

Welcome

to the



- a congregation of the
Church of Scotland International Presbytery

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Daily Bible Readings

Monday, December 31: Psalm 147:12-20; 1 Kings 3:5-14; John 8:12-19

Tuesday, January 1, 2019: Psalm 8; Numbers 6:22-27; Matthew 25:31-46

Wednesday, January 2: Psalm 147:12-20; Proverbs 1:1-7; James 3:13-18

Thursday, January 3: Psalm 72; Job 42:10-17; Luke 8:16-21

Friday, January 4: Psalm 72; Isaiah 6:1-5; Acts 7:44-53

Saturday, January 5: Psalm 72; Jeremiah 31:7-14; John 1:10-18

A Benediction for the New Year

The blessing of the One who was, who is, and who is to come
be upon you all, redeeming your past,
filling your present, lighting up your future.

In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Ian Cowie

in 'Hay & Stardust' (Wild Goose Publications)

ORDER OF SERVICE

for Sunday 30 December 2018

Sunday 30th December 2018
The 1st Sunday after Christmas



Call to Worship (congregational lines in **bold**)
We gather, on this first Sunday after Christmas,
the Christian family in this place:
to worship together –
to sing praise to God, to listen for his word,
to bring him our concerns,
to admit where we've gone wrong;
and still to celebrate God coming among us
in the child born in Bethlehem.

Welcome followed by Prayer of Praise

Hymn 303 It came upon the midnight clear

Message for the Children (of all ages!)

Hymn 300 The Virgin Mary had a baby boy

Prayer of Confession - Elder - and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven

hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.

Hymn 295 Who would think that what was needed

Reading: Colossians 3: 12 - 17 (p. 1184)
followed by Reflection

Hymn 694 Brother, sister, let me serve you

Reading: Luke 2: 41 - 52 (p.1028)
followed by Reflection

MP 62 Born in the night, Mary's child

Offering

Prayer of Dedication, Thanksgiving and Intercession

Church News

Hymn: Come and hear the joyful singing (Tune:Nos Galan)

1. Come and hear the joyful singing, Alleluia, gloria,
set the bells of heaven ringing: Alleluia, gloria,
God the Lord has shown us favour – alleluia, gloria,

Christ is born to be our Saviour. Alleluia, gloria!

2. Angels of his birth are telling, alleluia, gloria,
prince of peace all powers excelling; alleluia, gloria,
death and hell cannot defeat him: alleluia, gloria,
go to Bethlehem and greet him. Alleluia, gloria!
3. Choir and people, shout in wonder, alleluia, gloria,
let the merry organ thunder; alleluia, gloria,
thank our God for love amazing, alleluia, gloria,
Father, Son and Spirit praising. Alleluia, gloria.

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Closing responses -

Mysterious God, confounding our expectations,
meeting us where we least expect to find you,

GO WITH US NOW.

Child of the manger, healing our pain, sharing our weakness,

GO WITH US NOW.

Source of life, birth of God within our own experience,

GO WITH US NOW.

Go with us in our frailty, stay with us on our journey,

**WALK BESIDE US, LIVE WITHIN US,
LEAD US TO GLORY, LEAD US HOME.**

Benediction and 3-fold Amen

**Next Sunday - 6th January - worship for Epiphany
including the Sacrament of Holy Communion**

and followed by the

Soup & Christmas Pudding Lunch

Complete your Christmas celebrations

by coming along to share a time of fellowship!

Are you in need of prayer or pastoral care?

Or do you know someone who is? Please put your requests in the prayer box on Sundays. Prayers can also be sent via the Prayer Coordinator, Irene Jardine, at pray.sicr@gmail.com

For pastoral care or a visit by an Elder or Minister, contact your Elder, the Church Office or the Minister.

What's on the agenda?

Sunday 6 January Sacrament of Holy Communion at 10.30am
followed by Soup & Christmas Pudding Lunch

Sunday 13 January Service at 10.30am -
following which there will be an opportunity to
remain behind for individual prayer at the front
of the Church.

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Church news announced by the Elder 30.12.18

Please take the Order of Service home, so you can refer to it for our activities over the coming weeks and follow the Daily Bible reading shown on the front.

We will start the New Year on January 6th with a Festive Epiphany and Communion Service, followed by a Soup and Christmas Pudding Lunch.

We give thanks to the Lord that we were able to host all our Christmas Services as planned. Thanks also to all those that helped organizing.

There is a fresh list for Bible Reading and Bringing Flowers for 2019 on the Notice Board.

Today the Baiye family will provide some extended hospitality on account of the first birthday of Royce Nteleah, who was dedicated in this church, earlier this year.

If you didn't hear these announcements correctly, find them on the notice board with a copy to take away.