

The Week Ahead...

WEDNESDAY:-

6.30pm Festive Carol Sing for everyone, on the edge of Fletcher Park ... with our neighbours from around the church building ... followed at 7.15 with mince pies etc in the downstairs church hall.

FRIDAY:-

11.00 Christmas Day All Age Service

Advanced Notice....

6th January - Prayer for NISCU and Hannah 10.00 a.m. at the home of the Hogans, 44 Oxenholme Road, Kendal. All welcome

Information for next week's Notice board to Graeme by Thursday evening please.
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Sunday 20th December 2009



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Welcome to....

10.30 Morning Service and Junior Church: Welcome! The speaker this morning is Brian Maiden and the service will be led by John Cooke
The service can be heard in the foyer and the crèche downstairs, if you need to leave with small children.

12.00 Christmas Choir Practice

6.10 Prayer

6.30 Carol Service: Speaker: Brian Maiden.
Refreshments will be served after the service

Today's Offering: Ruth Cushing & Church Expenses

Next Sunday: 27th December

9.30 **Elders Meet for Prayer**

10.30 **Morning Service & Junior Church**
speaker :John Cartmell
Refreshments after the service

6.30 **Short Communion Service**

Offering for Church Expenses

Sunday Morning Service

20th December 2009

Welcome

In the bleak midwinter (CW 101)

Prayer

Great is the darkness that covers the earth –

oppression, injustice and pain.
Nations are slipping in hopeless despair
though many have come in Your name;
watching while sanity dies,
touched by the madness and lies.

*Come Lord Jesus, come Lord Jesus,
pour out Your spirit we pray;
come Lord Jesus, come Lord Jesus,
pour out Your spirit on us today.*

May now Your church rise with power
and love
this glorious gospel proclaim.
In every nation salvation will come
to those who believe in Your name.
Help us bring light to this world
that we might speed Your return.

Great celebrations on that final day
when out of the heavens You come.
Darkness will vanish, all sorrow will end
and rulers will bow at your throne.
Our great commission complete
Then face to face we shall meet

Church news

Prayers

Bible Reading: John 1:1-18

Lord, You were rich beyond all splendour,

yet, for love's sake, became so poor;
leaving Your throne in glad surrender,
sapphire-paved courts for stable floor:
Lord, You were rich beyond all splendour,
yet, for love's sake, became so poor.

You are our God beyond all praising,
yet, for love's sake, became a man
stooping so low, but sinners raising
heavenwards, by Your eternal plan:
You are our God, beyond all praising,
yet, for love's sake, became a man.

Lord, You are love beyond all telling,
Saviour and King, we worship You;
Emmanuel, within us dwelling,
make us and keep us pure and true:
Lord, You are love beyond all telling,
Saviour and King, we worship You.

Bible Teaching

How deep the Father's love for us,
how vast beyond all measure,
that He should give His only Son
to make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss;
the Father turns His face away,
as wounds which mar the chosen one
bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon a cross,
my sins upon His shoulders;
ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there
until it was accomplished.
His dying breath has brought me life;
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything,
no gifts, no power, no wisdom;
but I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer,
but this I know with all my heart,
His wounds have paid my ransom.

Lord's Supper

King of kings, majesty,

God of heaven living in me,
Gentle Saviour, closest friend,
strong Deliverer, beginning and end,
all within me falls at Your throne.

*Your majesty, I can but bow.
I lay my all before You now.
In royal robes I don't deserve
I live to serve Your majesty.*

Earth and heaven worship You,
love eternal, faithful and true,
who bought the nations, ransomed
souls,
brought this sinner near to Your throne;
all within me cries out in praise.

Closing Prayer

Bible Notes