

# WEEKLY NEWS

4<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER  
SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT



9.15 Morning Worship  
11.00 Morning Worship  
Reading: 1 Cor 12: 12-31

3.00 Scout and Guide Carol Service  
7.00 Encounter

If this is your first time with us, please do make yourself known to us after the service and stay for refreshments following our service as it gives us a chance to get to know you a little better. If there is anyone who wants to begin or renew their relationship with Jesus, please do see one of the staff or the prayer ministry team.



## Christmas at Christchurch

Carols by Candlelight – 18<sup>th</sup> December 6.30pm  
Children's Christmas Eve Service 4.00pm  
Christmas Eve Communion Service 11.00pm  
Christmas Day Family Celebration 10.00am  
1<sup>st</sup> January 2017 Family Service 10.00am

**Encounter** Please do join us this Sunday evening as we encounter the Holy Spirit, minister to one another, and be inspired through praise and worship. Ephesians 5: 18- 20 ..."be filled with the Spirit, speaking to one another with psalms, hymns and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from you heart to the Lord.." Sunday 4th Dec at 7pm Church Centre

## For Christmas

- Volunteers needed to help at our various Christmas services. A variety of roles are available. Please sign up on the sheet at the back of church and help make Martin's life less stressful!
- We urgently need to borrow a single bed on legs (not a divan). If you might lend us one please can you let Martin know?
- Fancy helping to decorate our Christmas trees? 2 pm Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December, please let office know if you can help
- Posters –volunteers to put these up around the town
- Mince pies for carol service

## It's Hamper Time!

If you are able to, please could you collect together some items for the hampers for the CAP clients? Some ideas are below, though please feel free to be creative! - Tinned soup, crisps, biscuits, mince pies, Christmas cake, Christmas pudding, chocolates, tea, coffee, hot chocolate, sugar, fruit juice, fizzy drinks, Christmas crackers, Wrapping paper, sellotape, gift tags, Gift sets of toiletries, hats or scarves, Gift vouchers for a meal, stocking fillers for children. There will be a box at the back of church for you to leave any donations. Thank you for your support and generosity in blessing our clients. Sam and Heather.

## URGENT

Male volunteer needed for Tuesday morning ( 6<sup>th</sup> December) to drive Mary Salter and a translator to take a food hamper to a Syrian Refugee family in Ware. Offers to Ann in the office please.

**Ware Christmas Together – Christmas Day meal.** Riverside Age Concern Hall, Priory Street Ware. Forms for guests and helpers are available at the back of church or ring 01920 420642 to book a place.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### Coming in January: Transformed Lives

A course that aims to bring the reality of the cross into the everyday reality of our lives. It includes teaching, prayer for healing, covering topics such as listening to Christ, family roots, forgiveness and acceptance. Speakers Stuart and Marilyn Checkley. For further details see the leaflets in church.

### Interchurch Quiz – 21 January

The Interchurch Quiz will take place at Leaside Hall on Saturday 21 January at 7p.m. Interested teams (6-8 people) should register with the Christ Church Office by phone (01920 487267) or email ([office@christchurchware.co.uk](mailto:office@christchurchware.co.uk)). Cost per person is £10 and includes food.

God's work at Christ Church is funded entirely by our Church family. We encourage planned giving and do not "pass a plate". If you would like to make a gift to our ministry, please leave it in the boxes at the rear of the church. –envelopes are available for Gift Aid purposes. If you would like more information about giving to the work here, please see the leaflet available on the Welcome Desk.

### **CAP Prayer Meeting –**

8pm 15<sup>th</sup> December Memorial Hall .  
Please join us to pray for the work of CAP  
and our clients. All welcome.

### **Pigeon holes**

Did you know you can leave messages for  
anyone in the congregation using the  
wooden pigeon holes at the back of  
church? And that others can leave a  
message for you? Do check yours!!!!

### **Ware Choral Society presents :Music for the Festive Season 7.30pm Saturday**

10th December 2016 The Drill Hall ,  
Amwell End, Tickets: £15 From Cannon  
Travel, 49 High Street, Ware. Society  
members, At the door, Phone 01920  
462346, email

[pauline@warechoral.org.uk](mailto:pauline@warechoral.org.uk)  
[www.warechoral.org.uk](http://www.warechoral.org.uk)

### **80s Christmas Party Disco**

Saturday 17th Dec '16 | Doors open  
8:00pm FREE ENTRY A group from  
Christchurch went last year and it was  
good fun.. The more of us who go from  
CCW the more fun it'll be. If anyone is  
interested please let me know as soon as  
possible so I can reserve tickets as this as  
they will sell out.. Brett

[brett.g.sutherland@outlook.com](mailto:brett.g.sutherland@outlook.com)

**Saturday 4 February 2017 @ 7.00pm** at in  
Christ Church School Hall Widbury Life  
Group's Burns Night Supper to raise funds  
for the Church development. Supper,  
Scottish dancing demonstration and  
dancing. Tickets £15.00 per person -  
further details to follow, or speak to Betty  
Harrington for more information.

### **Children's Church**

4 Dec start in church  
11 Dec Start in groups

### **Young People**

#### **Years 7-9**

Sunday at 11 am in centre  
Thursday – 7.30 till 9 pm

#### **Years 10-13**

Wednesday 7.30 till 9 pm

### **For your Prayers:**

Keith Murphy, for discernment for his  
future post and while he assists the  
Cheshunt Team Ministry.  
For all our leaders and preachers as  
they prepare for our Christmas services.

### **Sunday 11th Dec**

#### **9.15am**

**Reader** Kathryn Adams  
**Intercessor:** Pam Robinson  
**Wardens:** Martin Dudley and Keith  
Fairey  
**Sidespeople** Pat and Keith Fairey  
**Welcome Desk:** Ann Owen  
**Coffee:** Musley

#### **11.00 am**

**Reader:** Sam Rich  
**Intercessor:** x  
**Wardens:** Martin Dudley and John  
Harrington  
**Sidespeople:** Jane Dudley and  
Cynthia Katau  
**Welcome Desk:** Deborah Mercer  
and Ron Porter  
**Coffee:** King Edwards Road

**Notices Deadline:** 9.30 am  
Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December

### **Contact Information**

#### **Youth Pastor**

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#### **Associate Minister:**

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