



Ferryhill Parish Church

The Church of Scotland

Advent 2
10 December 2017
11 a.m.



You are very welcome to Ferryhill Parish Church. Please sit wherever you like. If you are visiting then please sign the visitors' book in the foyer. Children are always welcome and the foyer is available during the service should you wish to use it.

Please note that we are experimenting with live streaming of worship. If you do not wish to be seen on the broadcast stream, the seating below the gallery and in the gallery is beyond the view of the cameras.

Today's worship is led by:

Mary Whittaker (Probationer)
Graeme Roberts (Reader)
Kevin Haggart (Organist)
Yvonne Haig (Beadle)

The flowers today are donated by Ian and Dianne Cumming, remembering their parents with love.



Gathering Praise Take this moment CH 501

Call to Worship:

Leader: We wait with God in the stillness,
All: we wait for the breath of the Spirit,
 Leader: we come from a world of weariness,
All: we come into the breath of the Spirit,
 Leader: let our souls awake with the breath of the Spirit,
All: so we can come and worship Emmanuel, God with us.

Praise O come, O come, Emmanuel CH 273

Welcome and Church Notices

Lighting the Second Advent Candle

Praise The Candles At Advent

Words: Cecilia Young

Music: Peter Johnston

1. The candles at Advent as Christmas draws near;
 their strong and unfaltering flames we hold dear.
 And each has a message God's promise reminds,
 in sending our Saviour, whose life to us binds.
2. The first of the candles brings Hope with its light,
 through times of despair or whatever our plight.
 When reaching to touch its most delicate ray,
 the faithful and trusting through him find the way.

*Light of darkness, Hope is to come,
 for God will send his Son.
 Hope everlasting when he shall come down,
 the long awaited One.*
3. The Love that this candle tells of shall endure;

is always forgiving, and caring and sure.
 Our Lord is to come and he comes us to lead:
 to teach us to love in our word and our deed.

*Light of darkness, Love is to come,
 for God will send his Son.
 Love everlasting when he shall come down,
 the long awaited One.*

Opening Prayer

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 the wrong we have done,
 as we forgive those who have wronged 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 forever. Amen.

LIFE

Wordsearch

All-Age Message Let little children come to me

The Baptism of Ben Stuart Williams

Prayer

The Sacrament of Baptism

The Blessing The Lord bless you and keep you;
 the Lord make his face to shine upon you;
 and be gracious unto you;
 the Lord lift up his countenance upon you

and give you peace.

Presentation

Prayer

Praise

We your children

Words and Music: Stephen Fischbacher/ Fischy Music 2014

1. You are the one who will call us,
you are the one who will draw us,
you will always be for us,
you are our God.
2. You are the one who will find us,
you are the one who's behind us,
you will always remind us,
you are our God.

*We, your children, come to you
we, your children, run to you.*

3. You are the one who will lift us,
you are the one who forgives us,
you will always be with us,
you are our God.
4. You are the one who will call us,
you are the one who will draw us,
you will always be for us,
you are our God.

*We, your children, come to you,
we, your children, run to you.*

Children leave for Sunday Club

Reading

Ezekiel 37: 1-14

Praise	Breath on me, breath of God	CH 596
Message	El-Shaddai	
The Offering		
Offering Praise	El-Shaddai	MP 119

Words and music: John Thompson and Michael Card

El-Shaddai, El-Shaddai

El-Elyon na Adonai

*age to age you're still the same
by the power of the name.*

El-Shaddai, El-Shaddai

Erkamka na Adonai

*we will praise and lift you high,
El-Shaddai.*

1. Through your love and through the ram
you saved the son of Abraham.
Through the power of your hand,
turned the sea into dry land.
To the outcast on her knees
you were the God who really sees,
and by your might you set your children free.
El-Shaddai, El-Shaddai...
2. Through the years you made it clear,
that the time of Christ was near.
Though the people couldn't see
what Messiah ought to be.
Though your word contained the plan
they just could not understand.
Your most awesome work was done
through the frailty of your son.

El-Shaddai, El-Shaddai...

Act of Dedication

Please remain standing

God we commit ourselves to breathing deeply
of all the life that you give
so that we may be equipped
to heal the brittleness of our world
with the healing power of your Spirit
until we are one as you are one,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Prayers for Others and Ourselves

Praise

All my hope on God is founded

CH 192

Sending

God of the waiting:
blow through us
to walk bravely
and speak boldly
wherever we are this week.
In the name of God:
Creator,
Immanuel,
Breath

Sung Amen

Amen, amen, alleluia, amen.
Amen, amen, alleluia, amen.



1. **The Cosy House:** A reminder that **tonight's Cosy House** youth group will be a pizza and film night, **6:30 p.m.** at the **Manse (54 Polmuir Road)**.
2. **Bon-Accord Silver Band:** Come along to the **Sanctuary this evening at 7 p.m.** for a concert of traditional and modern Christmas classics. There will be plenty of opportunity for you to sing along to your favourite carols and mince pies and mulled wine will be available at the interval and will be included in your ticket (£8/£5) price. Feel free to wear a festive jumper too!
3. **The Guild:** Get your gladrags on for our Christmas party on **Wednesday 13 December at 7:00 p.m.** in the **Foyer**. All welcome. **Please note this is an earlier start than usual.**
4. **The freewill offering envelopes** for 2018 are now available. Can Area Care Teams please collect from the Foyer and arrange for their distribution before the end of the year. Thank you.
5. **The Big Christmas Card:** Why not support our Christmas Charities, The Living Well Project and the Vine Trust, and pass on good wishes to your friends in the congregation by signing the "Big Christmas Card" in the foyer and making a donation. Many folk find this a suitable alternative to sending individual cards and at the same time helping others in our community and overseas.
6. **Traidcraft Stall:** If you are thinking about making your cake, pudding or mincemeat for Christmas, we have a lovely selection of dried fruit - raisins, sultanas and mixed dried fruit. If you prefer to buy your Christmas goodies, we have small Christmas cakes and home made mincemeat on the stall. Puddings can be ordered from the website. Traidcraft also sell Christmas hampers full of special Christmas treats. Speak to the team at the stall to order.
7. **Instant Neighbour:** Please continue to bring donations of non-perishable food items and toiletries to support those in need in our community.

Useful Information



Eco Tip

Christmas Spirit!

Make sure the wine and champagne you buy has real cork stoppers, not screw caps or plastic ones. Cork stoppers are a vital way of saving the cork forests of Spain and Portugal, the last remaining habitat of the threatened Iberian lynx, the largest wild cat in Europe. The stoppers also make excellent fire lighters.



Contacts

Please contact the Minister, Rev Peter Johnston, for information about Church Membership, Baptism, or being married in Church, or complete one of the cards available in the Hymn Book and hand it in as you leave.

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