

St Columba's Parish Church Stewarton (SC013595) (CCLI 1095831) Sunday 30th November at 11am - Order of Service

Welcome & Intimations

Call to Worship

CH4 277 Hark! the glad sound the Saviour comes

All Age Talk

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

CH4 279 Make way, make way

Prayer - Adoration & Confession

Readings: Isaiah: 51: 4 - 8

Galatians 4: 1 - 7

CH4 290 The race that once in darkness pined

Sermon

CH4 273 O come, O come, Emmanuel

Offering

Prayer 0f Thanksgiving, Intercession & Offertory

CH4 286 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord

Benediction & threefold Amen

Please remain standing until the Church Officer removes the Bible.

Tea/Coffee will be served in the Hall after the service. Everyone will be made welcome.

Intimations – St Columba's Church

Bereavement: It is with great sadness we record the death of Mr. William Hay, beloved son of Mrs. Catherine Hay. Williams' funeral will take place on Tuesday 9th December at 12.30pm at Dreghorn Crematorium. Our love and prayers are with Catherine and her family at this very sad time.

Elders – Christmas Cards, Newsletters and Collection Envelopes are now in your tray in the office. If you require extra copies of the newsletter please speak to Isobel or Janice.

Bible Study & Prayer Group will meet in the Church Hall on Monday at 1.30pm

EACHa Christmas Gift Collection will be on Sunday 14th December. Please remember we supply from babies to young teens. Please wrap your gift and label 'boy or girl' and the approximate age suitable for. Thank you, Margaret Smith

Children's Christmas Celebration: This is taking place in the Church Hall on Saturday 6th December 2-4pm featuring Uncle Billy's Magical Show, Christmas Crafts, Cakes and Refreshments and a visit from Santa. THIS EVENT IS NOW FULLY BOOKED.

Choir meeting in church at 10.15am. Anyone who wishes to join the Carol practice is very welcome

Lochhead Court Services

30th November 2pm – Alma Roy will lead the service 14th December 2pm – Carols and Mince Pies.

Pastoral Care

Christmas Biscuits will be ready for collection/delivery on Sunday 7th December.

The Guild is having a joint meeting with John Knox Guild on Tuesday 2nd December at 2 pm. The speaker is James Fraser, from Release International, this year's Guild Project. There will be a sales table with proceeds going to the project.

Festive Diary Dates:

Saturday 6th December –

Christmas Fun & Craft Day 2-4pm

Sunday 14th December –

Carol Service 11am conducted by Rev. Melanie Reed

Sunday 21st December –

Nativity Service "The Three Kings" at 11am conducted by Rev. Bill Jackson followed by mince pies with your tea/coffee in the Church Hall.

Wednesday 24th **December** – All Age Christmas Eve Service at 6.30pm conducted by Rev. Melanie Reed. Watchnight service in John Knox Church at 11.15pm

Thursday 25th **December** – St. Columba's Christmas Day Service – 11am conducted by Rev. Gavin Niven

St Columba's Church website – please visit our website for full details of all upcoming events and our weekly intimations. https://stewartonstcolumbas.org

John Knox Intimations

JOHN KNOX TRAVELLING NATIVITY 2025

A nativity set will leave the church on 1 December, travel around different homes of the congregation and friends, and

return to the church for the Nativity Service on 21st December.

Leaflets are available in the Welcome Area at JK or you can sign up online at https://johnknox.org.uk/nativity

Speak to Louise Macpherson if you would like to know more.

- Cookies and carols! On Sun 7th Dec at 4pm we'll be holding a short carol service in the church front garden for all the church family and community. Wrap up warm and enjoy some carols and Christmas readings and some nice warm hot chocolate and cookies.
- THE BIG ADVENTURE It's nearly time for the Big ADVENTure for P1-7 kids. Sat 13th Dec 3pm-5pm. An afternoon of fun for P1-7s exploring the first ever Christmas through games, activities, crafts and more. Book your place on the church website and invite friends and family. For more information speak to Christian Ritchie or Alison Niven

Communion service at John Knox: next Sunday 7th Dec at 11.15am

EACHa Christmas Toy Appeal: John Knox are also taking part in this appeal. If you would like to give a toy please bring a wrapped gift to church on Sun 14th Dec or leave in the office on Fri 12th Dec with a label attached stating boy/girl or both and the age of the child that it is for.

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Please send notices to the above email address no later than pm on Tuesday. Thank you.