

Welcome to Worship
Sunday December 22nd 2019
Advent 4



Craigsbank Parish Church

Welcome

Notices

Call to worship

Hymn CH4 315 Once in Royal David's city

Reading Matthew 1:18-25

Prayer of approach, confession and worship

Hymn CH4 304 O little town of Bethlehem

Simeon & Sarah - thoughts of an inn-keeper

Reading Luke 1:26-38

Hymn CH4 301 Hark the herald angel sing

Mariah poem - Esther Davidson

Reading Luke 2:1-24

Hymn We three kings of Orient are

Short message

Singers When a child is born

Intercessory prayer

Hymn O holy night

Blessing

Amen

Notices

Tartan Night Meal—Saturday 25th January 2020

The Care Van team will be hosting a four course meal in the large hall at Craigsbank at 5 30pm. Planning to raise money for Cunningham House the Church of Scotland home in Edinburgh that accommodates homeless people. Tickets are limited so please purchase as soon as possible.

Thought for the Week

You can find a thought for the week written by the Minister on the Church Website.

Bible Study Group

Alan Childs would like to run a Bible Study on Matthew in the new year. If you are interested in participating drop him or the Church office a line.

Christian Aid “Hunger” Lunch

The total raised from last Sunday’s “Hunger” lunch is £1,165, including Gift Aid. Many thanks to all those who have given so generously and to all those who helped and attended the ‘Hunger’ lunch. If you are still thinking of donating to this very worthwhile charity, Mike Brough will be at both centres this Sunday.

Life and Work

Copies of January’s edition of Life and Work are ready for collection from both Craigsbank Church and East Craigs Church Centre.

Eco tip

Many thanks to those who contribute stamps throughout the year. As we approach the time when we often receive more mail, if you do not already contribute now is the time to start saving the stamps from Christmas cards and any other mail you receive for the Church of Scotland World Mission. The Stamp Appeal of 2019 is in support of the Chigodi Women Centre in Blantyre Malawi. There are collection boxes for stamps at Craigsbank and East Craigs.

Milk-bottle tops

In a bag of bottle tops there were 6 hearing aid batteries and 2 other batteries. This could have been responsible for the company throwing out a com-
3

plete batch of tops, thus depriving Charity of the benefits. Please do not put anything other than tops in your bag.

Thanks from Myeloma UK

There is a letter from Georgie Shepherd, Fund Raising Assistant, at Myeloma UK, which is on the hall corridor notice board at Craigsbank and the notice board at East Craigs, thanking the congregations for the recent cheque for £488.52. She can be contacted on 0131 557 3332 or email: georgie.shepherd@myeloma.org.uk

Age Scotland:

Scotland's national helpline for people over 50 years old is a free, confidential phone service for older people, their carers and families in Scotland. The helpline is free to call and available Monday - Friday 9am-5pm. Call to speak with a friendly adviser on 0800 12 44 222

PLEASE NOTE – the Intimations should be sent to our church admin, Gemma King, at her email address admin@craigsbankchurch.org.uk by 2pm Wednesday.

From the team at Corstorphine Craigsbank we wish you a blessed, peaceful and inspiring Christmas. The Church Office will be closed until the 6th January 2020. For urgent matters please contact Alan Childs directly at 0131 466 5196

Contact details

Minister

Rev. Alan Childs
0131 466 5196
achilds@churchofscotland.org.uk

Children & Families Worker

Lesley Lawrie
lesleylawrie@craigsbankchurch.org.uk

Church Musician

Andrew Matheson (locum)

Session Clerks

craigsbanksc@gmail.com

Church Administrator

Gemma King
Office Hours: 9-12 Mon, Wed, Fri.
0131 334 6365
admin@craigsbankchurch.org.uk

Corstorphine Craigsbank Parish Church

(One Church, Two Centres – something for everyone)

Join us this Christmas. Pray by the light of a candle. Pray for a world that welcomes all, where the lonely find friendship, the homeless find warmth and where we cherish our environment.

Come through our door and find hope, friendship, and good cheer amongst welcoming folk. Find laughter, share tears, enjoy joyful singing and loud music, embrace prayerful silence.

Then go back to the sprouts with a light in your heart

All are welcome.

With best wishes from Rev Alan Childs

What's happening?

December 22 2019

Lessons and Carols, East Craigs 9.30 am

Lessons and Carols, Craigsbank 11.00 am

December 24 2019

Christingle Service, Craigsbank 6.30 pm

Watchnight Service, Craigsbank 11.30 pm

(Mulled wine and mince pies from 11.00 pm)

December 25 2019

Christmas family communion, East Craigs 10.00 am

Corstorphine Craigsbank Parish Church

A church under new leadership, with renewed energy *and a new accent!*



Regular Sunday services

East Craigs Church Centre, East Craigs (Bughtlin Market): 9.30 am

Craigsbank Church, Craigs Bank (north of Glasgow Road): 11.00 am

For more information visit our website –

www.craigsbankchurch.org.uk

email AChilds@churchofscotland.org.uk or phone 0131 466 5196

Where Life is celebrated, Love is affirmed, Grief & Joy are shared