

LOGIE & ST. JOHN'S (CROSS) PARISH CHURCH
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER: 28th November 2021



WEEKLY SUNDAY SERVICE at 11am

MINISTER: REV. G. MACLAUGHLAN

Only five weeks to go! Yes, 2022 is only five weeks away. I wonder what lies in store for us all. Time will tell. In the meantime, we enter the period we call Advent, the first season of the church year. The Church of Scotland are offering a virtual advent calendar to view each day from 1st December. Details can be found here: <https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/worship/advent>

'Light in the Darkness' is the theme inspired by John 1:5

'The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.'

CONNECT WITH A CUPPA

We successfully met in the Hall after the service last week and will continue with same set up over the coming weeks. Tea, coffee and wrapped (chocolate) biscuits will be provided. This is a great opportunity to meet with others and catch up. Please try to bring your own cup (for covid safety reasons) although disposable cups will be available if you forget.



CHRISTMAS CHOIR



If you would like to join our ad hoc choir for Christmas, please speak to Bill Mclean. No audition necessary! The choir will sing at the Carol Service on 19th December. Rehearsals started last Sunday but newcomers will be warmly welcomed. If keen to join wait behind at the end of the service.

CONNECT WITH THE BIBLE

'Connect with the Bible' continues at 7.30pm on Tuesday 30th November. This week is the last in the series 'Fruits of the Spirit'. The topic for discussion is 'self-control'. The Zoom link is available from administrator@logies.org.

THE GUILD

The Guild meets again on Wednesday 1st December at 2pm in the Memorial Hall.

Grant is going to take everyone on a tour of his ministry to date.

All welcome- why not take this opportunity to get to know our new minister. Bring a mug if possible.

PASTORAL CARE

If you, or anyone you know, needs pastoral care then please contact Rev Grant Maclaughlan by email or phone. Or contact our Session Clerk, Mike Duffy, by emailing sessionclerk@logies.org Finally, you can leave a message on the church answerphone T: 01382 668514

PLANNING FOR CHRISTMAS EVENTS



We are delighted that this year we can plan for safe Christmas events, whilst still taking into consideration Covid restrictions. It's a busy calendar of events which we hope you will support and invite friends, family and neighbours to but they also need 'helping hands' to be successful events. If you were in church on Sunday 21st you will have been given a sheet asking you to indicate if and when you could help. If you have not already done so, please hand back your form to Mike Duffy or Ramanee Bengough letting them know what you could do.

WEST END CHRISTMAS



The West End Christmas fortnight returns for the 21st time in 2021 and there are many community events being held from 27th November – 11th December. One event happening this week is the Christmas Market on Thursday 2 December, 4pm – 8pm at the Community Fridge/Millers Wynd Car Park.

A BLUE CHRISTMAS

We recognise that Christmas is not an easy time for many people! Whilst the TV adverts suggest it's a time of families gathering, food being enjoyed, presents being exchanged, the reality for many of us is quite different.

It can be a time when we feel alone and isolated; or we experience grief and sorrow because a loved one has died; or we struggle because a family disagreement means we are not able to all be together. Christmas can be difficult!



On the 19th of December from 6pm-8pm in the Church Entrance we are going to have a space for quiet reflection. It will be a place where you can sit quietly with your own thoughts; light a candle to remember someone; write a prayer and there will be space for you to share your story if you want with someone who will be happy to listen.

If you would like some quiet space, come along. If you know someone who might appreciate some quiet space this Christmas, let them know what we are planning.





At this time for some people, the greatest gift is having space to be still and to remember.



FOR OUR YOUNG MEMBERS (AND YOUNG AT HEART)

An Advent challenge.

Each day, from 1st December, read the Bible verse for that day, write it in the box and uncover the story leading to the birth of Jesus.

More next week.

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Luke 1:26	 Luke 1:30	Luke 1:31	 Luke 1:32

Luke 1:38	5	 6	7
	Luke 2:1	Luke 2:3	