

**Jesus shall take the highest honour,**  
Jesus shall take the highest praise.  
Let all earth join heaven in exalting  
The Name which is above all other names.  
Let's bow the knee in humble adoration,  
For at His name every knee must bow.  
Let every tongue confess He is Christ, God's only Son;  
Sovereign Lord, we give You glory now

*For all honour and blessing and power  
Belongs to You, belongs to You.  
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Belongs to You, belongs to You,  
Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God.*

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### 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

Paul McVittie

#### 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.**



### Information

**Free Will Offering:** Envelopes are now ready for collection from pigeon holes at the back of church.

### 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.

# SAINT JAMES CHURCH CARLISLE

### Family Worship

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



Welcome to our service of morning worship. As we come to the end of this year, we can reflect on the past and look forward to our future. What are your resolutions for the coming year?

*There is a programme in the Parish Centre for children up to the age of 12, and any children visiting us today are invited to join in those activities. The children will go over to the Parish Centre after the first part of this service. There is also a Creche available for parents and babies.*

*If you have a mobile telephone, please ensure that it is turned off. Thank you.*

*If you are new to St. James please fill in one of the welcome cards on the pews.*

### Welcome

#### Opening Sentences:

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 neighbour as yourself.' All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments." *Matthew Chapter 22 verses 37-40*

"My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you." *John Chapter 15 verse 12*

### Songs

**The steadfast love of the Lord** never ceases,  
His mercies never come to an end;  
They are new every morning,  
New every morning,  
Great is Thy faithfulness, O Lord,  
Great is Thy faithfulness.

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To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul,  
In You I trust, O my God.  
Do not let me be put to shame,  
Nor let my enemies triumph over me.

*No one whose hope is in You  
Will ever be put to shame;  
That's why my eyes are on You, O Lord.  
Surround me, defend me,  
O, how I need You.  
To You I lift up my soul,  
To You I lift up my soul.*

Show me Your ways and teach me Your paths,  
Guide me in truth, lead me on;  
For You're my God, You are my Saviour,  
My hope is in You each moment of the day.

Remember, Lord, Your mercy and love  
That ever flow from of old.  
Remember not the sins of my youth  
Or my rebellious ways.  
According to Your love, remember me,  
According to Your love,  
For You are good, O Lord.

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*We say sorry to God:*

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**

Assurance 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.

### Song

**A new commandment**

I give unto you,  
That you love one another  
As I have loved you,  
That you love one another  
As I have loved you.  
By this shall all men know  
That you are My disciples,  
If you have love one for another.  
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*Author unknown*

### 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

**Please join us for refreshments  
in the Parish Centre**

### Songs Before the Service

**Over all the earth,**  
You reign on high,  
Every mountain stream,  
Every sunset sky.  
But my one request,  
Lord, my only aim  
Is that You'd reign in me again.

*Lord, reign in me,  
Reign in Your power;  
Over all my dreams,  
In my darkest hour.  
You are the Lord of all I am,  
So won't You reign in me again?*

Over every thought,  
Over every word,  
May my life reflect the beauty of my Lord;  
'Cause You mean more to me  
Than any earthly thing,  
So won't You reign in me again?

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**Lord, I Come to You,**  
Let my heart be changed, renewed,  
Flowing from the grace  
That I found in You.  
And Lord, I've come to know  
The weaknesses I see in me  
Will be stripped away  
By the power of Your love.

*Hold me close,  
Let Your love surround me.  
Bring me near, draw me to Your side.  
And as I wait  
I'll rise up like the eagle,  
And I will soar with You,  
Your Spirit leads me on  
In the power of Your love.*

Lord, unveil my eyes,  
Let me see You face to face,  
The knowledge of Your love  
As You live in me.  
Lord, renew my mind  
As Your will unfolds in my life,  
In living every day  
By the power of Your love.

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## Action Creed

Let us affirm together our common faith in Jesus Christ:

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!**

**We believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist.**

**We declare:**

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!**

**We believe and trust in Jesus, God's only Son, who took our human nature, died for us and rose again.**

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**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!**

**We believe and trust in the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes Jesus known in the world. We declare:**

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## Talk

### Song

(During the singing of this song young people up to the age of 12 are invited to leave for their own activities in the Parish Centre)

**Be Still, for the presence of the Lord,**

the Holy One is here;

Come bow before Him now

with reverence and fear.

In Him no sin is found,

we stand on holy ground;

Be still, for the presence of the Lord,

the Holy One is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord  
is shining all around;

He burns with holy fire,

with splendour He is crowned.

How awesome is the sight,

our radiant King of light!

Be still, for the glory of the Lord

is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord

is moving in this place;

He comes to cleanse and heal,

to minister His grace.

No work too hard for Him,

in faith receive from Him;

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## Notices

### Intercessions

#### 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 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

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## Reading

John Chapter 15 verses 5-17

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after the reading:

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

## Song

### In every circumstance of life

You are with me, glorious Father.  
And I have put my trust in You,  
That I may know the glorious hope  
To which I'm called.  
And by the power that works in me,  
You've raised me up and set me free;  
And now in every circumstance  
I'll prove Your love without a doubt,  
Your joy shall be my strength,  
Your joy shall be my strength.

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## Sermon

New Year Resolution: Love One Another

## Song

*(During this song the offering will be taken up to the front)*

**Love divine, all loves excelling,**  
Joy of heaven to earth come down!  
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling,  
All Thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesus, Thou art all compassion,  
Pure unbounded love Thou art;  
Visit us with Thy salvation,  
Enter every trembling heart.  
Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit  
Into every troubled breast!  
Let us all in Thee inherit,  
Let us find Thy promised rest.  
Take away the love of sinning;  
Alpha and Omega be;  
End of faith, as its beginning,  
Set our hearts at liberty.  
Come, Almighty to deliver,  
Let us all Thy grace receive;  
Suddenly return, and never,  
Never more Thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing,  
Serve Thee as Thy hosts above,  
Pray, and praise Thee without ceasing,  
Glory in Thy perfect love.  
Finish then Thy new creation,  
Pure and spotless let us be;  
Let us see Thy great salvation  
Perfectly restored in Thee!  
Changed from glory into glory,  
Till in heaven we take our place;  
Till we cast our crowns before Thee,  
Lost in wonder, love and praise.

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