## **CANONBIE CHRONICLES**

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## **Christmas film matinee**

## Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2:30pm in church

Sherry and mince pies. Admission free but donations gratefully received.

# Our next Communion is Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December, 11:30am

Please join us Everyone welcome

Communion is held at Canonbie United Parish Church on the first Sunday of March, June, September and December.

#### Andrew's Call to worship. Sunday 24th November. Shall I Bend My Knee?

Shall I bend my knee to the king of war Who conquers by strength, by blood and the sword?

Who guarded with armour, with shield and with helm

Rides forth to battle to widen his realm Bringing fire and pillage to widen his sway But who will be gone, like the dew, some day?

No - I don't think so

Shall I bend my knee to the king of wealth Gilded and furred and vaunting himself? In a vast palace complex with servants to see

That he gets what he wants, when he wants it to be

Satins and velvets that come at the cost Of taxes laid on the poor and the lost? No - I don't think so

Shall I bend my knee to a national king In rich robes of state, wielding signet ring? With orb and with sceptre, with elegant throne

Majestic symbols in metal and stone Who lives not the lives that his subjects have had

But who just has this job 'cause he had the right dad?

No - I don't think so

Shall I bow my knee to a carpenter's son Who accepted arrest when he could have run?

Who had no wealthy friends who might intercede

When beaten and broken was made to bleed?

Shall I bow to one who commanded no men To bloody revenge or to rescue him when He was nailed to a cross? Yes. I shall

Andrew Morton is our Interim Moderator. See our website for all of Andrew's sermons and the content of all our recent services.

#### **Christmas Services at Canonbie United Parish Church**

Sunday 22nd December. Retelling the story of Christmas. 11:30am.

Christmas Eve Watchnight. 8pm.

Christmas Day Service by the Elders. 10am.

### **Soup Kitchens**

11:30 am to 1:30pm Village Hall. Saturdays 25<sup>th</sup> January 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2014.

£5 adult; £2.50 school-aged children for a good filling of home made grub!

#### **Fellowship**

meets (most) Mondays at Mozie Law, 7:30pm. Call Ruth Foster on 71583 or check the website for details.

We are currently looking at 1 Corinthians and the book we are using is called 'People and Problems in the Church'.

## **Craft Evening**

making Chrismon decorations for our Christmas tree Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December. 7pm Sunday School Room in Church

All welcome

#### 2014 calendars

Want to spread the Word to friends and family this Christmas? Why not have a look at your local <a href="www.newdaycalendars.com">www.newdaycalendars.com</a> Daan van Belzen. New Day Calendars



#### **Kate's Kitchen Charity Gift Cards**

Not a pack of cards but rather a virtual gift as you might buy a chicken or a goat from, say, Oxfam. However, here you are helping those in need in Annandale and Eskdale. For £10 you are buying 10 meals or a food parcel or a cooking skills class at Kate's Kitchen in Annan. So it is a small virtual gift for someone for whom you don't know what to get or for whom you need a little extra or who would prefer a gift for someone else rather than themselves. You give the recipient

a card explaining the donation that you have made on their behalf. For those who don't know, Kate's Kitchen is a local charity that helps the homeless and vulnerable. **Available at Canonbie United Parish Church or from Kirsteen 71725** 

#### Other news

At the Kirk Session meeting in September, it was agreed that our church would look at options for supporting the various communities visited by our **Youth Group in Malawi** last summer. More details to follow. A **Quiz Night** filled the church with people on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November. Quiz Masters Anthony Lane and Glen Lamont led 15 teams battling their wits on such subjects as literature, movie themes and recent news items. Over £150 was raised to be split between church funds and the Youth Group Malawi Fund. Special thanks to everyone who brought food and helped tidy up afterwards. Following terrorist incidents in September in **Pakistan and Kenya**, the Church of Scotland has sent messages of support to partner churches in the two countries. More than 80 people died in the suicide bombing of All Saints Church in Peshawar, Pakistan. A Church of Scotland minister, the Rev. Aftab Gohar, lost his mother, a niece and nephew. The bombing came soon after the attack and siege at the Westgate Centre in Nairobi, Kenya.

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