



Order of Service

Balerno Parish Church

Balerno Linked with Currie

First Sunday after Christmas

28th December 09:30am



Worship led by Rev. Stuart Fulton
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: The light shines in the darkness

All: and the darkness cannot overcome it.

Minister: The peace of the Lord be always with you

All: and also with you!

Hymn CH4 310 See him lying on a bed of straw

Prayer & 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.

Hymn CH4 302 It was on a starry night

Reflecting on God's Word

Readings: Isaiah 63: 7 – 9 & St. Matthew 2: 13 – 23
read by Anne Shaw

Hymn CH4 305 In the bleak midwinter

Sermon

Hymn CH4 303 It came upon the midnight clear

Responding to God's Word

Prayer for others: Elaine McCullough

Hymn CH4 313 See in yonder manger low

Blessing

Minister: Christ, the Light of the World

All: scatter the darkness from before our path.

Minister: The blessing of God be yours: the God who makes the darkness light, the Saviour who is light to the world, the Spirit who brings us peace, this new day and always.

Threefold Amen

Recessional Hymn CH4 320 Joy to the world

Please remain standing as The Bible is removed

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

THANKS TO YOU... Thank you for all your generous contributions towards the ministry and mission of the Church. Gift Aid envelopes are available in the wallets at the end of each row.



BALERNO PARISH CHURCH
Intimations
Sunday, 28th December 2025

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Scotland

What's on January 2026

Church Services

04 January: Church service 09:30 Balerno & 11:15 Currie Kirk

11 January: Church service 09:30 Balerno & 11:15 Currie Kirk

18 January: Joint Service in Balerno 09:30 (no service in Currie)

Intimations

Chat Room: Speak to Rev. Roy Henderson on Wednesdays in the Shepherd Room 12:30-13:30

Recording of Services: Please note that services are recorded and uploaded to You-Tube for the benefit of those who are unable to attend church. If you do not wish to appear in the video then please avoid sitting in the front four rows of the congregation. Thank-you.

CHRISTIAN AID: Digital Advent Calendar forms part of the 2025 Christmas Appeal which features Democratic Republic of Congo www.caid.org.uk/christmas

20 January: Currie Guild at Gibson Craig Halls 14:00 Knitted Gospels

Speaker: Irene Malcolm

21 January: Balerno Guild at Ogston Hall 19:30 Annual Quiz, Bring & Buy sale.
Currie Guild at Gibson Craig Halls 14:00

Bibles for Bairns - 2025 Babies Register a child to receive a Share a Story Bible on their 1st birthday, as well as birthday cards and free resources up to their 5th birthday. www.scottishbiblesociety.org

The Mill Café is always looking for new volunteers. Please ask friends & family. For more info pop in for a chat with Lynsey

Food bank Donations can be left in the box in the entrance to the Mill Café.

Come along to the Palm Café A space for people with dementia and their carers to feel at ease and supported 15:00-16:30 the last Tuesday of the month in St Josephs

WE NEED YOUR HELP Are you interested in assisting us with our Audio / Visual displays in the church on a Sunday morning ? Full training would be given. Please contact Pam in the church office or email bpc-admin@balernochurch.org.uk