



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.

Advent Sunday 28th November 2021

Theme: Zacheriah's Prayer
Reading: Luke 1:57-80 (p1027)
Call: We light the first candle for God's promise to bring hope to the world and light to the earth's darkness.
As we wait for Jesus to come, may we shine the light of his hope in the world around us.
Preacher: Jared Hay

Morning Worship **9.30am Service (in church)**
277 Hark the glad sound! The Saviour comes
290 The race that long in darkness pined
283 The voice of God goes out to all the world

10.45am Service (in church and on Zoom)

Gift Service (see notices)

(with Sunday Clubs, and Crèche in Ewen Pavilion)

Song Come and light the candle on the Advent Ring
273 O come, O come, Emmanuel
Song I'm gonna give
Song Like a candle flame
477 Lo he comes with clouds descending
472 Come, thou long expected Jesus

- *Children are welcome throughout the services. Sound is also piped into the church vestry (toys available).*
- *We have a loop system for those who use a hearing aid.*
- *Please check that your mobile phone is switched off.*
- **Offerings** - *Please put any Offering Envelopes or other donations into the Donations Boxes on the Welcome Desks.*

Zoom (11am service). Join from 10.45am to chat. For access to Zoom contact Gary Ross on rollkeeper@libertonkirk.net

Coffee and teas will be served after services in the Kirk Centre Foyer.

For Sunday prayer times and afternoon and evening, see overleaf.

WEEKLY DIARY

TODAY

10am	Elders' Room	Sunday Morning Prayer Time
After 11am Service	Back of Church	Prayer Team Ministry
7pm	Gilmerton Hub	Joint Evening Worship

Monday 29th November

9am-2pm	Foyer	Kirkgate Café
7.30pm	Wilson Hall	Bereavement Group (see notices)

Tuesday 30th November

7.30am – 7.30pm Upper Room Time (see below)

9am-2pm & 5.15-8pm	Foyer	Kirkgate Café
7.30pm	Kirk	Lesson and Carols Choir Rehearsal
7.30pm	Zoom	Gathering for Prayer - we will give thanks, take time to wait and listen with God as we move forward into the season of Advent and intercede for others and each other...including a focus on the events planned for December and for people to find light and hope in the darkness.

Wednesday 1st December

9am-2pm and 6-8pm	Foyer	Kirkgate Café
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Thursday 2nd December

9am-2pm	Foyer	Kirkgate Café
2pm	Anderson Hall	Senior Citizens

Friday 3rd December

7pm	Anderson Hall	Kirkgate Trust Quiz
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Saturday 4th December

10.30am	Zoom	A Quiet Morning SEECAT (see notices)
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Sunday 5th December

Morning Worship at 9.30am & at 11am (see notices)

(with Sunday Clubs & crèche) and on Zoom.

Theme:	Mary's Prayer
Preacher:	John Young

6.30pm	Kirk Centre Foyer	Evening Worship
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Upper Room Time (Tuesday 7.30am – 7.30pm)

A quiet place for anyone who wants to spend some time with God. Includes the following times together: Morning Prayers 8am - 8.30am, Midday Prayers 12.00 noon-12.30pm, Evening Prayers 7.00pm - 7.15pm.

Prayer Requests - can be sent to either John (see page 4) or Lindsay at nicolyoung3@gmail.com who will pass details on to the rest of the prayer team.

Prayer Wall - on the Kirk website under the Prayer section. Each prayer is monitored before it is made public. Please ask for follow-up or to keep it private if you so wish.

NOTICES

December Magazines are now available online. Paper copies are on the Welcome Desk at the East Door, in the Kirk Centre entrance and in the Offering House.

National Giving Day - thank you to all who have donated already. If you were not in church on the 31st and still wish to donate there are envelopes on the side tables for today only.

Gift Service Today – Gifts will be distributed to those in our community who do not receive much at Christmas. All items should be unwrapped.

Crossreach Calendars can be ordered from, online or from Sheila McBryde, email: smmcb34@gmail.com or leave a message at 664 8388.

The Parish Christmas cards are now available for delivery to all houses in the parish. The bundles are available at the East Door. Thereafter they will be available for uplift from the Kirk Centre. Your help in taking a bundle or two and delivering them would be much appreciated.

Bereavement Group Planning Meeting - there will be a meeting in the Wilson Hall on Monday 29th November at 7.30pm to plan a bereavement support group for the people of this area in the New Year. All interested parties are invited to attend. Please speak to Fiona Devoy for further information (Tel 666-1004 or email fiona.devoy@yahoo.co.uk), or to express interest if you cannot attend the meeting.

Gracemount church has been supporting Gracemount primary school with their litter pick fundraiser this week. The young people have managed to collect 164 bags and 37 large items. It has been so encouraging to see the young people being involved and cleaning up the community. We are looking forward to the week ahead to see how much more litter we can collect! If this is something you would like to know more about you can contact erin at erin.howieson@gmail.com

Messy Church – help us to celebrate 10 years of Messy Church. If you are or have been a volunteer, please come along to a special celebration lunch in the café on Saturday 4th December at 1pm. No tickets or cost, we only need your name. Please speak to John, Laura or Fiona (666-1004 or fiona.devoy@yahoo.co.uk)

Quiet Morning (SEECAT) Saturday 4th December – 10.30 on Zoom. Access details from Gary (rollkeeper@libertonkirk.net). Provide your own candle and enjoy a peaceful, thoughtful time in the run-up to Christmas.

The Word for Today – has now moved under cover for the autumn and winter months. The current Bible passage is Psalm 8, which begins “O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!” It is on view in the Offering House, on the fireplace wall. The central display in the Offering House is on Prayer at Liberton Kirk.

Crosstalk, SEECAT's quarterly newsletter – the November edition is now on the SEECAT website, www.seecat.org, or copies are available on the Welcome Desks, in the Kirk Centre entrance, and in the Offering House.

South East Edinburgh Food Banks – Donations can be left in the Kirk Centre or with the Lambs, 36 Liberton Drive (box outside garage if out). Special arrangements can be made - phone 01316643059, or email david@dlamb.co.uk Requested items are: Tins - meat/fruit/veg/tuna, packet soup and UHT milk.

Stamps – please note we are currently unable to accept stamps.

Bible Verse for the Week

Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy?
Let them sing songs of praise.

James 5 verse 13

Church website www.libertonkirk.net

Follow our Youth Work at <https://twitter.com/YouthKirk>

To include anything in the Notice Sheet please contact Jacqui Tait (by Wednesday) on churchsecretary@libertonkirk.net or text 07743478468.

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Open on Thursday 9am-11.30am, Friday 10am -2pm.

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