

INTIMATIONS: Sunday 1st December 2019

We welcome you to our service this morning. You are reminded that when the Bible is brought in and carried out of Church we all stand. Our service this morning will be taken by our minister, **Rev. Shuna Dicks**. Any visitors worshipping with us are especially welcome and are invited to join us for tea or coffee in the hall afterwards.

SUNDAY:

There will be a Traidcraft stall in the Main Hall following this service. Please do come along to view our range of products. Gifts, cards, festive food and chocolate. **New for this year-** hampers containing your own carefully selected items.

MONDAY:

The Monday Squad will NOT meet at the shed at 9.30am. We meet instead at 9.30am on **Thursday 5th December** to put the Christmas trees into the church. Any queries please contact Willie Black. Tel. 01224 869362.

Badminton - We meet tonight in the **Main Hall** at Quarry Road from **7.15pm**. A warm welcome to anyone who would like to come and join our friendly group. Contact John Troup. Tel. 01224 732701.

Carol Singing. Please join us from **6.30pm until 7.30pm** to sing carols outside the **Cults Hotel**. Carol sheets will be provided. We will be joined by **Fiona Kennedy** so do come along!

TUESDAY:

Cults 'Music to Remember' meets at **Cults Kirk Centre** in **Lochnagar** at 10.15 -11.45 including refreshments. All welcome. For more information contact Lilian Brown 01224 742532 or Rosa Laing 01224 868156.

The **Guild** meets for their **Christmas Party** at 2.00pm in **Little Bennachie**. Fellowship, fun and some food! Transport can be provided. Further information from **Mary Troup 01224 732701**.

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY:

The Hub Café will be open from 10am to 3pm serving teas/coffees, soup, sandwiches, baked potatoes, quiche and home baking.

WEDNESDAY: The **050 Group** will meet for lunch in **Lochnagar** at **11.45am** followed by a talk from **Gordon Casely** entitled '**Bike ride to Iona, Mull and Staffa**'. For more information please contact **Libby Brand 01224 867717**.

A Hustings Meeting will take place in the sanctuary on Wednesday 4th December from 7.00pm. All four candidates will take your questions. Submit questions in advance to **JFerguson@churchofscotland.org.uk**. Everyone is welcome to attend.

THURSDAY:

Bible Study will not be meeting again this year. Meetings resume on **9th January 2020**. All welcome, even for just one session!

The Poetry Group will meet for Advent from **11.30am until 1.00pm** in **Scolty**. For further information please contact **Margaret Robertson 01224 733567**.

Laura Walker will be holding an exercise class in **Bennachie** at **11.00am**. All welcome. First class is free of charge.

The Carpet Bowlers will meet at 7.00pm in the **Main Hall** at Quarry Road. New members will be made very welcome! Tuition available!

The Choir rehearse at 7.00pm in **Little Lochnagar**. Anyone who enjoys singing will be made very welcome.

FRIDAY:

Friday Cafe. We will meet this week from 3.30pm until 5.30pm. table tennis, table football, air hockey, basketball etc. café and tuck shop. Baking. Music. All in S1-S4 welcome.

SATURDAY:

Christmas Coffee Morning will take place on **7th December** in the **Kirk Centre** from 10.00am until 12.00noon. In addition to the **Singing Waiters** and the usual stalls there will also be a **Tombola**. Proceeds this year will be going to **Cyrenians and Sue Ryder**. Tickets £3.00.

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Everyone is welcome to put flowers in church for worship on Sunday. If you have never done so and would like to be part of the rota for **Sunday flowers** please call Maureen 861377 or e-mail maureen.ag@btinternet.com.

The **Christmas Tree Festival** will take place from **9th until 15th December** from 1.00pm until 7.00pm in the Sanctuary. Lists are available in the **Main Hall** for anyone wishing to help by being in attendance or providing music for the event. Please add your name at a convenient time.

Mains of Drum- Saturdays 7th and 14th December from 12.00midday to 2.00pm on both days.

Any members of the congregation young or old, would be very welcome to join with the choir in singing carols to the shoppers as they come in. It's a great feeling to spread some good cheer. All proceeds go to Christian Aid. Anyone wanting to join the choir at Drum is welcome to come to one of the Thursday rehearsals, but this is not essential. Just turn up! Carol sheets will be provided.

The **Care Group** needs more people to visit the elderly and housebound in the Parish. If you would like to know more about what we do, please talk to **Maureen Hamilton -01224 868166**.

*Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were an offering far too small;
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.*

Readings for the Next Few Weeks

8th December	Isaiah 11:1-10, Matthew 3:1-12
15th December	Isaiah 35:1-10, Matthew 1:18-25
22 nd December	Isaiah 7:10-16, Matthew 1:18-25
29 th December	TBC

Daily Bible Readings

The Daily Readings for December are a special challenge for Advent. Each day read another chapter of Luke's Gospel. This will mean that come Christmas Day you will have read the entire Gospel, taking you full cycle in Jesus life and ministry!

Sunday	1st December	Luke Ch 1
Monday	2 nd December	Luke Ch 2
Tuesday	3 rd December	Luke Ch 3
Wednesday	4 th December	Luke Ch 4
Thursday	5 th December	Luke Ch 5
Friday	6 th December	Luke Ch 6
Saturday	7 th December	Luke Ch 7

After reading the passage take a few moments to think about/contemplate what you have read, and to finish your time use the following short prayer or The Lord's Prayer. You may also wish to use the daily prayer suggested in our Prayer Diary (available from the Church website, the Kirk Centre or Sanctuary).

*Lord, thank you for your Word,
For the way it speaks;
the way it can both comfort and challenge.
help me to understand and apply it's teaching in my life.
Amen*

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