

Notices

For further details on any of these events or activities,
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Services this Sunday

10.30 am Family Worship
6.30 pm Evening Worship

Preacher

John Libby
Paul McVittie

Cummersdale

10.30am Morning Worship

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Services Next Sunday

10.30 am All Age Worship
6.30 pm Evening Worship

Preacher

Eddie Scrase-Field
John Libby

Cummersdale

10.30am Morning Worship

John Libby

JUST LOOKING!

Just Looking is just what it says: it's an opportunity to take a closer look at the Christian faith, but with no pressure to do anything more than just look. Please join us for a meal, a talk, a time for discussion, and a chance to make new friends.



**Next course starts, Thursday 14 January 7:30pm
(and then for each Thursday evening for four weeks) in the Parish Centre.**

Please Pray For:

Those who are ill or in hospital at this time, especially Fiona Hurley, Peggy Fluck, Glenda Davidson, Maureen Richardson, Rosie Thwaites and Nora Klein.

S A I N T J A M E S C H U R C H

CUMMERSDALE

**Morning Worship
10.30am, Sunday 27th December, 2009**



Welcome to our service of morning worship. As we come to the end of December we consider our hopes and aspirations for the coming year

Welcome and Notices

Opening Sentence:

Jesus replied: " 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.

Matthew Chapter 22 verses 37-40

Hymn

The First Noel, the Angels did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel

Born is the King of Israel!

They looked up and saw a star
Shining in the East beyond them far
And to the earth it gave great light
And so it continued both day and night.

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel

Born is the King of Israel!

And by the light of that same star
Three Wise men came from country far
To seek for a King was their intent
And to follow the star wherever it went.

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel

Born is the King of Israel!

This star drew nigh to the northwest
O'er Bethlehem it took its rest
And there it did both stop and stay
Right o'er the place where Jesus lay.

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel

Born is the King of Israel!

Please feel free to take this service sheet away with you

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Then entered in those Wise men three
Full reverently upon their knee
And offered there in His presence
Their gold and myrrh and frankincense.

*Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel
Born is the King of Israel!*

Then let us all with one accord
Sing praises to our heavenly Lord
That hath made Heaven and earth of nought
And with his blood mankind has bought.

*Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel
Born is the King of Israel!*

We have come together in the name of Christ to offer our
praise and thanksgiving, to hear and receive God's holy
word, to pray for the needs of the world, and to seek the
forgiveness of our sins, that by the power of the Holy
Spirit we may give ourselves to the service of God.

Confession:

Father God, we want to say sorry for all the times
when we have not behaved as you want, and when we
have let you down.

For the wrong things we have done, Father God
Forgive us, for we are sorry

For the wrong things we have said, Father God
Forgive us, for we are sorry

For the wrong things we have thought, Father God
Forgive us, for we are sorry

And for the things we should have done, should have
said, and should have thought, but didn't, Father God
Forgive us, for we are sorry.

We ask in Jesus name. Amen

Promise of forgiveness:

Listen to God's promise to all who are truly sorry: As
high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His
love for those who respond to Him. As far as the east is
from the west, so far has He removed our sins from us.

Hymn

It came upon the midnight clear,
That glorious song of old,
From angels bending near the earth,
To touch their harps of gold:
"Peace on the earth, goodwill to men
From heavens all gracious King!"
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the angels sing.

Still through the cloven skies they come,
With peaceful wings unfurled;
And still their heavenly music floats
O'er all the weary world:
Above its sad and lowly plains
They bend on hovering wing,
And ever o'er its Babel sounds
The blessed angels sing.

Continued

Offertory Prayer

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the
splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven
and on earth is yours.

**All things come from you,
and of your own do we give you.**

Closing Prayer and Blessing

For lo!, the days are hastening on,
By prophet bards foretold,
When with the ever-circling years
Comes round the age of gold
When peace shall over all the earth
Its ancient splendors fling,
And the whole world send back the song
Which now the angels sing.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Collect for the First Sunday of Christmas

Almighty God,
who wonderfully created us in your own image
and yet more wonderfully restored us
through your Son Jesus Christ:
grant that, as he came to share in our humanity,
so we may share the life of his divinity;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen

Intercessions

To: Lord in your mercy
Please Respond: Hear our Prayer

Gathering our prayers and praises into one, as our
Saviour has taught us, so we pray

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.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.

Followed by:

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all evermore. Amen.

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Reading

Luke Chapter 10 verses 25-37

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after the reading:

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.**Hymn**

O come, O come, Emmanuel
 And ransom captive Israel
 That mourns in lonely exile here
 Until the Son of God appear
 Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
 Shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, O come, Thou Lord of might,
 Who to Thy tribes, on Sinai's height,
 In ancient times did'st give the Law,
 In cloud, and majesty and awe.
 Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
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O come, Thou Key of David, come,
 And open wide our heavenly home;
 Make safe the way that leads on high,
 And close the path to misery.
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Sermon

New Year Resolution: Love Your Neighbour

Hymn

(During the singing of this song there will be a collection to support Christian mission and ministry through St. James. If you are a guest or visitor please feel free to pass the plate along)

Hark the herald angels sing
 "Glory to the newborn King!
 Peace on earth and mercy mild
 God and sinners reconciled"
 Joyful, all ye nations rise
 Join the triumph of the skies
 With the angelic host proclaim:
 "Christ is born in Bethlehem"
 Hark! The herald angels sing
 "Glory to the newborn King!"

Christ by highest heav'n adored
 Christ the everlasting Lord!
 Late in time behold Him come
 Offspring of a Virgin's womb
 Veiled in flesh the Godhead see
 Hail the incarnate Deity
 Pleas'd as man with man to dwell
 Jesus, our Emmanuel
 Hark! The herald angels sing
 "Glory to the newborn King!"

Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!
 Hail the Son of Righteousness!
 Light and life to all He brings
 Ris'n with healing in His wings
 Mild He lays His glory by
 Born that man no more may die
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