

AGM

At Church Hall on **Sunday, 13 December 2009** at 12.15pm
Church members will be sent the AGM papers either via email or in paper form as they received them last year.

There are three vacancies: People's Warden, Lay Rep and a one year Vestry member post. Nominations forms must be received by the Rector before the AGM and are available at the back of the church. Any items for discussion must be raised with the Vestry Secretary Alan Cundill by the 29th November. Alan can be contacted at 01224 780 527, 07899 006020 and geopac@yahoo.co.uk

The Communicants roll
is available for viewing at the entrance to the church.

Give a Gift to a Homeless Person this Christmas

Please give a gift to a homeless person this Christmas and donate an un-wrapped shoe box containing useful items to The Cyrenians.

Ideas for gifts: Hat, scarf, gloves, books, toiletries, chocolate treats, etc, suitable for men and women aged 16-70+

Boxes can be delivered to the church by Sun 13th December 2009

Another options would be to bring a contribution of food or in kind to church and deposit it in the box in the foyer by Sun, 13th December.

Bethany Trust Winter Shelter

We have offered to provide dinner and breakfast for 25 homeless people on the night of the 1st January 2010. They will be hosted at a church hall in the city centre.

We will need volunteers to prepare food and 7 people to spend the evening at the shelter to serve food and talk to those who are there.

Please contact Claudia if you are able to help.

Caring Christmas Trees 2009

Freshly cut Scottish Fraser firs of a high quality and at competitive price are available from the web site:

www.caringchristmastrees.com

All proceeds go to the work of the Winter shelters of the Bethany Trust. Please make your purchase before Dec. 7th. Leaflets available at the back of the church.

The Church Office will now be staffed Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 9am-noon.
Messages left on the answer machine will be responded to as soon as possible.

Please take this leaflet home for information and prayer

More information can be found on our Church website at www.stdevenicks.org.uk

NOTICE SHEET RECEIPTS DEADLINE: 9.00 AM THURSDAY

Any items for the notice sheet should be phoned or emailed to the office tel: 01224 863574
email: office@stdevenicks.org.uk



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Welcome to church today!

29th November 2009

Advent Sunday

This morning's service is
Holy Communion

Visitors and newcomers are most welcome at
St Devenick's

Coffee, tea and biscuits are served in the hall after the 10.30am service.

We look forward to meeting you then!

Prayer of the week

Come, Lord, come down, come in,
come among us.

Enter into our darkness with your light.
Come, fill our emptiness with your presence.
Dispel the clouds and reveal your glory.

Come, refresh, renew, restore us.

Come, Lord, come down, come in,
come among us.

Amen.

Rector: Rev Paul R Watson

Our aim: to know God and to make him known

The Return of Christ

Team for today:

Cissy Durr is leading

Paul Watson is preaching

Simon Barnett, Helen Goodyear
are reading

Readings: Jeremiah 33: 14-16, pg 798
1 Thessalonians 3: 9-13,
pg 1187
Luke 21:25-36, pg 1057

Rob Cooper is leading the prayers

Ian Arthur, Helen Goodyear:
Prayer Ministry

Anyone desiring personal prayer is asked to wait in the pew following the service. A member of the prayer team will come and pray with you.

THIS WEEK

This Sunday

2.30pm Rowan Court

Thursday

10.30am Holy Communion

Saturday

19.00pm Mix

Sunday

6.00pm Oasis

Thank you!
You'll be extremely pleased to hear that the lunch on Sunday raised a fantastic total of £1,366.50! This will be boosted by Gift Aid tax reclaim of £340.72, giving a grand total of

Next week's team:

Leading: Paul Watson

Preaching: Paul Watson

Reading: Youth Church, Robert Taylor

Readings: Philippians 1: 3-11
Luke 3: 1-6

Prayers: Youth Church

Books: Anne Cooper, Midge Harbottle

Offering: Simon Barnett, Jim
Middleton

Coffee: Claudia & Walter Obendrauf

Prayer Ministry: Carolyn Rae, Rob
Cooper

Flowers: -

Letter from June

Hello,

We arrived safely complete with baggage. There are 8 of us. It's not possible in a few words to describe what it's like but, in brief, it's great.

Today we met the staff in the Addis office and they were so welcoming it just about reduced us all to tears.

Amazing and lovely people.

We're off tomorrow on our first farm visit and we have to be ready to leave at 7.00am.

Lots of love, June

There is a hearing loop system in the church and
**large-print service and
hymn books are available**

Advent

Nov 29th (HC)	The Return of Christ	Luke 2: 25-36
Dec 6th (AAW)	Prepare the Way for the Lord	Luke 3: 1-6
Dec 13th (HC)	The Call to Change	Luke 3: 7-18
Dec 20th (MW)	Carol Service	Luke 1: 39-45

Prayer Points

Please pray for

1. our church members: Catriona MacDonald, Liz and Ailsa MacDougall, Hans and Wai Leng Mann, Jonathan and David
2. our AGM and those nominated to serve as new members
3. victims of the recent flooding in Cumbria and the Scottish borders
4. The preparation for the Climate Summit at Copenhagen, that an agreement will be reached on cutting carbon emissions

Mothers Union quiet day

Sat 5th Dec, 10.30-2.30
St John's Church, Aberdeen

Beach clean up

On Dec 5th we meet for breakfast at the Rectory at 8.45am before we go to join in the beach clean up

Carol Singing

On Dec 20th at Eastleigh
Anyone who wants to join please contact Ruth Arthur

Housegroups Communion

Wednesday 9th December 7.30pm
at the Bale's, Roxlee House.

Grounds Working Party

Sat, December 5th, 10.00am-1.00pm
Everybody welcome for as little or as long as you can.
Please bring any useful tools, especially leave rakes!

Oasis

Christmas: Hope from outside the box

Sun, Dec. 6th, 6.00-7.00pm

An hour of spiritual exploration and reflection through word, music and images, preparing us for the month ahead.

Liturgy Feedback:

There is a short questionnaire on the new liturgy available at the back of the church if there is any feedback you would like to give.

Christmas Cards

We need volunteers to help distributing the Christmas cards from next Sunday, Dec. 6th

MBC Carol Event

Mon, 7 December from 6.30 to 7.30 pm in Cults Square.

Come and enjoy carol singing with the Bon Accord Silver Band and the Morven Singers. Carol sheets will be provided.