

# Cheadle Hulme Methodist Church



Notices for Sunday 16th December 2018

## Services

**Sunday 16th December**

**10.30am** Morning Worship, led by  
Mr. John Harrington

**10.00am for 10.30am Taste**

**6.30pm No Evening Worship**



## Services

**Sunday 23rd December**

**10.30am All age Morning  
Worship and Nativity**, led by  
Rev'd Philip Peacock  
*No Reflect today*

**6.30pm Carols and Readings,  
evening service**

## Services

**Christmas Eve**

**Monday 24th December**

**4.30pm** Christingle Service

**11.15pm** Candlelit Christmas  
Communion

**Christmas Day**

**Tuesday 25th December**

**10.00am** All-age Christmas  
Celebration

## A prayer in preparation for worship

Transforming God, give us your deep love and grace so that things may change around us.

As disciples of Jesus, may we sow transforming seeds of love, not of division.

May we show love and encouragement, rather than criticism and disapproval.

May we speak kindness into discord, comfort into mourning and hope into hopelessness.

Amen.

## **Prayer**

Please pray for those leading the service today.

Please pray for Rev'd Philip Peacock, preaching at St. Mary's this morning.

## **Quiet Room before worship**

Each Sunday, Room 2 will normally be available from 9.45 - 10.15am and from 5.45 - 6.15pm, for everyone - for quiet reflection, personal preparation for worship, and to pray for those involved in leading our worship service.

If you would like someone to pray with you after the service there will be a member of the Prayer Team in the Prayer Space at the back of church.

## **Fresh Expressions Missioner**

We have appointed Mrs Linda Rayner as our Fresh Expressions Missioner.

Linda is currently employed half-time by the URC as its Co-ordinator for Fresh Expressions and also has experience as a Lay Learning and Development Officer/Mission Enabler. She will start at CHMC on 7th January 2019. We are planning to commission her in our Covenant Service on January 13th.

## **THANK YOU**

Phil, Jacqui, Derek, Joanne, Rachel and Philip would like to thank all those who supported them financially and physically for their 50km run, which they completed on November 25th at Heaton Park. They have raised around £1500 for their four charities: Smile Train UK, Retrak, Victa and Beechwood Cancer Care. Donations can still be made via the Virgin Money Giving website (search for Cheadle Hulme Methodist Church Runners) or cash could be handed to Revd Philip Peacock.

## **Action for Children Lanterns**

Thank you to all contributors, who, in total, raised £459.35 for the charity, for which 'Action for Children' is very grateful.

*Elaine and Marian.*

## **Covenant Lunch**

Are you coming to the Covenant Lunch on January 13th?

Please sign up today (sign-up sheets are on the Narthex notice board) and indicate if you are able to help in any way.

## **Circuit Newsletter**

The new newsletter is available in the Narthex. Please do take a copy—for news around the Circuit.

## **PRAYING TOGETHER AT CHMC. Advance Notice**

Our next Church Prayer Morning is planned for Saturday 12th January 10.00 - 11.00/11.30

Looking forward and praying together for the life and work of this Church, as we seek to share God's "Good News" in our community.

Do plan to be here. More details nearer the time.

## **Ultimate Book Club**

The next book we are reading is the first letter of John which takes up about 5 pages in the Bible. This letter encourages us to live in fellowship with God and Jesus and warns against false teaching. Retired minister, Rev Margaret Hall will speak about this book on January 6 at 1pm in Centrepont. As usual the lecture will be preceded by soup and hot drinks from 12 noon. A warm welcome to all.

## **Chelwood Foodbank**

Our next collection for Chelwood Baptist Church's Foodbank is on Sunday 13th January. If you are unable to bring groceries, cash donations are also very gratefully received. The Foodbank is currently very short of tinned meat and tinned fish. Please buy items with at least six months left before 'best by/use by' date. With many thanks. Jenni

## Advent and Christmas

### Christmas card board

From December 2nd the WNAT noticeboard will be available for you to send greetings to your Church family.

Save paper, time and money by sending one card! Please put a donation in an envelope marked Christmas Card board and give it to the office. Donations will go to JMA.



### Decorating the Christmas Tree

We will be putting 'Jesse Tree' symbols on our Christmas tree this year and connecting these to the lighting of our Advent Candles.

The 'Jesse Tree' shows the genealogy of Jesus using art or symbols to represent the ancestors of Jesus. In other words, it is a kind of family tree. The name comes from Isaiah 11:1 where it speaks of the Messiah (or Christ) being a descendent of Jesse: 'A shoot will come out of the stock of Jesse, and a branch out of his roots will bear fruit.'

Cardboard circles with different pictures on them to represent Jesus and his ancestors are available from the office or the children's table at the back of church to be coloured and decorated. Once that has been done they will need some cotton or ribbon attached, so that they can be hung on the Christmas tree.

If anyone wants to be more creative and make a 3D symbol out of craft materials, then please do so!

### Church Office over Christmas

The Church office will close at 3pm on Friday 21st December and re-open at 9.30am on Thursday 3rd January 2019.

### Christmas Notices

One set of Sunday notices will be produced to cover 23rd and 30th December. Please send in any notices for these weekly sheets, to the Church office by Wed 19th December.

### 'All We Can'

In the Narthex is a display indicating some of the work being done by ALL WE CAN (former 'Relief and Development' work) of the Methodist Church. We support them! And they could help us—by providing an inspiration for a gift which we may still be lacking...on the style of "send a goat". There are 16 areas of work to become involved in!

Please take and use a catalogue—or orders can be placed by phone and a card, such as those displayed, will be sent to you.

*Margaret*

## **Christmas offerings**

The offerings from the Christmas services will be split between Methodist Homes and Action for Children.

## **Christmas update**

The offering from the Community Carol Service will be in aid of Chelwood Foodbank.

## **All-age Nativity – 23rd December, 10.30am**

For our nativity this year, you are invited to come dressed fully or in part as a nativity character. So if you've always wanted to be a Mary, a Joseph, a shepherd, a wise man, an angel, or a particular animal, here's your chance! We'll also have some costumes for children available for those who don't manage to hear about this beforehand. If you'd prefer not to dress up, then don't let that stop you coming along to share in this service. Everyone's welcome.

## **Christmas Eve - Christingle service**

This service attracts around 160 children and their families and is a great community start to the Christmas celebrations. Please can you consider giving up an hour or two of your time on Christmas Eve to help. We will be setting up from 1.30pm. Families arrive about 4pm to make Christingles and there will be a short service from 4.30-5pm. We should be finished and cleared up by 5.30pm. We need help to set up, make Christingles and other Christmas crafts, serve drinks, light candles during the service and clear up afterwards. Please let Jane and Derek know if you can help in any way. Many thanks.

## **Christmas Day Celebration – 10.00am**

As usual, you are invited, if you wish, to bring along a Christmas present to show everyone during this service.

***Please note that the service begins at 10.00am and not 10.30am.***

### ***Notices — contact details***

*If you include your personal contact details in any item for the church notices, then it will be assumed that you are giving consent for these to be included in paper copies of the notices, which will be in the public domain.*

# Calendar for December 2018

Details of all groups can be found in the Church Magazine

Please pray for all our Groups

## Monday

**Refugee Matters** - a group meets regularly to share information and to PRAY about this on-going crisis. We meet on the first Monday of the month, so our next meeting will be on January 7th, at 10.30 am. Everyone is welcome. Venue to be announced.

## Tuesday

**CAMEO** meets on Tues 18 Dec; then 8,15,22,29 January, 10.30am to 2.15pm.

**Banners** meets again on Tuesdays at 1.30pm

**Reflective Worship** meets each Tuesday at 7pm to 18 Dec; then resumes 8 Jan

**Rock Solid** meets again on Tuesday 8th and 22nd Jan at 7.15pm

## Wednesday

**Toddlers** meets on Weds 19 Dec at 10.30am; then 9,16,23,30 Jan

**Contact** meets on Wed 17th January – Meal

**Third Wednesday** lunch next at 12 o'clock on Wednesday 19th December

All welcome, but please let Jenni know if you're planning to come- for catering purposes- payment is needed in advance for this special Christmas lunch: £4.50 for adults!

## Thursday

**Baby Chat** meets 10.30am on Thurs 20 December; then 10, 17, 24, 31 Jan

**Network** meets again on Thursday 17th January at 2.30pm

**Scouts** meets on Thursdays at 7.15pm

## Friday

**Tiddlywinks** meets again at 10.30am on Friday 11th and 25th January

**Focus** meets again on Friday 18th January—'Christian Unity'

### Contact Information.

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