

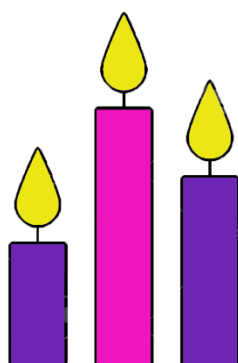


Order of Service



17 December 2023

10 am



Lessons and Carols

Worship led by:

The Congregation

Musicians:

Martin Petty and the choir

Gathering of God's People

Time when we greet one another and prepare for worship.
Those who are able please stand for the entry of the Bible.
Welcome and Announcements – Kay Coull

Worshipping God Together

Call to worship – John Burnside

Leader: Unto us a child is born, Unto us a son is given.

**All: He will be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace Let us prepare the
way of the Lord**

Lighting of three advent candles

CH4 315 Once in royal David's city

Opening prayer and the Lord's Prayer

We ask this in the name of Jesus who taught us to pray:

ALL: 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory for ever. Amen.

The story of God's good creation

First Lesson: Genesis 1: 1 – 9 Moira Todd

**CH4 317 Before the world began one Word was there;
vs 1, 3 and 4**

The Lord promises a righteous King

Second Lesson: Jeremiah 23: 5-6 Beate Dennis

CH4 316 Love came down at Christmas

Choir sings: Where the promise shines

The King is coming

Third Lesson: Zechariah 9: 9-10 Ronnie Turnbull

CH4 320 Joy to the world, the Lord is come!

Quintingle – In the Stillness

An Angel Appears to Mary

Fourth Lesson: Luke 1: 26 – 33 Heather Jarvis

Who is he in yonder stall vs 1, 2, 7, 8

OBR – Huron Carol

Birth of Jesus

Fifth Lesson: Luke 2: 1-7 – Margaret Alexander

CH4 309 Still the night, holy the night

Choir sings: Child in a manger born

Shepherds Hear About Jesus

Sixth Lesson: Luke 2: 8–20 – John Burnside

CH4 331 Unto us a boy is born

Choir sings: Men from the fields

Wise men come to visit Jesus

Seventh Lesson: Matthew 2: 1-11 – Marion Wallace

CH4 301 Hark! The herald angels sing

Choir sings: SGP 1 A holy baby

Prayers for others by Kay Coull

The Word of Life

Eighth Lesson: John 1: 1 – 9 – Neil Johnstone

CH4 306 O come, all ye faithful, (vs. 1- 4)

**Please join the choir to sing: Peace to you Peace to you
We bless you now in the name of the Lord. Peace to you
We bless you now in the name of the Prince of Peace.
Peace to you, Peace to you Peace to you, Peace to you.**

You are invited to stay for tea and coffee which are served in the hall.

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BALERNO PARISH CHURCH
Intimations
Sunday, 19 November 2023

What's on December 2023

23rd December – Balerno Village Screen presents It's a wonderful life. George Bailey has spent his entire life giving himself to Bedford falls, always preventing Mr Potter from taking over the entire town. St Josephs Hall 17:00-19:15

24 December 10 am Carol singing service at Balerno Parish Church.

24 December 6pm "Quality Street Café church" at Balerno Parish Church.

24 December 11:30 pm Watchnight service at Currie Kirk.

25 December 10 am Christmas Day service at Balerno Parish Church.