

2.00pm - Carol Service at *Guthrie House*

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> 9.00am-12.30pm - *Kirkgate Cafe*

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Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> **9.30am - Morning Worship**

Theme: For unto us a son is born

Preacher: Jared Hay

11am - **All-age Nativity Service**

10.20am - *Prayer Time* in the Elders Room (All welcome)

2.30pm - Carol Service at Liberton Hospital (SEECAT)

**The BIG CAROL SING @ 7.00pm in the Anderson Hall**

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> **CHRISTMAS EVE**

9.00am-12.noon - *Kirkgate Cafe* (free refreshments for all)

**4.00pm - Christingle Service** in the Kirk

**11.15pm - Watchnight service** in the Kirk

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> **CHRISTMAS DAY**

**10.30am - Joint Morning Worship with Gracemount Church**

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> (No *Kirkgate Cafe*)

1pm - New Year Concert in the Kirk with *Philomusica* - see p.32

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Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> **Joint Morning Worship @ 10.30am**

Theme: Faith in the future

Preacher: Jared Hay

10.20am - *Prayer Time* in the Elders Room (All welcome)

**No Evening Worship**

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> (No *Kirkgate Cafe*)

**January 2019**

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> **NEW YEARS DAY** (No *Kirkgate Cafe*)

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*  
 8.00pm - *Gathering for Praise* in the Kirk  
 Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*  
 Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-12.30pm - *Kirkgate Café*



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**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup>** **Joint Morning Worship @ 10.30am**  
 Theme: I have called you 'friends'  
 Preacher: Jonny Clipston  
 10.20am – *Prayer Time* in the Elders Room (All welcome)  
 2.30pm - Service at Ellen's Glen House (SEECAT)  
**7.00pm Joint Evening Worship with BIG Idea churches**  
**@ Gilmerton Hub**

Speaker: Jonny Clipston  
 Monday 7<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*  
 Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> 7.30am-7.30pm – Prayer space available in the *Upper Room*  
 9.00am-8.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*  
 Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm 6.00pm-8.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*  
 2.15pm *The Guild* meets in the Small Hall  
 Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*  
 Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-12.30pm - *Kirkgate Café*

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**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup>** **Morning Worship @ 9.30am** (with Scots Communion)  
**and 11am** (with *Creche*, & *Sunday Buzz*)  
 Theme: Friends of God - Adam  
 Preacher: John Young  
 10.20am – *Prayer Time* in the Elders Room (All welcome)  
 12.30pm - Messy church planning meeting  
**Evening Worship @ 7.00pm in the Anderson Hall** (Café open from 6.30pm)

Theme: I believe in God the Father Almighty  
 Speaker: John Young  
 Monday 14<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*  
 (7.00pm for) 7.30pm – Kirk Session meets in the Wilson Hall  
 Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> 7.30am-7.30pm – Prayer space available in the *Upper Room*  
 9.00am-8.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*  
 3.00pm - *Pram Praise* in the Small Hall  
 Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm 6.00pm-8.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*  
 11.00am – *Pram Praise* in the Small Hall  
 2.30pm – Service at *Braid Hills Care Home*  
 7.00pm – Minister available in the *Kirkgate Café*  
 8.00pm - *Gathering for Praise* in the Kirk  
 Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm – *Kirkgate Café*  
 7.30pm - The *BIG Alpha* Reunion in Wilson Hall

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY (WPCU) 18<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> January**

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-12.30pm - *Kirkgate Café*  
9.30am - 12noon - *"I have called you Friends"*  
**Congregational Focus Day** - Guest Speaker: Dave Rankin  
(*followed by lunch in the Kirk Centre*)

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Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> **Morning Worship @ 9.30am**  
**and 11am** (with *Creche, Sunday Club, CC & BBC*)  
Preacher: Cammy Mackenzie  
Theme: Friends of God - Noah  
10.20am - *Prayer Time* in the Elders Room (All welcome)  
**Evening Worship @ 7.00pm in the Anderson Hall** (Café open from 6.30pm)

Theme: Creator of Heaven and Earth

Speaker: Jonny Clipston

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm - *Kirkgate Café*  
2pm - Short WPCU service at St. Barnabas' Church  
7.30pm - *The Guild* meets in the Anderson Hall

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> 7.30am-7.30pm - Prayer space available in the *Upper Room*  
9.00am-8.00pm - *Kirkgate Café*

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm 6.00pm-8.00pm - *Kirkgate Café*  
7.00pm - Minister available in the *Kirkgate Café*

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> 9.00am -2.00pm - *Kirkgate Café*  
7pm - Main WPCU service at St. John Vianney's, followed by refreshments

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> **4.00pm-6.00pm - MESSY CHURCH in the Halls**

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Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> **WORLD MISSION SUNDAY**

**Morning Worship @ 9.30am**

**and 11am** (with *Creche, Sunday Club, CC & BBC*)

Preacher: Jonny Clipston

10.20am - *Prayer Time* in the Elders Room (All welcome)

2.30pm - Service at Liberton Hospital (SEECAT)

**Evening Worship @ 7.00pm in the Anderson Hall** (Café open from 6.30pm)

Theme: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only son, our Lord

Speaker: John Young

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm - *Kirkgate Café*

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> 7.30am-7.30pm - Prayer space available in the *Upper Room*  
9.00am-8.00pm - *Kirkgate Café*

2.00pm - Service at *Guthrie Court*

**7.30pm - Congregational Prayer Night in the Kirk**

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm 6.00pm-8.00pm - *Kirkgate Café*

11.00am - *Pram Praise* in the Small Hall

7.00pm - Minister available in the *Kirkgate Café*

Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> 9.00am-2.00pm - *Kirkgate Café*

7.30pm - The *BIG Alpha* follow-up Course in Wilson Hall

# February 2019

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> 9.00am-12.30pm - *Kirkgate Café*

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Morning Worship @ 9.30am**

*(with Scots Communion)*

**& 11am** (with *Creche, & Sunday Buzz*)

Theme: Friends of God - Abraham

Preacher: John Young

10.20am - *Prayer Time* in the Elders Room (All welcome)

2.30pm - Service at Ellen's Glen House (SEECAT)

**Evening Worship @ 7.00pm in the Anderson Hall** (Café open from 6.30pm)

Theme: Conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary



## World Mission Over the Festive Season

As we think of the Christmas story and focus on events in Bethlehem in the coming weeks, our minds will naturally be drawn to Christian celebrations all over the world, family members overseas, the despair of the world's trouble spots, and at home the poor and marginalised.

It will also be a time for sharing of memories with loved ones, brightening our communities with coloured lights and decorations high street stores packed with Christmas shoppers.

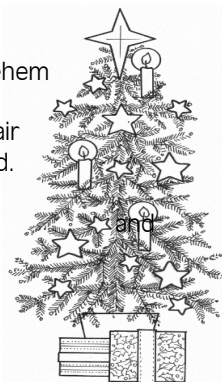
It is inevitably a busy time and frequently a tiring one; but it is also a time for generosity, when our thoughts and hearts are much more on others. The World Mission Team hope that you will find time to think of our partnerships at home and overseas over this period and that you will particularly consider joining us for two special events.

The first of these is the **Annual Festive Lunchtime Concert**, which this year will be held in the Church on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> December with members of the chamber orchestra, Philomusica of Edinburgh. As will be seen in the poster for this event in this edition of the magazine (page 32 ED) the programme will focus on light classical favourites, and as always, the door donations will be our major fundraising event of the year, the proceeds of which will go to support our various overseas partnerships and the Syrian refugee event in February. This concert as many already know, provides a wonderful reflective interlude between Christmas and New Year for the congregation to share a short and meaningful time of fellowship and we hope that it will be supported by even larger numbers than in previous years.

Then on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> January, we will be holding our annual **Mission Sunday** when members of the World Mission Team will lead the morning services and bring the congregation up to date with the work of our partnerships. This year a special part of these services will be welcoming Kathleen Burns our partner who works with the African Inland Mission in Uganda.

Finally, at this time we ask you to remember our twinning congregation of Canning Garden Church in Ipoh, Malaysia, and especially the family of Pastor Raymond Koh one year after his unexplained and tragic disappearance.

Sandy Hutchison, World Mission Team Convenor 2018-2019



## Organ Music for December . . .

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2018, The First Sunday of Advent

BEFORE Moore Veni Emmanuel, O come, Emmanuel

DURING Kneller Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland,  
Now come, Saviour of the heathens

AFTER te Velde Personent hodie, On this day, earth shall ring

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Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2018, The Second Sunday of Advent

BEFORE Mulet Noël

DURING Berlioz The Shepherds' Farewell

AFTER Hollins Christmas Cradle Song

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Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2018, The Memorial Service for the Bereaved

BEFORE Guilmant Prélude Funèbre, Funeral Prelude

DURING Barber Adagio

AFTER Lefébure-Wély Marche Funèbre

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Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2018, The Third Sunday of Advent

BEFORE Fox Simple Gifts

DURING Roques Il est né, le divin Enfant, He is born the divine Christ Child

AFTER Charpentier Noël en Duo

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Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2018, The Service of Nine Lessons and Carols

BEFORE Schelat Müller, a Christmas Reflection, Away in a Manger

AFTER Daquin Noël

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Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2018, The Fourth Sunday of Advent

BEFORE Rawsthorne Berceuse du Noël

DURING Zachow Vom Himmel hoch, da komm' ich her,  
From heaven above to earth I come

AFTER Fox Good King Wenceslas

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Monday 24<sup>th</sup> December 2018, The Watchnight Service

BEFORE Phillips Prelude on 'O Little Town of Bethlehem'

AFTER TRADITIONAL We Wish You a Merry Christmas

Blatchly Three Versets on Away in a Manger

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Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> December 2018, Christmas Day

BEFORE Palmer Study on 'Yorkshire', Christians awake!  
Salute the happy morn

AFTER Behnke Go Tell it on the Mountain

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Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> December 2018, The First Sunday of Christmas

BEFORE Guilmant Noël alsacien,  
Berceuse on an Alsatian Christmas

DURING Bennett Es ist ein' Ros', A rose has sprung up

AFTER Pierpont Jingle Bells

## Organ Music for January . . .

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2019, The Second Sunday of Christmas

The Epiphany of our Lord

BEFORE Rawsthorne To-morrow shall be my dancing day

DURING Göttsche Stille Nacht, heilige Nacht,

Silent Night, Holy Night

AFTER Fox Joy to the World



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Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2019, The Second Sunday of Epiphany

BEFORE W.S. Lloyd Webber Choral

DURING Bednall Berceuse on 'Charity' Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost

AFTER Lloyd Eisenach (Machs mit mir, Gott) – 150 HP

"Come, Follow Me," the Saviour Spake

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Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2019, The Third Sunday of Epiphany

BEFORE Rawsthorne Londonderry Air

DURING Litzau Andante

AFTER Hook Andantino

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Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2019, The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

Mission Sunday

BEFORE Ketèlbey The Sacred Hour

DURING Ketèlbey The Phantom Melody

AFTER Ketèlbey Sanctuary of the Heart

*Happy Holidays from the Organ, and from me. Calum Gubby*

## Guild News for December and January

ALL WELCOME!

### EVENING GUILD

The next meeting is on **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December** when **Ian Low** will speak on the subject, "**Ladies of Hopetoun**", (Hopetoun House). We will find out about the lives they led.

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup>** December will be our **Christmas Social Evening** when **Ian and Margo Dunn** will entertain us. Do come along and join in the fun and fellowship.

The Evening Guild will meet the form of a **Scots Night** and refreshments on **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January** when we are delighted to announce that the **Bo'ness Belles** will be entertaining us. The evening will take will be served. This will be a fundraising event in aid of Guild projects. Tickets will be on sale in January, but meanwhile, please keep the date free.

### AFTERNOON GUILD

The Afternoon Guild meets on **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December** when we are delighted to welcome back pupils from **Liberton Primary School**. Please note that this meeting starts at **1.45pm**.

There is no **Afternoon Guild** meeting in January. Evelyn Ogilvie (Secretary)



## Prayer Works

As a Church Family we have seen that Prayer  
*does* work.

We have many opportunities to pray together  
and ask, seek and knock  
so that God's Kingdom will be done – as it is in  
heaven.

You are invited to join with others each month  
on the last Tuesday evening in the Kirk  
when we gather to pray for Liberton Kirk  
activities, our land, our world and each other.

**January 29<sup>th</sup>** is our next Gathering  
from 7.30 to 8.45pm.

However, the **February Gathering will be  
in the Upper Room 7-8pm**

when we will share in the Evening Office and  
pray for each other.

This is because we are hosting and supporting  
**the World Day of Prayer**

on the afternoon of 1<sup>st</sup> March in the Kirk.

**Let us Pray together as we step into 2019.**

*If you have any requests for prayer topics  
please do speak with Alastair, John or Susan.*

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

OUR FATHER

WHO ART IN HEAVEN,

*hallowed be your name,*

YOUR KINGDOM COME,

YOUR WILL BE DONE,

**ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN.**

GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD.

*and forgive our debts,*

AS WE ALSO HAVE FORGIVEN OUR DEBTORS.

AND LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION,

**BUT DELIVER US FROM THE EVIL ONE;**

MATTHEW 6:9-13

*for yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

## Christmas

Months of preparation  
Of gifts and food  
And decoration  
Carol singing, pantomime  
Of supermarket  
Sleigh bell chimes

Whatever story we believe  
We tire of commerce  
Rejoice, receive!

Apple iPads  
Celebrity news  
Armani perfume  
And Jimmy Choos

All designed to make us want  
The things we give  
Our wealth to flaunt

But through the glitter  
Shines a light  
Brighter, glowing  
With all his might

Love for everything on earth  
The universe, a baby's birth

King of kings  
Yet small and poor  
But loneliness  
Has found a cure

So now is time  
For joy, elation  
Gathering  
In celebration

So while we're shopping  
Dancing, eating  
Organising  
Our party seating

Or even doing our Christmas  
cleaning  
Let's not forget, it still has  
meaning

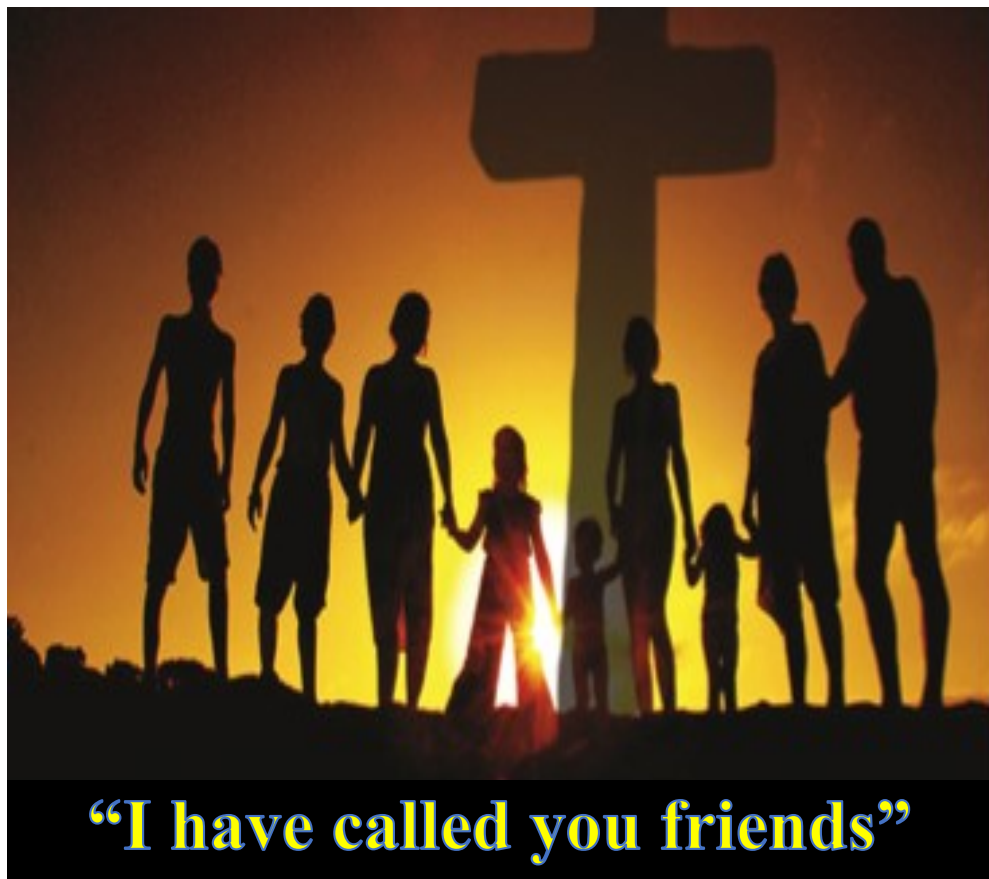
Anne-Louise Lowrey

# Congregational Focus Day

**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> January**

**9.30am-12.noon at Liberton Kirk**

**(followed by lunch afterwards in the Kirk Centre)**



**“I have called you friends”**

**Guest Speaker: Dave Rankin**

**All Welcome!**

*Sign up forms at the Café counter or the Church Welcome Desk*

## SEECAT Events

The full programme for South East Edinburgh Churches for the year up to summer 2019 is on a pale blue card, available for anyone interested from the Welcome Desks in church or the halls entrance. Events coming up in December and January are:

### Carol Singing

We sing carols to shoppers in Cameron Toll Shopping Centre at the entrance to Sainsburys on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December from 6.30 to 7.30pm. Come and join in!

### Christian Unity Week

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is usually held across Britain and Ireland between 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> January. This year we have two services:

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January (short service)

2pm at St. Barnabas' Church, 4 Moredun Park View

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> January (main service followed by refreshments)

7pm at St. John Vianney's Church, 40 Fernieside Gardens

If you can't go to the services, please pick up a prayer card from the Welcome Desks in January and follow the scripture readings and prayers for the week at home. The theme for the week is "Justice, only justice, you shall pursue", and the material has been prepared by churches in Indonesia. Ruth Davies (tel. 664 3608)



## Fresh Start

It's that time of year again when Fresh Start have their appeal for cookers. The "Cookers for Christmas Campaign" helps people by providing refurbished cookers making a huge difference to their Christmas.

The usual household goods are always in great demand. A list of these items can be found in the FS stand at either side of the church.

Thanks to everyone for all recent goods. I must remind people that FS do not take furniture so PLEASE do not leave furniture in the Offering House.

The latest news letter plus 2019 calendars can be found on shelves at the side of the church. These are full of information about the good work done by Fresh Start and the help it gives to their clients.

Wishing everyone a very Happy Christmas and Best Wishes for 2019.

Contact Sylvia Bennett 664 3189 for further information if needed. Thank you



If you have any items of interest about members, or their friends, that you would like to share, please pass details to the Editor, for inclusion in the Congregational News section of the Magazine.

# LIBERTON KIRK CELTIC DEVOTIONS

DECEMBER 18



***'Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and for ever..'***  
***Hebrews 13 verse 8***

As the year comes to an end, so we travel through selected verses – one a day – and focus solely on *the Person of Jesus, the Son of God and Son of Man*. We pause in prayer at our times of Midday Devotion for others in our church family, our city and our world.

*We are all encouraged to listen for God's voice as we continue together in our 'rhythm of devotion' during this final month of 2018.*

*The Daily Devotions are but one way to feed on God's Word in the morning, at midday, in the evening ... to pray with Him continually through your day and to share with others the treasures or hurdles you discover. The Church website and Facebook page (even on a handy mobile) provide a fuller daily devotional page. However it all follows the pattern below which the information overleaf fits into, based on the Kirk's origins of the Celtic and Northumbrian traditions. It was these traditions that gave birth to the Daily Devotions in early 2015.*

## **Morning**

Reading and Meditation on the theme

Prayer of response to the Word

## **Midday**

Prayer – mostly for others

## **Evening**

Verse(s) from the morning reading

Reflection on the day

Prayer

Please use this pattern if you are unable to access the internet -  
Or contact Alastair Cameron who can print the daily pattern for you.

# LIBERTON KIRK CELTIC DEVOTIONS FOR DECEMBER

Sat 1 <sup>st</sup>	Morning	ISAIAH 9 v 6 – take time to consider these words today. What is God saying to you today? Then pray in response to Him
	Midday	pray the words of the Lord's Prayer as your own prayer today
	Evening	read the words again – reflect on the truths here, pray in response
Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Morning	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent – ISAIAH 9 v 7 - take time and consider these words about the Kingdom of God. What is God saying to you from them? then pray to this God
	Midday	pray for a church near your home to know Sunday blessings
	Evening	read the verse again – reflect and pray in response to our LORD God, including praying for your own church family.
Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Morning	ISAIAH 52 v 7 – take time to carefully consider these words. What is God saying to you today? What is your response to Him? Then take time to pause and pray in response
	Midday	pray God's blessing on those in need of hearing God's Good News
	Evening	read the words again – reflect...and pray to this God in response
Tues 4 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	ISAIAH 52 v 10 – consider what is said here. What do the words mean for you today? and then pray in response to what you read
	Midday	take time to listen for God to speak with you – ask, seek, knock – hear!
	Evening	read this verse again – reflect...then pray in response to this God
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	MICAH 5 v 2 - consider these particular words this morning about God's forward planning. What does it mean for you? Then Pray to this God.
	Midday	pray the Lord's Prayer as your own midday prayer
	Evening	read the words again – slowly reflect ... then pray at the end of your day
Thu 6 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	MICAH 5 v 4 – take time and carefully consider these words as your day starts. What is God saying to you today? – then pray in response.
	Midday	pray God's blessing on those struggling with loss or grief
	Evening	read the verse again – reflect on the images and words here ..... and what God is saying to you– and then pray to Him
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	ZECHARIAH 9 v 9 – consider these words here as your day starts. What is God saying to you today? then pray confidently to Him
	Midday	pray God's blessing on those who serve God overseas
	Evening	read these words again .... take time to reflect .... and pray to this God
Sat 8 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	ZECHARIAH 9 v 10 – take time to consider the verse and the images described here. What is God saying to you today? Then take time to Pray to Him in response to what you read
	Midday	pray God's blessing on those who feel lonely at this time
	Evening	read the words again – reflect and pray in response to what you read
Sun 9 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Advent – MATTHEW 1 v 18 - consider these words this morning. What do they mean for you? then pray in response
	Midday	pray a blessing on those preaching in our land today
	Evening	read these words again...reflect on their meaning for you and then pray
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	MATTHEW 1 v 21 – take time and consider this one verse. What does it mean for you today? then pray in response to our God, the God of amazing grace

# LIBERTON KIRK CELTIC DEVOTIONS

JANUARY 19

***'Love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength.'***

***Deuteronomy 6 verse 5***

During 2019 we will be looking at various *Bible characters* and their relationship with God, and with each other – as well as a couple of *Psalms* each weekend - pausing in prayer at our times of *Midday Devotion* for others in our church family, our city and our world at this time of the year.

*We are all encouraged to listen for God's voice and make our response as we start together in our 'rhythm of devotion' during 2019.*



These Devotions are but one way to feed on God's Word in the morning, at midday, in the evening ... to pray with Him continually through the day and even to share with others the treasures or hurdles you discover. The Church website and Facebook page (even on a handy mobile) provide a fuller daily devotional page. However it all follows the pattern below which the information provided fits into, based on the Kirk's origins of the Celtic and Northumbrian traditions which we started as a church family in 2015.

## **Morning**

Reading and Meditation on the content and prayer of response

## **Midday**

Prayer – mostly for others

## **Evening**

Verse(s) from the morning reading  
Reflection and Prayer at end of the day

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# LIBERTON KIRK CELTIC DEVOTIONS FOR JANUARY 19

Tue 1 <sup>st</sup>	Morning	GENESIS 1 vs 26-31 – consider what happens here. Why was God so pleased? and then take time to pray to this God of ours
	Midday	take time to listen for God to speak with you – ‘ThyKingdomCome’
	Evening	read the verses again – reflect...then pray in response to this God
Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Morning	GENESIS 2 vs 7-25 – consider all that happens here. What does this teach you about relationship? and then pray in response
	Midday	pray God’s blessing on those seeking a life partner
	Evening	read the verses again – reflect on the words - and then pray to God
Thu 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Morning	GENESIS 3 vs 1-13 – take time and consider what happens here to Adam and Eve What is God saying to you today? – then pray in response
	Midday	pray God’s blessing on those struggling with guilt and failure
	Evening	read the verses again – reflect on the words here then pray to Father God
Fri 4 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	GENESIS 3 vs 14-24 – take time to consider this passage. What your response to what you read? and then pray in response
	Midday	pray God’s blessing on those nearing death at this time
	Evening	read the words again – reflect on what you read - then pray
Sat 5 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	PSALM 1 – take time to consider these words this morning. What is God saying to you today? Then pray in response to Him
	Midday	pray the words of the Lord’s Prayer as your own prayer today
	Evening	read the words again – reflect on the truths here.....and pray in response
Sun 6 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	PSALM 3 - take time and consider these words this morning. What is God saying to you from them? then pray to this God
	Midday	pray for a church near your home to know Sunday blessings
	Evening	read the verses again – reflect and pray in response to our LORD God Including praying for your own church family.
Mon 7 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	GENESIS 6 vs 9-21 – take time to carefully consider these words. How would you describe Noah’s relationship with God? Then take time to pause and pray in response
	Midday	pray God’s blessing on those in need of hearing God’s call on their life
	Evening	read the words again – reflect...and pray to this God in response
Tue 8 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	GENESIS chapter 7 – consider what is said here. What do the words mean for you today? and then pray in response to what you read
	Midday	take time to listen for God to speak with you – ask, seek, knock – hear!
	Evening	read this passage again – reflect...then pray in response to this God
Wed 9 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	GENESIS chapter 8 - consider these particular words today. Why did Noah offer a sacrifice? Then Pray to this God.
	Midday	pray God’s blessing on the Ministry Team at LK
	Evening	read the words again – slowly reflect... then pray at the end of your day
Thu 10 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	GENESIS 9 vs 1-17 – take time and carefully consider this passage today. How would you describe God’s relationship with Noah? – then pray in response.
	Midday	pray God’s blessing on those new to the Christian faith
	Evening	read the verses again – reflect on the words here.....and then pray.
Fri 11 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	GENESIS 9 vs 18-29 – consider these words here today. How would you describe Noah’s relationship with his sons? then

# LIBERTON KIRK CELTIC DEVOTIONS FOR JANUARY 19

		pray to God.
	Midday	pray God's blessing on those who have family troubles at this time
	Evening	read these words again....take time to reflect....and pray to our God
Sat 12 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	PSALM 5 – take time to consider the verses written here. What is God saying to you today? Then take time to Pray to Him in response to what you read
	Midday	pray God's blessing on those struggling in their prayer life.
	Evening	read the passage again – reflect and pray in response to what you read
Sun 13 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	PSALM 8 - consider these particular words this morning. What words stay with you? then pray in response to the Lord, the Creator of all
	Midday	pray a blessing on those preaching in our land today
	Evening	read these verses again...reflect on their meaning for you and then pray
Mon 14 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	GENESIS 12 vs 1-9 – take time and consider this passage. What words stay with you? What is your response to God's Word today? then pray in response to our God, the God of amazing blessing
	Midday	pray God's blessing on those suffering mental health issues
	Evening	read the verses again – reflect...then humbly pray in response
Tue 15 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	GENESIS 13 vs 14-18 – consider these verses this morning. What is God saying to you today? – and then pray in response.
	Midday	take time to listen for God to speak with you – ask, seek, knock – hear!
	Evening	read the words again – reflect... then pray in response as your day ends.
Wed 16 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	GENESIS 14 vs 1-16 – consider what happens here. How would you describe Abram/Lot's relationship? And then pray to God
	Midday	pray a blessing on those serving as chaplains across our city
	Evening	read the words again – reflect - and then pray to our Father God
Thu 17 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	GENESIS chapter 15 – take time to consider what is said here. How would you describe God's relationship with Abram? then pray to God
	Midday	pray God's blessing on the Big Alpha reunion this evening
	Evening	read the words again – reflect on all that is said - then pray to our God
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	GENESIS 18 vs 1-15 – take time to consider these verses as your day starts. What is God saying to you? What is your response to Him? and then pray in response as God leads you.
	Midday	pray God's blessing on those struggling with miscarriage
	Evening	read these verses again – reflect on the words and then pray
Sat 19 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	PSALM 9 – take time to consider these verses... What is God saying to you today? Then pray to Him in response....
	Midday	pray God's blessing on those struggling financially at this time
	Evening	read the words again – reflect..... and then pray in response to this God
Sun 20 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	PSALM 11 – consider these verses as your day starts. What words stay with you? Then pray in response to our God.
	Midday	pray for your church family to know God's Sunday blessings!
	Evening	read the words again – reflect ...then pray to the LORD our God
Mon 21 <sup>st</sup>	Morning	GENESIS 18 vs 16-33 – take time to consider this passage.

# LIBERTON KIRK DAILY DEVOTIONS FOR JANUARY 18

What is God saying to you today? Then pray to Him for our city.

Midday pray the Prayer for the Month as your midday prayer

Evening read the words again – reflect... and pray to our God as your day closes

Tue 22<sup>nd</sup> Morning GENESIS 21 vs 1-8 – consider this new baby boy and his family

Try and imagine them all. and then take time to pray to God

Midday take time to listen for God to speak with you –

‘ThyKingdomCome’

Evening read the verses again – reflect...then pray in response to Father God

Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> Morning GENESIS 22 vs 1-19 - prayerfully consider these verses.

What words stay with you? What is God saying to you? Then

Pray to this God.

Midday pray God’s blessing on parents in our church family

Evening read the words again – reflect.....then pray at the end of your day

Thu 24<sup>th</sup> Morning GENESIS 23 – take time and consider this chapter.

What does it say to you today? – then pray in response as your

day starts.

Midday pray God’s blessing on those preparing for a family funeral

Evening read the chapter again – reflect on what is said here and then pray.

Fri 25<sup>th</sup> Morning GENESIS 24 – consider all that happens here!

What is God saying to you today? then pray to Him in response

Midday pray God’s blessing on those preparing for married life

Evening read these words again, take time to reflect and pray to our God

Sat 26<sup>th</sup> Morning PSALM 13 – take time to consider these words. What is God saying to you today? Then take time to Pray to this God.

Midday pray God’s blessing on those confined to care home/hospital

Evening read the verses again – reflect and pray in response to what you read

Sun 27<sup>th</sup> Morning PSALM 14 – take time to consider these words this morning. What do they say to you today? – then pray in response to our God

Midday pray God’s blessing on someone you prayed for this past week

Evening read these verses again...reflect on their meaning for you and then pray

Mon 28<sup>th</sup> Morning GENESIS 25 vs 7-11 – take time to consider these few verses.

Meditate over verse 11 again. then pray in response to this God.

Midday pray God’s blessing on a shop/business near your home

Evening read the verses again – reflect...then pray to God in response

Tue 29<sup>th</sup> Morning Gathering for Prayer – GENESIS 25 vs 19-26 – consider these verses about these new boys. What is God saying to you today? and then pray to Him in response

Midday take time to listen for God to speak with you – ask, seek, knock – hear!

Evening read the words again – reflect... then pray in response – for your family

Wed 30<sup>th</sup> Morning GENESIS 25 vs 27-34 – consider what these verses teach us about family relationships. And then pray to God in response

Midday pray a blessing on those who care for a loved one

Evening read the words again – reflect - and then pray to Father God

Thu 31<sup>st</sup> Morning GENESIS 26 vs 26-33 – consider these verses today. What do they say to you about relationships? – then pray in response

Midday pray God’s blessing on the Kirkgate Cafe

Evening read the verses again – reflect on what is said here and then pray

# LIBERTON KIRK CELTIC DEVOTIONS FOR DECEMBER

	Midday	pray God's blessing on those suffering mental health issues
	Evening	read the words again – reflect...then humbly pray in response
Tue 11 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	MATTHEW 1 v 23 – consider these words this morning. What is God saying to you? – and then pray in response.
	Midday	take time to listen for God to speak with you – ask, seek, knock – hear!
	Evening	read the words again – reflect... then pray in response as your day ends.
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	MATTHEW 2 v 11 – consider these words this morning. Imagine the scene and characters here. And then pray to this God in response
	Midday	pray a blessing on those who work in hospitals in our city
	Evening	read the words again – reflect - and then pray to God in worship
Thu 13 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	MATTHEW 3 v 2 – take time and consider what is written here by Matthew. What stay with you?– then pray in response
	Midday	pray God's blessing on your neighbours
	Evening	read the words again – reflect on all that is said - then pray to our God
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	MATTHEW 3 v 3 – take time to consider these words. What is God saying to you today? What is your response? and then pray
	Midday	pray God's blessing on those struggling with temptation
	Evening	read this verse again – reflect on the words and then pray
Sat 15 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	MATTHEW 3 v 17 – take time to consider this verse. What is God saying to you today from these words? Then pray in response.
	Midday	pray God's blessing on those struggling with family issues at this time
	Evening	read the words again – reflect..... and then pray in response to this God
Sun 16 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Advent – LUKE 1 v 28 – consider these words as your day starts. What words stay with you? Then pray in response
	Midday	pray for your church family to know God's Sunday blessings!
	Evening	read the words again – reflect ...then pray to this God of peace
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	LUKE 1 v 32 – take time to consider these words as your day starts What is God saying to you today? Then pray to Him in response
	Midday	pray the Prayer for the Month as your midday prayer
	Evening	read the words again – reflect...and pray to our God as your day closes
Tue 18 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	LUKE 2 v 7 – take time to consider what is said here. What do the words mean to you today? and then take time to pray to God
	Midday	take time to listen for God to speak with you – 'ThyKingdomCome'
	Evening	read the verse again – reflect then pray in response to this God of ours
Wed 19 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	LUKE 2 v 10 - prayerfully consider this verse this morning. What is God saying to you? Then Pray as your day starts.
	Midday	pray God's blessing on a shop or business near your home
	Evening	read the words again – reflect ... then pray at the end of your day
Thu 20 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	LUKE 2 v 11 – take time and consider this short verse. What does it mean for you today? – then pray in response as your day starts.
	Midday	pray God's blessing on young people in our church family
	Evening	read the words again – reflect on what is said here and then pray
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup>	Morning	LUKE 2 v 20 – consider the words here as your day starts. Imagine the scene and characters! then praise to God in response

# LIBERTON KIRK CELTIC DEVOTIONS FOR DECEMBER

	Midday	pray God's blessing on those who live alone in our church family
	Evening	read these words again, take time to reflect and pray to our God
Sat 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Morning	LUKE 2 v 21 – take time to consider these words. What does the name of Jesus mean for you? Then take time to pray to this Person.
	Midday	pray God's blessing on those confined to care home/hospital
	Evening	read the verse again – reflect and pray in response to what you read
Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Morning	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Advent – JOHN 1 v 29 – take time to consider these words. What do they say to you today? then pray in response
	Midday	pray God's blessing on your family
	Evening	read these words again...reflect on their meaning for you and then pray
Mon 24 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	JOHN 1 v 41 – take time and consider this one verse. What does it say to you today? then pray in response to this God!
	Midday	pray God's blessing on those without a home in our city
	Evening	read the words again – reflect...then pray and praise in response
Tue 25 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	<b>Christmas Day</b> – JOHN 3 v 16 – consider this great verse this particular morning. What is God saying to you today? and then pray to Him in response - with songs of praise and thanksgiving!
	Midday	pray the Lord's Prayer as your own prayer on this special day
	Evening	read the words again – reflect... then pray in response – for this world
Wed 26 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	JOHN 14 v 1 – consider what these words teach you about the LORD our God. And then pray to this God in response
	Midday	pray a blessing on those who care for a loved one
	Evening	read the words again – reflect - and then pray to this God, our God
Thu 27 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	JOHN 14 v 6 – consider these great words today. What do they for you? – then pray in response as your day starts.
	Midday	pray God's blessing on the work of Bethany Christian Trust
	Evening	read the verse again – reflect on what is said here and then pray to God
Fri 28 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	JOHN 20 v 31 – take time to consider these words from John. What is your response to them? and then pray in response as God leads you
	Midday	pray God's blessing on the work of Edinburgh City Mission
	Evening	read this verse again – reflect on the words - then pray and praise!
Sat 29 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	ACTS 4 v 12 – take time to consider these words. What is God saying to you today from Peter's words? Then pray in response....
	Midday	pray God's blessing on the work of the Cyrenians in our city
	Evening	read the words again – reflect..... and then pray in response to this Jesus
Sun 30 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	COLOSSIANS 1 vs 15 – consider this verse about Jesus as your day starts. What stays with you? Then pray in response.
	Midday	pray for your church family to know God's Sunday blessings!
	Evening	read the words again – reflect ...then pray to this Jesus, our Lord!
Mon 31 <sup>st</sup>	Morning	HEBREWS 13 v 8 – take time to consider these great words as your day starts. What is God saying to you today? Then pray in response
	Midday	pray the Prayer for the Month as your midday prayer
	Evening	read the words again – reflect...and pray to our God as your year closes

## Church Flowers rota

**December Convener > Mrs Ann Weir, 137 Captains Road 664 3349**

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in memory of Margaret Barrow  
23rd December Flower Fund  
30th December *free*

**January Convener > Jill Snowdon, 29/3 Green Park, 07823335585**

6th January *free*  
13th January Mrs Katie Harrison, Liberton Drive  
in memory of David Harrison  
20th January Mrs Caroline Barlee, Swanston Grove  
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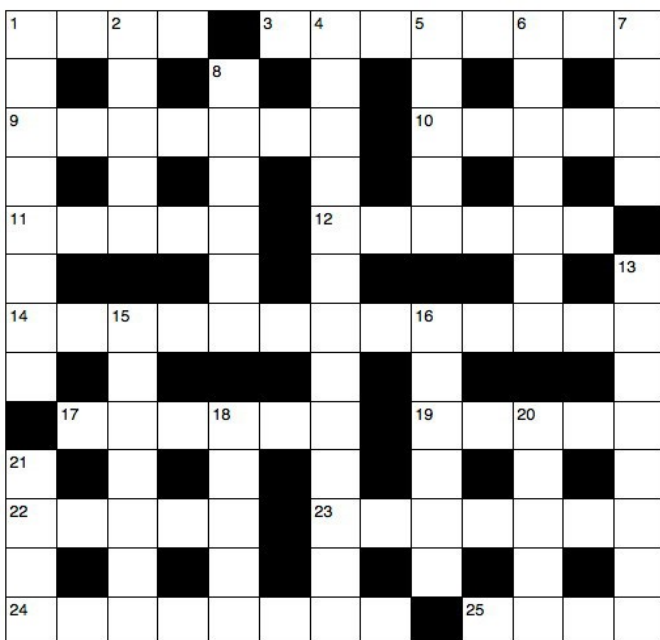
# Across

- 1 'How long will you — your face from me?' (Psalm 13:1) (4)
- 3 'Let us, then, go to him outside the camp, bearing the — he bore' (Hebrews 13:13) (8)
- 9 Posh sin (anag.) (Romans 8:15) (7)
- 10 Solemn pledges (Matthew 5:33) (5)
- 11 Italian term for full orchestra (5)
- 12 'For he who avenges blood remembers; he does not — the cry of the afflicted' (Psalm 9:12) (6)
- 14 Prescience (1 Peter 1:2) (13)
- 17 Where a Hindu holy man lives (6)
- 19 'If he found any... who belonged to the Way, whether — — women, he might take them as prisoners' (Acts 9:3) (3,2)
- 22 Fragrance (2 Corinthians 2:15) (5)
- 23 Vine hen (anag.) (Jonah 1:2) (7)
- 24 Precious stone decorating the twelfth foundation of the New Jerusalem (Revelation 21:20) (8)
- 25 'Will you keep to the old path that evil men have — ?' (Job 22:15) (4)

## Crossword

# Down

- 1 'Then Moses raised his arm and struck the rock twice with — — ' (Numbers 20:11) (3,5)
- 2 'You have heard that it was said to the people long ago, " — — murder"' (Matthew 5:21) (2,3)
- 4 One of Paul's many hardships endured as a servant of God (2 Corinthians 6:5) (13)
- 5 'We ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, — inwardly' (Romans 8:23) (5)
- 6 Changed (Daniel 6:8) (7)
- 7 'My yoke is — and my burden is light' (Matthew 11:30) (4)
- 8 Recoil (Revelation 12:11) (6)
- 13 'O Lord, you have — me and you know me' (Psalm 139:1) (8)



- 15 ' — to me the joy of your salvation' (Psalm 51:12) (7)
- 16 Express sorrow (Isaiah 16:7) (6)
- 18 'Then he said to Thomas, " — out your hand and put it into my side"' (John 20:27) (5)
- 20 'God has said, " — will I leave you; — will I forsake you"' (Hebrews 13:5) (5)
- 21 Son of Onam and brother of Shammai (1 Chronicles 2:28) (4)

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# Messy Church 2019

Our programme of Messy church activities will start up again on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup>



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January, from 4pm to 6pm, in the Kirk Centre. All children are welcome to join in the crafts, games, food and other fun, so long as you are aged 11 or under, and bring an adult (of any age) with you!

If you are an adult without a child to bring, please think about joining our group of volunteers – no special skills are required.

If you are interested, contact Fiona Devoy on 6661004.

## Welcome Desk Rota

2nd December	Margaret Goldie	258 1996	Netta Rough	664 6504
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16th December	Evelyn Ogilvie	664 1171	Mary Lonie	664 4052
23th December	Fiona Knight	672 1041	John Gooday	664 6792
30thj December	Chris Young	664 6615	Maureen Horn	666 0080
11am service <b>WEST</b> door (for month of December) Helen Colley				
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13th January	Tom Baxendale	666 1371	David Colley	663 3757
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27th January	Evelyn Ogilvie	664 1171	Jill Snowden	07823 335 585
11am service <b>WEST</b> door (for the month of January) Eleanor Grieve				

## A Big "Thank-you"

The churchyard and the church have been buzzing over the past few weeks. People have been coming from far and wide to see the poppies outside the church and to visit the exhibition. Pictures of Liberton Kirk have featured in the press, on TV, and all over social media. It's been exciting to welcome so many people into our church, churchyard and café and to mark the centenary of the WWI armistice in a very special way.

It was Dorothy Morrison, who had the original vision, and then had the drive and persistence to make sure that everything happened. It was Dorothy who enthused people to make the 17,000+ poppies, and Dorothy who counted them! Many people helped to attach the poppies to netting and chicken wire, and Derek Jardine and his team lifted the main panel up the tower and managed to keep it there despite the gales. Others helped with the exhibition, and Calum Gubby organised a special evening Songs of Praise. The inspiration behind everything that went on came from Dorothy, and she deserves a big "thank-you" for making this November one which we will all remember.



## Syrian Family Project

### Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Over the past year as a World Mission Team we have been seeking to introduce a more local dimension to our focus without diminishing our support for our overseas partnerships. The opportunity to put some flesh on this idea came through contact with the charity, Scottish Faiths Action for Refugees (SFAR), which is administered by an office within the Church of Scotland World Mission Council. As a charity, it is supported by diverse faith groups across Scotland. With the advent of hundreds of Syrian refugee families coming to reside in Edinburgh and its surroundings, this charity has been supporting national and local government initiatives to integrate these families into their new life in Scotland which is not surprisingly radically different from their former lives in Syria. Your WMT saw this as an opportunity for Liberton Kirk to play a part in extending a hand of friendship to some of these families and, after discussion with SFAR, it was agreed with them that the best way for us to do this was to organise a weekend event which would appeal to young and old alike.

Having consulted the SFAR Office and noting what has been done by other churches over the past year, we have decided on a winter excursion to the Five Sisters Zoo in West Calder. The zoo will put on animal-linked handling activities suitable to wintertime, which will be both outside and indoors. We are expecting up to 40 Syrian family members to attend. They will come to the Kirk Centre for warm refreshments mid-morning before being taken by coach to the zoo and will then return to the Kirk Centre for a warm meal mid-afternoon, before departing to their homes. That is the plan and the event will be financed from our Mission Fund and a grant from SFAR.

We would love to involve as many from the congregation as possible as we are told that isolation is one of the major problems faced by such refugee families. We are, therefore, hoping that this event may not only give the participating families a special day out, displaying true Scottish hospitality but that it may also lead to some ongoing befriending. If you would like to be part of this project, you can assist by helping in the preparation and serving of the meal on the day, accompanying the group on their visit to the zoo or even helping in the provision of special gift boxes we hope to present to each family.

If you would like to be involved, please speak to any members of the World Mission Team, or particularly contact Roslyn Wilson - [roslyn.wilson@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:roslyn.wilson@blueyonder.co.uk) or Sandy Hutchison telephone 01506 410 830 - [macahiph@gmail.com](mailto:macahiph@gmail.com).



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Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Slovakia	
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Belgium, France, Luxembourg	18th December
Parcelforce Worldwide	17th December

## Elder's Sunday Duties

		DECEMBER	JANUARY 19	FEBRUARY
<i>Door</i>	<i>Duties</i>			
9-30am	service			
east	east area	Tom Baxendale	Sally Cuthbert	Rossie Carmichael
West	west area	Sandy Hutchison	Pearl Kelly	Eric Brown
north	plate	Fiona Knight	Stuart Fleming	Chris Young
11-00am	service			
west	extreme west	Eleanor Grieve	Linda Skinner	Mary Davidson
east	extreme east	Jacqui Tait	Susan Jardine	D/H Colley
north	centre west	Janice Wilson	Sylvia Bennett	Brenda Lamb
front gate	centre east	Netta Rough	Derek Jardine	John Gill
Gallery	gallery	Rink van Dijke	Claire Mayberry	Rink van Dijke
	and west plate			
banker	east plate	Alan Carmichael	Stewart Heney	David Lamb
Any elder unable to attend <u>must</u> arrange a substitute. <i>Alison Walker 664 3631</i>				

### Watchnight Service

East door	John Skinner
	Linda Skinner
West door	Chris Brandie
	Gary Ross
	Susan Jardine
North door	Derek Jardine

### Christmas Day Morning

East door	Sylvia Bennet
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West door	Fiona Knight
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North door	Netta Rough
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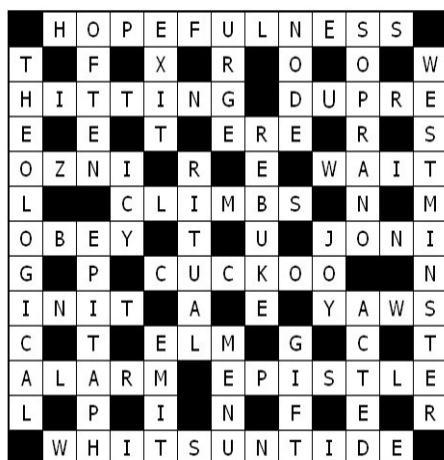
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## Weekly Groups

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Kirk Centre

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***Friday Fellowship*** - Friday morning in the Church Halls

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## Fortnightly Groups

***Pathfinders*** - Monday Afternoon

Pearl Kelly 0131 664 2128

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***Pilgrims Link Group*** - Tuesday evening

45 Mortonhall Park View

Francis Watts - 07757 084 064

***New Beginnings*** - Tuesday evening

Upper Room, Kirkgate 6.30—7.30pm

Alastair Cameron 0131 440 3090

***Home & Away*** - Thursday evening

10 Mortonhall Park Gardens

Susan Jardine - susan@jardineclan.org.uk 664 7112

***The Cornerstone Group*** - Thursday evening

21 Swanston Grove

Caroline & Roger Barlee - barlee@blueyonder.co.uk 445 5918

***Vista Group*** - Thursday evening

21 Kirk Park

Rink van Dijke - rink@talktalk.net 664 2178

## Monthly Group

***The Book group*** - Tuesday evening

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If you want to join one of these groups (where we meet together to grow upwardly, inwardly and outwardly), or you just want more information,

contact Rink van Dijke (rink@talktalk.net)

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