

**Livingstone Parish Church**  
**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2022**  
**Mr. Sandy Hershaw**

**Hymn 1 CH4 305**

**In the bleak midwinter**

frosty wind made moan,  
earth stood hard as iron,  
water like a stone;  
snow had fallen, snow on snow,  
snow on snow,  
in the bleak mid-winter,  
long ago.

Our God, heaven cannot hold him,  
nor earth sustain;  
heaven and earth shall flee away  
when he comes to reign:  
in the bleak mid-winter  
a stable-place sufficed  
the Lord God almighty,  
Jesus Christ.

Enough for him whom cherubim  
worship night and day,  
a breastful of milk and  
a manger full of hay;  
enough for him whom angels  
fall down before,  
the ox and ass and camel  
which adore.

Angels and archangels  
may have gathered there,  
cherubim and seraphim  
thronged the air;  
but only his mother,  
in her maiden bliss,  
worshipped the Beloved  
with a kiss.

What can I give him,  
poor as I am?  
If I were a shepherd  
I would bring a lamb,  
if I were a wise man

I would do my part,  
yet what I can I give him, give my heart.

Christina Georgina Rossetti (1830-1894)

**Hymn 2 JP 98**

**I have decided to follow Jesus,**

I have decided to follow Jesus,  
I have decided to follow Jesus,  
No turning back, no turning back.

Tho' none go with me, I still will follow,  
Tho' none go with me, I still will follow,  
Tho' none go with me, I still will follow,  
No turning back, no turning back.

The world behind me, the cross before me,  
The world behind me, the cross before me,  
The world behind me, the cross before me,  
No turning back, no turning back.

Will you decide now to follow Jesus?  
Will you decide now to follow Jesus?  
Will you decide now to follow Jesus?  
No turning back, no turning back.

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**Hymn 3 CH4 316**

**Love came down at Christmas,**

Love all lovely, Love Divine;  
Love was born at Christmas,  
star and angels gave the sign.

Worship we the Godhead,  
Love Incarnate, Love Divine;  
worship we our Jesus:  
but wherewith for sacred sign?

Love shall be our token,  
love be yours and love be mine,  
love to God and all men,  
love for plea and gift and sign.

Christina Georgina Rossetti (1830-1894)

**Hymn 4 MP 760**

**When we walk with the Lord in the  
light of His word,**

what a glory He sheds on our way!  
While we do his good will, He abides with  
us still,  
and with all who will trust and obey.  
*Trust and obey, for there's no other way  
to be happy in Jesus but to trust and  
obey.*

Not a shadow can rise, not a cloud in the  
skies,  
but His smile quickly drives it away;  
not a doubt nor a fear, not a sigh nor a  
tear,  
can abide while we trust and obey.  
*Trust and obey...*

Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we  
share,  
but our toil He doth richly repay;  
not a grief nor a loss, not a frown nor a  
cross,  
but is blest if we trust and obey.  
*Trust and obey...*

But we never can prove the delights of his  
love,  
until all on the altar we lay;  
for the favour He shows, and the joy He  
bestows  
are for those who will trust and obey.  
*Trust and obey...*

Then in fellowship sweet, we will sit at His  
feet,  
or we'll walk by His side in the way.  
What He says we will do,  
where He sends we will go,  
never fear, only trust and obey.  
*Trust and obey...*

John Henry Sammis (1846-1919)

## Hymn 5 CH4 543

**Longing for light, we wait in darkness.**

Longing for truth, we turn to you.  
Make us your own, your holy people,  
light for the world to see.  
*Christ, be our light!*  
*Shine in our hearts.*  
*Shine through the darkness.*  
*Christ, be our light!*  
*Shine in your church*  
*gathered today.*

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.  
Longing for hope, many despair.  
Your word alone has power to save us.  
Make us your living voice.  
*Christ, be our light...*

Longing for food, many are hungry.  
Longing for water, many still thirst.  
Make us your bread, broken for others,  
shared until all are fed.  
*Christ, be our light...*

Longing for shelter, many are homeless,  
longing for warmth, many are cold.  
Make us your building, sheltering others,  
walls made of living stone.  
*Christ, be our light...*

Many the gifts, many the people,  
many the hearts that yearn to belong.  
Let us be servants to one another,  
making Your kingdom come.  
*Christ, be our light...*

Bernadette Farrell (b. 1957)

**HAPPY  
NEW  
YEAR**

## 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)

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