

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 5th December 2021

Theme: Mary and Elizabeth's Prayer

Reading: Luke 1:35-56 (p1027)

Call: We light the second candle for John the Baptist, who called

on people to be ready for Jesus.

As we wait for Jesus to come, may we prepare ourselves

to greet him.

Preacher: John Young

Morning Worship 9.30am Service (in church)

O come, O come, Emmanuel

No wind at the window

Tell out my soul

Lo, he comes with clouds descending

11am Service (in church and on Zoom)

(with Sunday Clubs, and Crèche in Ewen Pavilion)

Song Come and light the candles on the Advent Ring

Song Light of the world
Song We are marching
Song Mary, did you know?
Tell out my soul

Song Great is the Darkness

- 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

10.20am Elders' Room Sunday Morning Prayer Time

After 11am Service Back of Church Prayer Team Ministry

6.30pm Kirk Centre Foyer Evening Worship

Monday 6th December

9am-2pm Foyer Kirkgate Café

7.30pm Anderson Hall Guild – Christmas Social Evening

with entertainment by Jabs 2. Can also be accessed via Zoom.

Tuesday 7th December

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

Wednesday 8th December

9am-2pm and 6-8pm Foyer Kirkgate Café

7pm Kirk Annual Memorial Service (see notices)

Thursday 9th December

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

Saturday 11th December

7.30pm Usher Hall Origin Christmas Concert (see notices)

Sunday 12th December

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

(with Sunday Clubs & crèche) and on Zoom.

Theme: Paul's Prayer Preacher: John Young

6.30pm Kirk Centre Foyer Evening Worship

<u>Upper Room Time (Tuesday 7.30am – 7.30pm)</u>

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.

Parish Christmas cards are available for delivery to all houses in the parish. Remaining bundles are available for uplift from the Kirk Centre. Your help in taking a bundle or two and delivering them would be much appreciated. Spare copies available from the Welcome Desk at the East Door, in the Kirk Centre entrance and in the Offering House.

Annual Memorial Service, Wednesday 8th December, 7pm – especially for those who have lost loved ones and who feel the loss acutely at this time of year, but everyone is welcome.

Origin Christmas Concert, Saturday 11th December 7.30pm in the Usher Hall, is free, but you need tickets, from 0131 541 0117 or online at www.originscotland.org. John Young will be the speaker.

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 - this will be held from 7.00pm to midnight in the Anderson Hall. It's for people of all ages and will include music, Ceilidh dancing, hot food, games, singing and a raffle, finishing with a short act of worship at midnight. BYOB and snacks. Suggested minimum donation of £5 for adults, children free. Booking will soon be on Eventbrite, or names can be given to Derek Jardine, Fiona Devoy or Emily Kerrigan, if you don't have access (Tel 666-1004). Profits will go to Sunday Club projects. Come and see in the New Year in good company! (Volunteers to help with the organisation are also needed).

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

"Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up."

James 4:14

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.

Office phone number 0131 664 8264.

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

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