

**Livingstone Parish Church**  
**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2021**  
**Rev. Dave Sutherland**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent**

**Hymn 1 MP 102**

**Come, Thou long expected Jesus,**  
born to set Thy people free;  
from our fears and sins release us;  
let us find our rest in Thee.

All Thy people's consolation,  
hope of all the earth Thou art;  
dear desire of every nation,  
joy of every longing heart.

*Sweet chiming bells, O how they ring,  
to welcome Christ, the new-born King;  
sweet chiming bells, O how they ring,  
to welcome Christ, the King.*

Born Thy people to deliver;  
born a child, and yet a King;  
born to reign in us for ever;  
now Thy gracious kingdom bring.

*Sweet chiming bells...*

By Thine own eternal Spirit  
rule in all our hearts alone:  
by Thine all-sufficient merit  
raise us to Thy glorious throne.

*Sweet chiming bells...*

*Sweet chiming bells...*

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

**Hymn 2 MP 988**

**How deep the Father's love for us,**  
how vast beyond all measure,  
that He should give His only Son  
to make a wretch His treasure.  
How great the pain of searing loss –  
the Father turns His face away,  
as wounds which mar the chosen one  
bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon a cross,  
my sin upon His shoulders;  
ashamed, I hear my mocking voice  
cry out among the scoffers.  
It was my sin that held Him there  
until it was accomplished;  
His dying breath has brought me life –  
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything,  
no gifts, no power, no wisdom;  
but I will boast in Jesus Christ,  
His death and resurrection.  
Why should I gain from His reward?  
I cannot give an answer,  
but this I know with all my heart,  
His wounds have paid my ransom.

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**Hymn 3 MP 211**

**Hark! the herald-angels sing,**  
'Glory to the new born King!  
Peace on earth, and mercy mild,  
God and sinners reconciled.'  
Joyful, all you nations rise,  
join the triumph of the skies;  
with the angelic host proclaim,  
'Christ is born in Bethlehem!'  
*Hark! the herald-angels sing,  
'Glory to the new-born King!'*

Christ by highest heaven adored,  
Christ, the everlasting Lord,  
late in time behold Him come,  
offspring of a virgin's womb!  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see!  
Hail, the incarnate Deity!  
Pleased as man with man to dwell,  
Jesus, our Emmanuel.  
*Hark! the herald-angels sing,  
'Glory to the new-born King!'*

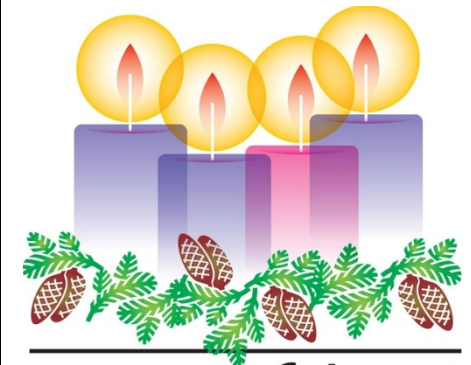
Hail, the heaven-born Prince of peace!  
Hail, the Sun of righteousness!  
Light and life to all He brings,  
risen with healing in His wings.  
Mild He lays His glory by,  
born that man no more may die;  
born to raise the sons of earth,  
born to give them second birth.  
*Hark! the herald-angels sing,  
'Glory to the new-born King!'*

Charles Wesley (1707-1788) and others

**Exeunt** *(Sing Twice)*

**May the peace of the Lord Christ go  
with you,**  
wherever He may send you.  
May He guide you through the wilderness,  
protect you through the storm.  
May He bring you home rejoicing  
at the wonders He has shown you.  
May He bring you home rejoicing  
once again into our doors.

Celtic Daily Prayer



FOURTH SUNDAY OF *Advent*

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