

January 2019

Sunday 6th

10.00 a.m. Morning Worship in The Baxter Hall, Eastriggs
11.15 a.m. Morning Worship in Annan Old

- 7 January – Friendship Club in the Hall, at 12.30 p.m.
- 7 January – Singing Group resumes, in the Hall, at 7.00 p.m.
- 8 January - Sew What in the Hall, at 10.00 a.m.
- 8 January - The Guild, in the Hall, at 7.00 p.m. Speaker: Lorna Adamson – ‘Living in Tanzania’
- 13 January – Sunday School resumes in the Hall, at 11.00 a.m.
- 17 January – Kirk Session Meeting, in the Hall, at 7.00 p.m.
- 22 January – The Guild, in the Hall, at 7.00 p.m. Speaker: Dr. Susan Tilley, who will share her thoughts about the Discussion Topic – ‘The Unexpected Journey’

If you do not have transport and cannot get a lift to Church but would like to come – just ‘phone **07391 722 225** on a Sunday morning for the complimentary taxi and **Fox’s Taxi** will pick you up and take you home again after Church.

Remember to inform the Minister, an Elder or Alasdair Campbell of any member who is in hospital, so that they can receive a visit if they don’t know they can’t go!

The 2019 Flower List is now in the Session Room – if you would be willing to provide flowers for the Sanctuary on a particular Sunday, please write your name beside your chosen date. The flowers are then distributed to folks who are unable to come to Church, Thank you.

Remember to bring the stamps from your Christmas mail, and give them to Jennifer for the World Mission Project - The Reformed Church in Transcarpathia (Ukraine) helps to run a number of day care centres which provide educational, emotional, and physical support for children and young people with disabilities.

*..and I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year;
“Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown”
And he replied:
“Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the
Hand of God.
That shall be to you better than light and safer
than a known way.*

Happy New Year.

Elders scheduled for duty next Sunday (6.1.19)
Campbell Jackson, Susan Bicket, Nettie Taylor, Irene Halkyard



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Sunday, 30th December, 2018
Lessons & Carols, led by the Singing Group



A very warm welcome everyone, and a special welcome to all Visitors worshipping with us this morning.

We hope to be a welcoming, open congregation. Please feel free to be yourself and join in where you are comfortable. If you’d like to know more about us and our faith, please speak to someone who welcomed you at the door when you came in.

Welcome and Intimations

Call to worship

Carol 11

O little town of Bethlehem

Prayers

The Lord’s Prayer

Reading. Luke Ch.1 v/v 39 to 55

Singing Group.

Love came down at Christmas

Carol 24

The rocking carol

Reading : The Peace child

Singing Group

The Peace carol

Reading : Once in royal.....

Carol 15

Once in royal David’s city

Reading : The shepherds

Singing Group

Sweet Bells

Carol 25

We three kings

Reading: Matthew Ch.2 v/v 1 to 15 from the Message

Singing Group

Carol of the Epiphany

Please turn over....

Carol 14

Still the night

Prayers for others and prayer of remembrance

Offering

Prayer of dedication

Carol 20

As with gladness men of old

Benediction and Blessing

Amen, Amen, Alleluia, Amen.

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*Please join us in the Hall,
for a cup of tea/coffee after the Service*

ONGOING APPEALS Please prayerfully consider supporting them...

Used stamps for World Mission Project... Please keep the stamps from your mail and give them to Jennifer to benefit this year's project – The Reformed Church in Transcarpathia b(Ukraine) helps to run a number of day care centres which provide educational, emotional, and physical support for children and young people with disabilities. The Stamp Appeal will support the young people to live life in all its fullness, and to enjoy opportunities to participate in society and family life. See posters - at both doors. For more details about the Care Centres, go to our Church website – annanoldparishchurch.co.uk – click on Events, then 'Special Events'.

Dried and Tinned Food for the Food Bank . Kate's Kitchen are asking if we could donate food for food parcels as they are anticipating a rise in requests because of Pinney's closure. They are looking for dried goods and long life goods, but will accept any donations. There is a box in the Hall vestibule for donations or they could be taken to the Beacon, Bank Street.

Items for women and children – to be passed to Women's Aid, Dumfries, who take care of women and children who often arrive at one of the Centres with only the clothes they are wearing – having left home suffering from physical, sexual, emotional or financial abuse. Donations of toiletries, nappies, good quality clean clothing, underwear, nightdresses, tinned and dried food for making up food parcels etc. would be gratefully received. For further information please speak to Jennifer or Alan Dodds, who would also forward your donations.

Provide Flowers for the Sanctuary – later to be distributed to the ill, housebound and bereaved, or donate to the Flower Fund – there is a box at each door – to finance Sundays when flowers are not being provided by members. See Alison Jackson for more details.

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Let us build a house – House Building Project in Nepal, to rebuild communities after the 2015 Earthquake. Donations can be given anytime to John Bicket, Church Treasurer.

PRAYERS

Please continue to pray, right after your lunch today, for our Church, Minister, Kirk Session and Church Organisations, Pray for the Guidance of the Holy Spirit and strengthened Fellowship within our Church, and pray that whatever the future holds, that God's will be done.

Pray for our Minister, **Rev. David Whiteman**, and for **Alasdair Campbell** our shared Pastoral Assistant.

Pray for our Presbytery - Remember the Presbytery Clerk, **Rev. Adam Dillon**, the Presbytery Moderator for 2018-2019, **Mr. S. Jeff Brown**, from Moffat, and for our Presbytery Elders, **Jennifer Dodds** from Annan Old and **Eddie Clark** from Dornock.

Please pray for the **Academy and Primary School Chaplains, in Annan**, as they continue their mission with the young folk of the town.

Remember in your prayers **Fridays in Faith**, the monthly 'spin off' from the Holiday Club. It is a time when families can come together to explore our faith in a safe, happy environment – learning through fun, craft work, games, food, etc. Pray for the Leaders, helpers and all the families who attend. **VENUE: The Hub, Ednam Street**, on the first Friday of each month. The theme for this year is 'Love is the answer'. Everyone welcome.

PLEASE PRAY.....

Jesus said, "Let your light shine" - Read Matthew 5 v 16

This week, please pray for God's Blessing on the people living in the following streets in Annan.

Shawhill Court	Shawhill Road	Silverhill
Silverlaw	Silverlaw Crescent	Silvermount

Pray too for the people living in the following Streets in Eastriggs/Dornock

Vancouver Drive	Vancouver Place	Vancouver Road
Victoria Gardens	Winnipeg Way	

We may not know any of the people living there, but God knows and loves them all.

From Pray for Scotland

FUTURE OUTLOOK

'For I know the thoughts that I think toward you,' says the Lord, "thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call upon Me and go and pray to Me, and I will listen to you.' Jeremiah 29:11-12 (New King James Version)

Almighty God, time is in Your hands; You know every detail of the future. Help us to submit our lives to You through prayer and trusting in Your grace and mercy. May Your kingdom come and Your will be done through Your Church. Amen.

Thank God for the blessings He has given over the past year, in good times and bad: material provision, health and strength, wisdom and guidance, and loving supportive relationships. Pray that these memories will continue to comfort and inspire us.

NEW YEAR'S DAY

Lord, please protect us over the coming year – in our individual lives, families and communities and across this nation. Grant wisdom to those in positions of influence and leadership as they govern and serve our land, and help those in need. Amen.

Remember people as they return to their jobs and studies. For some, this will be difficult, whilst others relish the opportunities ahead. Pray for them to receive God's wisdom, patience and integrity as they resume the rhythm of work and the relationships there.

Continue to pray about the Brexit negotiations, remembering key players: Prime Minister Theresa May; Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union; Jeremy Hunt, Foreign Secretary; and those negotiating for the EU.

Give thanks for the increasing investment and success in producing clean, renewable energy and eliminating pollutants in our oceans, waterways and on land. Pray for rapid progress so that environmental damage can be reduced.

Remember anyone you know who is beginning a new chapter in their lives during 2019. Ask God to bless their best endeavours in studying, working, family, and with creative, personal and spiritual goals.

From CARE Prayer Diary

