



# CHURCH ROAD METHODIST CHURCH

*Making Disciples - Transforming Lives & Communities*

## SUNDAY 18 NOVEMBER 2018

### SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

#### 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. ALL AGE WORSHIP led by Mrs Pat Hirst

*Music: Church Road Music Group*

*Door Stewards: Team 5*

*Coffee Rota: Sheila Whitley & Catherine Peak*

7.00 p.m. FRESH Expressions at Fairhaven Methodist Church  
led by Clare Harris

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## NEXT SUNDAY – 25 NOVEMBER 2018

### FIRST SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

10.30 a.m. MORNING WORSHIP led by Revd Stephen Heath

*Organist: Andrew Cramer*

*Door Stewards: Team 6*

*Coffee Rota: Marion Brett, Linda Butcher & Elaine Watts*

7.00 p.m. FRESH Expressions at Fairhaven Methodist Church  
led by Revd Sylvester Deigh

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## PRAYER

*Heavenly Lord,  
you long for the world's salvation:  
stir us from apathy,  
restrain us from excess  
and revive in us new hope  
that all creation will one day be healed  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.*

If you would like someone to pray with you, please speak with one of the Stewards.  
A basket for your prayer requests can be found at the rear of the Church.

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## TODAY

**TRAIDCRAFT** The stall is at the back of the church after the service this morning.  
Please come along and browse and help to support fair trade products.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD** This Christmas we are again supporting  
Operation Christmas Child organised by Samaritans Purse and the shoeboxes  
are being dedicated this morning. Thank you to all who have supported this  
appeal and please pray for the children who will receive the gifts.

## THIS WEEK

### **WEDNESDAY 21 November**

**LADIES' FELLOWSHIP** at 2.15 p.m. Today, our guest will be David Joy, who is  
giving a talk called "Liverpool Cowkeepers" All ladies welcome. The ladies from  
The Drive will be joining us for this meeting today.

### **THURSDAY 22 November**

**ADVENT STUDY COURSE** at 11.00 a.m. The 4 Alls of Methodism. Everyone is  
very welcome to come along for this time of reflection for the Advent season.

## OTHER NOTICES

**ADVENT STUDY COURSE** Based on the 4 Alls of Methodism, the Advent study course will commence this week across the Circuit Churches. Here at Church Road, we will be holding a weekly session on Thursdays at 11.00 a.m., the first session commencing this coming Thursday, 22 November. Please see the poster in the porch for details of sessions being held in the other churches.

**THE RECORD** The Christmas edition of the Church Record will be published at the beginning of December. Contributions from members of the congregation are always welcome and can be emailed to the church office or left in the yellow folder on the cabinet in the north transept, **no later than 1.00 p.m. on Sunday 25 November**, preferably sooner. Please also let the church office know of any forthcoming events or church family news that should be included.

**CHRISTMAS GREETINGS PAGE** A reminder that once again we will be having a Christmas Greetings page in the next edition of the Record. If you wish to send greetings to church friends in this way and give a donation to church funds instead of sending Christmas cards, please hand your gift to Andrew Whitley, **no later than next Sunday, 25 November**.

**'ALL WE CAN' EXTRAORDINARY GIFTS CATALOGUE** Give a life-changing gift for your loved ones this Christmas. Every gift and donation made helps to transform the lives of some of the world's poorest communities. Ask Elaine Watts for more information or pick up a leaflet at the back of the church.

**TRAI DCRAFT ADVENT CALENDARS** These each include a free Christmas story activity book and 25 chocolate shapes for a cost of £3.99. Our Fairtrade group is hoping to donate calendars to Brian House Children's Hospice, Sydney Street Children's Centre, Home Start and Women's Aid. If anyone would like to donate an Advent Calendar, please let Elaine Watts know **TODAY**.

### **ROOM BOOKINGS**

Please note that from now until the week before Christmas all room booking enquiries should be referred to Stuart Wrigley, via the Church Office email or telephone 01253 727950

### **THANK YOU**

Thank you to everybody who helped and supported the Circuit Action for Children Organ Concert on 3 November and made the concert such a success. The amount raised was approximately £910.

*Joan Edwell*

# DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

All activities take place in the Church unless stated otherwise.

## TUESDAY 20 November

9.30 a.m. – 11.30 a.m.      Bumblebees  
6.00 p.m.                      Brownies

## WEDNESDAY 21 November

2.15 p.m.                      Ladies' Fellowship

## THURSDAY 22 November

11.00 a.m.                      Advent Course  
4.00 p.m.                      Choir Rehearsal

## FRIDAY 23 November

6.00 p.m.                      Friday Fun Club

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Thank you for your continuing support for our ministry and mission.  
Our offering last week amounted to £1,338.90

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