

The holly and the ivy glad news to all folk bring;
and we light the Advent candles to welcome Christ the King.

Oh ONE is for God's people in every age and place,
who are watching for his coming
to receive his truth and grace.

And TWO is for the prophets and for the light they bring;
they are candles in the darkness, all ablaze for Christ the King.

And THREE for John the Baptist Whose message now we sing,

Oh, make ready for God's chosen One, He is coming,
Christ the King!

And FOUR for Mother Mary who shows us all the way
to receive God's word by singing, "I believe you - and obey."

Oh, the rising of the Son, and the dawning of his day!
And we light his Christmas Candle to greet our Lord's birthday.

Lord by your presence

Light up the past

That we might learn from it

Light up the present

That we might live in it with love

Light up the future

That we might prepare for it in hope

As we watch, wait and pray, help us

Please to meet with you Jesus for

You are always with us.

Amen

(Flowers donated today by Justine Lawton)

20 DECEMBER 2015

Bible Verse

CAROL 306 **O come all ye faithful**

Welcome and Intimations

Advent Candle, Prayer and Song

Introduction

Narrator

Reading Luke 1:26-33 (page 73)

Read today by Fiona Corbett

Narrator

Reading Luke 2:3-7 (page 75)

CAROL 302 **It was on a starry night**

Narrator

Reading Luke 2:8-16 (page 75)

CAROL 321 **Come and join the celebration**

Narrator

Reading Matthew 2:1-2 (page 4)

Narrator

Reading Matthew 2:3-6 (page 4)

CAROL 306 **O little town of Bethlehem**

Narrator

Reading Matthew 2:7-10 (page 4)

Narrator

Reading Matthew 2:11 (page 4)

Offering We three kings

Blessing

Reflection

God has made a way

Conclusion

Prayer of Intercession

CAROL 320 **Joy to the world**

Blessing

Pray Together

Where – The Meeting Room Who – Everyone. When – Wednesdays 7-8pm

Come and go as you can. Praying together is vital for God's work through us, His church, to flourish. Silent or vocal, God hears our prayers and helps us understand what He wants us to do.

This week we shall be praying for our members in Ettrick Road, Murison Hill, Ettrickhaugh Road, Priory Park, The Priory and Linglie Road and for the Elder/Visitor Mr Colin MacIntosh.

Today....

- **Thornfield Service** will be at 2.30pm **TODAY**.
- **Life and Work** January issue is in the Meeting House.

This week....

- **The Advent Banner** will be in church throughout Advent. You are invited to bring small gifts for folk who will be in hospital over Christmas. Present should be non-edible, wrapped and marked Male or Female. Many thanks.
- **Church Christmas Card** Throughout December, there will be a large card in the Meeting House if you would like to write greetings to your church friends, instead of sending individual cards. A donation can be left for Shelter.

Further ahead....

- **Selkirk Church Friends** will meet on the 5th January 2016 at 2pm.

General notices....

- **Food Bank** – Items of food, especially small packets of cereal, sugar, tea bags, juice, jam, tins of meat and fish, veg and fruit, packs of rice and pasta, tinned custard, rice pudding, sponge pudding, tinned potatoes or instant mash and toilet roll. The Coop have also kindly offered a trolley in the store for donations to be made.

Christmas Services

24 th	7pm	Living Nativity, Market Place
	7.30pm	Carol Singing, Market Place
	8pm	Refreshments, Meeting House
	8.30pm	Churches Together Service, Selkirk Parish Church
	11.15pm	Watchnight Service, Ashkirk Parish Church
25 th	10.30am	Celebrate Christ's Birthday, Selkirk Parish Church

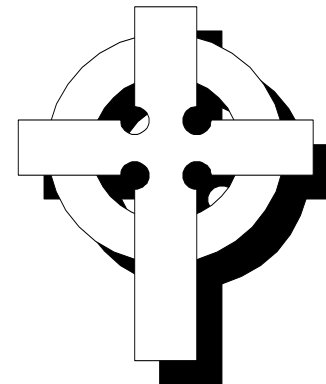
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**Before the service, speak to God.
During the service, let God speak to you
After the service, speak to one another.**

Sunday Worship 10.15 am

Mid-week Service 11am Wednesday

Taste and See, Worship for all 10th January 4pm

Welcome to our service, especially if you are a visitor.

Please join us for tea and coffee afterwards

Fire Precautions: In the event of fire the congregation should calmly leave the building by the nearest exit and go to the rallying point at the Victoria Hall.

Please be aware of hot pipes under the pews

There are toys available in the Meeting House for children to play with. The Service is relayed there. Parents, please feel free to go out if you wish – a break for the children.