

Welcome



fisherwick<sup>+</sup>  
presbyterian church

# Young People's Carol Service

**Morning Service**

Sunday 23rd December 2012 at 11.00am

## **Welcome and Call to Worship**

**Praise**      Hymn 314      Come and join the celebration

**Baptism**                      Zara Jane French      Born 26 August 2012

## **Aaronic Blessing, Prayer & Lord's Prayer**

### **Lighting of the Advent candle**

**Story**                              Meet the Cast Part 1

**Praise**      Hymn 317      Crackers and turkeys

**Story**                              Meet the Cast Part 2 (including the offering)

### **Prayer of Dedication**

**Song**                              Who do you say he is?

### **Church Announcements**

### **Christmas Song - Young People**

**Praise**      Hymn 325      Joy to the world

### **The Benediction**

### **Organ Postlude – I saw three ships, Elliot**

At the end of the service please join us for coffee/tea at the back of the church. If you are visiting Fisherwick for the first time please introduce yourself to our ministers, Rev Dr Derek McKelvey, Gary McDowell or any member of the congregation.

## **Prayer Ministry**

Members of the Church's Prayer Ministry Team are available in the Prayer Chapel following morning worship for anyone who would like people to pray for them. Prayer is available to everyone whether you are a church member or not.

## **TEACHING SERIES**

***A 'Prophetic Voice' - Speaking what God has to say! Isaiah***  
***A Different Gospel – why write yet another gospel? John and his passion***

Each week there are additional resources online on the church website ([www.fisherwick.net](http://www.fisherwick.net) and the church facebook page <http://www.facebook.com/Fisherwick> ) including a Blog from Derek on the series. Go to the website and follow the links. There will also be readings each week in preparation for the following Sunday.

**Readings for week commencing 30th December are:**

Morning Service – Isaiah chapters 40:1 to 41:20

Sunday Night Live – John 7:53 to 8:11

**Today**

**FISHERWICK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
INVITE YOU TO  
A FESTIVAL OF LESSONS AND CAROLS  
AT  
7.00PM  
(FOLLOWED BY CANDLELIT SUPPER)**

**Prayer for people**

This week please pray for those in our congregation family who are in hospital, or in need of prayer. Please remember the following: Gladys, Helen, Tom, John and Rodney.

**Prayer for others**

**THE MIDDLE EAST**

Over the past couple of years, many countries in the Middle East have seen major changes following the 'Arab Spring'. Many countries are still going through uncertain and difficult times.

The most difficult of these at present is the ongoing conflict in Syria which began 21 months ago. The United Nations (UN) estimate that at least 20,000 civilians have been killed in Syria, and more than half a million have fled to neighbouring countries. The UN estimated that at present, 2.5 million people in Syria are in need of humanitarian aid and has called for the Syrian regime to allow fuel imports, so that aid can be distributed to those in need.

In the past number of weeks, rebels seem to be gaining ground against the Assad regime, however there are fears of what the government forces might do when put under increased pressure.

- Pray for an end to all violence and intimidation; and for peace and justice for all the people of Syria.
- Pray for peace and stability, for a fair and just government in each country of the Middle East.
- Pray that extremists will not take advantage of the current instability in the region.
- Pray for Christians in the Middle East, who are a small minority in the region.

## **CHURCH NOTICES**

### **Wednesday 26th - Wednesday 2nd January 2013**

The Church and Church Halls will be closed during this period, however you can ring the church office on 02890 666683 in the case of a pastoral emergency and leave a message as the phone will be checked on a daily basis.

### **WORLD DEVELOPMENT APPEAL**

**World Development Appeal envelopes may be returned at any service through to Sunday 30th December.**

### **CHURCH ORGANISATION YEAR END ACCOUNTS**

Every organisation please ensure that you get your annual accounts for the year to 31st December 2012 to Jonathan Wilson by Friday 18th January, at the very latest. You will also need to provide a copy of your final bank statement of the year showing the balance as at 31st December.

## **CHRISTMAS EVENTS IN FISHERWICK**

Monday 24th	First Holy Communion of Christmas (11.30pm)
Tuesday 25th	Christmas Morning Family Service (10.00am)
Sunday 30th	Morning Worship (11.00am) (there is no evening service)