

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 15th December

Reading: Luke 1.39-56 (p.1026)

Preacher: John Young Theme: The Journey

Call: We have lit candles for hope and peace, and now we light the

third candle for the love of God, which surrounds us every

day, and which gave us Jesus

May we shine the light of his love wherever we go

Morning Worship 9.30am Service in the Kirk

CH4 290 The race that long in darkness pined CH4 472 Come, thou long-expected Jesus

CH4 286 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord

11am Service in the Kirk and on Zoom

(with crèche and Sunday Club)

Song Come and light the candles on the Advent Ring

Song From the squalor of a borrowed stable

Song I will wave my hands

Song O let the Son of God enfold you Song The Lord's my shepherd (I will trust)

CH4 286 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord

CH4 290 The race that long in darkness pined

- Children are welcome throughout the services.
 Sound and vision are also piped into the church vestry (toys available).
- We have a loop system for those who use a hearing aid.
- Offerings Please put any Offering Envelopes or other donations into the Donations Boxes on the Welcome Desks.

Zoom – Join from 10.45am to chat. For access contact rollkeeper@libertonkirk.net

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

Evening Worship 6.30pm (for 7pm) Café Church in Liberton Kirk Centre

WEEKLY DIARY

TODAY

10.20am Elders' Room Sunday Morning Prayer Time

After services Cross at East Door Prayer Team Ministry

6.30pm Foyer Café Church

Monday 16th December

9am-2pm Foyer Kirkgate Café

Tuesday 17th December

7.30am-7.30pm Upper Room Prayer Space (see below)

9am-2pm Foyer Kirkgate Café 2.30pm Guthrie House Carol Concert

Wednesday 18th December

9am-2pm Foyer Kirkgate Café

7.30pm Kirk Service of Lessons and Carols

Thursday 19th December

9am-2pm Foyer Kirkgate Café

Friday 20th December

(No warm hub)

Saturday 21st December

1pm-3pm Kirk Church open for Advent

Sunday 22nd December

8am Sunday reflection available on Website/Facebook

10:20am Prayer Time in Elders' Room

Morning Worship

9.30 am Shorter Service in Kirk

11am Christas Nativity Service in the Kirk and on zoom

Preacher: John Young

Theme: The birth (Luke 2.1-20)

7pm The BIG Carol Sing in the Anderson Hall

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

Upper Room – a safe quiet space above the Kirkgate Café open 7.30am-7.30pm every Tuesday, with time of prayer with others at 8.00am, 12 noon and 7.00pm.

NOTICES

December/January Magazines – Magazines on Welcome Desks, in the Offering House and Kirk Centre Entrance. Also online.

Lunchtime Concert – Saturday 28th December 1.00pm in the Kirk. 'Beautiful Baroque' presented by Philomusica of Edinburgh. Mulled wine and mince pies will be served from 12.30 - 1.00pm. Tickets, with suggested donation of £8 in aid of World Mission Fund, available after both services TODAY and 22nd December.

Food Hygiene Training – Wednesday 18th December, 9am until 4pm, Kirkgate Cafe is hosting a food hygiene course with lunch provided. There are limited spaces still available. A suggested donation of £30. Email Jenny on kirkgatecafe@libertonkirk.net for a space or more info.

Advent Reflections – Final of four, 18th December at St. Gregory's RC Church, Walter Scott Avenue, 7.30pm to 8.30pm followed by refreshments. All welcome, prior attendance not necessary. More details on the poster.

162nd **Scout Annual Peace Light service** – Thursday 19th December, 7.30pm in the Anderson Hall. All welcome.

Volunteers required for Christingle – Tuesday 24th December, 4pm. Help needed to cut oranges, fire marshal and steward. Sign-up sheet on the welcome desk or email laura@libertonkirk.net.

Men's Collective Curry and Entertainment – Friday 10th January, 7-9.30pm BYOB. Open to everyone 18+ (not just men). £5. Sign up form on welcome desk or see David Colley, Dave Storey or Alastair Cameron.

Looking for Christmas Gifts? – Support **Hadeel**, 123 George Street, EH2 4JN, selling Fair Trade Palestinian goods – interesting foodstuffs and beautiful embroidered items. Opening times 10am to 5pm Monday to Saturday. More information from their website, www.hadeel.org

The Moderator's Challenge – Let Your Little Light Shine - The Moderator of The Church of Scotland challenges us to support the people of Malawi by buying solar lights (£10 each) for Light Libraries, and other solar lighting. Access to light means a higher standard of living and education. For more info and ways to donate go to www.churchofscotland.org.uk

2025 Liberton Kirk calendars - are now on sale for £5 from Linda Wright at lwright@libertonkirk.net

Request for volunteers – to collect residents from Guthrie House for the 11am service. For more info contact lwright@libertonkirk.net

Collections for Food Bank etc – Goods for the Food Bank and Bottle Tops can be left in the McDonald Room in the Kirk Centre until 4th January, when the boxes will return to the Offering House. Stamp collections still in the Kirk Centre Foyer. **No collections for Fresh Start until 4th January please.**

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Wednesday 18th at 7.30pm Lessons and Carols in the Kirk

Sunday 22nd at 11am Christmas Nativity Service in the Kirk

Sunday 22nd at 7pm **The BIG Carol Sing** in the Anderson Hall

Christmas Eve at 4pm Christmas Eve at 11.15pm Watchnight service in the Kirk

Christmas Day at 10.30am Christmas Day Service in the Kirk

Bible Verse for the Week

She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.

Matthew 1 verse 21

Church website www.libertonkirk.net

To include anything in the Notice Sheet please contact the Office (by Thursday)

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