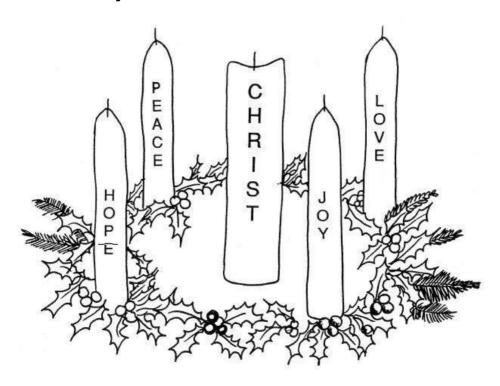
Bellshill Central Parish Church 2nd Sunday of Advent

Sunday 8th December 2024 at 11am



We hope you enjoy worshipping God with us and feel at home in our Christian community. Worship is led by Rev Jim Zambonini.

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Please stand as the Bible is placed in the pulpit

Welcome and intimations

LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLES (2)

Call to worship

HYMN 273 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Prayer (no Lord's prayer)

All age talk

HYMN 279 Make way, make way, for Christ the King

Offering and dedication

Readings Isaiah 9: 1-7

Matthew 1: 18-25

HYMN 472 Come though long expected Jesus

Sermon

HYMN 549 How deep the Father's love for us

Holy Communion (with intercessions and Lord's Prayer)

HYMN 519 Love divine all loves excelling

Benediction and Spoken Amen

MP 460 May God's Blessing surround you each day

Please remain standing as the Bible is removed from the pulpit

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT BELLSHILL CENTRAL PARISH CHURCH whether you join us in person or online, come every week, are here for the first time or the first time in a long time, a very warm welcome to you today. Services are livestreamed, shared via www.facebook.com/bellshillchurch.

PULPIT SUPPLY – Sunday 8 Dec: Jim Zambonini. Sunday 15 Dec Ian Douglas. Sunday 22 Dec 11am Choir led service. Sunday 29th Dec TBC.

BIBLE READERS – today: Stanley Cook, next week Alan Mathew

CHRISTMAS: dates for your diary

Thurs 12 Dec – 7pm at Sacred Heart Church – Bereavement Service

Sunday 15 Dec – 11am Worship with Ian Douglas

Thursday 19 Dec 7pm – Christmas Big Sing with Mossend/Lawmuir/Noble

Sunday 22 Dec – 11am Festival of Carols with the Choir

7pm Candlelight Carols in the evening

Tuesday 24 Dec – 7pm Christmas Eve All Age Nativity Service Wednesday 25 Dec – 11am Christmas Day at Bothwell Church

CHRISTMAS DONATIONS

<u>Selection boxes</u> for our annual appeal in conjunction with Motherwell Jobcentre should be brought along to church by **Sunday 15th December**

KIRK SESSION will meet on Monday 9th December 7pm in the Church hall with the Implementation Committee. All elders should attend.

CHRISTMAS JUMPER SUNDAY will be Sunday 15 December, please wear your best Christmas Jumper, Tie, Cardigan etc. There may be a prize!!!

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION will be celebrated today, at 11am and will be conducted by Rev Jim Zambonini.

PASTORAL ISSUES – From 1st December Rev Margaret is on leave until 1st January. If you need a minister during this time contact Stanley Cook.

Submit names for the **REMEMBERING SERVICE** on 12th December (7pm) at Sacred Heart Church to Frazer.McGown@dignityuk.co.uk

CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL TREE is on the table outside the vestry. Please write the names of loved ones or a prayer and place the star on the tree. We'll remember the stars on Sunday 22 December.

BOWLS – Wednesday at 2pm. **CHOIR** – Wednesday 7pm.

AN INVITATION: Members of the choir and friends are visiting Beechwood Care Home, Wishaw, on Monday 16 Dec at 2.30pm. Everyone is warmly welcome to come along to bring some Festive cheer to the residents.

OFFERINGS – if you wish to change to bank transfer speak to June or Zandra. **GIFT AID,** if you're a UK taxpayer, we can claim back 25p for every £1 you donate. Please see June for more info to take part.

GUILD meets tomorrow at 1.30pm. All welcome. Please come along. This is the final meeting before Christmas, and is a Carols and Mince Pies afternoon.

PRAYER BOOK is at the front door of the Church, please write any names or situations that need a prayer. **ONLINE PRAYERS** – no meeting tomorrow.

ONC DONATIONS – There is a box in the vestibule if you want to drop off non-perishable food stuffs for the Neighbourhood Centre.

PRAYERS FOR THE PRESBYTERY MISSION PLAN – please continue to uphold our officer bearers and representatives as we discern our way through this process and how our congregation can continue to reach out into Bellshill.

LESSONS AND CAROLS tonight at St Andrews Church beginning at 6.30pm.

BOTHWELL CHURCH - Sunday 15 December, A Candlelight Service of Lessons and Carols beginning at 7pm.

<u>TODAY'S PRAYER</u>: We dream God's dream, of a world at peace where enemies are reconciled, and children play in safety; where the poor and powerless find justice. We remember God's promise of a Ruler of Peace, filled with the Spirit of God, of wisdom and understanding, of counsel and might, of justice and faithfulness. Come Lord Jesus! Open our lives to the Peace which you bring; let us turn to you, and get ready!

	DOOR/OFFERING	FLOWERS	COUNT
8/12/24	Cathie Bryden	Helen Daly	Stanley and June
	Chemaine Jarvie	Jessie Bence	Cook.
15/12/24	Tom Taylor	Lesley Marshall	Lesley Marshall
	Jim Mathew	June Cook	Sheena McKeown