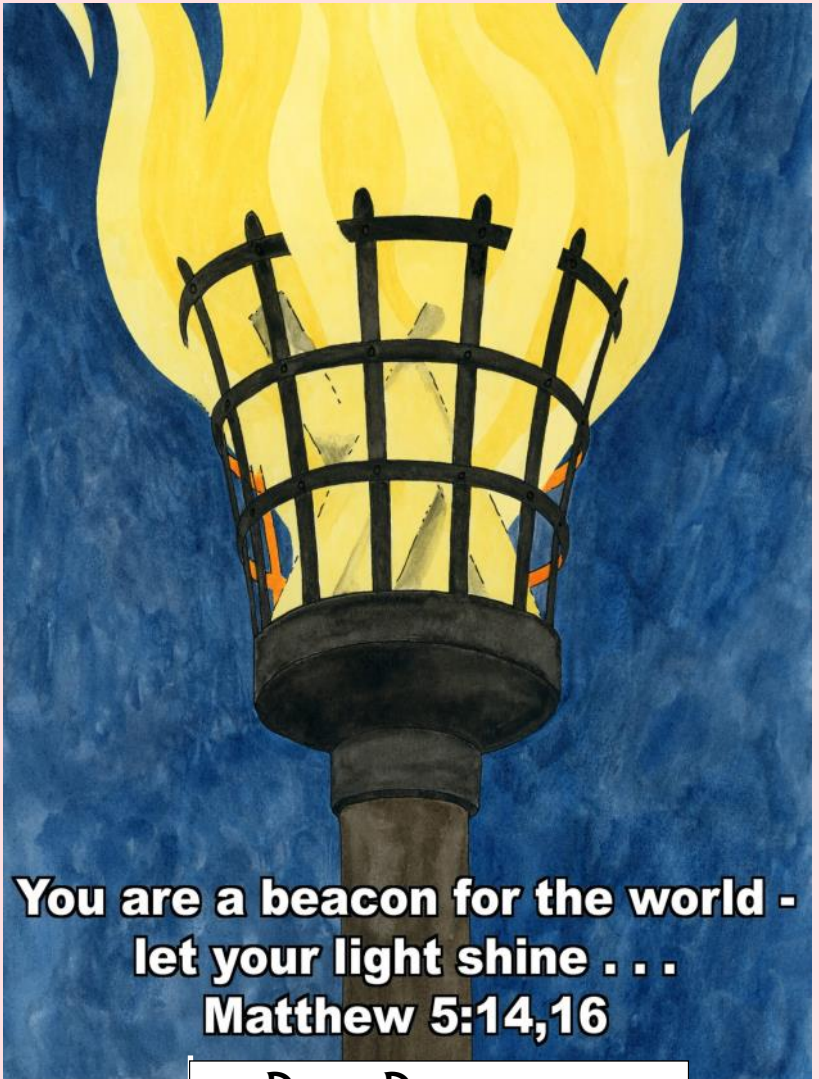


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*'Our aim is
to draw
closer to God
and to each
other, so that,
through us,
He can make
known to all
people the
joys and
challenges of
following
Jesus'*

Vision Statement



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**You are a beacon for the world -
let your light shine . . .
Matthew 5:14,16**

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Prayer for November

Father God
 As we pause with You
 We ask
 To be more like Jesus
 To keep in step with the Holy Spirit
 For others
 To meet with Jesus
 To know the help of the Spirit
 Please
 In Jesus' name
 Amen

A Farewell to John Cameron

Dear Friends,

Most of you will know already, but for those of you who don't, our dear friend and former minister of this parish for 25 years went to be with Jesus on Friday 15th October – exactly four months to the day after his beloved wife, Corine*.

John was a wonderful minister to follow when I began my own ministry here in 1996. He left behind a caring and considerate church, with a vibrant membership and an openness to adopt change and move forward in faith. He was always keenly interested and had a broad and deep knowledge in so many diverse areas. His eye would focus on whatever you were saying, and he would then offer wise and considered advice if he thought it appropriate. He was also not slow to see the funny side of things, and would regularly boom with laughter at a memory shared.

Lindsay and I will greatly miss John, as we became much closer to him when Corine became ill and moved to her care home, (where John was later to join her during Lockdown).

We praise God that we, as a congregation, have known and benefited from their ministry in Liberton and beyond, and that they are now

together and at peace.

I want to finish with these words of Paul, which could well have been written for them...

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day... (2 Timothy 4.7,8a)

Much love



* (There will be a thanksgiving service for both of them in Liberton Kirk on Friday, November 5th, where many personal tributes will be made.)

Our Theme for 2021 is
"The God Who Listens"



Faith Story from George and Lyn Thomson

From a young age we were taught to pray and are already instilling this in our little one. But for me the greatest lesson I can share with her or the children in our church is that prayer is a two way conversation, not a shopping list. We need to make space for the listening, and that's the challenging part. Especially when what we hear when we listen is silence.

The past year has been a challenging one for us all, but we were also presented with opportunities we'd never had before. For us as a couple one of those was joining the Prayer Course with another local church via zoom. This really valuable resource uses the Lord's prayer to teach about various aspects of prayer. Part of the set up is discussion groups. These were great for spending time sharing and learning from others. This was particularly useful in the session about unanswered prayer. We've both grown to believe that God always answers prayer, but not always the way we want. We've seen this in our own lives, sometimes in painful ways. God is in control and when we cling to that it helps us to stay steady, whatever is around us.

Being pregnant in a pandemic was never something we would have chosen and we definitely asked "what are you doing with this God?" However, through it we learned a dependency on Him we'd never had before. Going to scans alone (Lyn) and sitting in the car alone (George), both waiting to hear if the news was positive, we clung to the One who was with us in there. We also knew the peace that comes from knowing others are praying for you too. That really helped, both in those early days, and at birth.

One of the most lovely things was telling our church prayer meeting, over zoom, by sharing our 20 week scan picture. They had stood with us in prayer over a few difficult years and this was an answer to prayer, even though we still had some way to go.

We had set up a messenger chat with "our prayer warriors" for quickly sharing prayer points during our pregnancy. We saw specific prayers answered about Faith's growth, and her discharge from NICU and again experienced God's peace.

This photo of the three of us is from our first trip together to the Keswick Convention in July this year. It was wonderful to take Faith into somewhere we had been before, really questioning what God was doing and whether being parents was part of His plan for us. I cried happy tears pushing her pram in to the tent that morning.



George and Lyn Thomson, Coatbridge Baptist Church

Bible Bite

A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in
Mt 14:13-21, Mk 6:30-44, Lk 9:10-17, Jn 6:1-15

Jesus and his disciples went by boat to a quiet place to have some time alone, but the crowds noticed, and followed them.

Jesus felt sorry for them so he taught and healed them.



It was now late afternoon, so Philip spoke to Jesus



This is a remote place. Send them away.

They can go and buy something to eat.



You give them something to eat.

There are thousands of them! Half a year's wages wouldn't be enough!



So what do you have?

Andrew brought a boy to Jesus.



He has 2 dried fish and 5 small loaves.

Get everyone to sit down in groups.



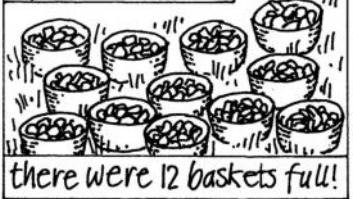
Jesus blessed the bread and fish and the disciples gave them out.



Everyone ate all they wanted.



Jesus told them to gather up the leftovers -



there were 12 baskets full!

Jesus sent the disciples off in the boat and stayed to dismiss the crowd.



We will make him become our king!



He can get rid of the Romans!



Free food!

But Jesus knew what they planned..



and had already gone.

GUILD NEWS for November

Theme 2021-2022: Lights and Bushels ALL WELCOME!



The Guild meets at 7.30pm in the Anderson Hall and online via Zoom. (Visitors please contact Gary Ross – the Guild @libertonkirk.net for login details.)

Each session, the Guild chooses to raise money to support two National Guild Projects. The first one chosen this year by Liberton Kirk Guild is **Beat Eating Disorders**. BEAT is the UK's eating disorder charity. It exists to end the pain and suffering caused by eating disorders. On **Monday 1st November**, **Emma Broadhurst** will be at the meeting to talk about this charity. There will be a **Bring and Buy** stall that evening to raise money for this project.

On **Monday 15th November**, **Kath Hay** will be our speaker and her subject is "**Preacher of the Pacific**". This is the story of the **Reverend John G. Paton** from Kirkmahoe, Dumfries and Galloway, who lived with and preached to the natives of the New Hebrides.

A Date for your Diary!

On **Saturday 27th November** the Guild is holding its annual **Christmas Coffee Morning**, from 10am – 12noon in the Kirk Centre. Please put the date in your diary and come along and enjoy the fellowship. Monies raised go to support our two chosen projects this session, **Beat Eating Disorders** and **Starchild**. **Starchild** is a charity which addresses the challenges of stigma and myths related to intellectual and physical disability in Uganda.

Evelyn Ogilvie (Secretary) Tel: 664 1171

November 2021 Diary

***Please check website for any changes to this diary which may occur if Covid 19 restrictions are changed** (libertonkirk.net/calendar)

- Monday 1st 9.00am – 2.00pm – Kirkgate Café
7.30pm – Guild meeting in Kirk Centre and on zoom
7.30pm – Sapiens Discussion Group
- Tuesday 2nd 7.30am-7.30pm – Prayer space available in the Upper Room
9.00am-2.00pm; 5.15-8.00pm – Kirkgate Café
- Wed'day 3rd 9.00am-2.00pm; 6.00-8.00pm – Kirkgate Café
7.30pm – Kirk Session Executive
- Thursday 4th 9.00am-2.00pm – Kirkgate Café
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- Sunday 7th 8.00am - Sunday reflection available on Website/Facebook
9.30am – **Short service in the Kirk**
& 11am – **Service in the Kirk and on zoom** (with Creche & Sunday Clubs)
Theme: Jeremiah's prayer
Preacher: John Young
6.30pm – **Evening Worship in the Kirk Centre**
- Monday 8th 9.00am-2.00pm – Kirkgate Café
- Tuesday 9th 7.30am-7.30pm – Prayer space available in the Upper Room
9.00am-2.00pm; 5.15-8.00pm – Kirkgate Café
- Wed'day 10th 9.00am-2.00pm; 6.00-8.00pm – Kirkgate Café
3.00pm – Services at Braid Hills Care Home
- Thursday 11th 9.00am-2.00pm – Kirkgate Café
10.45am – Short Act of Remembrance in the Kirk
7.30pm – Growing Young Team meeting
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- Friday 12th 7.30pm – Bruce Davies Concert in the Café
- Sunday 14th REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY
8.00am - Sunday reflection available on Website/Facebook
9.30am – **Short service in the Kirk**
& 10.45am – **Service in the Kirk and on zoom** (with Creche & Sunday Clubs)
Theme: Habakkuk's prayer
Preacher: John Young
6.30pm – **Evening Worship in the Kirk Centre**
- Monday 15th 9.00am-2.00pm – Kirkgate Café
7.30pm – Guild meeting in Kirk Centre and on zoom
- Tuesday 16th 7.30am-7.30pm – Prayer space available in the Upper Room
9.00am-2.00pm; 5.15-8.00pm – Kirkgate Café
- Wed'day 17th 9.00am-2.00pm; 6.00-8.00pm – Kirkgate Café
3.00pm – Services at Braid Hills Care Home
- Thursday 18th 9.00am-2.00pm – Kirkgate Café
7.30pm – SEEPG

Sunday 21st	8.00am - Sunday reflection available on Website/Facebook 9.30am – Short service in the Kirk & 11am – Service in the Kirk and on zoom (with Creche & Sunday Clubs) Theme: Nehemiah's prayer Preacher: John Young 2.30pm – SEECAT planning meeting at St Gregory's 6.30pm – Evening Worship in the Kirk Centre
Monday 22nd	9.00am-2.00pm – Kirkgate Café / Tearcraft Stall in McD Room
Tuesday 23rd	7.30am-7.30pm – Prayer space available in the Upper Room 9.00am-2.00pm / Tearcraft Stall in McD Room; 5.15-8.00pm – Kirkgate Café
Wed'day 24th	9.00am-2.00pm; 6.00-8.00pm – Kirkgate Café
Thursday 25th	9.00am-2.00pm – Kirkgate Café
Saturday 27th	10.00am – 12noon – Guild Coffee Morning 4.00pm-6.00pm – Christmas Messy Church
Sunday 28th	ADVENT SUNDAY 8.00am - Sunday reflection available on Website/Facebook 9.30am – Short service in the Kirk & 11am – Service in the Kirk and on zoom (with Creche & Sunday Clubs) Theme: Zachariah's prayer Preacher: John Young 7.00pm – Joint Evening Worship at Gilmerton Hub
Monday 29th	9.00am-2.00pm – Kirkgate Café
Tuesday 30th	7.30am-7.30pm – Prayer space available in the Upper Room 9.00am-2.00pm; 5.15-8.00pm – Kirkgate Café 7.30pm – Congregational Prayer Gathering (on zoom)

December 2021

Wed'day 1st	9.00am-2.00pm; 6.00-8.00pm – Kirkgate Café
Thursday 2nd	9.00am-2.00pm – Kirkgate Café
Friday 3rd	7.00pm – Kirkgate Trust Quiz in the Anderson Hall
Saturday 4th	10.30am – SEECAT Quiet Morning (on zoom)
Sunday 5th	8.00am - Sunday reflection available on Website/Facebook 9.30am – Short service in the Kirk & 11am – Service in the Kirk and on zoom (with Creche & Sunday Clubs) Theme: Mary's prayer Preacher: John Young 6.30pm – Evening Worship in the Kirk Centre

MEMORIAL SERVICE

If present Covid regulations continue we plan to hold the annual memorial service on Wednesday 8th December at 7pm. We do hope that it will be possible to invite people into the church to light a candle and just remember before God for a short time. Even with social distancing in operation, there is plenty of room in the church, provided those who are able to climb the stairs are willing to do so and to sit in the gallery. They will be able to come downstairs to light a candle at the appropriate point if they wish.



It has been another year when many of us have been touched by the death of someone close to us. Funerals have not been quite the same, and many have found the absence of a loved one some time ago to be particularly poignant in the lockdown periods. Please check nearer the time, particularly if there is a change in the regulations, that the service is able to go ahead, but we hope that we will be able to welcome you into the church.

Ruth Davies

REMEMBRANCE

On Thursday, 11th November, Armistice Day, there will be a short time of reflection and prayer in the church at 10.45am, including the two-minute silence at 11 o'clock. (If you are unable to be there, you might like to have another look at the video made last year which included many photographs of the poppy display on the Centenary of the Armistice in 2018. It is still viewable on Liberton Kirk's YouTube Channel.) On Remembrance Sunday, 14th November, please note that the second service (in church, but also available on Zoom as usual) begins at 10.45am, and there will an Act of Remembrance and the two-minute silence at 11 o'clock. For the Zoom link, contact Gary Ross (rollkeeper@libertonkirk.net).



THE WORD FOR TODAY

Our short meditation on a well-known Bible passage has moved indoors for the autumn and winter months. The current passage is Psalm 8 ("O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!") and it can be found on the fireplace wall inside the Offering House at the church gate. There is also a display in the Offering House about Prayer at Liberton Kirk. Plenty to read and think about as part of your walk through the Kirkyard – please recommend it to others as a stopping-off point.



Ruth Davies



Inside this Issue we focus on two themes this month :

COP26

The Church of Scotland and COP26

How the Church and wider Christian community is engaging with the climate conference in Glasgow

'The Most Important Thing We Can All Do is Talk'

The work and faith of Jen Morris, a co-ordinator of the YCCN climate relay

'Our Faith Demands Our Commitment'

The Moderator emphasises the importance of speaking up for the vulnerable at COP26

'We Love Our Neighbour – and We Demand Change'

In this month's youth column, Rachel Walker highlights a global day of action on climate change

Remembrance

100 Years of Poppy Sales

Marking the centenary of the first Poppy Day

Freedom Isn't Free

With Remembrance season approaching, the Very Rev Dr John Chalmers reflects on the withdrawal from Afghanistan and its impact on the injured and the families of those killed in the conflict

Remembrance Prayer

From the Moderator of the General Assembly

The Big Question

What Does It Mean to You to Wear a Poppy?

....and much more over 52 pages

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Join us for another



Big KT Christmas Quiz



Liberton Kirk Halls
Friday 3rd December
@ 7pm
Tickets £3 / £10 (family)

Family Quiz Night with unbelievable prizes!

For tickets contact Jill Snowdon on 07823 335585

In aid of The Kirkgate Trust Charity SCO 40494

Bruce Davies Concert

Friday 12th November at 7.30 p.m. in the Kirk Centre

A reminder that Bruce Davies will be making a welcome return to Liberton Kirk on Friday 12th November. If you have missed the excitement of live music over the last 18 months don't miss this opportunity to attend a 'live' performance by one of the most popular Scottish folk singers. Not only is he a faithful interpreter of the music of Scotland, he is also an award winning songwriter. He has performed in the United States and has a long list of radio and television credits, including Songs of Praise. His Edinburgh Fringe shows in August 2019 were a complete sell out. Tickets, with a suggested donation of £8 towards Liberton Kirk's World Mission Projects, are available after Sunday services or by contacting

Mary Davidson (664 6789)

(SC011602)



"You do great work..." - Kenny Rogers
"One of Scotland's best singers..." - Tom Paxton
"crisp acoustic guitar playing that perfectly complements his wonderful voice..."
- Edinburgh Evening News

New album out now!





JUMBLE SALE

Due to Covid restrictions we have decided to postpone the next big Kirkgate Trust Jumble-Sale from November to Saturday 19th March 2022. So don't forget to set aside any jumble from your post Christmas clear out!

**Further details from Jill
Snowdon 07823 335585**



**All proceeds in aid of The Kirkgate Trust
Scottish Charity SC040494**

SEECAT Quiet Morning

The SEECAT Quiet morning this year will be held on Zoom on Saturday 4th December at 10.30 am (for Zoom details please contact Ruth on 664 3608 or r.davies335@btinternet.com). The format will be five short reflections or readings followed by a prayer which will lead each of us into a time of personal reflection and prayer. Having a lighted candle could be an aid to this. This should be a peaceful, prayerful space prior to what can be a very busy month. Please join us!



Ruth Davies

Sale of Christmas Cards and Fairtrade Gifts

Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd November 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. in the McDonald Room in the Kirk Centre



Why not take this opportunity to do some Christmas shopping at our annual sale of cards and gifts. The Fairtrade range of gifts is sourced from different companies such as Asha and Noah's Ark in India, Manos Amigos in Peru and jute works in Bangladesh. Every sale is of real benefit to artisans from developing countries who are working their way out of poverty and into a more stable life.

So do come along and support a good cause while making a start on your Christmas shopping. Thank you.

Liberton Kirk World Mission Team



LIBERTON KIRK DEVOTIONS

NOVEMBER 21

Jesus said..... "Ask and it will be given to you; Seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." Matthew 7 verse 7

During 2021 we are looking daily at the theme of PRAYER - and pausing at our times of Midday Devotion to pray for others in our church family, our city and our world at this time.

* From September to December we will be looking at P-R-A-Y
Pause – Rejoice – Ask – Yield And so this month we shall be taking the time to RE-
JOICE with God in His written Word. *

We are all encouraged to listen for God's voice and make our response as we journey together in our 'rhythm of devotion'



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 into which the information provided fits, 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

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 DEVOTIONS FOR NOVEMBER 21

Mon 1st	Morning	GENESIS 18 vs 16-33 – consider these words and events today as we pause with God. Then take the time to ask in prayer for our city
	Midday	pray God's blessing on your family and neighbours in 2022
	Evening	read the words again – reflect... then pray to our God in response
Tues 2nd	Morning	EXODUS ch 3 - as we pause with God we consider what Moses asks for here. Then ask in Prayer to this God we believe and trust in. take time to listen for God to speak with you – ask, seek, knock
	Midday	take time to listen for God to speak with you – ask, seek, knock
	Evening	read the words again – reflect....then pray to this God at the end of day
Wed 3rd	Morning	LEVITICUS 5v14-ch.6v7 – as we pause with God we consider these words today. Then pray in response to Him as your day starts.
	Midday	pray God's blessing on the land and people of Afghanistan
	Evening	read the verses again – reflect on what is said here and then pray.
Thur 4th	Morning	1 SAMUEL ch 8 – consider what happens here as we pause with God today. And then ask in prayer to Him for our nation
	Midday	pray God's blessing on the land and people of Haiti
	Evening	read these words again, take time to reflect and pray to this God, our God
Fri 5th	Morning	1 KINGS 3 vs 1-15– take time to consider these words today. Then take time to pause and Pray to this God...asking Him for...?
	Midday	pray God's blessing on the Royal Family members
	Evening	read the verses again – reflect and pray in response to what you read
Sat 6th	Morning	NEHEMIAH 2 vs 1-10 – take time to consider these words about Nehemiah in prayer. Then take time to pray in response to this God, our God
	Midday	pray the words of the Lord's Prayer as your own prayer today
	Evening	read this verses again...reflect.. and then pray to our God for others.
Sun 7th	Morning	PSALM 4 – as we pause with God we take time to consider these words this morning. Then we pray in response to this God of ours.
	Midday	pray the Prayer for the Month as your own midday prayer
	Evening	read the verses again – reflect...then pray to our God in response
Mon 8th	Morning	PSALM 13 – consider these words today as we pause with God. Then take the time to ask and listen as you pray to this God.
	Midday	pray God's blessing on the work of Open Doors in the Middle East
	Evening	read the words again – reflect... then pray in response to what you read.
Tues 9th	Morning	PSALM 20 – as we pause with God we consider what is said here by David...and then we pray to this God for others.
	Midday	take time to listen for God to speak with you – ask, seek, knock
	Evening	read the words again – reflect...and then pray to the LORD our God
Wed 10th	Morning	PSALM 27 - we consider these verses this morning as we pause with God...and then pause to pray with Him as He meets with us.
	Midday	pray a blessing on the work of Edinburgh City Mission
	Evening	read the verses again – reflect on what is said here and then pray

LIBERTON KIRK DEVOTIONS FOR NOVEMBER 21

- Thur 11th Morning PSALM 40 – consider afresh all that is said here as your Friday starts. And then pause with God and pray to Him in response – with words from the psalm that have stayed with you.
Midday pray God’s blessing on the work of Faith Mission in our city
Evening read these words again, take time to reflect and pray to our God
- Fri 12th Morning PSALM 42 – as we pause with God we take time to consider these words today. Then take time to Pray to this God of ours.
Midday pray God’s blessing on the work of Bethany Christian Trust
Evening read the verses again – reflect and pray in response to what you have read
- Sat 13th Morning PSALM 51 – take time to consider these words as we pause with God today – and then pray in response to this God.
Midday pray the words of the Lord’s Prayer as your own prayer today
Evening read this psalm again...reflect.. and then pray to this God of ours
- Sun 14th Morning JEREMIAH 6 vs 16-20 – as we pause with God today we consider these words about asking. What do they mean for you? Then pray in response to this God...calling on Him at the start of the week.
Midday pray the Prayer for the Month as your own midday prayer
Evening read the verses again – reflect...then pray to this God in response
- Mon 15th Morning JEREMIAH 29 vs 10-14 – consider these words today as we pause with God. Then pray to this God for others needing guidance.
Midday pray God’s blessing on the work of TEARFUND in our world
Evening read the words again – reflect... then pray in response – asking God.
- Tues 16th Morning HABAKKUK 1 v1-ch.2v1 – consider what is written here as we pause with Habakkuk....and wait and listen with God. And then pray to this God...asking, seeking, hearing...
Midday take time to listen for God to speak with you – ask, seek, knock
Evening read the words again – reflect...and then pray to this God of ours
- Wed 17th Morning HABAKKUK 2 vs2-20 - consider these words of answer as we pause with God today and then pray to this God of ours.
Midday pray a blessing on the work of Christian Aid in our world
Evening read the verses again – reflect on what is said here and then pray.
- Thur 18th Morning HABAKKUK ch3 – as we pause with God this morning consider all that is said here. Then take time to pray to this God of Habakkuk’s.
Midday pray God’s blessing on the work of 24-7 Prayer in our world
Evening read these words again, take time to reflect and pray to this God we believe and trust in.
- Fri 19th Morning MATTHEW 6 vs 5-15 – as we pause today we take time to consider these words from Jesus this morning. Then take the time to Pray to Him.
Midday pray a blessing on Alpha courses underway in our country
Evening read the verses again – reflect and pray in response to what you read
- Sat 20th Morning MATTHEW 7 vs 7-12 – take time to consider Jesus’ words this Sunday morning. Then pause to pray in response to this Jesus we believe and trust in....and receive from Him.
Midday pray the words of the Lord’s Prayer as your own prayer today
Evening read this passage again...reflect.. and then pray to this Lord of ours.

LIBERTON KIRK DEVOTIONS FOR NOVEMBER 21

- Sun 21st Morning MATTHEW 11 vs 25-30 – we take time to consider these words today as we pause with this Jesus. And then pray in response to Him
Midday pray the Prayer for the Month as your own midday prayer
Evening read the verses again – reflect...then pray to our God in response
- Mon 22nd Morning JOHN 4 vs 1-42 – as we pause with God consider these verses today. And then ask in prayer to this Jesus.
Midday pray God's blessing on work of Open Doors in Arabian Peninsula
Evening read the words again – reflect and then pray in response to this Jesus.
- Tues 23rd Morning JOHN 14 vs 15-31 – consider these words today as we pause with God the Holy Spirit. And then pray with Him in response.
Midday take time to listen for God to speak with you – ask, seek, knock – hear!
Evening read the words again – reflect...and then pray to the LORD our God
- Wed 24th Morning ROMANS 8 vs 18-39 – consider these spiritual truths God has given here as we pause with Him today. And then pause to pray with confidence to this God we believe in.
Midday pray a blessing on Open Doors at work in Iran
Evening read the verses again – reflect on what is said here and then pray
- Thur 25th Morning 1 CORINTHIANS 12 vs 1-11 – As we pause with God take time to consider these words from Paul. And then ask in prayer to this God of ours as your day starts.
Midday pray God's blessing on work of Open Doors in India
Evening read these words again, take time to reflect and pray to this God
- Fri 26th Morning EPHESIANS 1 vs 15-23 – as we pause with God this morning, take time to consider these words of prayer and then pray to Him in response – asking for others to be richly blessed today
Midday pray a blessing on work of Open Doors in North Africa
Evening read the verses again – reflect and pray in response to what you read
- Sat 27th Morning EPHESIANS 6 vs 10-20 – take time to consider these words from Paul as we pause with God today. And then pray with confidence to Him... asking for those in dark places to know God's help
Midday pray the words of the Lord's Prayer as your own prayer today
Evening read this passage again...reflect.. and then pray to this God of ours.
- Sun 28th Morning PHILIPPIANS 1 vs 3-11 – as we pause with God, take time to consider these words of prayerful thanksgiving. And then pray in response to this God.
Midday pray the Prayer for the Month as your own midday prayer
Evening read the verses again – reflect...and then pray to this God in response
- Mon 29th Morning 1 THESSALONIANS 5 vs 16-24 – as we pause with God this morning consider these verses.....and then pray to Him in response.
Midday pray God's blessing on work of Open Doors in Bangladesh
Evening read the words again – reflect and then pray in response to our God
- Tues 30th Morning JAMES 5 vs 13-20 – Pause with this God this morning. And then turn to pray to Father God....and ask in prayer.
Midday take time to listen for God to speak with you – ask, seek, knock – hear!
Evening read the words again – reflect...and then pray to the LORD our God

Senior Citz Club

Still being run to the Scottish Parliament Covid-19 regulations.

Our Club is going very well, even though we've had to keep it split into 2 groups. Covid permitting we hope to be able to meet as a complete Club for our Christmas party!

November Birthdays

- 1 Betty McNally
- 5 Ealnor Dalgetty
- 8 Muriel Houston
- 18 Sheila Pritchard
- 22 Jean Buchanan
- 23 Cathy Ainslie, Helen Hibbert
- 24 Sheila McBryde, Brenda Downie




Our entertainers are

NOVEMBER

- 4 Group 2 The Castaways
- 11 Group 1 Kirk James
- 18 Group 2 Kirk James
- 25 Group 1 Dougie McQ



DECEMBER

- 2 Group 2 Rose McBeth
- 9 Christmas Party for All  Stevie Quinn

Contact:

Jenni Ryalls our president on 0741 533 5889

Linda Wright our pastoral care on 0785 041 1596

Lou Ogilvy on seniorslk@gmail.com or 0791 267 8475



The Letters Lady

- Do you have a letter to write and want help to word it?
- Just need something typed up?
- Got a tricky form to fill in?
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Phone: Kim 07986 581931

Email: lettersladyatlibertonkirk@yahoo.co.uk



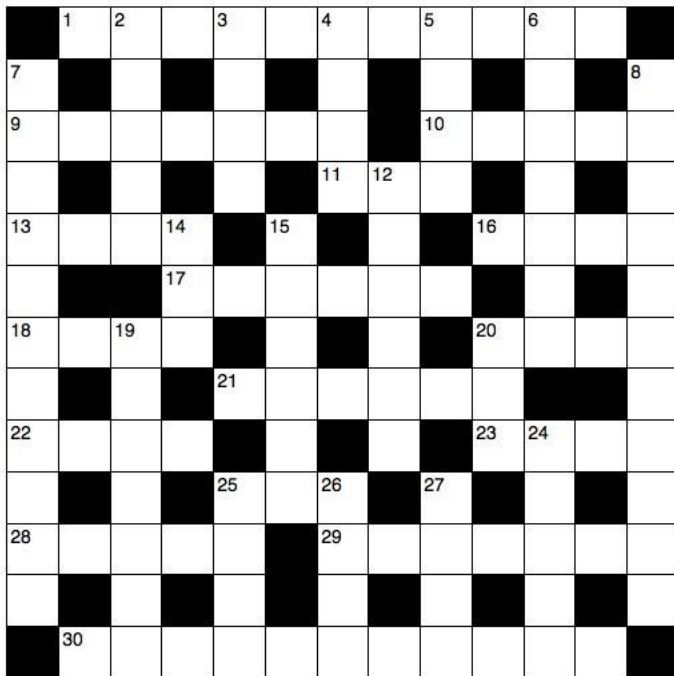
Neighbourhood Scheme

If you need help with shopping or small jobs, please contact Linda Wright on 07850 411596, who will try to find someone to help

Crossword

Across

- 1 In David's battle with the Arameans, 700 of these were killed (2 Samuel 10:18) (11)
 9 'No —, impure or greedy person has any inheritance in the kingdom of God' (Ephesians 5:5) (7)
 10 City on the banks of the River Nile (5)
 11 Stamped addressed envelope (1,1,1)
 13 Taverns (4)
 16 'Be on your guard; stand — in the faith' (1 Corinthians 16:13) (4)
 17 'He will not always —, nor will he harbour his anger for ever' (Psalm 103:9) (6)
 18 and 27 Down Where the magi came from and what guided them (Matthew 2:1-2) (4,4)
 20 Ancient Celtic alphabet of 20 characters (4)
 21 She married Esau when he was 40 years old (Genesis 26:34) (6)
 22 A great-grandson of Noah (Genesis 10:7) (4)
 23 Title accorded to certain Roman Catholic clerics (abbrev.) (4)
 25 'My house will be a house of prayer; but you have made it a — of robbers' (Luke 19:46) (3)
 28 Annie (anag.) (5) 29 Plead with (Zechariah 7:2) (7)
 30 Tenth foundation of the new Jerusalem (Revelation 21:20) (11)



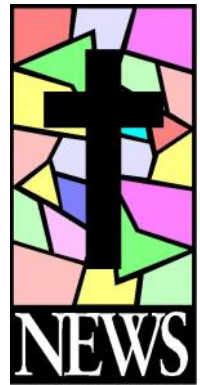
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Down

- 2 'We have a building from God, an eternal house in heaven, not built by — hands' (2 Corinthians 5:1) (5) 3 Uncommon excellence (Proverbs 20:15) (4)
 4 'You have exalted my horn like that of a wild ox; fine — have been poured upon me' (Psalm 92:10) (4) 5 — Homo ('Behold the Man') (4)
 6 'He has given proof of this to all men by — him from the dead' (Acts 17:31) (7)
 7 'Our — is in heaven' (Philippians 3:20) (11)
 8 'This is a day you are to —' (Exodus 12:14) (11)
 12 Assault (Psalm 17:9) (6) 14 'Jesus found a young donkey and — upon it' (John 12:14) (3)
 15 Liverpool dialect (6) 19 'Remember the — day by keeping it holy' (Exodus 20:8) (7)
 20 Nineteenth-century German physicist after whom the unit of electrical resistance is named (3) 24 Nazirites were not allowed to eat this part of a grape (Numbers 6:4) (5)
 25 'If anyone would come after me, he must — himself and take up his cross and follow me' (Mark 8:34) (4)
 26 Evil Roman emperor from AD54 to 68, responsible for condemning hundreds of Christians to cruel deaths (4)
 27 See 18 Across

Congregational News

I am sorry to record the death of Mrs Mary Yearldly on 22nd of September and send my sympathies and condolences to all family and friends. **Editor**



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.

Messy Church

Our next Messy Church event for young families will be held on Saturday 27th November, from 4pm to 6pm, in the Kirk Centre. We'll be celebrating the real reason for the season with the Christmas story in drama, songs and crafts.

All children are welcome to join in the stories, food and other fun, so long as you are aged 11 or under, and bring an adult (of any age) with you!

Our first event of 2022 will be held on Saturday 29th January. Please contact Fiona Devoy on 666-1004 if you would like more information about anything to do with Messy Church.



PLEASE CHECK THE CHURCH WEBSITE FOR POSSIBLE CHANGES TO THE PROGRAMME DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS.

Fiona Devoy

November



Church Flower dedications

Convener :for November **Mrs Margaret Burns**, 13 Yewlands Crescent, 664 2927



7th November 2021

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14th

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Mr Wm Penman, in memory of Isobel Penman

21th

Ms Rosemary Leask, in memory of

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28th

Anne Cowgill, in memory of Annie McCrae

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We are still looking for helpers to continue putting the Sunday flowers in the church.
We would much appreciate any help to put them in vases and/ or deliver them to the sick and lonely.

Jean Gray 0131 258 2081:or email: terrimar1234@gmail.com

Weekly Freewill Offering (WFO)

Envelopes 2022

These envelopes will be delivered or posted out in December this year as they were last year. The number of users has declined because more and more members use standing orders and electronic banking, or because the use of cash declined in the time of Covid. Fewer envelopes are needed. So some envelope users will receive envelopes with a new number on them for 2022. Do not be concerned, that is deliberate.

Eric Brown



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Mat class Wednesdays 11am

Pilates with Weights - Mondays 10am

Advanced class - Fridays 10am

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Material for the December issue can be sent to me at any time; BUT **no later than Sunday 21st November**

Information can be sent to me at 196 The Murrays Brae, EH17 8UH, phone 6661004. email to magazine@libertonkirk.net

More useful numbers

BT Faults	0800 800 151
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Church Secretary: Jacqui Tait, Church Office, Kirk Centre, Kirkgate, EH16 6RY. Tel 664 8264. email: churchsecretary@libertonkirk.net

Please note that there is a letterbox at the Office door, if Jacqui is unavailable

Normal Hours of Services : 9-30am, 11am & 6-30pm Please see diary pages for details of our services during the current pandemic period

Services are recorded from time to time for distribution to the household.

It may be possible to record a service on a one-off basis - please contact John Young if you have a special request.

Contact can be made with the minister, by telephone, at the above number, but please note that he is **not** available through the day on Fridays.



Link Groups

Weekly Groups

Thrive - Wednesday evening

Kirk House, 30 Kirkgate

Andrea Wilson - andrea.wilson@roslin.ed.ac.uk

01968 670752 or 07952 949 062

Friday Fellowship - Friday morning in the Church Halls

Ruth Davies - r.davies335@btinternet.com 664 3608

Fortnightly Groups

Pathfinders - Tuesday evening at 7pm

5 Stennis Gardens

Pearl Kelly 0131 664 2128

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21 Swanston Grove

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Rink van Dijke - rink@talktalk.net 664 2178

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)

or Fiona Knight (peterandfiona@blueyonder.co.uk)

Actual meetings in leader's houses are currently suspended, however some groups are continuing, 'meeting' using ZOOM. Contact the group leader for information, if you are interested in any particular link group