



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.

Sunday 19th December 2021

Theme: **John's Prayer**
Call: We light the fourth candle as we wait in expectation for God's promises to be fulfilled in the coming of the Messiah, his Chosen One.
As we wait for Jesus to come, may we spread the good news through the love we show to others.
Preacher: **John Young**

Morning Worship **9.30am Service (in church)**
Reading: **Revelation 5:1-14 (p1237)**
304 O little town of Bethlehem
326 As with gladness men of old
303 It came upon the midnight clear

Reading: **11am Service (in church and on Zoom)**
All-Age Nativity Service
(with Sunday Clubs, and Crèche in Ewen Pavilion)
Isaiah 9:2,6-7 (p693)
304 O little town of Bethlehem
312 Away in a manger
Song O come let us adore him
313 See in yonder manger low
323 The first Nowell (omit v4&5)

- *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

Due to new guidelines we are no longer able to serve teas and coffees.

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

WEEKLY DIARY

TODAY

10.20am After 11am Service	Elders' Room Back of Church	Sunday Morning Prayer Time Prayer Team Ministry
7pm	Anderson Hall (Please book in advance - see website for details)	Big Carol Sing

Monday 20th December

9am-2pm	Foyer	Kirkgate Café (see notices)
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Tuesday 21st December

7.30am – 7.30pm	Upper Room Time (see below)	
9am	Foyer	Kirkgate Café (see notices)

Wednesday 22nd December

9am-2pm	Foyer	Kirkgate Café (see notices)
2.30pm	Guthrie House	Christmas Carols

Thursday 23rd December

9am-12pm	Foyer	Kirkgate Café (see notices)
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Christmas Eve Friday 24th December

4pm	Kirk and Zoom (Please book in advance - see website for details)	Christingle Service
11.15pm	Kirk and Zoom	Watchnight Service

Christmas Day Saturday 25th December

10.30am	Kirk and Zoom	Christmas Day Service
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Sunday 26th December

Morning Worship at 10.30am in the Kirk and on Zoom

Theme:	Simeon's Prayer
Preacher:	Fiona Devoy

(retiring offering in aid of DEC Afghanistan Crisis Appeal after service)

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.

Kirkgate Café – Christmas Lunches, Monday 20th – Wednesday 22nd December. Soup, turkey, stuffing and chipolata sandwich, mince pie and cream, filter coffee or tea and a Christmas cracker £8.50. To reserve a table ask at the café, please note that there are two sessions 12 noon – 1pm or 1-2pm. Thursday 23rd from 9am – 12noon, free mince pies and a hot drink. Café closes at 12 noon and reopens on Tuesday 4th January at 9am.

Lunchtime concert with Philomusica of Edinburgh, Wednesday 29th December at 1.00 p.m. in the Church. Mulled wine and mince pies will be served from 12.30 - 1.00 p.m. A concert of popular classics for the festive season. Tickets available after both services or by contacting Mary Davidson (tel. 664 6789) with a suggested donation of £8 in aid of the World Mission Fund.

Hogmanay Party - unfortunately, due to recent restrictions by the government, we have had to cancel this. We hope to reschedule next year.

New Year 2022 – The Big Idea invite you to join in with other local churches to welcome in the year. Sunday 9th January, 7pm, Faith Mission Gilmerton Road. Guest Speaker: Natalie Pelttari from the Edinburgh City Mission.

Summer Buzz, 2022 - We need some more adults to help with next summer's holiday club. If you want to find out more, please come along to a short meeting after the 11am service on Sunday 16th January.

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.

Church of Scotland Stamp Appeal – donations of used stamps or stamp collections can be left in the box in the Kirk Centre Foyer, alternatively contact David Lamb 0131 664 3059 or email david@dlamb.co.uk

Bible Verse for the Week

But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Saviour has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord."

Luke 2 verses 10 and 11

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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