

New Laigh Kirk

**A caring welcoming church at the heart
of Kilmarnock reaching out to you with
the Gospel of Jesus Christ**

Welcome to Worship Christmas Day 2022



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Welcome

A very Merry Christmas and warm welcome to worship this morning from all at New Laigh Kirk. We are delighted you are here today and hope you enjoy worshipping with us. Please make yourself known to those sitting beside you. We invite you to find your welcome place among us, a place to belong, to join in regular worship, to join in the life of our Kirk in whatever capacity and in your own appropriate way.

May God richly bless you in your worship today.

Order of Service

Call to worship

O come all ye faithful,
joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
come and behold him,
born the King of angels;
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

God of God,
Light of light,
Lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb;
very God,
begotten, not created;
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels,
sing in exultation,
sing, all ye citizens of heaven above,
'Glory to God
in the highest':
O come, let us adore him,

*O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.*

Yea, Lord, we greet thee,
Born this happy morning;
Jesus, to thee be glory given:
Word of the Father,
now in flesh appearing:
*O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.*

Prayer

Light the Christ candle

We lift the light of hope, O God,
Your presence burning bright.
In praise we sing the gift You bring:
Our hope complete in Christ.
*In praise we sing the gift You bring:
Our hope complete in Christ.*

We lift the light of peace, O God,
The Lord of truth and right.
In Your domain let justice reign
And bring us peace in Christ.
*In Your domain let justice reign
And bring us peace in Christ.*

We lift the light of joy, O God.
Your praise is our delight!
Your blessings flow that all may know
Unbounded joy in Christ.
*Your blessings flow that all may know
Unbounded joy in Christ.*

We lift the light of love, O God,
Your candle in our night.

You come to give and help us live
The mighty love of Christ.
*You come to give and help us live
The mighty love of Christ.*

We lift the light of Christmas day
And greet eternal life.
Now hope and peace and joy and love
Are born in Jesus Christ.
*Now hope and peace and joy and love
Are born in Jesus Christ.*

Children's gifts and gadgets to show off

Love came down at Christmas,
Love all lovely, Love Divine;
Love was born at Christmas,
stars and angels gave the sign.

Worship we the Godhead,
Love Incarnate, Love Divine;
worship we our Jesus:
but wherewith for sacred sign?

Love shall be our token,
love be yours and love be mine,
love to God and all men
love for plea and gift and sign.

Reading Isaiah 9:1-9

Video Anthem

Angels we have heard on high
Sweetly singing o'er the plains
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their joyous strains
Angels we have heard on high

Singing sweetly through the night
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their brave delight
Gloria in excelsis Deo
Gloria in excelsis Deo

Oh, shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be
Which inspire your heavenly song?
Gloria in excelsis Deo
Gloria in excelsis Deo

Come to Bethlehem and see
Him, whose birth the angels sing
Come, adore on bended knee
Christ the Lord the newborn King
Gloria in excelsis Deo
Gloria in excelsis Deo
Gloria in excelsis Deo

Reading St Luke 2:8-20

See him lying on a bed of straw;
a draughty stable with an open door;
Mary cradling the babe she bore –
the Prince of glory is his name
Oh, now carry me to Bethlehem
*to see the Lord of love again:
just as poor as was the stable then,
the Prince of glory when he came.*

Star of silver, sweep across the skies,
show where Jesus in the manger lies;
shepherds, swiftly from your stupor rise
to see the Saviour of the world!

*Oh, now carry me to Bethlehem
to see the Lord of love again:
just as poor as was the stable then,
the Prince of glory when he came.*

Angels, sing again the song you sang,
sing the glory of God's gracious plan;
sing that Bethl'em's little baby can
be a saviour to us all.

*Oh, now carry me to Bethlehem
to see the Lord of love again:
just as poor as was the stable then,
the Prince of glory when he came.*

Mine are riches, from your poverty,
from your innocence, eternity;
mine, forgiveness by your death for me,
child of sorrow for my joy.

*Oh, now carry me to Bethlehem
to see the Lord of love again:
just as poor as was the stable then,
the Prince of glory when he came.*

All Age address

Prayer of Intercession

*Go, Tell It On The Mountain,
Over the hills and everywhere;
Go, Tell It On The Mountain
That Jesus Christ is born.*

While shepherds kept their watching
Over silent flocks by night
Behold throughout the heavens,
There shone a holy light

*Go, Tell It On The Mountain,
Over the hills and everywhere;
Go, Tell It On The Mountain
That Jesus Christ is born*

The shepherds feared and trembled
When lo! above the earth
Rang out the angel chorus
That hailed our Saviour's birth

*Go, Tell It On The Mountain,
Over the hills and everywhere;
Go, Tell It On The Mountain
That Jesus Christ is born.*

Down in a lowly manger
Our humble Christ was born
And God sent us salvation,
That blessed Christmas morn

*Go, Tell It On The Mountain,
Over the hills and everywhere;
Go, Tell It On The Mountain
That Jesus Christ is born*

Benediction

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Thank you to everyone who participated in any way to NewLaigh Kirk Advent and Christmas services and activities. Your time and talent and your welcome and enthusiasm has been much appreciated.

Worship on Sunday 1st January 2023 will be conducted by the Minister beginning at 11.00am.

The monthly communion service will take place on Sunday 1st January immediately after the morning service

Sunday Schools resume on Sunday 15th January and meet in church at 10.50am and sit together.

Merry Christmas
from all at
New Laigh Kirk

