

## Notices

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please contact the Parish Office on 810616.  
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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

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10.30am Morning Worship

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## 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  
 Pleased as man with man to dwell  
 Jesus, our Emmanuel  
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 "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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