

# CHURCH ROAD METHODIST CHURCH

Making Disciples - Transforming Lives & Communities

# SUNDAY 10 DECEMBER 2017 ADVENT 2

#### WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP TODAY

If you are new to the area or visiting us for the first time, please make yourself known to one of our Stewards so that we can welcome you personally.

10.30 a.m. MORNING WORSHIP led by Revd Joan Edwell including the celebration of Holy Communion

Organist: Julie Reeman Door Stewards: Team 4

Coffee Rota: Sheila Whitley & Catherine Peak

**6.00 p.m.** Family Nativity Film at Fairhaven Methodist Church led by Mrs Pat Hirst

### NEXT SUNDAY – 17 DECEMBER 2017 ADVENT 3

10.30 a.m. All Age Nativity Service led by Revd Stephen Heath

Music: Church Road Music Group

Door Stewards: Team 5

Coffee Rota: Sheila Johnson & Shirley Grundon

6.30 p.m. Carol Service led by Revd Stephen Heath *Organist: Nigel Ogden* 

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#### **PRAYER**

Emmanuel, humanity waits in darkness longing for your light.

In the centre of darkness, rekindle our hope.

As we wait for peace in the midst of war, be with us.

As we pray for families to be reunited, be with us.

As we pray for enemies to be reconciled, be with us.

As we pray for lands to be restored, be with us.

As we pray for long-term security, be with us.

As we pray for kindness and community, be with us.

Restore and set right our relationships.

Replace the darkness in our hearts with your light and joy.

Let your word set alight the hope the world needs

to bring to life your love and justice. Amen.

You are invited to come to the Prayer Chapel after morning service. If you would like a member of the prayer team to pray with you, please see one of the Stewards. A basket for your prayer requests can be found both in the prayer chapel and at the rear of the Church.

#### **TODAY**

#### **CHRISTMAS INVITATIONS**

All our Christmas services are included on cards that we would like distributing in the neighbourhood and amongst our own families, friends and neighbours in the week commencing 11 December. If you are able to help with distribution, please take some from the back of church today and note down the roads that you will be able to take them to. Thank you.

#### TRAIDCRAFT STALL

The Traidcraft stall will be at the back of the church after this morning's service. Pick up some last-minute Christmas bargains.

#### **THIS WEEK**

# MONDAY 11 DECEMBER CIRCUIT ADVENT GROUP

The Advent Group Meetings led by our Superintendent Minister Revd Dr Adrian Burdon will continue today at 1.30 p.m. in the Community Room at The Drive Methodist Church. All are welcome.

#### **TUESDAY 12 DECEMBER**

**MUSIC FOR CHRISTMAS** by Lytham St Anne's Guardian Concert Band at 7.30 p.m., including the celebration of Holy Communion, at Fairhaven Methodist Church. Admission £5 for adults and £1 for children.

#### **WEDNESDAY 13 DECEMBER**

**LADIES' FELLOWSHIP** at **2 15 p.m. in Church.** Today our is our Christmas Service. All ladies welcome. This is followed by our Christmas Tea. Anyone wishing to stay for this please tell Elaine Watts in advance.

#### **WEDNESDAY 13 DECEMBER**

**ADVENT HOUSE GROUP** Tonight the group meets at the home of Paul and Natalie Kelly at 8 Berwick Road, at 7.30 p.m. for the last in the series of six weekly Advent studies to help prepare for Christmas. You are most welcome to come along. Please call 725614 for details.

#### **THURSDAY 14 DECEMBER**

**WORSHIP ON THURSDAY** Today's worship is a reflective Advent Communion in church at 11.00 a.m. in the South Transept.

#### **THURSDAY 14 DECEMBER**

**LANCASHIRE SINGS CHRISTMAS** Linking live to the broadcast on BBC Radio Lancashire at 7.00 p.m. on Thursday 14 December, you are invited to join in with well-known carols and plenty of fun at The Victoria Pub, Church Road, St Anne's.

#### ST ANNE'S PARISH CHURCH CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

This is on all week until Saturday 16 December between 1.00 p.m. and 5.00 p.m. every day. Lots of Christmas trees on show, sponsored by many local organisations and charities, including Church Road Methodist Church. Entry is free. Refreshments are available.

#### **CENTRE HEATING**

As the cold winter weather is taking a hold, meaning heating in the Centre premises is now in full use, there have been instances of some organisations turning **OFF** the radiators in whichever room they are using because they felt it was too hot. This has resulted in reports by other organisations using that same room that the heating has failed, a telephone call being made, and needless turning out to investigate. Will organisations who turn off radiators please ensure they are re-activated before leaving the premises. Thank you.

## **DIARY FOR THIS WEEK**

All activities take place in the Church Centre unless stated otherwise.

#### **MONDAY 11 December**

1.30 p.m. Circuit Advent Group at The Drive

7.30 p.m. Movement to Music

#### **TUESDAY 12 December**

9.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.
10.00 a.m.
12 noon to 2.00 p.m.
Bumblebees
Circuit Meeting
Wesley's Café

6.00 p.m. Brownies for girls aged 7-10
6.15 p.m. Rainbows for girls aged 5-7
7.00 p.m. Choral Society Rehearsal

#### WEDNESDAY 13 December

9.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. Digital Café

9.45 a.m. Movement to Music

11.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. Wesley's Café

2.15 p.m. Ladies' Fellowship

#### **THURSDAY 14 December**

11.00 a.m. Worship on Thursday

12 noon to 2.00 p.m. Wesley's Café

7.00 p.m. Lancashire Sings Christmas at the Victoria Pub

7.30 p.m. St Anne's Musical Productions

**8.00** p.m. Choir Rehearsal

#### **FRIDAY 15 December**

4.30 p.m. Nativity Rehearsal

6.00 p.m. Friday Fun Club for boys and girls aged 6-11

7.30 p.m. The Hub for young people aged 11-15

### **SATURDAY 16 December**

1.30 p.m. Choral Society Rehearsal

7.30 p.m. Choral Society Christmas Concert

Our offering last week amounted to £1 141.99 Thank you for your continuing support for our ministry and mission.

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