

Tuesday, 11/12/2018 - **CAMEO** meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Session Room for an Advent Evening.

Wednesday, 12/12/2018 - The **Bible Study Group** (meeting from 7.00 to 9.00 p.m. in the home of Alister Weighton - 29 Grahamshill Street, Airdrie). Everyone is most welcome! Should you require any additional information, please contact Alister on (01236) 750572 or 079 256 05480.

Thursday, 13/12/2018 - The **Joint Choir Rehearsal** is at 8:15 p.m. in the Church, preceded by our own **Church Choir** at 7:30 p.m..

Friday, 14/12/2018 - The **Snack Bar** is closed today. Instead, **Christmas Lunch** will be served to those who have prepaid it. The **Art Club** meets in the upper hall at 7:30 p.m..

Sunday, 16/12/2018 - **Morning Worship** is at 11:00 a.m..
A Season of Hope: Unpacking Advent. Advent 3: Be Joyful in Hope.
Choir Cantata - "Night of Miracles".
Tea Fellowship Assistants will be Julie Fleming and Moira Gartshore.
The **Duty Drivers** will be Jim and Lynn Dobbie.
The **Traidcraft Stall** will be open as usual. The assistants will be Joyce Russell and Alister Weighton.

Christmas Cards - There are some surplus Church Christmas Cards available if members of the congregation would like to distribute them to family or friends. Please collect the cards from the information table in the Crush Hall.

Sunday Club and Bible Class – are looking to borrow any large, toy farm animals to help us 'set the scene' for our nativity play. If anyone in the congregation can help we would be very grateful – all animals considered and no audition is required - be assured your furry friends will have a starring role in our play. Thank you for your help

The **Retiring Offering** on Sunday, 2 December to benefit the Capital Appeal of St Andrew's Hospice (Scottish charity number SC010159) raised the sum of £409.30 and thanks go to all who contributed.

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

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PRAYER before Worship : Living God, You have spoken throughout history: through teaching and preaching, through study and quiet devotion, through prayer and fellowship. Speak to us now and help us to use this season of Advent to listen more carefully to your voice and so to walk more closely with you. Amen.

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

A Season of Hope : Unpacking Advent

Second Sunday in Advent - Hope in God's Love.

** Entry of the Bible

Words of Welcome, Intimations and Introduction

Minister : Calm us, Lord "kind and faithful".

Leader : We light the second Advent candle . . .
. . . . true and lasting love.

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

Light a candle bright and tall
For a Love which knows no end.
Love that comes to one and all;
fear and hatred to up-end.
Shine within our hearts today
Come, O Love, to us, we pray.

Leader : "For God loved the world . . . have eternal life."

Minister : LET US WORSHIP GOD!

** **Hymn 290** *The race that long in darkness pined ...*

Opening Prayer and Lord's Prayer

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

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** Hymn 279 *Make way, make way ...*

Bible Readings Psalm 33 : 1 - 5, 20 - 22 (O.T. Pg. 554 approx.)
Colossians 3 : 12 - 17 (N.T. Pg. 254 approx.)

** Hymn 316 *Love came down at Christmas ...*

SERMON

** Hymn 291 *When out of poverty is born ...*

Prayer

Offering and Prayer of Dedication

** Hymn 519 *Love divine, all loves excelling ...*

** **BENEDICTION**

** **Threefold Amen**

Recessional *Lift up your heads ...*

Lift up your heads to the coming King;
bow before him and adore him, sing --
to his majesty: let your praises be
pure and holy, giving glory to the King of Kings.
(Steven L. Fry)
(© 1974 BMG Songs/Birdwing Music)

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 pre-Sunday Club children (0 - 3 years). Parents are encouraged to make use of this facility.

The **Duty Driver** today is Jim Neilson.

Tea Fellowship Assistants are Isobel and Jim Munro.

The **Traidcraft Stall** is open today. The assistants are 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.)

Those who ordered **2019 Belgium Calendars** can now collect them from Gordon Waddell.

Streaming - Our services are now being streamed on to the Internet. If you do not wish to be seen 'on camera', please sit in the pews under the gallery on the pulpit side of the church, as the cameras will not pan that area.

Burns Supper on Saturday 26 January 2019

Freda Gilchrist and Beatrice Holden will be at the rear of the large hall after church this morning to start taking names for the Burns Supper. They will be there for the next few Sunday mornings and then again in January whilst tickets are available. Tickets are priced £17.50.

CHRISTMAS TOY APPEAL - finishes today. Many thanks to all those who donated toys.

FLOWER CALENDAR - The Flower Calendar for 2019 is ready in the Church today. 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)