INTIMATIONS

<u>WELCOME</u> to our Worship today. If you are visiting we hope you enjoy being with us, and we invite you to sign the Visitors' Book. <u>Tea and coffee will be served in the hall after the morning service.</u> The Church and hall have loop systems and those with hearing aids should switch to position 'T'. If you are able, please stand as the Bible is brought in and taken out.

<u>SUNDAY CLUB AND FYF</u> Sunday Club and FYF meet today at 10.50am. There is a Crèche for pre-school children each Sunday morning.

PRAYER GROUP The prayer meetings continue on Wednesday mornings at 10.00am in the small hall. John Fraser is leading them and if you would like them to pray for someone at those meetings please contact John on 861140. The Prayer Group are happy to pray for any requests which any of the congregation have. Feel free to put any in the box in the vestibule.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY Next meeting is on Wednesday 7th December at 1.30pm in the Church hall. We plan to look at Hebrews chapter 7 under the heading "Eternal Companion". It's not too late to join us even if you can't commit to every week. We'd love to have you with us.

PASTORAL CARE Please get in touch with the Team if you need some help. Contact can be made either through your elder or the co-ordinator, Janette Steele (01349 861591) and we will do our very best to assist.

<u>SEAFORTH HOUSE</u> There will be a time of worship this afternoon in Seaforth House, Maryburgh at 3pm which will take the form of a short Nativity Play with Carols. Anyone able to join us would be very welcome.

MIRIAM SINGERS You are invited to Rosskeen Parish Church for the Miriam Singers Christmas Carol concert. Do come along tomorrow evening 5th December at 7.30pm for an evening of joy and fun this Advent season.

GUILD Remember the Conon Hotel at noon for our Christmas Lunch. See you there.

KIRK SESSION The Kirk Session will meet at 7.00pm on Thursday 8th December in the Church hall. Copies of minutes and agendas have now been circulated, both electronically and on paper. Any Elder who has not received their copy should contact the Session Clerk as soon as possible.

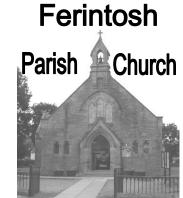
<u>PASTORAL DUTIES</u> Interim Moderator Rev'd Scott Polworth is available for pastoral cover and can be contacted on 01463 870259.

Services next Sunday

Morning Service at 11.00am with Mrs Irene Munro

Evening Service at 6.30pm with Mrs Irene Munro

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Order of Service

for

Sunday 4th December 2016

11.00am Morning Service

Rev'd Scott Polworth

Welcome and Intimations

Hymn: 120 'God we praise you. God we bless you'

Prayer

Hymn: 457 'All hail the power of Jesus' name!'

Reading Psalm 33 (page 560 in Bible)

Sermon

Hymn: 255 'Father, hear the prayer we offer'

Children's Address

Prayer

Hymn: 192 'All my hope on God is founded'

Benediction

Evening Service at 6.30pm with Rev'd Russell Smith

Welcome and Intimations

Hymn: 160 'Praise, my soul, the King of heaven'

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Hymn: 334 'On Jordan's bank'

Readings Psalm 14 (page 549 in Bible)

Luke 15: 1 - 10 (page 1048 in Bible)

Hymn: 277 'Hark the glad sound!'

Sermon

Hymn: 286 'Tell out, my soul'

Prayer

Hymn: 512 'To God be the glory'

Benediction

RIVER CAFÉ The next River Cafe takes place in the Church Hall on Wednesday 14th December from 2pm-3.30pm. Why not drop in for some tea/coffee, home baking and the all important chat. There will be a small sales table of Christmas decorations available and you may even find that "special gift" you've been looking for. We look forward to seeing you there.

FLOWER CALENDAR 2017 The Flower Calendar rota is being prepared for next year and there are currently vacant dates in January, October and November. If you feel you can fill one of these dates please put your name and phone number against the date available. It is not necessary for flowers to be arranged. The proposed calendar can be found on the table at the back of the Church. For further information please contact Jeannette Cameron 01463 870416.

KILDARY KROAKERS All singers are warmly invited to join the Kildary Kroakers for a fun 'from scratch' performance of Roger Jones's popular musical While Shepherds Watched. The rehearsal will run from 2.30-4.30pm on Saturday 10th December in Logie Church. There will be no auditions and both words and music copies will be available to borrow for the day. After a break, the performance will start at 6pm and will be followed by light refreshments, so even if you don't sing, you can come and enjoy the music and fellowship. There will be a retiring collection, to be shared by Christian Music Ministries and Kilmuir & Logie Easter Church of Scotland. We would be pleased to see anybody who would be interested in joining us for this performance.

MARYBURGH FREE CHURCH CAROL SERVICE It was advertised in the Conon Craic that Maryburgh Free Church would be holding a Christmas Carol Service on Saturday 17th December at 6pm. However, due to unforeseen circumstances we have had to change our date to Friday 23rd December at 6.30pm.

SCOUT CHRISTMAS POST Conon and Maryburgh Scouts are once again running the Christmas Scout Post on Saturday, 10th December from 10am to 12 noon. Christmas cards can only be dropped off for delivery within the 30mph signs in the villages of Maryburgh or Conon Bridge. The cost per card remains at 15p per card. Cards can be dropped off at either the Maryburgh Amenities hall or the Church hall in Conon Bridge on the morning of the 10th. Note, same day delivery is not guaranteed. Tea/Coffee with Mince Pies and Shortbread will be on sale throughout the morning. For more information, please contact Corinna (on 867880) or Lauren (on 863794).

HIGHLAND FOODBANK Have you thought of a reverse Advent Calendar? Instead of getting something from the Calendar, why not put something for the Foodbank into a box/bag/basket each day of Advent to help those in need this season.



<u>Please take this home with you to</u> help you with your prayers this week.

Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns. Revelation 19: 6

- † Give thanks for all the freedoms we have as Christians in our country today. Pray for those who are persecuted for their faith throughout the world. Pray in December for those in the Philippines, Pakistan, Laos and China. Pray for wisdom for the Filipino government as it attempts to curb the extremist threat. Pray that it will ensure that religious rights are upheld as it cracks down on extremism.
- † Pray today for all those who mourn those known to yourself and those we don't know personally. Pray that God will be especially close to them during their sad days.
- Pray for the world of sport and football in particular as it comes to terms with the atrocities of the past. Help your peacemakers to be useful in these dark times and reconciliation to be possible after the hurt. Pray too for the families of those lost in the plane crash in Columbia and ask God to lay His healing hands on those who were injured.
- † Help us, Lord, to praise you when we have been blessed and to remember those blessings when times are hard. Lord, as we rejoice in your blessings, help us to walk your way in humility, knowing that we cannot see the future not fully evaluate the past.

Rejoice in all the promises that god has made to us in Christ Jesus.