# **Newport-on-Tay Church of Scotland**



# Order of Service 1st December 2024 First Sunday in Advent



Introit Welcome & Call to Worship

Hymn 132: Immortal, invisible, God only wise

Prayer & The Lord's Prayer [Trespasses]

Hymn 185: Come, children, join and sing

Children's Address

Hymn 137: All things bright and beautiful

— Young People leave —

Anthem

Readings: Isaiah 49 v 7 - 18 [page 736] Luke 21 v 5 - 19 [page 1056] Read by Mandy Wilman

Hymn 279: Make way, make way, for Christ the King

Sermon

Hymn 273: O come, O come, Emmanuel

Prayer of Dedication and Intercession

The Apostles' Creed

Hymn: Stand up! stand up for Jesus

Benediction & Threefold Amen

#### **Intimations**

#### 1) Welcome

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

## 2) Next Sunday

Our Lessons and Carols service will be held next Sunday, 8th December, at 11am.

### 3) Church Journal

The Winter edition of the Church Journal is now ready for distributors to collect. 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 <a href="https://www.notchurch.co.uk">www.notchurch.co.uk</a>

#### 4) Christmas Gifts

We are once again collecting new gifts for the Toy Drive Christmas Appeal in North East Fife. The last date for donations is next Sunday, 8th December. 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 see the Winter Journal or speak to Claire Owen.

#### 5) Wednesday Afternoon Club

The Wednesday Afternoon Club runs on Wednesdays 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.

## 6) 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.

# 7) 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.

## 8) 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 <a href="mailto:fionah2208@gmail.com">fionah2208@gmail.com</a> 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.

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## 9) Daily Reflections

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

## 10) 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.

#### 11) Post Office

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

#### 12) 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.

## 13) Lights and Sounds Christmas Concert

The above concert will take place on Sunday 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.

## **Daily Readings**

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December :** 1 Corinthians 7 : 1 - 9

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December :** 1 Corinthians 7 : 10 - 16

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December: 1 Corinthians 7:17-24

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December :** 1 Corinthians 7 : 25 - 35

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December: 1 Corinthians 7:36-40

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December:** 1 Corinthians 8:1-1

## Quote of the week

Hope is the quiet strength that steadies the soul amid life's storms, reminding us that while the world may crumble, God's promises endure forever.

Rev Dr Amos B. Chewachong