

# Welcome to St John's Church-Elmswell

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**Sunday 29th November 2015**

## 10.30am Morning Service

If you are visiting or have recently moved to Elmswell and are here for the first time, a warm welcome to you. Everyone is invited to stay for tea and coffee in the church room after the service.

**Collect** (*special prayer for today*)

### The First Sunday of Advent

Almighty God,  
as your kingdom dawns,  
turn us from the darkness of sin  
to the light of holiness,  
that we may be ready to meet you  
in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

### BIBLE READINGS

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: 2 Peter 3: 8 to 14 (p1224)

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Matthew 25: 1 to 13 (p 994)

### HYMNS AND SONGS

From the squalor (Rev Not/Sht)

You chose the cross (Rev Not/Sht)

MP 600 Sing to God new songs of worship

MP 48 At your feet we fall

MP 424 Lo! He comes, with clouds descending

## Notice Board

There are Christmas Cards, Jotters, Tea Towels, Mugs and Birthday Cards for sale on the stall near the kitchen door. All profits go to the Friends of St John's for the fabric of the church. More info from Jean.

### **The week ahead**

**This afternoon** 3.00pm to 5.00pm at Rattlesden Village Hall an 'Advent Event' to which St John's children and families are invited. Start Advent with games, stories and craft. Take along a soft toy animal for the stable.

**This evening** 7.00pm to 8.30pm CYFA Group meet at 2 Little Green.

**Monday 30 November** 10.00am to 11.15am Coffee Break at the Rectory. For more information please speak to Lisa (tel. 01359-240512).

**Tuesday 1 December** 7.00pm Choir practice in the church room.

**Saturday 5 December** 8.30am Men's Breakfast in the church room - speaker Canon Richard Webb. If you would like to attend please add your name to the list at the back of the church.

### **Diary Dates**

**Friday 11 December** 11.00am Ladies' Lunch at the Wesley Centre, School Road. If you would like to attend, please add your name to the list at the back of the church.

**Saturday 12 December** 9.00am Prayer Meeting in church.

4.00pm to 5.00pm Slam Jam rehearsal in church.

### **Looking Further Ahead**

**Tuesday 15 December** 7.00pm Choir practice in the church room

**Sunday 20 December** 6.30pm Service of Nine Lessons and Carols followed by Seasonal Light refreshments.

**Wednesday 23 December** 4.00pm to 5.00pm Slam Jam rehearsal at 25 Orchard Close.

5.30pm to 6.30pm Carol Singing around the village (meet at Crown Mill).

**Thursday 24 December** 3.30pm 'I Can't Wait for Christmas' - Children's Carol Service.

11.30pm Late Night Communion.

☺ Please take this notice sheet home with you as a reminder of future events ☺

**Next Sunday... 9.30am All Age Service with Music Group**

**11.00am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)**