

Saturday, 26/01/2019 - The **Burns Supper** will be held in the church hall. Freda Gilchrist and Beatrice Holden will be at the rear of the large hall after church this morning to take the names of those wishing to attend. They will be there again in January whilst tickets are available. Tickets are priced £17.50.

Saturday, 09/02/2019 - A **Vocations Conference** will be held in St. John's Episcopal Church, Princes Street, Edinburgh, EH2 4BJ. Booking is essential, so please contact the Ministries Council on 0131 225 5722, ext. 2233 or e-mail vocation@churchofscotland.org.uk. Please refer to the Notice Board for more information.

The **Flower Calendar for 2019** is now in place and the dates are filling up very quickly.

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.

CHRISTMAS TOY APPEAL

Thank you to everyone who donated in any way to this year's appeal. All the toys have been given to the Health Visitors and local Women's Aid who will ensure they are distributed to the children in time for Santa.
MAGGIE WEIR

The New Wellwynd Parish Church of Scotland, Airdrie 16th December, 2018

PRAYER before Worship : Sovereign God, we thank you for all who have borne witness to your coming in Christ, all who have shared the faith so that others might come to know him. Help us now to play our part in the continuing ministry sharing what Christ means to those around us. Send us out in his name. Amen.

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

Two Candles are lit

A Season of Hope : Unpacking Advent **Third Sunday in Advent - Be joyful in Hope.**

** Entry of the Bible

Words of Welcome, Intimations and Introduction

Minister : Calm us, Lord "we trust in his holy name".

Leader : We light the third Advent candle . . .
. . . . "a crescendo of praise!"

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

Light a candle bright and tall
For a Joy this season brings.
Joy like fountains brimming full.
Through our world now let it ring!
Shine within our hearts today
Come, O Joy, to us, we pray.

Leader : "Mary said "all people will call me happy.""

Minister : LET US WORSHIP GOD!

** **Hymn 277**

Hark the glad sound! ...

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

Choir : "NIGHT of MIRACLES" by John W. Peterson

Reflection

**** Hymn 305** *In the bleak midwinter ...*

Prayer

Offering and Prayer of Dedication

**** Hymn 303** *It came upon the midnight clear ...*

**** BENEDICTION**

**** Threefold Amen**

Recessional *Now, Lord! according to thy word ...*

Now, Lord! according to thy word,
let me in peace depart;
mine eyes have thy salvation seen,
and gladness fills my heart.

This great salvation, long prepared,
and now disclosed to view,
hath proved thy love was constant still,
and promises were true.

(Scottish Paraphrases, 1781)

(St. Luke 2 : 29 - 32)

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

The **Duty Drivers** today are Jim and Lynn Dobbie.

Tea Fellowship Assistants are Julie Fleming and Moira Gartshore.

The **Traidcraft Stall** is open today. The assistants are Joyce Russell and Alister Weighton.

Thursday, 20/12/2018 - The **Joint Choir Rehearsal** is at 7:30 p.m. in the Church.

Friday, 21/12/2018 - The **Snack Bar** is closed today and there are no other Friday activities.

Sunday, 23/12/2018 - 11 a.m. - Nativity Sunday -
A Season of Hope: Unpacking Advent.
Advent 4: New Birth into a Living Hope.

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.

Tea Fellowship Assistants will be Bobby Forrest and Freda Gilchrist.

The **Duty Driver** will be Bill Clark.

The **Traidcraft Stall** will be open as usual. The assistants will be Maggie Weir and Irene Bremner.

At 7:30 p.m. the **Joint Carol Service** will take place in the church.

Monday, 24/12/2018 - 10 a.m. - **Christingle Factory** in the large hall.
6:30 p.m. - **Christingle Service** - *A Season of Hope: Unpacking Advent.*
11:30 p.m. - Christmas Eve **Watchnight Service** -
Making Room for the Saviour.

(Tea and coffee served beforehand with informal Carol Singing from 11:15 p.m. in the church.)

Tuesday, 25/12/2018 – 11:00 a.m. - **Christmas Day Service**
in St. Columba's Church.