



Order of Service

Balerno Parish Church

Balerno Linked with Currie

2nd Sunday after Christmas

4th January 09:30am



Worship led by Rev. Roy Henderson
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 320 Joy to the world, the Lord is come!

Prayer of Approach to God & 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.

First Thoughts

Hymn CH4 103 Fill your hearts with joy and gladness

Reflecting on God's Word

Reading 1: Ephesians 1 3-14 read by Bill Black

Choir sings: CH4 163

Grace is when God gives us the things we don't deserve
by Paul Crouch and David Mudie

Reading 2: John 1 1-18 read by Bill Black

Hymn CH4 113 God the Father of Creation

Sermon

Responding to God's Word

Prayer for others: Margaret Black

Hymn CH4 237 Look forward in faith

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

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, 4th January 2026

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What's on January 2026

Church Services

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.

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

03 February: Currie Guild at Gibson Craig Halls 10.00 Life in Scotland in the Good Old Days Speaker: Roy Johnstone

04 February: Balerno Guild at Ogston Hall 19:30 Pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela (part1). Speakers: Neil and Anne Johnstone.

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
(We really need more volunteers for the rota to help with the Sunday service)

Would you like to be more involved in the weekly Church service? If you would like to do a reading, write a prayer or welcome everyone at the front door contact Pam in the church office or email bpc-admin@balernochurch.org.uk