

## CHRISTMAS TOY APPEAL

For the last four years we have supported the local Health Centres and Women's Aid charity by giving them all sorts of toys, books & games which have been very kindly donated by members of the congregation, and their friends. This year's appeal, which will start on Sunday, 4th November, will be for all ages, as before, 0-16 years. The gifts have to be new as per last years guidelines. The appeal will finish on Sunday, 9th December. Same as last year, the items can be left in the downstairs cloakroom. Thank you.

MAGGIE WEIR

**Robbie's Phased Return to Work** - The Congregation will be pleased to learn that Robbie has been allowed to return to duties on a phased basis. The pattern for the period **November 21<sup>st</sup> – December 31<sup>st</sup> 2018** is as follows :

- Working four days a week: Tuesday, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays.
- Pastoral Visits, Church Centre fellowship and worship, School Chaplaincy.
- Responsibility for Sunday Worship.
- Sharing rota for prayers, readings in worship.
- Working in supportive partnership with the OLM and others for the Preaching programme.
- Funeral cover to be discussed/arranged with OLM.
- No involvement with funerals scheduled for a Monday.
- No return to Presbytery duties for at least three months from the start of the phased return.
- As per the phased return agreement and until reviewed again, Robbie is also off duty on a Monday.

The aim for Robbie is to be returning to full duty as soon as possible.

The phased return will be reviewed in discussion with Robbie after Christmas

During the off duty periods, pastoral cover will be provided by Maxine.

**Lanarkshire Cancer Care Trust** now provides free transport for those who need to get to their appointments. Please consult the Church Notice Board for details or telephone 01698 355137.

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Intimations should be communicated to David Walker by 6:00 p.m. on Thursday evening - 747075, or email [dwalker.davros@virgin.net](mailto:dwalker.davros@virgin.net)

## The New Wellwynd Parish Church of Scotland Airdrie

### MORNING WORSHIP

including

### SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday, 2nd December, 2018

at 11:00 a.m.



*Order of Service*

### **A Season of Hope : Unpacking Advent** **First Sunday in Advent - Hope in God's Promises**

Prayer before worship:

Living God, we thank you for the opportunity to share in the worship of your people and to focus our thoughts on your presence. As we share the bread and the wine, remembering your son, Jesus Christ, and what he has done for us, help us to consecrate the whole of our lives to your service and for your glory. In Christ's name. Amen.

(If you are able, would you please stand for all items marked \*\*)

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## Entry of the Bible

### Words of Welcome, Intimations and Introduction

Minister : Calm us, Lord . . . . “everything I command”.

Beverley : We light the first Advent candle . . . the word made flesh.

**All** : *Light a candle bright and tall . . .*

Light a candle bright and tall  
For the hope within our world.  
Hope that heard the ages' call  
As the stars and planets whirled.  
Shine within our hearts today  
Come, O Hope, to us, we pray.

Beverley : “Command those who are rich . . . for our enjoyment.”

Minister : LET US WORSHIP GOD!

\*\* **Hymn 273** *O come, O come, Emmanuel ...*

### Opening Prayer

#### ADDRESS

\*\* **Hymn 600** *Spirit of God, unseen as the wind ...*

**Bible Readings** Isaiah 9 : 2, 6 - 7 (O.T. Pg. 677 approx.)  
Luke 1 : 30 - 33 (N.T. Pg. 73 approx.)

\*\* **Hymn 606** *Lord, you sometimes speak in wonders ...*

#### SERMON

Thursday, 06/12/2018 - The **Joint Choir Rehearsal** is at 7:30 p.m. in the Session Room, followed by our own **Church Choir** thereafter,

Friday, 07/12/2018 -The **Snack Bar** is open from 10:00 a.m. till 1:30 p.m.. The **Nearly New Shop** is closed, re-opening on Friday, 1st February, 2019. The **Church** will be open from 10:00 a.m. and the **Friday Service** will be at 11:30 a.m. in the Church.

The **Art Club** meets at 7.30 p.m. in the Upper Hall.

Sunday, 09/12/2018 - **Morning Worship** is at 11:00 a.m. for the Second Sunday of Advent. *A Season of Hope : Unpacking Advent.*  
*Advent 2 : Hope in God's Love.*

**Tea / Coffee** will be served in the hall at the close of the service.

**Tea Fellowship Assistants** will be Isobel and Jim Munro.

The **Duty Driver** will be Jim Neilson.

The **Traidcraft** assistants will be Alan/ Eilidh Cox and Lesley Aitken.

**3:00 p.m.** - The **Memorial Service** will be held in the Church.

*I am with you always . . .*

(With tea/coffee available in the hall beforehand.)

Wednesday, 12/12/2018 - The next meeting of the **Bible Study Group** will be held on this date.

Friday, 14/12/2018 - The **Snack Bar** is closed today. Instead, **Christmas Lunch** will be served to those who have prepaid it.

**FLOWER CALENDAR** - On Sunday 9th December, the Flower Calendar for 2019 will be ready in the Church. The Calendar is located on the wall on the right hand side of the door as you leave the church to go into the hall. If you wish to choose a specific Sunday to put flowers in the church, please write your name against that date. There is room on the calendar for two separate donations of flowers each Sunday. If you are happy for the flower committee to organise and arrange your flowers, just give your donation (about £25) to one of the Flower Conveners. Flowers will then be collected from the florist and arranged on your behalf.

You may, however, wish to buy and arrange your own choice of flowers. You are very welcome to do so, but please let the Flower Conveners know in advance.

The flower service is very much appreciated - thank you.

Flower Conveners: Mima Dalziel (752482), Margaret Jack (767898).

## Recessional

*Now let us from this table rise ... (cont'd.)*

To fill each human house with love,  
it is the sacrament of care;  
the work that Christ began to do  
we humbly pledge ourselves to share.

*(Fred Kaan, 1929-)*

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### Intimations :

We welcome everyone to this morning's service. We trust any visitors will enjoy the fellowship of New Wellwynd and we invite you to sign the Visitors' Book before you leave. A **Crèche** is available during the service for all babies and children of pre-Sunday Club age. Parents are encouraged to make use of this facility.

Today we start **Streaming the Services**. If you do not wish to be seen 'on camera', then please sit under the gallery on the pulpit side of the church, as the cameras will not pan that area.

The **Kirk Session** meets in the Session Room at 10:45 a.m..

**Tea / Coffee** will be served in the hall at the close of the service.

**Tea Fellowship Assistants** are members of CAMEO.

The **Duty Driver** today is Margo Elliott.

The **Traidcraft Stall** is open today as usual. The assistants are Anne Learmonth and Alison Stewart

The **Sacrament of the Lord's Supper** will be celebrated again at 3:00 p.m..

**December/January Newsletters**, along with **Christmas Cards**, are ready for distributors to uplift from the church office.

**FWO Envelopes for 2019** are available in the Crush Hall for Elders to uplift.

Those who ordered **2019 Belgium Calendars** can now collect them from Gordon Waddell at the close of service this morning.

A **Retiring Offering** will be taken at the close of this morning's service in aid of St. Andrew's Hospice Capital Appeal. Please give generously.

At 7:30 p.m., **Carolling @ Christmas** - an evening of Carols and Readings with Souls and Singers in St. Columba's Church. Admission is £5.00 including refreshments.

Tuesday, 04/12/2018 - The **Senior Circle** meets in the hall at 2:30 p.m. for musical entertainment with Alan and Anne.

Wednesday, 05/12/2018 - The **Kirk Session** will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Session Room for ordinary business.

## Sung Response

(seated)

*His name, His name ...*

His name, His name shall be called Wonderful;  
His name, His name shall be called Counsellor.  
The Mighty God, the Everlasting Father,  
The Prince of Peace through all eternity.  
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### Prayer

### Offering

### Prayer of Dedication

### Call to the Table

Minister : This is the table of Emmanuel . . . . His Kingdom.

Beverley : A place where we recognise that the one for whom we  
wait is also the one who is ready, and always,  
here  
with us.

Minister : So come, whether you are watching for the dawn, or  
dreading first light, whether you are waiting with hope,  
or hiding your face,

Beverley : come with quiet confidence, because here it is  
Emmanuel who watches for our coming;

Minister : It is Emmanuel who waits with love and joy to  
welcome us in.

### \*\* Hymn

*We who live by sound and symbol ...*

We who live by sound and symbol, we who learn from sight and word,  
find these married in the person of the one we call our Lord.  
Taking bread to be his body, taking wine to be his blood,  
he let thought take flesh in action, he let faith take root in food.

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**\*\* Hymn**            *We who live by sound and symbol ... (cont'd.)*

Not just once with special people, not just hidden deep in time,  
but wherever Christ is followed, earthly fare becomes sublime.  
Though to sound this be a mystery, though to sense it seem absurd,  
yet in faith, which seems like folly, we meet Jesus Christ our Lord.

God, our Maker, send your Spirit, consecrate the bread we break.  
Let it bring the life we long for and the love which we forsake.  
Bind us closer to each other, both forgiving and forgiven;  
give us grace in this and all things to discern the hand of heaven.

*(John L. Bell & Graham Maule)  
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### COMMUNION

Beverley :     The story of Emmanuel . . . re-imagine life.

Minister :     It is the story of Jesus . . . re-imagine love.

Beverley :     It is the story of Christ . . . re-imagine the world.

Minister :     It is the story of one . . . come to completion.

**All :**                    (Sung twice)                    *Holy, holy holy ...*

Holy, holy, holy,  
my heart, my heart adores you!  
My heart is glad to say the words,  
'You are holy, Lord.'  
*(Argentinian Text)*

Minister :     And as we follow . . . justice and peace.

**All :**     **OUR FATHER**, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name.  
Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:  
for thine is the Kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever.     Amen

Minister :     The Bread we break is the Bread of Life .....  
... Come and eat, the banquet awaits.

### Communion

#### The Peace

Beverley :     The earth still waits for its healing . . .

**ALL :**            **May we who are part of that waiting take and use  
the dreaming times to re-imagine the world;  
may we inhabit and use the time we have  
to discover the patterns of God,  
to learn how to live and love;  
thus may our watching and waiting join  
with that of Emmanuel to realise  
God's Kingdom here on earth.**

Beverley :     In the name of Jesus.

**ALL :**            **AMEN!**

**\*\* Hymn 192**                                    *All my hope on God is founded ...*

**\*\***                                    **BENEDICTION**

**\*\***                                    Threefold Amen

**\*\***                                    Removal of the Bible

**Recessional**                                    *Now let us from this table rise ...*

Now let us from this table rise  
renewed in body, mind, and soul;  
with Christ we die and rise again,  
his selfless love has made us whole.

With minds alert, upheld by grace,  
to spread the Word in speech and deed  
we follow in the steps of Christ,  
at one with all in hope and need.

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**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Sunday, 2nd December, 2018 at 3:00 p.m..

Welcome

Call to Worship

Minister : Show me your ways, O Lord,

**All :** **Teach me your paths.**

Minister : Guide me in your truth and teach me,

**All :** **for you are our God and Saviour.**

Minister : I will listen to what the Lord will say;  
He promises peace to His people.

**\*\* Hymn 93** *Let us with a gladsome mind ...*

**Prayer**

**Bible Reading** Ephesians 4 : 11 - 16 (N.T. Pg. 242  
approx.)

**\*\* Hymn 655** *For your generous providing ...*

*REFLECTION*

**Sung Response** (Sung twice) *Spirit of the living God ...*  
(Please remain seated)

Spirit of the living God, move among us all;  
make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love,  
humble, caring, selfless, sharing.

Spirit of the living God, fill our lives with love.

*(Michael Baughen, 1930-)*

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**Prayer**

**Offering**

**Prayer of Dedication**

**\*\* Hymn** *Ye gates, lift up your heads on high ...*

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**\*\* Hymn 153** *Great is thy faithfulness ...*

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**\*\* Threefold Amen**

**\*\* Removal of the Bible**

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