

Welcome to St John's Church-Elmswell

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Sunday 11th December 2016

10.30am Parish Praise

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 Third Sunday of Advent

God for whom we watch and wait,
you sent John the Baptist to prepare the way
of your Son:

give us courage to speak the truth,
to hunger for justice,
and to suffer for the cause of right,
with Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

BIBLE READINGS

1st Reading Malachi 3: 1-4 & 4: 5-6 (p961)

2nd Reading Luke 1: 5-25 (p1025)

HYMNS and SONGS

Source

983 The King of love

Song: Our God is a great big God

503 These are the days of Elijah

904 O for a heart to praise my God

343 Love divine

Notice Board

CAKES FOR SALE: Sarah Fife will be selling cakes after the service this morning to help raise funds to cover our parish share shortfall. Please support her in this by purchasing some cakes.

The Friends of St John's has for sale on the table near the kitchen door Christmas cards, mugs, tea towels, jotters, cook books, all at reduced prices. Money raised goes to the Friends' Funds for the Church Fabric.

A reminder: The Slam Jam rehearsal later today will be at the earlier time of 5.30pm to 6.15pm in the church room.

The week ahead

This evening 6.30pm CYFA Group meet at the Rectory – Pizza and DVD evening.

Monday 12 December 10.00am to 11.15am Coffee Break at the Rectory, for more information please speak to Lisa (tel. 01359-240512)

Wednesday 14 December 1.00pm to 2.00pm Little Elms' Nativity in church.

Friday 16 December 10.00am to 11.00am School Christmas celebrations in church.

11.30am Ladies' Lunch at the Wesley Hall, School Road. If you would like to attend please add your name to the list at the back of the church.

Saturday 17 December 9.00am to 10.00am Prayer meeting in the church room.

Diary Dates

Sunday 18 December 6.30pm Service of Nine Lessons and Carols followed by Seasonal light refreshments.

Saturday 24 December 3.30pm I can't Wait For Christmas- Family Carol Service.

11.30pm Late Night Communion.

Looking Further Ahead

Sunday 1 January 10.30am Holy Communion (Common Worship) – **Note:** only one service this morning.

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

Next Sunday... 10.30am Holy Communion (Common Worship)