### **BELLSHILL: CENTRAL PARISH CHURCH**

Sunday 30th November 2025 at 11am



# First Sunday of Advent

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

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## Order for Worship

Please stand as the Bible is placed in the pulpit

INTROIT Veni Emmanuel

Welcome and Intimations

Call to Worship

HYMN 273 O come, O come, Emmanuel

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

ALL AGE WORSHIP including Advent Candle

HYMN 284
Hope is a candle once lit by the prophets

READINGS: Isaiah 2: 1-5 Matthew 24: 36-44 HYMN 543
Longing for Light (Christ be our light)

**SERMON** 

HYMN 339
Sing of Andrew, God's
disciple

Offering & Dedication

**Prayers for Others** 

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

Benediction and South African
Amen

RECESSIONAL HYMN Love came down at Christmas

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 are here in person or online, you're here every week, are here for the first time or the first time in a long time, we bid you a very warm welcome. We livestream via www.youtube.com/bellshillchurch

**PULPIT SUPPLY** – Today Ian Douglas, next week Rev. Margaret **READERS** – Today: Hugh Ainsley, next week Elspeth Dornan

**CHURCH FLOWERS** today are gifted by Donis Hudson. If you would like to make a monetary donation just pop it in the offering marked "Flower fund". If you'd like to contribute flowers, see Susan.

**SELECTION BOX APPEAL** is looking for your generous donations. This year we hope to give to the very youngest and the oldest in our community.

**WINTER CHRONICLE** – Would district elders please collect copies from the East Side table for distribution.

**TEA AND COFFEE** are served after the service NEXT week.

**PRAYER BOOK** is at the front door of the Church, please write any names or situations that need prayer. **ONLINE PRAYER** – 7:30pm tomorrow by zoom.

**GUILD** meets tomorrow at 1:30pm - Home Comfort, assisting homeless people, speaker Willie Paul. New members always welcome, especially men.

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

**OPEN CHURCH** takes place on Friday 5th December from 12pm – 1pm, please pop in for a quiet space, to reflect and pray.

**TIME TO REMEMBER SERVICE** – Friday 5th December here at BCPC at 7pm. Please pass names to be remembered to ttr@bellshillcentral.church

**CANDLELIGHT CAROLS** takes place on Sunday 7th December at 7pm here in the church. Please do come along and invite your friends and neighbours.

**CHRISTMAS BIG SING** takes place on 11th December at 7pm with the kids from our local school. Free entry, but donations for Hope for Autism. Tea, Coffee and pies served afterwards.

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

**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.

**REQUESTS** – Alan is happy to have a talk with you to play a requested piece of music or slot in a favourite hymn, raising funds for the Church.

**PASTORAL ISSUES** – Rev Margaret is available for pastoral visits, visiting those ill at Home or in hospital, and is happy to arrange home Communion. Please contact Margaret via minister@bellshillcentral.church or telephone 01357 671 664 (please don't text).

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

If you wish to become a member of our church family by profession of faith, or by transfer from another congregation, please see Stanley Cook.

**THOUGHT FOR TODAY** – Advent begins with hope—a gentle light in the darkness. As we wait for Christ's coming, we remember that God's promises are trustworthy, and hope gives us strength to face each day.

	DOOR/OFFERING	FLOWERS	COUNT
30/11/25	Chemaine Jarvie	Liz Morton	Peggy Walker
	Mary Mathew	Sheena Bowman	Liz Fulton
7/12/25	Zandra Swan	Helen Daly	Zandra Swan
	Lynne Swan	Jessie Bence	Ian Gibb

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