

Advent Candle Song

We gather here at Advent time; in praise to God we sing,
And in our worship stop and ask, 'What are the prayers we bring?'
When, week by week, we journey closer to the joy of Christmas Day,
We turn to God, and seek his Light to guide us on our way.

We gather here as Advent starts and Hope becomes our light.
When prophets spoke, your light shone clear
and hopefulness burned bright.
So now we pray for strength for those
who struggle every day to cope.
May we become God's prophets here and lift the light of Hope.

We journey on through Advent time and Peace becomes our light.
Against oppression, rage and strife, this flickering flame burns bright.
So now we pray that wars will end and every act of violence cease.
May we join others on this day and lift the light of Peace.

Tune: 'Seven Joys of Mary', CH4 340- Words: ©Tom Gordon, November 2016

We welcome any visitors with us this morning. It's great to share in fellowship with you. Please join us for tea or coffee in the hall after the service (along the corridor under the organ pipes). Toilets are along the same corridor.

For an **Introduction to Worship**, leaflet, which contains information about worshipping here, please ask one of the welcome team.

Christmas Lunch – 12th December (12.30 for 1.00)

The cost of this is £13.00 and needs to be paid by Sunday 11 December at the latest.

The **Foodbank** are planning a fashion show after Christmas. If you could **help with ironing**, please contact the Foodbank on 631088.

Malawi Mugs - £5.50 or £10 for two - on sale after the service.

'Gift Service' on Sunday 11th December

Rotary Shoeboxes can be collected from behind the pulpit. Details of possible contents are listed on the box, - Gift Donations, in the vestibule. Any queries should be directed to Jim and Lesley Shand or Joan Cumming.

Glenrothes Choral Society invites you to Find Sullivan's Lost Chord or Name that Tune by Ives or even a Banquet by Rutter plus all your favourite Christmas Carols at the Rothes Halls on Saturday, 10th December at 7.30pm.

St Peter's Scottish Episcopal Church, Townsend Place, Kirkcaldy are holding a **Taize Service for Advent**, Joy to the World on Wednesday, 7th December at 2pm, followed by refreshments. All Welcome.

DECEMBER

	4th	11th	18th	25th
Welcome Team	Margo Bert Irene	Catherine Derek Jane	Catherine Derek Jane	Catherine Derek Jane
Tea/Coffee	Team 3	Team 4	Team 5	Team 6
Reader	M Kimmitt	D Woolley	M Smith	A Davidson
Counting	B Dougall M Dougall	J Cumming A Russell	J Clunie T Clunie	A Oliver E Oliver
Offering	a M Miller b B Lumsden c B Turnbull d A Turnbull e L Young	D Stahly C Gilchrist W Dougall J Cumming J Thomson	J Christie N Howie K Liddle A Russell M Gordon	L Baker M Kimmitt B Johnston C Gibson J Imrie

Kirk Session

The Kirk Session meets at 7pm on Wednesday, 7 December 2016.

Christmas Services

11 December at 11am Gift service. Please bring your Shoe box contributions.

18 December at 11am Junior Church Nativity presentation.
at 6pm a service for those who have been bereaved.

24 December at 6.30pm a family Christingle service,
at 10.45pm coffee and mince pies in the hall
at 11.30pm Watchnight service.

25 December at 10.30am a short family service.

1 January at 11am a service of carols with Communion.

St Columba's Church will be hosting a free **Christmas Day Lunch** for those who would like to come together on Christmas Day and for people who would otherwise be on their own or unable to have a Christmas lunch. If you know anyone who might like to come to this lunch, please tell Carol Gibson, who is collecting names, contact info@st-columbas.com or phone the office - (01592) 752539.

Roths Trinity Parish Grouping – Shared Notices

SERVICE OF INTRODUCTION – following the appointment of Ruth Livingstone as Congregational Support Worker (Children, Young People & Families) at Glenrothes: St. Margaret's, a Service of Introduction will be held today, Sunday 4th December at 3.00pm in St. Margaret's Church. Everyone welcome.

ADVENT STUDIES continue at St. Ninian's tomorrow, Monday 5th December from 7.30pm till 9pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Welcome to St Columba's Sunday 4th December



The Bible

Welcome & Intimations

Call to Worship

Hymn 465 - Be Thou my vision

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Children's Address

Advent Candle Song - We gather here at Advent time

Reading - Joel 2:12-13, 28-29

Offering Hymn 550 - As the deer pants

Offering prayer

Sermon

Hymn 710 - I have a dream a man once said

Prayer

Hymn 237 - Look forward in faith

Benediction

The Bible reading next Sunday will be Isaiah 61:1-11

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