

Newport-on-Tay Church of Scotland



Order of Service 10th December 2023 Second Sunday of Advent



Introit

Welcome & Call to Worship - Psalm 50 v 1 - 6

Hymn 132 : Immortal, invisible, God only wise

Prayer & The Lord's Prayer [Trespases]

Hymn 137 : All things bright and beautiful

Children's Address

Hymn 274 : Comfort, comfort now my people

— Young People leave —

Anthem

Readings : Ezekiel 14 v 12 - 23

Revelation 2 v 8 - 11

Read by Sheila Johnston

Hymn 334 : On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

Sermon

Hymn 547 : What a friend we have in Jesus

Prayer of Dedication and Intercession

The Apostles' Creed

Hymn 281 : People, look East. The time is near

Benediction
Threefold Amen

Intimations

1) Worship Leader

Our service this morning is led by our minister, Rev Dr Amos Chewachong.

2) Church Journal

The Winter edition of the Church Journal is now ready. 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

3) Magazine Fund Appeal

We are seeking financial donations to support the costs of our "Journal". Appropriate envelopes are in the pews. Please return these into the offering plate for the next few weeks. Alternatively donations can be made directly into our bank account; for details please contact Philip Owen.

4) Christmas Gifts

Many thanks to all those who donated gifts or money to the Toy Drive Christmas Appeal. If you missed this collection don't worry. We are continuing our collection of new gifts for disadvantaged children **until Sunday 17th December**, with these gifts going 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. For more information please see the Winter Journal or speak to Claire Owen.

5) Forthcoming Services

Sunday 17th December	11am	Nativity Service led by our Young People
Sunday 24th December	11am	Service of Lessons and Carols
Sunday 24th December	11:30pm	Watchnight Service
Monday 25th December	11am	Family Service led by Rev Dr A Chewachong
Sunday 31st December	11am	Reflective Service led by Mr W Imlay

6) Cleaner

The Church is looking for a cleaner for the Hall and Kirk House Complex. The work is for eight hours a week, which must fit around hall and room bookings. The post is temporary, but is likely to last at least three months. A specification for the job and details of pay are available. If you are interested please contact Graham Johnston at g.johnston606@btinternet.com or leave a message on 07724039844.

7) Post Office

Until Christmas, the Pop-Up Post Office will run on both Wednesdays AND Fridays from 9:30 - 11:30am in the Kirk House Complex.

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8) Daily Reflections

Our minister is recording a daily reflection which is being uploaded to the church website. You can listen to the reflections here

<http://www.notchurch.co.uk/index.php/reflections/>

9) Wednesday Afternoon Club

The Wednesday Afternoon Club will run this Wednesday (13th December) from 1.30pm to 3pm in the Agnes Duncan Room. There will be refreshments (tea/coffee and biscuits/baking), company and plenty of opportunity to chat. There is no charge, however if anyone wishes to make a donation then there will be a collection plate. There will then be a Christmas break and this club will return on Wednesday 10th January. If you would like to help in the New Year, please get in touch with Margaret Wright: Tel (01382) 543007.

10) Community Chest

This continues to be well supported and many thanks to all who have contributed. The appeal will continue for the time being so please support this when you can. Information is available in the Journal.

11) Prayer Room

Our Church Prayer Room (opposite the entrance to the kitchen) 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. Why not drop in before the church service for a quiet moment? The door may be closed to keep out the noise of kitchen traffic but just come in. Some may wish to pray out loud but there is no pressure to do so.

12) Ukraine Vigil

The Vigil continues on Thursdays at 7pm for about 15 minutes on the Church Green, Blyth Street, Newport-on-Tay.

13) Coffee Morning

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

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Daily Readings

Week Beginning

Monday 11th December 2023

Monday 11th December : Genesis 19 : 12 - 28

Tuesday 12th December : Romans 2 : 12 - 16

Wednesday 13th December : John 9 : 35 - 41

Thursday 14th December : Luke 19 : 11 - 28

Friday 15th December : Hebrews 10 : 26 - 31

Saturday 16th December : John 5 : 30

Quote of the week

In the face of adversity, do not be afraid of the trials ahead,
for steadfast faith, even to the point of death,
earns the crown of victory and the gift of eternal life.

Amos B. Chewachong

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