BROOM PARISH
CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

FAMILY SERVICE
SUNDAY 22ND DECEMBER 2019

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

'HARK THE GLAD SOUND' (CH4 277)

PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

'LOVE CAME DOWN AT CHRISTMAS' (CH4 316)

SCRIPTURE READINGS:
ISAIAH 7: 10-16
ROMANS 1: 1-7

ANTHEM: 'MARY'S BOY CHILD'

SCRIPTURE READING:
MATTHEW 1: 18-25
(READ BY LINDSAY STEVENSON)

'CHILD IN THE MANGER' (CH4 314)

SERMON

'WHILE HUMBLE SHEPHERDS WATCHED THEIR FLOCKS' (CH4 296)

OFFERING
'DING DONG MERRILY ON HIGH'

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

'SEE IN YONDER MANGER LOW' (CH4 313)

BENEDICTION

NOTICES

A warm welcome to our Family Service.

All are invited to the Coffee Break in the Columba Hall following the Service.

CHRISTMAS WISHES: Sincere thanks to everyone for the many good wishes and cards we have received at this festive time. Christine and I are delighted to share once again with you the celebration of Christmas. It is a very happy time of year and it is my wish that all of us together will enjoy this time with friends and family.

Jim

SUNDAY 29TH DECEMBER: *Next Sunday we will welcome Mr Bert McCool, a Church of Scotland Reader, who will lead us in worship.*

CHRISTMAS PLANTS: *Thank you to everyone who helped to distribute the plants last Sunday.*

WEDNESDAY BREAK: *The mid-week Services will restart on Wednesday 8th January. There will be NO Wednesday Break on 25th December 2019 and 1st January 2020.*

READERS FOR SERVICES: *The rota for 2020 will be circulated shortly. If anyone would like to participate in reading the lessons at Services please speak to the Minister.*

FREEWILL OFFERING ENVELOPES: *Please uplift your envelopes for 2020 which are set out in alphabetical order in the Church Vestibule.*

LODGING HOUSE MISSION: *Please remember to keep Lodging House Mission meal vouchers with you to hand to a homeless person needing a meal. Vouchers cost £1 and are available in the vestibule.*

CHURCH OFFICE: *The Church Office will be closed until Tuesday 7th January.*

PRAYER DIARY

*This week please thank God in your prayers for **Broom Church**. Please pray for our minister, our elders, our groups and every-one in our congregation as we all think about the year ahead.*

Dear Lord,

- *Enable our church to do your will in the coming year.*
- *Make us vulnerable that we may speak with calm humility.*
- *Make us outward looking that we may care deeply.*
- *Make us a community of peacemakers and bridge builders .*
- *In the midst of turbulence let our church make space for the hearing of your still small voice and the Good News of Jesus.*

If you would like the church to include any particular organisation in the weekly prayer list please do let the Church

MISSION AND OUTREACH PROJECT - BROOM FOREST IN MALAWI: *We are delighted to be working with the Mtende Project in creating the Broom Forest in Malawi. We will provide a village with the funds to buy quick growing, exotic trees that they can use like a crop. The Mtende Project will work with the village, providing the education, resources and skills needed to establish the new tree nursery, and conserve their existing trees. We will also be helping the village to buy new cooking pots which will significantly reduce the amount of wood they need to burn every day. We hope that you will continue to donate any spare pennies you might have into the 'collecting loo' in the vestibule. If you would like any further information, please speak to Alison Marshall.*

BROOM GUILD: *We look forward to welcoming Mrs Fiona Gunning from the **MTENDE PROJECT** to speak at our next Guild meeting. As this project is now being supported by the congregation through donations in the 'collecting loo' in the vestibule, we would like to invite any member of the congregation who would like to hear more about the work done through the Mtende Project to come along to our meeting on Tuesday 7th January at 7.30pm in the Ninian Hall. All are welcome.*

SHINE YOUTH MUSICAL THEATRE: WE WILL ROCK YOU: *Everyone enjoyed the recent musical performance so much that we propose to organise a bus to see Shine's forthcoming production of* ***We Will Rock You*** *which is on from 24th – 28th March 2020 in Motherwell Concert Hall. We won't know the finer details for the outing until we see if we can get a block booking. Expressions of interest however are welcome. There is a poster in the vestibule and a sheet to write your name if interested. Pat Mackenzie*

DEFIBRILLATOR: *A defibrillator is located in the Columba Hall at the kitchen hatch.*

ON DUTY TODAY: *Moira Gray, Jim Inglis, Tom McPhail. Reader: Lindsay Stevenson.*

ON DUTY NEXT WEEK: *Maureen Marshall, Graham Mitchell, David Morgan, Joy Ross. Reader: Audrey Stewart.*

CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT BROOM

Tuesday 24th December	*6.30pm*	*Christmas Eve Service*
Wednesday 25th December	*11.00am*	*Christmas Day Family Service*
Sunday 29h December	*10.00am*	*Family Service*
Sunday 5th January	*10.00am*	*Family Service*