

Cults Kirk News

Christmas 2024

A friendly and inclusive community where all are welcome.

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✠ In Memoriam ✠

Jesus said, 'I will be with you always, to the end of time' - Matthew 28:20

Our prayers remain with each and every family who has experienced the death of a loved one.

Margaret Taylor	25 th September 2024
John Butcher	25 th October 2024
Eleanore McKay	27 th October 2024
Elaine Thomson	21 st November 2024
Christine Adams	26 th November 2024

THE HUB CAFÉ WILL BE CLOSED FROM END OF SERVICE ON THE 19TH DECEMBER & REOPEN TUESDAY 7TH JANUARY.

THE CAFÉ IS OPEN TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY FROM 10AM to 2PM. TO VOLUNTEER, SPEAK TO SUSAN (07562 917 890).

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL CLOSE AT LUNCHTIME ON FRIDAY 20TH DECEMBER AND REOPEN ON MONDAY 6TH JANUARY.

THE ROYAL FOUNDATION



On Tuesday 10th December Shuna had the privilege of preaching at The Royal Foundation Carol Service at St Machar's Cathedral. The Royal Foundation is the Prince and Princess of Wales's charity. This service was one of 15 satellite services held around the UK to say thank you to community heroes for the work they do in their communities. Our Own Angie Mutch was one such hero, along with Shuna's mum. Both receiving recognition for the way they have helped others. Also taking part in the service were Bishop Hugh Gilbert, Rev Kenneth Mackenzie, Domestic Chaplain to His Majesty King Charles and Rev Sarah Brown of St Machar's Cathedral. Also pictured are the Lord Lieutenants and other dignitaries present.

Christmas Tree & Nativity Scene Festival



Final chance to visit 21st December 3pm-5pm

Trees all decorated by children and young people from across the parish

CULTS KIRK FAMILY HOGMANAY PARTY

8pm until midnight

Adults £10, Children £5

Live music (Susan Simpson et al), quiz, food (circa 9pm), BYOB, games for children & dancing.

Tickets from the Church Office or Maureen Taylor

HAPPY
NEW YEAR
2025

Message from our minister, Rev Shuna Dicks.....

Dear friends

The most wonderful time of year is upon us. Advent and Christmas are always so special. The early weeks December a time of waiting and preparation. During this time, we are reminded of the words of the prophets, who foretold of this child that would be born. A Saviour for the world. For example, my favourite, Isaiah 9:6-8

*"A child is born to us!
A son is given to us!
And he will be our ruler.
He will be called, "Wonderful Counsellor,"
"Mighty God," "Eternal Father,"
"Prince of Peace."
His royal power will continue to grow;
his kingdom will always be at peace.
He will rule as King David's successor,
basing his power on right and justice,
from now until the end of time.
The Lord Almighty is determined to do all this."*

The Lord Almighty is determined to do all this, and in Jesus we have the fulfilment of God's promise. The Christmas message is one that the world desperately needs to hear. Over the coming weeks we will welcome visitors to our church for the various concerts, services and of course the Christmas Tree Festival. What an opportunity to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with people, and what deep joy that in the midst of the tinsel and glitter of Christmas people still want to touch base with the reason behind the season.

I look forward to celebrating with you all over the Christmas period. My prayer is that it will be a time of Hope, Love, Peace, and Joy for us all.

*A child is born to us!
A son is given to us!*

Praise be to God!

Have a wonderful Christmas when it comes.

With love

Your minister and friend,

Shuna



SANTA'S GROTTO

We had a lovely afternoon in the church on the 7th of December. Lots of children and their families came to visit Santa and to have a look round the Christmas Trees and Nativity sets. There were crafts and refreshments available. Many of the families stayed for the afternoon. Many thanks to the Youth Core Group for organising and to the ladies from the Outreach Core Group who helped provide the refreshments. There were many comments about the lovely warm welcome people received. Santa had a great time and got lots of ideas for what the children want at Christmas. He is going to be busy!





Christmas at Cults Parish Church

Sunday 15th December

10.30am Sunday Service with Nativity Story

Friday 20th December

6pm Carol Singing outside Sainburys @ Countesswells

Sunday 22nd December

10.30am Carol Service with Aberdeen Concert band

Christmas Eve

7pm Christmas Eve Family Service (make your own
Christingle from 6.30pm)

11.30pm Watchnight Service (mulled wine from 11.00pm)

Christmas Day

10.30am Christmas Day Family Service

Sunday 29th December

10.30am The Christmas Story continued

All our services are livestreamed on our YouTube channel.

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