

Notices

For further details on any of these events or activities,
please contact the Parish Office on 810616.
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Services this Sunday

10.30am All Age Christingle

6.30pm Holy Communion

Preacher

Wendy Downey

Nick Warner

Cummersdale

10.30am Morning Worship

Frank Tebbutt

Services Next Sunday

10.30am Holy Communion

6.30pm Evening Worship

Preacher

Paul McVittie

Keith Mallon

Cummersdale

10.30am Morning Worship

Wendy Downey

Mon 5 10.00am Parent & Toddler Bible Study

2.45pm Women's Fellowship Communion

Wed 7 10.00 am and 1.30pm Toddlers

7.30pm Prayer and Praise

Thur 8 10.30am Sticky Fingers

11.30am Midweek Service

12.30pm Christmas Leisurely Lunch

Notices

The **Christmas magazine** is ready today! Distributors please collect your bundles. Some streets are unassigned so if you can help, please grab a bundle!

If you can provide **mince pies and shortbread** for Carol Singing (13th/14th Dec) and the Christmas services (18th Dec) - please sign up at the back of Church.

Could you help out with **Toddlers** on a Wednesday morning? We need someone to make tea and coffee between 10.00am and 12noon. Please see Kate for more details.

One of our link missionaries, **Garry Ion** is to be featured in the December edition of Cumbria Life magazine so do look out for a copy.

Advance Date for Your Diaries - Cornerstone Fundraising **Ceilidh** with the Woodside Warblers. **Saturday 21st January 7.30pm** in the Parish Centre. More details coming soon...

Please join us for **Carol Singing** around the Parish **13th and 14th** December at **6.30pm**. Meet in the Parish Centre and warm up afterwards with a mince pie and mulled wine!



We are currently seeking an **Assistant Administrator** to cover maternity leave. The job is 20 hours per week. If you are interested please speak to Mary or pick up an application form from the office. Closing date 9th December.

Please Pray For:

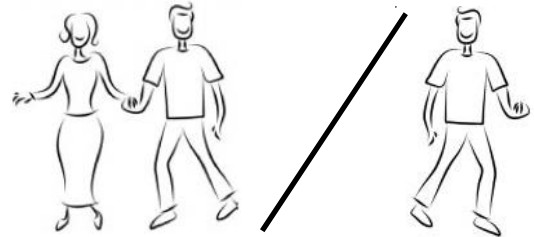
Those who are ill or in hospital at this time, especially Fiona Hurley, Peggy Fluck, Glenda Davidson, Ann Bailey, Joyce Mason, Rita Norman, Sam Harris, Barbara Thomson, Caroline Browne and Olive Sanderson.

SAINT JAMES CHURCH

CUMMERSDALE

Morning Worship

10.30am, Sunday 4th December, 2011



Welcome to our service of morning worship. This morning we continue looking at 1 Corinthians and some issues around marriage and singleness.

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

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

Welcome and Notices

Opening Sentence:

Brothers, each man, as responsible to God, should remain in the situation God called him to.

1 Corinthians Chapter 7 verse 24

Hymn

Now thank we all our God,
With hearts and hands and voices;
Who wondrous things has done,
In whom His world rejoices;
Who from our mother's arms
Has blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in His grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and Him who reigns
With them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God,
Whom earth and heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be ever more.

Martin Rinkart Tr. Catherine Winkworth

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.

We say sorry to God:

Lord Jesus, we are sorry for giving in to our own desires instead of obeying your will.

In your love and mercy,

Please forgive us and help us to obey you better.

We are sorry for listening to the world around instead of responding to your voice.

In your love and mercy,

Please forgive us and help us to listen better.

We are sorry for running after material things instead of worshipping you.

In your love and mercy,

Please forgive us and help us to worship you better.

We are sorry for putting ourselves on the throne instead of bowing before you, the King of kings.

In your love and mercy,

Please forgive us and help us to serve you better. For your own name's sake. Amen

Assurance of forgiveness

Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed, forgive us our sins, open our eyes to God's truth, strengthen us to do God's will and give us the joy of his kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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 second Sunday in Advent

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power
and come among us,
and with great might succour us;
that whereas, through our sins and wickedness
we are grievously hindered
in running the race that is set before us,
your bountiful grace and mercy
may speedily help and deliver us;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honour and glory, now and for ever. Amen

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 forever. 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.

Hymn

My hope rests firm on Jesus Christ,
 He is my only plea:
 Though all the world should point and scorn,
 His ransom leaves me free,
 His ransom leaves me free.

My hope sustains me as I strive
 And strain towards the goal;
 Though I still stumble into sin,
 His death paid for it all,
 His death paid for it all.

My hope provides me with a spur
 To help me run this race:
 I know my tears will turn to joy
 The day I see His face,
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My hope is to be with my Lord,
 To know as I am known:
 To serve Him gladly all my days
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Reading:

1 Corinthians Chapter 7 verses 1-11, 24

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 All: Thanks be to God

Sermon

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And wonder how He could love me,
A sinner, condemned, unclean.

*How marvellous! How wonderful!
And my song shall ever be:
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For me it was in the garden He prayed,
'Not My will, but Thine':
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He took my sins and my sorrows,
He made them His very own;
He bore the burden of Calvary,
And suffered and died alone.

When with the ransomed in glory
His face I at last shall see,
'Twill be my joy through the ages
To sing of His love for me.

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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

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