

INTIMATIONS

WELCOME to our Worship today. If you are visiting we hope you enjoy being with us, and we invite you to sign the Visitors' Book. Tea and coffee will be served in the hall after the service. 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.

SUNDAY CLUB AND FYF Sunday Club and FYF are on holiday until Sunday 14th January. There is a Crèche for pre-school children each Sunday morning.

PRAYER GROUP Prayer meetings continue on Wednesday mornings at 10am in the Church hall. Prayer is the essential powerhouse of the Church and your participation would be greatly valued. The small group is very friendly and there is no pressure to pray aloud if you do not wish to.

PASTORAL CARE Remember, there are willing helpers out there ready to be of assistance. Contact either your elder or the coordinator, Janette Steele (01349861591) and we will do our very best to help.

HIGHLAND FOODBANK Sadly, our contributions are more necessary than ever. Please give generously so that those who have to make hard decisions about food or heating may feel less worried. Your donations make such a difference. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE Christmas Greetings have been received from Andy and Margaret Graham. They read:

"To all our friends at Ferintosh, Wishing you all a happy and peaceful Christmas and every blessing for 2018. Andy and Margaret"

PASTORAL DUTIES Rev'd Russel Smith can be contacted on 861011 if required for any Pastoral duties.

Christmas Services with Rev'd Russel Smith

24th December – Watchnight Service at 11.30pm

25th December – Christmas Morning Family Service at 11.00am

31st December – Morning Service at 11.00am

7th January – Communion Service at 11.00am

Ferintosh Parish Church



Order of Service

for

Sunday 24th December 2017

11.00am

Morning Service

Rev'd Russel Smith

Welcome and Intimations

Carol 23 'O little town of Bethlehem'

Prayer

Carol 20 'The first Noel'

Reading

Carol 8 'Hark! the herald angels sing'

Sermon

Carol 17 'Silent night'

Prayer

Carol 14 'Oh come all ye faithful' (*not last verse*)

Benediction

Watchnight Service at 11.30pm with Rev'd Russel Smith

Carol 16 'Once in Royal David's city'

Carol 19 'See amid the winter snow'

Carol 17 'Silent night'

Carol 8 'Hark! the herald angels sing'

Carol 14 'O come all ye faithful'

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Carol 11	'It came upon a midnight clear'
Carol 5	'Good Christians all rejoice'
Carol 8	'Hark! the herald angels sing'
Carol 12	'Joy to the world'

But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship. Galatians 4: 4-5

- † As we gather for worship today, Father, there is excitement in the air, a song on our lips and joy in our hearts. Help us to remember why we celebrate Christmas. May the Word which was made flesh be heard in our worship. May Christ be born again in this congregation and in the life of each person here. May the love of Christmas fill the church and the peace of Christmas fill our hearts, through Jesus Christ our Lord. (From Prayers before Worship)
- † Heavenly Father, please comfort the people who won't be happy this Christmas: those who won't receive any presents, or even Christmas cards; those who won't have the money to buy presents they would love to give their friends; those who won't have a Christmas dinner, or won't get the things they are longing for; and for those who will be sad because someone they love will not be with them. (Zinnia Bryan)

† Christmas Joy

Let Christmas come into our world
And bring us warmth and cheer.
Bring us faith in place of doubt
And strength in place of fear.
Bring us hope and bring us love
To guide our hearts forever
Let Christmas come into our world
And bring us all together. (Cathie Aitken)

***Ah, dearest Jesus, holy Child,
Make thee a bed, soft, undefiled,
Within my heart, that it may be
A quiet chamber kept for thee. (Martin Luther 1483- 1546)***