

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to our church where we hope you will enjoy our Sabbath worship today. The Lord's presence is in this place; let us all be reverent before Him. Keith Thompson will open God's Word to us this morning.

You are invited to enjoy refreshments in the Church Hall after the service.

Bring-and-Share Fellowship Lunch today in the Church Hall. All visitors are most welcome to share what we have.

Prayer Chain. Please phone Shirley Thomas with your prayer requests.

This year, money gifts on the Christmas tree will be given to the Perthshire Women's Aid. Thank you for your generosity to this worthy cause.

Grateful thanks to Steve and Val Hannam who donated the Christmas tree in the Church Hall to the children's department of the church.

Thank you to everyone who organised and took part in the various special services held over the Christmas period.

Thanks and appreciation to Steve and Muriel Logan for arranging the film night at their home last weekend and for their kind hospitality.

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Invitation to a Hogmanay social evening at the Holford's home on Monday 31 December at 8.00 pm. Please bring a bottle and some finger food. Everyone most welcome.

Next Sabbath, 5 January, Marc Walker will be baptised at a special service in Crieff Church.

Hearts and Hands workshop Sunday 6 January in Church Hall.

Would 2013 Church Board Officers please contact Angela Logan, Church Clerk, with details of their email addresses.

Communion Service in Crieff Church on Sabbath 19 January with Pastor Holford.

Study Weekend at Crieff Church 25 - 27 January with Pastor Bjorn Ottesen, former president of the Swedish and Danish Unions. Details to follow.

Scottish Mission Church Officers Training Day. Sunday 27 January at Crieff Church.

For parents of young children. At Crieff Church, we have a Parents Room at the back of the church which parents with babies and young children can use, while still being able to see and hear the church service. A selection of toys and books is provided for your use. If your child is unsettled or distressed during the service, please do not feel embarrassed by taking them out to this room.

FROM OUR PASTOR

God is blessing our church in Crieff in so many ways. The faithfulness of our members is a reflection of what God is doing – and we praise Him. However, when I look at what I have done in 2012, I confess that, despite my best intentions, I have not done everything as well as I had hoped.

In October, Karen and I visited Florence for a couple of days. The wonderful statues fascinated us, including the famous 'David' by Michelangelo. I was reminded of the comment he made about working on his most famous sculpture, 'I saw the angel in the stone and carved until I set him free.'

When Jesus died on the cross, He took the punishment for our sin and sees a potential 'angel' in every human being. Christ in you, the hope of glory (Col 1:27), is God's dream for each one of us, and our Church, as we grow together in love and peace.

Michelangelo also said 'The greater danger for most of us lies not in setting our aims too high and in falling short, but in setting our aim too low and achieving our mark.'

As I look ahead to 2013, I invite each one of us to set our aim at even higher levels of love for God, our families and those who live in our communities. As we experience the grace of God in our own lives, we will see His grace being revealed in those we minister to. I wonder how many 'angels' we will recognise in those around us this year, and how God will help us to reveal them?

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Would you like to prepare for baptism or develop your relationship with God? Perhaps you would like a visit or know of someone who is unwell or in need of a visit for any reason. Please speak with the Minister or one of the Elders.

Sabbath Services

Prayer Group	9.30 am
Song Service	9.45 am
Sabbath School	10.00 am
Worship Service	11.15 am

Lead Elder for December Mrs Shirley Froude

Sunset Times for Crieff

Today 3.46 pm

Preaching Plan

Sabbath 5 January	Pastor Bernie Holford
Sabbath 12 January	To be arranged
Sabbath 19 January	Pastor Bernie Holford
Sabbath 26 January	Pastor Bjorn Ottesen

This Week at a Glance

Monday	Hogmanay social evening
Sabbath	Sabbath Services

If you would like to have a copy of today's sermon on CD, please leave a note of your name and today's date in the Sermon Tapes Box as you leave the church. Your CD will be ready by next Sabbath. Contributions of £1 per CD would be appreciated. Excess funds from production go to CAP funds.

Welcome to Crieff



WORSHIP SERVICE
11.15 am ~ 29 December 2012

Welcome

Hymn

Scripture Reading

Prayer

Church Offering & Tithes

Children's Story

Hymn

Sermon

Hymn

Benediction

Organ Meditation

Postlude