

Newport-on-Tay Church of Scotland



Order of Service 8th December 2024 Second Sunday in Advent Service of Lessons and Carols

Introit

Welcome & Call to Worship

Carol 320 : Joy to the world, the Lord is come!

Prayer

Lesson 1 : Matthew 1 : 18 - 25

Carol 331 : Unto us a boy is born! [verses 1, 2 & 4]

Lighting of the Second Advent Candle

Children's Talk

Carol 310 : See him lying on a bed of straw [verses 1 - 3]

— Young People leave —

Anthem

Lesson 2 : Isaiah 9 : 2, 6 - 7

Lesson 3 : Luke 1 : 26 - 38

Carol 287 : No wind at the window [Tune : Cradle Song]

Lesson 4 : Luke 2 : 1, 3 - 7

Carol 304 : O little town of Bethlehem

Lesson 5 : Luke 2 : 8 - 20

Lesson 6 : Matthew 2 : 1 - 11

Carol 323 : The first Nowell the angel did say [omit verse 6]

Prayer

Talk

Carol 301 : Hark! the herald angels sing

Benediction & Threefold Amen

Intimations

1) Welcome

Our service today will be led by our minister, Rev Dr Amos Chewachong.

2) Christmas Gifts

Today is the last day for donations to the Toy Drive Christmas Appeal. Gifts received next Sunday (15th) will be donated to Tay FM's Mission Christmas Appeal. Gifts should be unwrapped and put in one of the donation boxes at the doors of the Church. If you are unable to buy a gift but would still like to contribute, then money can be given to Claire Owen. For more information please speak to Claire Owen.

3) Church Journal

The Winter edition of the Church Journal out now. If you do not normally receive a copy and would like to, please speak to the Welcome Team. Alternatively you can view it online at www.notchurch.co.uk

4) Wednesday Afternoon Club

The Wednesday Afternoon Club will run this Wednesday (11th) from 1.30pm to 3pm in the Agnes Duncan Room. As always there will be refreshments, tasty bits, good company and lots of chat! This is a lovely afternoon of socialising and meeting people - all are welcome. This week will be the last week this year and will restart again on Wednesday 8th January.

5) Vigil for Peace

The vigil continues on Thursdays at 7pm for about 10 minutes on the Church Green, Blyth Street, Newport-on-Tay. We are continuing to Zoom the Vigils. If you would like to join on Zoom please ask Neil Merrylees or Claire Owen for the link.

6) Community Chest

During December we will be supporting the Tay Bridgehead Foodbank. Please support this when you can by buying an extra item or two at your weekly shop. There is a box available every Sunday for donations. Suggested donations and more information can be found in the Journal.

7) Funday Sundays

If you would be willing to help support any Funday Sundays, particularly those during the Christmas and Easter holidays, please let Fiona Hutchinson know by emailing fionah2208@gmail.com This is an opportunity to share an activity with the children and for them to meet different adults in the church family. Example of activities include board games, origami, craft activities, baking, a sport or a scavenger hunt.

8) Daily Reflections

Our minister is recording a daily reflection which is being uploaded to the church website - <http://www.notchurch.co.uk/index.php/reflections/>

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9) Prayer Room

Our Church Prayer Room is a lovely quiet space available for reflection and prayer. It is available whenever the Church is open and you are encouraged to make use of it.

10) Post Office

The Pop-Up Post Office is running on Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:30 - 11:30am in the Kirk House Complex.

11) The Chosen

CFK Church are showing The Chosen, a historical drama based on the life of Jesus and those who knew him. It shares an authentic look at Jesus' revolutionary life and teachings. This is being shown in Luthrie Village Hall every Wednesday between 6:30pm and 8:00pm. Although the series started on Wednesday 23rd October it is running for 8 weeks and everyone is welcome to come any weeks they are available. It is a free event and everyone is invited.

12) Lights and Sounds Christmas Concert

The above concert will take place today, 8th December, at 2pm in Leuchars St Athernase Church. Hear St Andrews Community Choir performing beautiful Christmas classic songs! Tickets are £10 at the door with children under 12 free.

13) Coffee Morning

Wormit and Balmerino Guild will hold a Coffee Morning in the East Hall, Wormit, tomorrow, 9th December, from 10am - 11:30am. All are welcome.

Forthcoming Advent Services

Sunday 15th December	11am	Rev Dr A Chewachong
Sunday 22nd December	11am	Nativity Service led by our young people
Sunday 22nd December	6:30pm	Evening Service
Tuesday 24th December	11:30pm	Watchnight Service
Wednesday 25th December	11am	Service led by Rev Dr A Chewachong
Sunday 29th December	11am	Reflective Service led by Mr W Imlay

Please note : to give our technical helpers a break, the Watchnight Service and Christmas Morning Service will be in Church only, and will not be broadcast onto Zoom. Only the regular Sunday morning services will be 'Zoomed'.

Daily Readings

Monday 9th December : Isaiah 5 : 8 - 13

Tuesday 10th December : Isaiah 5 : 14 - 25

Wednesday 11th December : Isaiah 6 : 1 - 13

Thursday 12th December : Isaiah 7 : 1 - 9

Friday 13th December : Isaiah 7 : 10 - 25

Saturday 14th December : Isaiah 8 : 1 - 15

Quote of the week

Prayer is a strong wall and fortress of the church;
it is a goodly Christian weapon.

Martin Luther