

# Mure Memorial Church

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2023

Second Sunday of Advent



*Please stand as the Bible enters the Church*

Welcome & Intimations

Call to Worship (*Please join in the words written in **bold***).

The voice of the Lord declares,  
"Comfort, O comfort my people".

**A voice cries out,  
"Prepare the way of the Lord!"**

The paths before us may be rocky  
and dangerous but God goes before us.

**There are new places to visit  
and fresh angles on familiar places.**

The earth will be transformed,  
God's glory will be revealed.

**O God, we await your coming!  
As we await, cleanse us. As we wait, transform us.**

Wherever the path may lead us, God is always there –  
and here among us today.

279 : Make way, make way for Christ the King

Dedication of Offering

All Ages Talk

Lighting of Second Advent Candle

Prayer

God of Peace, our world is full of angry voices calling for vengeance, calling for retribution masked as justice, calling for destruction as a lie for peace. But we know the true peace that comes from You is available for us all, if we seek it. If we follow You. May peace light our way in this world that desperately needs it. Amen.

475 : Christ is coming! Let creation (verse 1 &2)

Prayer of Approach and Confession ending with the Lord's Prayer

Readings : Isaiah 40, verses 1-11

Mark 1, verses 1-8

334 : On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

Reflection

Song for meditation : Casting Crowns - make room

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

543 : Longing for light, we wait in darkness

Benediction

*Please remain standing as the Bible leaves the Church*

We extend a warm welcome to anyone who is visiting with us this week and hope that you enjoy worshipping at Mure Memorial. Please join us for tea and coffee in the hall after the service.

### INTIMATIONS

#### 137<sup>th</sup> Glasgow Boys, Brigade Junior Section - Volunteers

Currently, the 137th Glasgow Boys' Brigade Junior Section is in desperate need of additional leaders (male or female) to help on a Thursday night. To find out more about volunteering within the Boys' Brigade, please view the national web page on volunteering. **boys-brigade.org.uk/volunteering/**

It is a fun and rewarding experience being a volunteer, and particularly in the BB, where you would be playing a part in the lives of our young people. The boys are aged 8-11 years.

Please give this opportunity serious consideration. You do not need to have been a member of either Boys' or Girl's Brigade, or need any particular experience. If there is an obstacle in your mind, I am sure that this may be overcome.

It is critical that we increase our staff numbers to enable us to continue. At this time, we will not be able to operate our section in the foreseeable future. Please don't wait till it is too late.

Please share this where you are able and give consideration to family and friends who would be suitable to help and may have an interest. In addition, Anchor Boys and Company Section would welcome some new staff as well.

If you wish to find out more, please email **johnmcm@hotmail.com**

### The Guild

This week we are holding our final meeting before the Christmas break. We will be singing Carols for Advent at **2pm**. Our first meeting of 2024 will be on **11<sup>th</sup> January**.

### Flower Calendar 2024

The calendar for next year is now available at the front of the church. Please complete for any special dates for which you wish to provide flowers.

### Christmas Photos

Janis Smith is looking for any photos from Christmas festivities at the Church to add to the website. Please contact her directly for further information.

### Future Intimations

Intimations can be submitted for inclusion in the Order of Service and on [www.mure.org](http://www.mure.org) by emailing **intimations@mure.org**.

Just to make everyone aware, that when you request an intimation via [intimations@mure.org](mailto:intimations@mure.org), to be put in Order of Service, this also goes to the website and Facebook. Please let us know if you do not want the information on all platforms. It may also be that you wish to adjust intimation for each platform.

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If your intimation is not electronic, please supply a copy to **Christine Imrie** or **John McMillan**.

It would be appreciated if any intimations for the following Sunday could be submitted by Wednesday evening.

### Church Website

For more information about what is happening in the Church, visit our website at [mure.org](http://mure.org)