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This week's services **Sunday 19 November 10.30am**

Jonah 3–4 Are you right to be angry?

We will celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper at our services at 10.30am and 2pm.

We meet each Sunday for prayer in the McNab Room from 10.10am until 10.25am. All welcome.

All welcome to join any of our services in person or on our YouTube channel <https://www.youtube.com/@craiglockhartchurch3157>

Evening Service Sunday 19 November
6.30pm for tea/coffee, 7pm for service At Barclay Viewforth. All welcome

What's on in November

Monday 20	Welcome Space 10am-12 noon
Monday 20	Bible Study Group 7.30-9.30pm
Thursday 23	Bible Study Group 10am-12 noon - Centenary Hall
Monday 27	Welcome Space 10am-12 noon
Friday 1 Dec	From 10 am Decorating Church for Christmas with mince pies

Get involved with our Sunday services

We are in the process of creating duty rotas for our Sunday Services in 2024. Some of our volunteers are now no longer able or wish to undertake these duties going forward so we are looking for some folk to get involved. It's normally just a couple of time a year. For duties such as leading prayers full guidance and help is provided and for all those who volunteer you can easily swap dates with others if you are not able to do your duty for any reason. Anyone can volunteer there is no need to be an Elder or Kirk Session member.

We need volunteers to -

1. **welcome folks in at the door**
2. **count and bank the offerings**
3. **lead prayers**
4. **read Bible verses**

If you are interested in being included in the rota or finding out more about what's involved, please contact sessionclear@craiglockhartchurch.org or speak to Gill Robinson or the Minister at Church.

When you are responding could you please indicate which of the duties you are willing to get involved with. If you are already a volunteer for any of the duties and are happy to continue there is no need to tell us. Of course, if you would also prefer to come off the rotas just drop us a note.

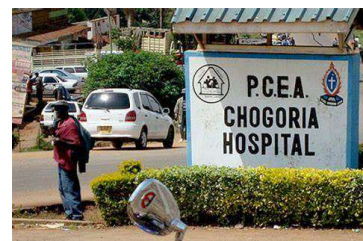


Christmas Steeple - ready for distribution

Our Christmas Steeple is ready for the distributors to collect on **Sunday 19 November and Sunday 26 November**. Could all distributors endeavour to **deliver their Steeples by 30 November** so that the dates and times of all our Christmas services are promoted early.

Chogoria Lunch - Thank You

Although there was only a moderate attendance at last Sunday's Chogoria Lunch, the sterling efforts of Sandra and the team prompted those present to dig deep. The amount raised being **£360**. Our next Chogoria Lunch is on **Sunday 10 December**.



Digital Support Drop-In

Are you looking for help with everyday digital skills such as using a PC, mobile, tablet, searching the web, shopping, saving photos and files for easy access?

If so just drop in to the Small Hall at **Polwarth Church on Tuesday 21 November between 11am and 12.15pm**. Our IT wizard **Andrew Kennedy** will be on hand to help you out.

Our Service of Light - Sunday 10 December

If you would like to make an entry in our **Book of Remembrance** which will be used at our Service of Light and your messages hung on our tree, please speak to Eleanor Young in the large Hall on **Sunday 19 November and Sunday 3 December**. Alternatively, email your messages to her at deayint@talktalk.net.



Four Churches Beetle Drive

**Saturday 18th Nov
6 - 8pm**

Barclay Viewforth Church

**All welcome to come along and
enjoy some fun and pizza together.**

Please sign up by passing name and dietary
info. to your church office.



To give us an idea of numbers for catering please sign up on the list in the Large Hall or e mail office@craiglockhartchurch.org before Thursday 16 November



BEREAVEMENT SERVICE

To be held at St Michael's at 3pm on Sunday 19 November 2023

St Michael's Parish Church is offering a special service for all those who have suffered bereavement over the last few years, and beyond, and who would appreciate the opportunity to join others in a peaceful space for quiet reflection, some music, prayer and words of comfort to remember those we have lost.

All are welcome.



Friday 1st December - Christmas tree and hall decorating

We are looking for volunteers to decorate the Church Christmas trees and the large hall ready for our Christmas celebrations. Why not come along to help and have some fun.

Just come along from 10 am and we'll give you a job, a mince pie and a cuppa.

The Kirk Session warmly invites you to a Christmas Celebration at Craiglockhart Parish Church Halls on Saturday 9th December 2023 2.30pm to 5.00 pm

All welcome for Afternoon Tea and entertainment by "The Forget me Notes"

Please e mail to office@criglockhartchurch.org by 1st December if you would like to attend and to confirm if you require transport to and from the Church. Alternatively let Gill



**Robinson or John Murchison
know at Church.**

The Steeple Craiglockhart Church

Craiglockhart Church

Christmas Services 2023

Sunday 3rd December 10.30am
First Sunday in Advent – Join us as we begin the season of Advent.
Gift Service - We support a group who provide gifts for the children of prisoners at HMPr Edinburgh. These gifts will be collected today. If you would like to contribute, just bring your gift to the service or drop it off in the week before. Please leave gifts unwrapped.

Sunday 10th December 10.30am
Second Sunday in Advent – We continue to explore the Christmas story

Sunday 10th December 6.30pm
Service of Light and Remembering
This is a reflective service where we take time to give thanks for all we have and to remember the people we love who are no longer with us. Names can be given in the week before to be included in our book of remembrance and to have a special tag attached to our Christmas tree.

Sunday 17th December 10.30am
9 Lessons and Carols
This service is meaningful to so many people. We will hear readings from the bible which tell of God's love in sending Jesus, our choir will share some pieces with us, and we will all get to sing some great Christmas carols.

Sunday 24th December 10.30am
Christmas Celebration
This is a service with a difference. Lots of activities, Christmas carols, time to chat and explore what Christmas really means.

Sunday 24th December 6.30pm
Family Watchnight Service
(No livestream at this service)
This service is a firm favourite with families and people of all ages. We share the Christmas story using our famous knitted nativity characters and there will be an opportunity for children to join in. Or you can sit back and enjoy building your own nativity scene using our sticker sets. This service is a great way to spend time together on Christmas Eve.

Sunday 24th December 2023 11.15pm
Watchnight Service
(No livestream at this service)
Our traditional evening watchnight service. Many people enjoy being with others as Christmas Eve moves into Christmas Day. This short, reflective service will focus our minds on Jesus as we move into a busy day.

Monday 25th December 10.30am
Christmas Day Service
(No livestream at this service)
It is always good to meet together on Christmas morning and celebrate together.
Children are encouraged to bring one of their gifts to show everyone.

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CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

FREE ADMISSION
CRAFTS, WREATHS, JEWELLERY,
PERSONALISED GIFTS AND SO
MUCH MORE!

1.30pm - 4pm
2nd December 2023
Craiglockhart Parish Church
EH14 1HS

**BOUNCY CASTLES
AVAILABLE FOR THE KIDS &
SPECIAL VISITOR**

Organised by 

Funeralcare
In aid of  **Barnardo's**

Upcoming Services

Sunday 26 November 10.30am

Sunday 3 December 10.30am

Luke 1:67—80 Hope

This is our annual gift service. Please bring a gift for a girl or boy of the family of a prisoner.

2.30pm – Held in our Hearts memorial service

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**Four Churches
Social Events
Save the Date**

Sat 18 Nov - Beetledrive
(Barclay Viewforth)

Sat 20 Jan - Burns Supper
(Craiglockhart)

Sat 11 May - Quiz
(Polwarth)

The graphic features a teal background with illustrations of a beetle, dice, and a person holding a quiz sign.

What's happening locally

Afternoon Fellowship at Barclay Viewforth - all welcome

AFTERNOON FELLOWSHIP



Autumn/winter 2023

All events start at 2pm unless stated.

Tuesday 5 September

Ugandan experience

Tuesday 3 October

Mary's meals

Tuesday 7 November

Lawyer information POA, wills

Tuesday 5 December

Christmas lunch Golf Tavern

(Four church beetledrive,
Saturday 18 November
6.30pm.



Polwarth Church Cafe

The cafe is open 10.30am until 1pm every Tuesday in the Drennan Hall. Come along and enjoy a range of teas, filter coffee, sweet treats and soup.

Weekly Activities at Polwarth



Wednesday Activities at Polwarth
10am - 12noon

Drennan Hall
Polwarth Parish Church
EH11 1LU

A meeting place where you can learn skills, share skills, make new friends.
Go outdoors, go indoors, join in, connect with your local community.
All welcome! (18+) All tools and materials provided.

Buses 10 & 27 stop outside the church

For more information contact polwarthwedactivities@gmail.com

Activities include:
baking, gardening, outdoor & indoor, art & crafts, health & well being sessions, book group, poetry, photography, board games, quizzes, dominoes, topical presentations, computer work.
Bring your own skill to share!

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