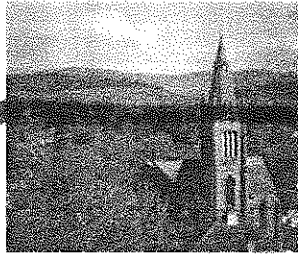
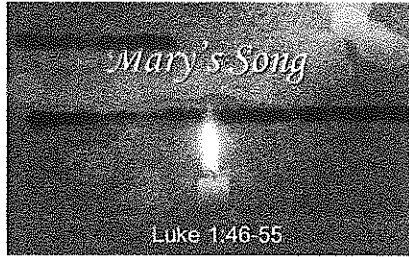


KIRKCUDBRIGHT PARISH CHURCH
ORDER OF SERVICE
Sunday 11 December 2016 - Third in Advent



9.30 a.m. Praise Band-led Service
"A Sermon" – Isaiah 40: 1-11 & Luke 3: 1-20 – Barcaple Team

Gathering Songs: "Mary's boy child" & "See Him lying on a bed of straw"
Welcome: Dave Crudgington
Opening Praise: "Light of the world", "Lord I lift your name on high" " Come on and celebrate"
Children's Talk: Rhys
Children's Song: "It was on a starry night"
Reading: Isaiah 40: 1-11 – Paul Harrison.
Reading: Luke 3: 1-20 – Andrew Boland
Sermon: Andy Wade.
"Reflective" song; "He became sin (Jesus Messiah) - Offering
Intercessory Prayer: Reid Harding
Closing Song: "The splendour of the King"
Blessing/Peace

11.00 a.m. Organ-led Service
Conducted by Rev. Marian Dixon – Reader: Ivor Waddell

CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN 352 "O for a thousand tongues to sing
PRAYER Adoration, Confession & Lord's Prayer
HYMN 285 "The angel Gabriel from heaven came"
READING Luke 1: 46b-55;

REFLECTION: Mary's song of praise

HYMN 286 "Tell out my soul"
READING Matthew 11:2-11

REFLECTION: The one who goes before

HYMN 533 "Will you come and follow me.

OFFERING

PRAYER

I dream of a better world, Lord, then shrink away from the real world.

There is too much to cope with.

How can I make any difference?

Yet with dreams and faith combined, I just might.

Revive my soul, O Lord; let your dream for humanity be mine,

And enable my hands, my tongue, all that I am, to work and witness for you.

HYMN 363 "We have a gospel to proclaim

BLESSING

Intimations Sunday 11 December 2016

Sunday School coincides with our 9.30 a.m. Service today. For those with younger children, the Vestry is available as a crèche facility. Sunday Prayers for our services and community concerns are held in the Vestry each Sunday, starting half an hour before the early service time, this morning at 9.00 a.m. Please join us for these opportunities to pray.

Prayer requests for people or situations of need may be (1) deposited this morning in the Prayer Box in the Vestibule, using prayer slips provided on the pews, or (2) shared in confidence at any time with Charlie & Elizabeth Bennett, [REDACTED] our Pastoral Care Convenors.

Our Locum Minister Rev. Marian Dixon [REDACTED]

Youth Worker – Rhys Loftus now has a dedicated e-mail for all youth and Church related items. kpcyouthworker@gmail.com

Kirk Session will meet this Tuesday 13 December in Church Vestry at 7.30 p.m. This is a meeting where important matters have to be considered concerning the vacancy. A full attendance would be beneficial to our Church moving forward.



Church e-mail system has not been working at the Manse this week if you have any intimations or questions about unanswered e-mails please speak to Ann Morgan today or e-mail annmorgan221@hotmail.com. Hopefully it will be working again next week.



Christmas Day Lunch will take place on Sunday 25th December 2016 - 12.15 for 12.30 p.m. and not on 24 December as printed in the Parish Newsletter – So sorry for the confusion !!

Please also note that Lunch Leaflets need to be filled in by 14 December to book for the Christmas Lunch.



The World Church Team raised £89.50 at the Christmas Wonderland last Saturday for "Medical Aid in Palestine" Thanks to all who helped and bought items from the stall.



Did you know that the Church of Scotland has its own online Advent calendar? Just click on the window and watch a short video based on a word that symbolises the meaning of Christmas. Have a look! churchofscotland.advent-calendar.net



A new rota for Coffee/Tea & Biscuits for Sunday mornings is about to be made up if anyone would like to go on the rota please contact the Manse Office and we would be very pleased to have you join us. Thank you.



Carol Service at Barcaple. All are welcome at Barcaple this evening 11 December at 5 p.m. for a Carol Service followed by mulled wine & mince pies/refreshments. If you need any information, please contact the office on 01557 820261. We look forward to seeing you all there.



Christmas Lantern Walk - A family walk in the forest with carols, good news and free refreshments. Sunday 18 December. Meet at Dalbeattie Town Wood Carpark at 4 p.m. – Bring along a torch or lantern.



Christmas Tree Fest continues with Entertainment as follows: Saturday 10th 11 a.m.-12 noon – Lyric Singers, singing carols and seasonal songs: come along, join in the mood for Christmas.

12 Dec - P5 Community Carol Singing in Church at 7 p.m.

18 Dec - Kirkcudbright Churches Together Carol Service in Church at 6 p.m.

20 Dec - Primary School Carols Service in Church at 10 a.m.

21 Dec – Academy Carol Service at 12 Noon



Flower Distributor for December 2016 is Lesley Milligan, [REDACTED] whom suggestions regarding Church flower deliveries this month can be made.

The Monday Group meet Mondays, at 10 a.m. to look at "Johns Letters". For more details, contact Kathleen Ramage. Tel: [REDACTED]

The Tuesday Fellowship meet on Tuesday evenings at 7.30 p.m. continuing studies on Judges for more details contact Gail Boland [REDACTED]. The Tuesday Morning Group meets at 10-00am at Daar Lodge. We are using a DVD and a Study Guide entitled Exploring the God Question, Science, God and the Search for Truth. Please contact Min Brown [REDACTED] for details.

The Tuesday Evening Group meet on Tuesdays at 7.30 p.m. For more details contact Pat Parker [REDACTED].

The Wednesday Evening Fellowship Group continues studying "The First Christmas". Please contact Ray Purdy [REDACTED] for venue & times. You will be made welcome at all group meetings.



"Heart for Art" Session will begin again on Tuesday 10 January, 2017, in the Church Hall, from 1.30 to 3.30 p.m.

Please use the following email address for all Kirkcudbright Parish Church business church@kirkcudbrightparishchurch.org.uk

The Manse Office will be open next week on Wednesday & Friday from 9.30 a.m. - 1.30 p.m.