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20th & 27th December 2020

2020 Church Text

"I lift up my eyes to the mountains –
where does my help come from?
My help comes from the Lord, the
Maker of heaven and earth"
Psalm 121 v 1 & 2

Sunday 20th December 2020
Carols by Candlelight

Led by Rev Andy Gore

'Christmas – a story that's well told'

**Please join with us by watching
the service on YouTube**

Christmas Day Friday 25th
December 2020

Led by Rev Andy Gore

'Christmas has come -at last'

**Please join with us by watching
the service on YouTube**

Sunday 27th December 2020

Led by Rev Andy Gore

'The Kings – better late than never'

**Please join with us by watching
the service on YouTube**

Sunday 3rd January 2021

Led by Rev Andy Gore

'A new calling for a New Year'

Matthew 25 v 14-30

**Please join with us by watching
the service on YouTube**



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Gospel for the week:

Monday (21st December)

Matthew 19 : 1 – 12

Tuesday (22nd December)

Matthew 19 : 13 – 15

Wednesday (23rd December)

Matthew 19 : 16 – 30

Thursday (24th December)

Luke 1 : 67 – 79

Friday (25th December)

Luke 2 : 1 – 20

Saturday (26th December)

Matthew 2 : 1 – 12

“Eat this book”

“What do you think of the Gospel
reading for today?”

Gospel for the week:

Monday (28th December)

Matthew 2 : 13 – 18

Tuesday (29th December)

Colossians 1 : 1 – 14

Wednesday (30th December)

Colossians 1 : 15 – 23

Thursday (31st December)

Colossians 1 : 24 – 2 : 7

Friday (1st January)

Colossians 2 : 8 – 23

Saturday (2nd January)

Colossians 3 : 1 – 11

Website/Facebook links



Links to activities and material for the all our children's groups continue to be available through our website and Facebook page.

www.dronfieldbaptist.co.uk

[@dronfieldbaptist](#)

Fellowship Groups:

Some groups continue to meet through Zoom etc meeting at different times throughout the week.

Please view our YouTube channel as it is being regularly updated with services, children and youth content and worship music.



The Pastoral Team:

The pastoral team are here for you and are happy to help. Please make sure that we are made aware of anyone's needs. Please do tell us, we really don't mind if more than one person makes us aware of a need. Our contact details are below:

Pastoral Telephone Numbers:

	Gill Smith	Tel: 413470
	Sharon Taylor	Tel: 463512
	Anne Armstrong	Tel: 411519
	Richard Armstrong	Tel: 411519
	Jill Lang	Tel: 768299
	Yvonne Norbron	Tel: 290521
	Wendy Temple	Tel: 414267

PASTORAL NEWS

Ian Smith has now moved into residential care and so he has a new address which is: **Valley Lodge Nursing Home, Bakewell Road, Matlock, DE4 3BN**

Ian will be delighted to receive a card to help him to settle as this has been a huge change in his life. *Gill*

Thanksgiving Service for the life of Sheila Hadcocks

The thanksgiving service for Sheila is on Monday 21st December at 2:30pm. Anne, Ruth, Miriam and Grace will be arriving at church at around 2:00pm to catch up with people who might like to say hello. I know that many of you will have fond memories of them and can you please remain socially distanced as much as possible. The committal is at Brimington Crematorium at 3:50pm which is by invite also too. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

The Evers family - Andy, Becca, Nat and Mal have now moved home, their new address is: 4 Stonelow Road, Dronfield, Derbyshire, S18 2EP.

They have no landline so just mobiles, which remain the same. Please remember them in your prayers.

BMS BIRTHDAY SCHEME

Happy Birthday to **Christine Sleath** who celebrated on the 16th December. She and others contribute to the BMS birthday scheme, which helps provide clear water in many areas in the wider world. If you are interested in joining this scheme, please contact Wendy Temple

Tel: 07769686853.

Email: wendy@temple03.info

Prayer Chain Contacts:

If you have a request which you would like us to pray for, please contact any of the following so that the message can be passed on and prayer chain members.

Alison Bygrave Tel: 419454

alisonbygrave@hotmail.com

Gill Smith Tel: 413470

smith4rom@talktalk.net

Monday Prayers and Sunday Coffee



A big thank you to all who joined in the coffee and prayers this week

After Carol Service Mince Pie and Chat

Sunday December 20th

From 7.30-8.30pm (please note the different time)

The zoom meeting ID for after service mince pie and chat is: **873 4617 9821** and the code is **561135**

Monday Prayers

Monday December 21st

From 7-15pm to 8pm

The Zoom meeting ID for Monday prayers is: **894 7320 1448** and the code is **027609**

A message from Ann Athey to all members of the fellowship

"Thank you for all the cards, emails, telephone messages and prayers you've sent me. It was a shock ending up in Calow with a TIA. I was in a week, since being home the after care has been brilliant.

Home visits by medi-equip to fit stair rails, stroke team—I've been told I'm doing well it's going to take time, and my family

So like most people hoping 2021 will be a better year for us all

All of you take care hope to see you soon." *Ann*

Christian Aid News at Christmas.

In these difficult times we have been unable to hold two important fund-raising events for the world's poorest people. The need for help has not gone away and so our committee is asking for you to consider donating to Christian Aid by visiting the chairman's '**Just giving page**'. This money will allow local partners overseas who are fighting

poverty and Covid-19 in extraordinarily difficult ways. Maybe you could donate from money saved because of our present restrictions for example eating out or travelling by train or car. The easy way to donate is by using the page on the 'Just Giving' website below.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Barry-Jex> and follow the instructions.

Thank you so much.

Ray Thompson (DBC rep)

From the Genesis Community Shop

We would like to thank all of you for your continued support over this past year, it has been a hard year for some of us and a long one too. Hopefully as we begin to enter the new year things will start to improve.

Thank-you to everyone who has collected clothing, toys and other items for the Genesis Community Shop. We have been overwhelmed by your generosity and want you to know that we really appreciate every single item sent to us.

We would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Peaceful New Year.

Lisa Carr

**The notices for January will be typed by Brenda Jones:
53brendajones@gmail.com
Please forward by Wednesday**



**MERRY
CHRISTMAS**

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Sunday 20th December 2020 – Carols by Candlelight
‘Christmas – a story that’s well told’
Order of service

Welcome to this year’s Carols by Candlelight service. We would have loved for you to be here this year with us singing carols and listening to the story, but it has not been possible. As you watch and join in today’s service would you please have a candle ready and light it as we begin. Today’s ritual is why we sing carols at Christmas time and let me warn you that the readings today will also be not quite what you might expect. We will only be listening to the Christmas story as told by Luke which means we will hear about Gabriel, Mary, the manger and the Shepherds but there is no room for the Kings. But don’t worry we will be hearing their story next Sunday. Alongside Luke we will also be listening to part of the story of ‘A Christmas Carol’ by Charles Dickens which, like the Gospels, is a story that is well told. This Christmas we will be giving to a charity in Sheffield called ‘Homeless and Rootless at Christmas’ and can I ask you in these difficult times to be as generous as you can be. Please follow the order of service below in this weeks’ notice sheet that has been either emailed to you or mailed through your door.

Welcome – Please light your candle with me & why Christmas carols

Carol ‘In the bleak mid-winter’

Reading Luke 1 : 1 – 4 (The Evers)
Reading Luke 1 : 26 – 38 (The Taylors)

Carol ‘Silent night’

Reading Luke 2 : 1 – 7 (Ed Tomlinson)
Reading Luke 2 : 8 – 20 (Mike Herman)

Carol ‘The first Nowell’

Reading Luke 2 : 25 – 35 (John Griffin)

Carol ‘Away in a manger’

Reading – ‘A Christmas Carol’ (Chris Burch)

Carol ‘O Little town of Bethlehem’

Reading – ‘A Christmas Carol’ (Marilyn Fenn)

Carol ‘Calypso carol’

Reading – ‘A Christmas Carol’ (Chris Bygrave)

Sermon

Prayers

Carol 'O come all ye faithful'

Blessing: 'To the only wise God be praise and glory forever and ever for his gift of his Son that we might know all of his promises coming true in our lives today.'

Christmas Morning December 25th 2020 **'Christmas has come – at last'** **Order of service**

Welcome to our Christmas Day service and first let me wish you a very Happy and Joyful Christmas. Today is a feast day when we celebrate the gift of Jesus who is the fulfilment of all the 'Hopes and fears of all the years, are met in thee tonight' to quote from 'O Little Town of Bethlehem'. The ritual we're thinking about today is the food we eat on Christmas Day and at the risk of spoiling your appetite you will need to have some of your favourite food ready at hand to share in too. The other well-known ritual of Christmas Day is the giving and receiving of gifts, so please have one of presents at hand because it will be the focus for one of our times of prayer. Please follow the order of service below in this weeks' notice sheet that has been either emailed to you or mailed through your door.

Welcome – Candles & the ritual of our Christmas food

Carol 'Silent night'

Christmas Presents

Opening Prayers

Carol 'Little Donkey'

Reading John 1 : 1 – 14

List your Christmas Lunch/dinner in order of what you like most

Carol 'Away in a manger'

Reading Luke 2: 1 – 7

Sermon

Prayers of Intercession

Carol 'While shepherds watched'

Blessing: 'This holy day let the Wisdom of the Wonderful Counsellor enlighten you, the strength of the mighty God empower you, the love of the everlasting Father enfold you and the peace of the Prince of Peace fill you.'

Sunday Morning Worship 27th December 2020
'The Kings – better late than never'
Order of service

Welcome to Sunday morning worship. At last the Kings, the Wise Men, arrive on the scene; only a couple of years too late. Yet though they're late, they make up for it by the waves they cause in Jerusalem. As we conclude this year we all know the waves that have been caused around the world by a microscopic virus but it is the gifts of the Kings that help us to draw the threads of this year together and look forward to the next. Please write down the order I will use to speak about these gifts during worship and can you also have your strangest, your most valuable and your favourite gift you received this year at hand too. Please follow the order of service below in this weeks' notice sheet that has been either emailed to you or mailed through your door.

Welcome – ritual of guessing the gift

Carol 'We three Kings'

Reading Matthew 2 : 1 – 12

The First Gift is the gift of...?

Prayers of Thanksgiving

Carol Calypso carol'

**Activity – What is your strangest, most valuable and favourite gift
you received this year?**

The Second Gift is the gift of...?

Carol 'O Little town of Bethlehem'

Prayers of Intercession

The Third Gift is the gift of....?

Carol 'In the bleak mid-winter'

**Blessing: 'The Peace of the Prince of Peace, the Love of the Lord of Light, the Joy
of Jesus our Saviour be within you and about you today and always.'**