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Isn't November the time ... to offer a warm invitation

Who?

Either to someone you respect or to a person who is lonely.

Where?

To our church. Depending on their needs and interests the invitation might be to the art sale, craft sale, jazz concert or the service of remembrance which all take place in the next four weeks. Alternatively perhaps invite them to the Christmas Tree Festival with lunch in the cafe, Carols at Six or the congregational party in December, details given in this edition.

Why?

Our church is a busy, caring community which serves and welcomes new people every day. A genuine personal invitation is a gift particularly if you tell the person why you have chosen them to come to a special event or to worship with us.

And the background story...

No matter our age or stage, the most common way of entering a church community is by being brought by someone. This is often for the simple reason that a fulfilling relationship with God was important to the person offering us the invitation.

The biblical precedent...

In November we will celebrate St Andrew's Day. Andrew is the most famous disciple for bringing other people to Jesus including a child with loaves and fish which led to the feeding of 5,000.

Carl P. Daw's hymn reveals clearly the commitment of Andrew,

***Sing of Andrew, bold apostle,
sent to make the Gospel known,
faithful to his Lord's example,
called to make a cross his own.
So may we who prize his memory
honour Christ in our own day,
bearing witness to our neighbours,
living what we sing and pray.***

So this is a good moment in the year to become like Andrew and invite a new person into our congregation to enjoy for themselves the stimulation of a supportive community in a positive culture.

Make a plan

Consider the person you think may benefit most. There will be numerous opportunities in the near future to find the appropriate event for the person you have in mind. The first is the free choir concert, *Jazz for the World* on Friday 6 November at 7.30pm.

We will all work to warmly welcome the visitors who cross our threshold because this is central calling as members of the church to let others know the joy of a relationship with God through His lively people.

Enjoy the challenges and make most of the opportunities in November,

Every blessing, Ian



Worshipping God

Worship Strengthens and Transforms

Worship is helpful for our growth as followers of Christ, so consider joining us Sunday by Sunday.

You can attend Communion at 9.00am, the All Age service at 9.45am or enjoy our progressive pattern at 11.00am.

Worship is first and foremost for His benefit, not ours, though it is marvellous to discover that in giving Him pleasure, we ourselves enter into what can become our richest and most wholesome experience in life.
Graham Kendrick

11am Sunday Morning Worship Themes and Readings

Sun 1 Nov	Love, Love, Love	Mark 12:28–34
Sun 8 Nov <i>at 10.50am</i>	Building new Friendships Remembrance Service with the Edinburgh German Speaking Congregation	John 15
Sun 15 Nov	Future Hope	Mark 13:1–8
Sun 22 Nov	Reign of Christ	Mark 10:17–31
Sun 29 Nov Advent 1	Active Waiting	Jeremiah 33:14–16
Sun 6 Dec Advent 2	Born of Fire	Luke 1. 68- 79

When I worship, I would rather my heart be without words than my words be without heart." **Lamar Boschman**

November 2015 Diary

Sun 1 Nov	9am Communion (spoken liturgy) 9.45am Learning Together - all age worship, 10.30am Sunday Discussion Group (adults) 11am Morning Worship (Bright Sparks for children from 11.15) 12 noon bellringers BRIGHT Sparks Fellowship Lunch to raise money for a hospital bed at Mulanje Hospital
Mon 2 Nov	6.30pm AHSS Lecture: Brian Evans
Wed 4 Nov	Soul Space (at St Cuthbert's)
Thur 5 Nov	1pm Music and Reflection: J S Bach 12.30pm at St Cuthbert's: Ecumenical Friends <i>Gero McLoughlin Pope Francis and Ecology</i>
Fri 6 Nov	7.30pm Jazz for the World
Sun 8 Nov	9am Communion (spoken liturgy) 9.45am Learning Together - all age worship, 10.30am Sunday Discussion Group (adults) 10.50am Morning Worship for Remembrance Sunday with the German Speaking Congregation (Bright Sparks for children from 11.15) 12 noon bellringers
Tue 10 Nov	3.30pm Exploring Silent Prayer (at St John's)
Wed 11 Nov	Remembrance Day)
Thur 12 Nov	1pm Music and Reflection: Vaughan Williams 12.30pm at St Cuthbert's: Ecumenical Friends <i>Our own stories</i>
Sat 14 Nov	10am-noon Messy Church 7.30pm Georgian Concert Society L'Arcadia
Sun 15 Nov	9am Communion (spoken liturgy) 9.45am Learning Together - all age worship, 10.30am Sunday Discussion Group (adults) 11am Morning Worship (Bright Sparks for children from 11.15)

	12 noon bellringers
Wed 18 Nov	10am-1pm Creative TOGETHER (offsite) 2.30pm Evergreens Bob Morley and James Crerar will give an illustrated talk on their Tanzanian Safari, followed by tea
Thur 19 Nov	12.30pm at St Cuthbert's: Ecumenical Friends <i>Alastair McGregor Olive picking in Palestine</i>
Fri 20 Nov	Rock Trust Under-21 sleepout
Sun 22 Nov	9am Communion (spoken liturgy) 9.45am Learning Together - all age worship, 10.30am Sunday Discussion Group (adults) 11am Morning Worship (Bright Sparks for children from 11.15) 12 noon bellringers LIGHT NIGHT
Tue 24 Nov	3.30pm Exploring Silent Prayer (at St John's)
Thur 26 Nov	12.30pm at St Cuthbert's: Ecumenical Friends <i>Donald Smith A Pilgrim Guide to Scotland</i>
Fr1 27 Nov	7.30 Athens of the North <i>Iphigenie in Tauris</i>
Sat 28 Nov	11am-2.30pm Creative Together Sale Scotland's Climate March (meadows) 2pm German Speaking Church Christmas Bazaar at Laudate House, Chalmers Crescent. 7.30 Athens of the North <i>Iphigenie in Tauris</i>
Sun 29 Nov First Sunday in Advent	9am Communion (spoken liturgy) 9.45am Learning Together - all age worship, 10.30am Sunday Discussion Group (adults) 11am Morning Worship (Bright Sparks for children from 11.15) 12 noon bellringers 12 noon Communion 2 pm Albany Deaf Church meets 3pm Nativity Carol Concert in St Andrew Sq
Mon 30 Nov	St Andrew's Day 12.15pm Amnesty group meets 6.30pm AHSS Lecture: Stuart Eydmann

December 2015 Diary

Tue 1 Dec	World Aids Day 2.30pm Undercroft 40 years Celebration
Wed 2 Dec	Sanctuary closed for charity conference
Thurs 3 Dec	12.30pm at St Cuthbert's: Ecumenical Friends <i>Frances Burberry Advent Meditation</i> 7pm CHSS Carols at Christmas http://www.chss.org.uk/supportus/fundraise-for-us/events/carols-at-christmas/
Fri 4 Dec	7pm YMCA Scotland Fundraising Concert
Sat 5 Dec	7.30pm EMGO Concert http://www.emgo.org.uk/diary.html
Sun 6 Dec	9am Communion (spoken liturgy) 9.45am Learning Together - all age worship, 10.30am Sunday Discussion Group (adults) 11am Morning Worship (Bright Sparks for children from 11.15) 12 noon bellringers Fellowship Lunch for choir funds 1.30pm Heart of Christmas Music and Reflection
Tue 8 Dec	7.30pm Kirk Session
10 Dec	SHINE launches 6-9pm
11-24 Dec	SHINE Edinburgh Christmas Tree Festival
Wed 16 Dec	2.30pm Evergreens Christmas Carols and stories amongst the Christmas Trees.
Fri 18 Dec	6pm Carols at Six
Sat 19 Dec	Church Christmas Supper
Sun 20 Dec	9am Communion (spoken liturgy) 9.45am Learning Together - all age worship, 10.30am Sunday Discussion Group (adults) 11am Morning Worship (Bright Sparks for children from 11.15) 12 noon bellringers (peal)
Thur 24 Dec	5pm Christingle (candle lighting) service

	11.30pm Watchnight Service
Fri 25 Dec	11am Family Worship
Sun 28 Dec	9am Communion 9.45am Learning Together 11am Morning Worship <i>Joyful Hope</i> a reflective memorial service

Regular events

Mon 7.30-9pm Bellringers practice

Tue 10am – noon Circle Scotland Kinship Carers Choir

Tue 7-9pm Edinburgh Choir meets, Sanctuary

Wed 7.30-9.30pm AA meets in the Davidson Room

Thurs 7.30-9pm STAGW Choir, Davidson Room

Thurs 7-9pm Edinburgh Art and Sketching Club meets in Undercroft, fortnightly

**Find our online diary under the WHAT's ON tab on the website
www.stagw.org.uk/whats-on/**

Announcements

Deaths

Miss Doreen E M Todd
on 2 October 2015

The three day Sale of Art, Scottish Books and Ephemera, including coffee morning with jewellery and gifts, and generous donations, raised over £17,000 for Christian Aid.

**Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.
1 Chronicles 16:34**

Pastoral Care

a loving church family

James Crerar

We hear and read much about many aspects of the activities and outreach of the Congregation but I want to concentrate on how we look after our own members.

Every member is in a District and has an Elder responsible for his or her welfare. The elder should contact the members in his or her District at least once a year, either by visiting or telephoning them.

Some members are happy not to be contacted, and others who are able to come to the Sunday services have regular contact with their elders there. However others, particularly the elderly, the housebound, and those in poor health, should have more visits, or at the very least, more frequent phone calls from their elder. The purpose of pastoral care is to enable the congregation to provide, through the Ministers and Elders, the care and support of a loving Church family.

One of the problems of a scattered congregation like ours is that a member can become ill, or go into a hospital or nursing home and the elder doesn't know it. There is a Protocol, which provides that the Church Office should be told if a member is ill or goes into hospital, and the Church Office should inform the Minister and the Pastoral Assistant (Rev. Alistair McGregor), and the elder. But, unfortunately, this can be overlooked. And, of course, the Church Office doesn't always know if someone is taken ill or goes into hospital. So, I urge you all, if you hear of a member becoming ill or going into hospital, to phone the Church Office (0131 225 3847) and tell them, or phone me if you prefer and I will pass on the information. Also, if anyone who has been in hospital, comes out and goes home, the Church Office should be told and the good news passed on to the Minister, Pastoral Assistant and Elder.

And it's not only bad news that we should share. Big birthdays, important anniversaries and good news of any kind should be similarly shared and enjoyed.

Of course the needs and wishes of the member are paramount and any information shared should be treated with sensitivity, confidentiality and discretion.

There are two relatively recent aspects of pastoral care which are not widely known and deserve to be. The first is that we have a few Church Visitors who are not elders but willing to help elders by visiting members. We would like more Visitors, so if any of you would be willing to take this on, please speak to me or The Minister.

The second is Advocacy. We have two elders who are trained Pastoral Advocates willing to help any member who finds him or herself in a confused situation, for example due to dementia or a stroke. The Pastoral Advocate, with knowledge of the member's background, can speak out and represent him or her and contribute to any discussions about future plans for that member, for example in hospitals and with social workers – the sort of thing that a relative can do, but invaluable if the member does not have a relative in or near Edinburgh able to step in.

The Pastoral Care Committee is also responsible for trying to arrange transport for members who need lifts to and from Sunday services. There are a number of informal arrangements among members, but for those who do not have the benefit of such an arrangement, we try to offer lifts to and from the 11am Service on the first Sunday of each month. If you can offer a lift or would like one, do please contact me or Averil Fifer and we will see what we can do. The problem may be exacerbated if the Council introduce Sunday parking charges as is threatened.

And the Committee is also responsible for welcoming visitors to the Church on weekdays and Saturdays. If you can spare time to be a Welcomer even one session a month (10 – 12.30pm or 12.30 – 3pm on Weekdays and 11am – 2pm on Saturdays), please contact me or Astrid Gorrie. It can be remarkably interesting and rewarding to meet appreciative visitors from all over the world who come to our city and our Church.

James Crerar, Pastoral Care Convenor

Contemplating the cross

The Coventry Cross of Nails

Morven Cross

The Coventry Cross of Nails was created from three medieval nails found in the ruins of Coventry Cathedral and has come to stand for forgiveness and reconciliation.

Dresden and Coventry were both devastated during World War II but have forged strong links and work hard for peace, justice and reconciliation.

The Cross of Nails has become not just a symbol, but a hardworking community working in partnerships for peace.

There are now 160 Cross of Nails Centres across the world and can be found in many of the world's major conflict areas. They include churches and community groups, as well as peacebuilding and reconciliation agencies.



Coventry Cross of Nails, Berlin
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Father Forgive, Coventry
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News from Mulanje

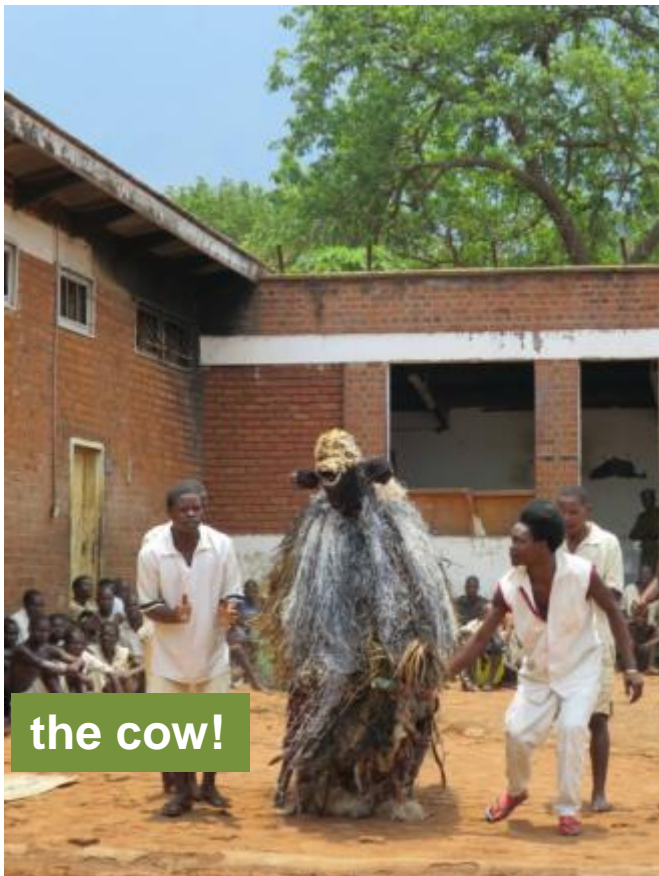
Ruth Shakespeare
MD of Mulanje Mission
Hospital



I wish you could have been with us yesterday in MJ prison.

It was World Palliative Care day, and as this year's theme was 'Hidden lives, Hidden patients' we decided to hold our local celebration in the prison.

The PHC and palliative care teams did a wonderful job of putting up a small pavilion in the prison yard, and showcasing the palliative care services available.



The celebration included lots of speeches, songs, a poem written by one of the prisoners, a speech from a prisoner thanking MMH for caring for them, an amazing dance featuring a cow built by the prisoners, and a drama from MMH Youth Group.

Prisoners were given soap, toothbrushes and toothpaste, and we presented the prison with four wheelie bins.

The day finished with a football match - MMH staff vs prisoners which was much enjoyed by all.

Prison feeding is going well - we now have established a therapeutic feeding programme, giving severely malnourished prisoners likuni phala every day, and thanks to inspiration from one of the PHC team, have established 'Friday is porridge day' where we give the whole prison, inmates and staff if they wish, a nourishing meal every week coinciding with the MMH prison clinic on a Friday.

We also gave likuni phala for everyone yesterday as part of the Palliative Care Day celebrations.

We will repeat the nutrition status screening of all prisoners in one month's time and hope to be able to demonstrate some improvement.

Huge thanks to all at Stockbridge Parish Church and St Andrews and St George's West for all you do to support this work.

God bless, Ruth



Autumn 2015

Lunchtime music and reflection

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half an hour of words and music at Thursday lunchtime
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George Gershwin

Songs by Gershwin | Rachael Liddell - Mezzo
Speaker Ian Gilmour Thurs 15 Oct at 1pm



Franz Liszt

'Benediction de Dieu dans la solitude' | Jamie Lang
Piano | Speaker Brigitte Harris Thurs 22 Oct at 1pm



J.S. Bach

Gamba Sonata No 1 G Major | Tim Cais – Cello
Speaker Adrienne Burgess Thurs 5 Nov at 1pm



Vaughan Williams

Folksong Sketches | Anna Wright - Saxophone
Speaker Tony Bryer Thurs 12 Nov at 1pm

Jazz for the World

with the choir of St Andrew's and
St George's West Church

Friday 6 November 2015, 7:30pm

Mass in Blue Will Todd

and music by Ellington and Fanshawe

director Brigitte Harris

pianist Christopher Harding

speaker Ian Gilmour

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Autumn Culture at STAGW

Architectural Heritage Society of Scotland Lecture Series

BRIAN EVANS

The Picturesque and the Sublime

**Monday 2 November 2015
6.30pm £5 (£2.50 students)**

Professor Brian Evans, head of Urbanism at the Mackintosh School of Architecture, Glasgow School of Art, practices, researches, teaches and speaks widely on ecological urbanism and landscape planning. He led the public realm regeneration projects in St Andrew Square and Grassmarket, Edinburgh.

STUART EYDMANN

Painting the Town: Scottish urban history in art and its potential in architectural history and conservation

**Monday 30 November 2015
6.30pm £5 (£2.50 students)**

Dr Stuart Eydman, postgraduate tutor, Edinburgh College of Art, was previously a conservation officer with various Scottish local authorities.



Sat 14 November at 7.30pm

L'Arcadia

Flaming Rose, Earth's Adornment: Handel's German Arias

Georgian Concert Society

www.gcs.org.uk/concert2.htm



Tickets £10/£8/£5 from the Usher Hall Box Office 0131.228.1155,
www.usherhall.co.uk, or
AoN 0131.228.2304, 15 Marchmont Street, EH9 1EL.



Arthur Chapman and Ian Gilmour with the EcoCongregation Climate Baton on its way to Paris for UN climate negotiations.

Climate Change is a spiritual issue

The Very Rev John Chalmers

Nearly 40 years ago I first discovered that CFCs were damaging the ozone layer and that somehow or other human beings might be hastening the end of time. Of course then, as a young blade, new to the world of conservative theology, I believed that that, in itself, was an unacceptable proposition. If we were doing that to the planet – it must have been in the will and purpose of God. And if it meant the end of days – then bring it on!

For the last 30 years I have been deeply repentant of that kind of thinking and I have spent the last 30 years distancing myself from that kind of unsupportable and infantile theology. Now I believe that, for us in the developed world, Global Warming is a lifestyle issue and lifestyle is governed by the imperatives of what we believe.

But crucially climate change is also a lifestyle issue in the developing world; for there, many of the poorest people in the world have nothing but trial and despair to put up with in their lives because climate change is pushing the boundaries of the deserts and visiting upon the poorest people of earth more frequent extreme weather events which are driving them out of home and land.

So, climate change becomes a justice issue, because the poor do not cause climate change - they use but a tiny proportion of the world's resources. It's the developed world that causes climate change, and we do so almost without feeling the difference while those with no voice and no resources to do anything about it; suffer on a disproportionate scale.

If Climate Change is a lifestyle issue and a justice issue, it is surely, also a spiritual issue. Our lust for more and more of life's material things is making other human beings into slaves and refugees. Our acquisitiveness at a material level is using up the planet's resources at rate that cannot be sustained, BUT the greed and selfishness, the avarice and ego which drives this can (in my view) only be counter-balanced by us finding satisfaction in deeper things. In wanting less stuff and seeking more contentment, in desiring the good of all instead of the comfort of the few.

Rowan Williams summed it up perfectly when he said:

In a society where we think of so many things as disposable; where we expect to be constantly discarding last year's gadget and replacing it with this year's model - do we end up tempted to think of people and relationships as disposable? Are we so fixated on keeping up with change that we lose any sense of our need for stability?

And he goes on to say,

A culture of such vast material waste and emotional short-termism is a culture that is a lot more fragile than it knows.

That is why changing the way we live and the attitudes that drive us, are matters of deep spiritual significance. We cannot claim to love our neighbour as we love ourselves unless we are also working to make the earth a place which offers security and sustainability for our

neighbour and in today's context that means all people without exception.

As Christians we set our coordinates according to the belief that the ownership of the earth is not ours, but that it is a gift lent to us from generation to generation. The Biblical injunction to "rule over it" is not permission to act without licence – and that is why the Church of Scotland has made the issue of Climate Change such an important priority.

The Eco-Congregations project has been adopted now by about a quarter of our congregations; is one of the most powerful ecumenical programmes ever devised and it has travelled across Europe to be adopted as far away as Hungary. Eco Congregations allows the issues to become real at local level - the circle of care for the earth grows, the circle of the well-informed grows and the power of the people grows.

As Moderator I had the immense privilege of meeting with Pope Francis and one of the subjects over which we shared a deep concern was the way in which we use and abuse the resources of the good earth. We noted that

"Climate Change is perhaps the most pressing issue in human history, its effects are most keenly experienced by the poorest of the world's poor; so, it is also a matter of social justice and it needs to be tackled with great urgency. It [was our] prayer that women and men of the Christian Church across the world would become ever more active in pursuing the [Climate Change] agenda".

My hope expressed to Pope Francis was that his Encyclical Letter on Ecology, and ahead of the United Nations Climate Change Conference, would galvanise religious leaders across the world to make this matter one that unites us in common purpose.

The Encyclical Letter must have done something right, because it immediately made the Climate Change deniers even more vociferous. Of course their lame response was that the Church should stay out of this discussion which should be left to the experts. I'm sorry, but as far as I'm concerned we **are** the experts

the experts in stewardship of the good earth
the experts in addressing ego and greed

the experts in the search for social justice
the experts in prophetic speech which calls the rich to account and
raises up the voice of the poor

The Pope's encyclical delivers on all of these things and it has made others sit up and take notice.

This Baton has travelled so many miles – it joined me at the top of Ben Lomond and I look forward to seeing it in Paris where it will be a symbol of the many thousands of people in Scotland who support the aims that it stands for.

John Chalmers is Principal Clerk and formerly Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland. He gave this speech at Why Christians Care for Creation, an EcoCongregation Conference held here in STAGW in September 2015.

Find conference videos and speeches on the EcoCongregation website <http://www.ecocongregationscotland.org/news/video-and-notes-from-edinburgh-event-now-available/>



Scottish Interfaith Week
Care for the Environment
22 - 30 November 2015
Edinburgh Programme



full programme online at www.eifa.org and hard copies here around the church



Scotland's Climate March
Show your colours for climate, justice and jobs

Edinburgh
Saturday
28 November
2015



Join the worldwide movement marching for a better future ahead of UN climate change negotiations in Paris.
Wear your brightest colours as Scotland marches on this weekend of global action.

www.stopclimatechaos.org

Time and route to be confirmed, please check website for regular updates



11am ecumenical service at St Albert's Chapel, George Square just before the march

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'soul space'

at St Cuthbert's

'soul space' is a monthly worship event held at St Cuthbert's on the first Wednesday of each month.

It is worship with a difference with prayer installations, visuals, music, silence and symbolic action. While there are optional set reflection times with short 'led' worship,

mainly people are free to take whatever time they wish to sit, prayer, ponder, engage or come and go.

The next 'soul space' is on [Wednesday 4 November at St Cuthbert's](#) and the theme is based on [Psalm 46 'God is our refuge'](#) and there will be a particular focus on the present refugee crisis.

The church is open from 12.30pm until 2pm and again from 5.30pm until 7pm. The led reflections will be at 1pm and 7pm. Come when you can and leave when you must!

News from St John's

One World Shop

has moved from St John's to the basement of the City of Edinburgh Methodist Church at 25 Nicholson Square.

Open every day 10am - 5:30pm (from 11am Sunday)

Cornerstone Bookshop

Is still at St John's on the terrace, until Christmas at least.

Open Mon-Sat 10am-5pm

Peace and Justice Centre is also moving to City of Edinburgh Methodist Church at 25 Nicholson Square.



Creative Together presents

Crafts for Christmas

Colourful hand-made gifts and treats – and refreshments

Saturday 28 November 11am to 2.30pm

St Andrew's and St George's West Church

George Street EH2 2PA

In aid of L'Arche Community Edinburgh -
supported living for those with learning disabilities

Creative Together is part of Edinburgh City Centre Churches TOGETHER



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COME AND PLAY CAROLS

St Andrew's and St George's West Christmas Tree Festival 2015



Saturday 12 December at noon
Monday 21 December at 2 pm
13 George Street Edinburgh



Programme

Angels, from the Realms of Glory
A Virgin Most Pure
Quem Pastores
O Little Town of Bethlehem
In the Bleak Mid-winter
A Child this Day
Coventry Carol
In Dulci Jubilo
Sans Day Carol
I Saw Three Ships
God Rest You Merry Gentlemen
Good King Wenceslas
Boar's Head Carol
Gloucestershire Wassail

Notes for participants

Any instrumentalist who would like to play simple carols will be welcome.

While any instrument from a symphony orchestra or wind band is suitable, music will only be provided for instruments in C and B flat. If you are playing an instrument in C, or are transposing, and you have a copy of the (original) Oxford Book of Carols, please bring it. All carols will be taken from that book.

Please assemble in the main church 10 minutes before the stated start time.

Please bring your own music stand.

Each session will last no more than one hour.

For further information, or to express an interest, contact David or Selda Dow via the church office.



SHINE

**The Edinburgh Christmas
Tree Festival**

11-24 December 2015

**Mon-Sat 10am-4pm
Thursday until 9pm**

Free entry

**Donations for Amnesty
Circle
FirstHand Lothian**



Carols at Six

Friday 18 December at 6pm

come and sing favourite
carols with the choir of
St Andrew's and
St George's West
and Cantilena Orchestra

Directed by Brigitte Harris

Free entry

Donations for Amnesty
Circle
FirstHand Lothian



Heart of Christmas

Music and reflection

Sunday 6 December
1.30pm

music for women's voices
directed by Brigitte Harris



Christingle Service

5pm on Christmas Eve
Thursday 24 Dec



Watchight Service

Shine
11.30pm on Christmas Eve
Thursday 24 Dec

Congregational Christmas Supper

Saturday 19 December

enjoy a warm, friendly,
seasonal meal to celebrate
Advent and Christmas
together

Family Worship for Christmas Day

Good News
11am
Friday 25 December

**St Andrew's and St George's West, 13 George Street Edinburgh
EH2 2PA 0131 225 3847**

www.stagw.org.uk  stagw  @StAGW1

Office open Mon - Fri 10am-3pm
Church open Mon - Fri 10am - 3pm: Sat 11am-2pm
Undercroft Café Mon - Fri 10am - 2pm

Sunday worship 9am, 9.45am, 11am
Weekday worship 1pm Monday – Friday

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