



Order of Service

1st December 2024 Joint Service at 10am

1st in Advent



Worship led by:

Rev. Derek Munn & Rev. Susan Galloway

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. Words of welcome and announcements.

Worshipping God Together

Call to Worship

Minister: In a new season, a new moment, a new turning of God,

All: we gather.

Minister: In an old story, an old promise, an old truth,

All: we gather.

Minister: In a fresh word for our time, a fresh hope for our world, a fresh invitation into life,

All: we gather.

Minister: In God, and God's great love, in Jesus, and the Advent promise, in Spirit, and a new hearing,

All: we gather, we wait, we worship.

Hymn CH4 273 O come, O come Emmanuel

Prayer of Adoration, Confession and 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.

Short reflection Rev. Derek Munn: Advent candles

Hymn: CH4 282 Christmas is coming (Chorus and vs1)

Reflecting on God's Word

Reading 1: Isaiah 9: 2-7 read by Isobel Webber from Currie Kirk

Choir sings: An Advent Gospel by Lloyd Larsen and Michael Barrett.

Reading 2: Matthew 24: 36-44 read by Louise Lamont from Currie Kirk

Sermon Rev. Susan Galloway: The day and the hour unknown

Hymn 291 When out of poverty is born

Responding to God's word

Prayer for others: Stephen Macfarlane from Balerno Parish Church

Hymn 472 Come thou long expected Jesus

Benediction

Sung Amen, Amen, Amen

Please remain standing as The Bible is removed.

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

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BALERNO PARISH CHURCH
Intimations
Sunday, 1st December 2024

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Scotland

What's on December 2024

Church Services:

8 December: Gift Service (Donations to the foodbanks) 10:00 Balerno

Suggested items are: All the basics but also tin fruit, tin veg, tin meat/fish, custard, cake bars, Christmas chocolates, cream crackers/ biscuits, hot chocolate, UHT milk, crisps, cranberry sauce, sparkling apple/grape juice, stuffing mix, gravy granules & toiletries for gifts to single people (a few women but mainly men)

15 December: Nativity Service 10:00 Balerno led by Rev. Derek Munn

22 December: Lessons & Carols Service 10:00 Balerno led by Rev. Derek Munn

24 December: Christingle Service 18:00 & Watchnight Service 23:30 both in Balerno Parish Church led by Rev. Derek Munn

25 December: Christmas morning Service 10:00 Balerno led by Rev. Derek Munn

Intimations:

1, 8, 15 & 22 December: Joint Balerno & Currie Advent Study 19:00 Gibson Craig Hall Currie for more info please contact the Church office on 0131 449 7245 or bpc-admin@balernochurch.org.uk

3 December: 10am, Gibson Craig Hall. Guild meeting Talk by Poppy Scotland.
Balerno Parish Church Guild – Ogston Hall 19:30 (open to everyone)

4 December: The work of St Vincent De Paul

For full syllabus www.balernochurch.org.uk/activities/guild-syllabus/

4 December: Pentland singers Concert Currie Kirk 19:30 £12 Kids u13 free

5 December: Balerno Christmas Lights 2024 switch on Rotary Tree of Life at Balerno Parish Church from 18:00 & Main Street Lights from 18:30 All light donations in aid of Marie Curie Hospice Edinburgh to fund a reclining chair

7 December: Currie Kirk - Quiet Day with a short Bereavement service at 12.30

10 December: Pentland singers Concert Balerno Church 9:30 £12 Kids u13 free

13 December: 2 – 4pm, Gibson Craig Hall. Messy Church for all the family.
Contact Currie Kirk office for more information

14 December: Christmas Tree Festival Ogston Hall & Craft Fair in Church
09:00-13:00 with Farmers Market in main Street

14 December: A Concert for Christmas with the Livingston & Broxburn Brass Band 19:30 Balerno Parish Church Tickets £10 (u-16 £5) on sale via church office or website www.balernochurch.org.uk