

## Church Information and Dates

-Please stay behind after the service for refreshments

### This week

-Tuesday and Friday Welcome 10:30am-12noon (free tea/coffee and chat and church open for prayer and reflection).

**-Prayer Meeting and Bible Study: Thursday at 10:30am (Church)  
7:30pm (Manse)**

**-Lord's Day (21 December): Morning Worship 11am: The Minister**

### December

- Hatton Lea Nursing Home Service 16<sup>th</sup> at 2:30pm
- Christmas Concert with Jonathan Buchan – 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm
- Christmas Eve: 7pm (St Andrew's) and 11:15pm (EU Congregational Church)
- Christmas Day 10:30am

### January

- Orbiston Neighbourhood Centre Service: 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm
- Kirk Session 13<sup>th</sup> at 2:15pm (Manse)
- Committee of Management 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:45pm (Fellowship Hall)

### February

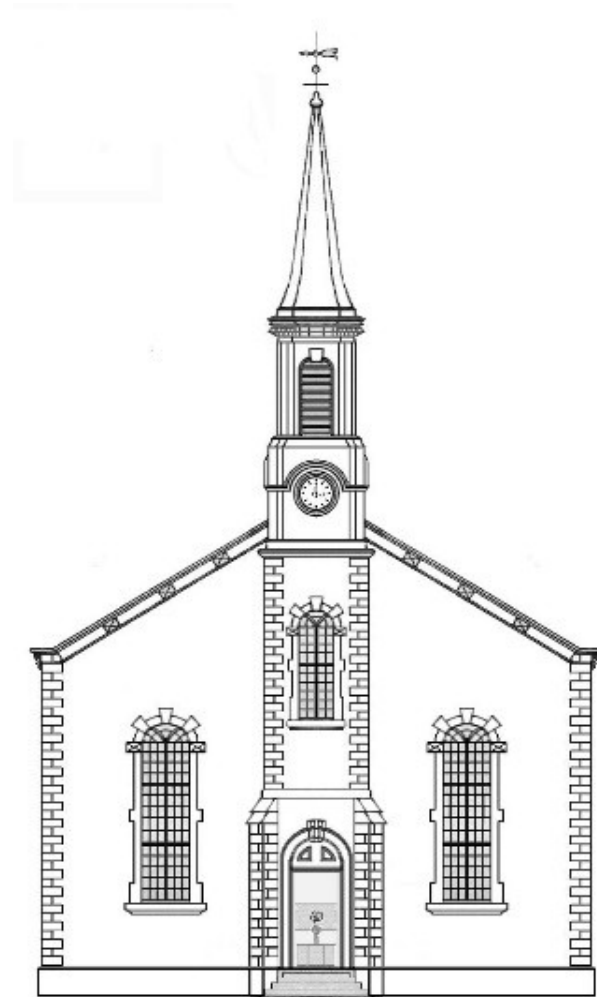
- Annual Business Meeting: 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm

### March

- Sacrament of Communion: 8<sup>th</sup> at 11am
- Gift Day 14<sup>th</sup> 11am-3pm

The **Congregational Magazine** and **Gift Aid Declarations** are now available in the vestibule. If you wish to become **a member** of the church by **professing faith in Christ for the first time, or by transfer from another congregation**, please speak to the Minister. A leaflet on membership can be found in the vestibule.

***Announcements to be submitted by Friday at 8am.***



**United Free Church of Scotland  
Bellshill: St Andrew's Church  
Sunday 14 December 2025 – 6:30pm**

### Minister

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## Order of Service

*Please stand when the Bible enters*

Welcome and information

Call to worship

Praise: Once in Royal David's City (*Irby*)

LESSON I - Isaiah 7:10 – 16

*Ian Houston*

LESSON II - Isaiah 11:1-5

*Christopher Powell*

Praise: The race that long in darkness pin'd (*Winchester Old*)

Prayer

Praise: Hark the Herald Angels Sing (*Mendelssohn*)

LESSON III - Luke 1:26 – 38

*Jack McAdam*

LESSON IV - Luke 2:1-7

*Ruth Brown*

Praise: Away in a Manger (*MUELLER (Murray)*)

LESSON V - Luke 2:8-16

*Marcus Bailey*

Praise: Angels from the realms of glory (*Iris*)

LESSON VI – Matthew 2:1-10

*Cllr Beth Baudo*

LESSON VII – Matthew 2:11- 15

*Tommy Murphy*

Praise: Come thou long expected Jesus (*Hyfrydol*)

LESSON VIII - Luke 2:21 – 35

*Andrew Brown*

Message: A Prepared Christmas

Offering

LESSON IX - John 1:1-14

*The Minister*

Praise: From the squalor of a borrowed stable

Benediction

*Please remain upstanding for the departure of the Bible*

## Sermon: A Prepared Christmas

**I. Bethlehem – The planned place for Christ's birth**

**II. The Shepherds – God's chosen witnesses of Christ's birth**

**III. Pondering and praise – Fitting responses to Christ's birth**

*What has God said to you, or shown you today?*

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