

SCONE and ST MARTINS
PARISH CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

12 January 2025

THE FIRST SUNDAY IN THE SEASON OF EPIPHANY

SYMBOLS OF EPIHANY LEAD US ONWARDS IN FAITH

9.30am St Martins Church

10.45am Scone Old Church

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A special welcome is extended to any visitors worshipping with us. You are invited to sign the Visitors' Book. If you have moved into this area, we would be very pleased to have you worship with us regularly. Please speak to one of the Welcome Party, or to the Minister as you leave.

Email: sconeandstmartinschurch@gmail.com

A **Telephone Prayer Chain** is available to support in prayer any person/s in the church or community, or their family or friends whether living here or elsewhere, particularly if urgent prayer is required for matters such as illness, operations or other problems. Phone requests to Lilian at 01738 553651 or, if she is unavailable, to Helen at 01821640560 or Frances at 01738 552681.

Intimations:

1 **Refreshments** will be served in the hall following the service.

2 The **Guild** meets on Tuesday 14 January at 2.30 pm in the **Burnside Hall** (note change of venue). The speaker is Rev Margaret Steele.

3 The **Hub** is open on Wednesday 15 January at Balforno Road from 10.00 am till midday - everybody welcome.

4 There will be a **Movie Lunch** on Thursday 23 January. Come for lunch at 12 noon - cost £4.50 - and stay for the movie High Society.

Lesson	Words from Matthew 2
The Star and the Wise guide us into 2025.	
Hymn 326	As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold . . .
Welcome and Intimations	
Call to Worship	
Hymn	God of dawn each day's renewal (see sheet)
<p>Prayer</p> <p>at the conclusion of the prayer we join in the words printed in italics:</p> <p>And so, as we welcome the New, we recommit ourselves to you and to your service in the world praying that you would:</p> <p><i>Encourage us by our successes of the past;</i></p> <p><i>Challenge us, to face with fortitude what this year may bring;</i></p> <p><i>Guide us, by your eternal presence, and give us strength to keep our resolution for the days to come.</i></p> <p><i>We resolve, to endeavour to live our lives that they may be worthy of Christ your Son, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honour, glory and praise, now and forever. Amen</i></p>	
Hymn 201	Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness (seated)
Litany of the Light (see sheet)	
Reading	Luke 3: 15 – 17; 21 – 22
Hymn 336	Christ is our light (Tune Highland Cathedral) (vs 1 and 2)
Brief Reflection	
Prayer	
Hymn	We Three Kings (See Sheet)
From the Light of Christ, the lighting of our prayer candles as we commence our journey with Christ into 2025. The Wise will guide us.	
Benediction	
Hymn 237	Look forward in Faith