

We seek to invite, encourage and enable all ages to follow Jesus Christ.

Welcome! We join in the sanctuary and online to worship God in the Name of Jesus Christ. Our worship together is led today by Rev. Scott Burton.

Scripture reading: Luke 1:26-38, 46-56 (pages1025-1026)

There will be groups available for children and young people today, and a creche room with live-streaming of the service is also offered.

Order of Service - Sunday 11th December 2022

We offer ourselves to God in worship

Welcome and Notices

Gathering Moment inc. Lighting of Advent wreath

Introit: 'Away in a manger'

Call to Worship

Hymn - Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Hymn - I will wait for You (Psalm 130)

All Together Time: Pics and News

Praise - Our God is a great big God

(Children and young people leave)

We ask for God's help and listen for Him speaking to us

Prayer and Lord's Prayer (words on screen)

Scripture Reading: Luke 1:26-38, 46-56

Prayer for Others

Hymn MP-493 O come, O come, Emmanuel

Message

We respond to God

Hymn CH3-179 See, in yonder manger low

Benediction & Threefold Amen

Welcome to Worship, keep in touch and informed

Church is not a building – it is the family of God's people, and we are delighted that you are able to join us today. We are on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and YouTube as well as our church website www.brightonschurch.org.uk. You can download material from the website as well as revisiting previous sermon videos and texts.

Sunday Morning Prayer and Thursday Evening Live Prayer

Join us for a time of prayer on Sunday mornings 10.15 to 10.30am in the small hall, or Thursday evenings at 8.15pm on Facebook, You Tube or Zoom. (email info@brightonschurch.org.uk for Zoom login details if you would like to join).

Nativity Fun Day: Saturday 17th December, 2-4:30pm

Fun activities to explore the Christmas story, from babies to adults. Tea and snacks. Please invite your friends and neighbours to celebrate the real meaning of Christmas with us. Free. Flyers are also available with all the details.

Membership Classes

We will be running membership classes over the period 25th January to 8th February 2023 at 7.30pm, as we have some people interested. If you are also interested in exploring membership as part of our church family here at Brightons then please speak to Scott.

Kirk Session

The next meeting of the Kirk Session will be at 7.45pm on Tuesday 13th December in the Rankine Hall.

Guild Christmas Lunch

The Guild Christmas Lunch will take place on Monday 12th December at 12.30 at the Claremont.

Daily Bible Reading Notes

The next edition of Daily Bread is now available. This runs from January-March. This is a great way of helping with your bible reading and prayer life each day. Price £5 each. If you would like a copy then please speak to Heather O'Neill or email: heather.oneill5@btinternet.com.

Wallacestone Primary School Scripture Union Group

We are looking to restart the SU group at the local primary school after the February break on a Friday lunchtime, but we are currently needing 2 extra helpers, attending on a fortnightly or monthly basis. If able to get involved, please speak with Scott.

Christmas Card Delivery Service

The Boys' Brigade Company Section will be providing a Christmas card delivery service this year. Stamps will be available today at the church and also on a Friday evening when BB is on. BB Stamps will be for sale at 3 for £1 and all proceeds will be split equally between company funds and Falkirk Foodbank. Please see either Helen MacLeod or Douglas Gilmour who will be selling the stamps on Sunday morning at the back door of the church. The post box will be situated at the back door of the church and cards should be posted by Thursday 15th December at the latest. All cards will be delivered over the weekend of the 17th of December by the boys. Deliveries will be made to the following areas: Maddiston, Rumford, Brightons, Polmont, Reddingmuirhead, Wallacestone, Shieldhill, Redding and Laurieston.

Faith Mission Bookshop Card Stall

Today will be the **last chance** to purchase any Christmas cards from Faith Mission Bookshop. Our greeting cards will still be displayed throughout the week. The Christmas cards and greeting cards are displayed in the Rankine Hall. Thank you for your generous support so far.

<u>Slamannan – Martha's Pantry</u>

Slamannan Parish Church have started a food pantry to meet local needs in their more remote location. They are looking for volunteers to be part of a rota. If you would be interested in being involved, then please contact Rev Monica MacDonald monica.macdonald@churchofscotland.org.uk or 01324 832782.

Falkirk Foodbank

Falkirk Foodbank would be delighted to receive donations. These can be brought to the Church and placed at either the front or back doors in the boxes provided. Donations such as tinned food, pasta and long-life milk are particularly welcome.

Notices for Newssheet

Please note that any items for inclusion in the newssheet should be received by Thursday midday at the latest – thank you.

Flowers in Church

Flowers are provided this week by Alison Cassells.

Delivering the flowers after today's service will be Sheila Colebrook.

Delivery next week will be Carol Callahan.

Thanks to those who contributed in different ways to today's service

Linda Clarke, Jill Dickson, Laura Eckles, James Falconer, Neil Matheson, Richard McManus, Jean Meek, Heather O'Neill, Andrew Philp, Eric Smith and The Choir

The Week Ahead at Brightons

Date	Time	Activity
Mon 12 th December	7.45pm	Fellowship Group (KW)
Tue 13 th December	9.30 am	Pre 5s
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	6.15 pm	BB Anchor Boys
	7.45 pm	Kirk Session
Wed 14 th December	10.00 am	Wednesday Book Group
	1.00 pm	Friendship Plus
	6.15 pm	GB Juniors
	7.30 pm	GB Brigaders
	7.30 pm	Praise Band
Thu 15 th December	10.00 am	Coffee Morning
	6.15 pm	GB Explorers
	6.45 pm	Friends of Jesus
	7.45 pm	Choir
	8.15 pm	Live Prayer (Zoom, YouTube, FB)
Fri 16 th December	6.15 pm	BB Juniors
	7.30 pm	BB Company
Sat 17 th December	2.00 pm	Belong: Nativity Fun Day
	4.30 pm	Christmas Wreath Making
Sun 18 th December	10.15am	Congregational Prayer Time
	11.00 am	Morning Service Live Streamed (Nativity)
	11.00 am	Sunday School Groups

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