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**Showing God's love in Christ to our community through prayer, witness and service**

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 **Minister’s Day Off: Monday Ministers Study Day : Tuesday**

**Welcome!**

In the name of Jesus Christ, we warmly welcome you to our service today. Thank you for the enrichment you bring to our worship by your praise

 and fellowship. Please continue in fellowship by joining us for refreshments after the service

Prayer is offered at the end of Morning Service – please sit on the front row and a member of the Prayer Team will come to you.

Please ask a Steward about large print hymnbooks if required.

Hearing Loop available

**Sunday 10th December**

Duty Steward: **Dave Penny**

 **10.00am Pre Worship Prayer in the Oasis**

 **10.30am Andrew Ellams**

 **6.30pm Blakelees – Rev David Bintliff – Holy Communion**

“And the glory of the Lord will be revealed, and all mankind together will see it” Isaiah 40:5

**Sunday 10th December 2017**

**‘Before the service, speak to God. During the service, let God speak to you.**

**After the service speak to one another’**

The **collecton envelopes for 2018** are now available in the Church entrance.

If you would like to join the scheme or would like to make your donations via a standing order please talk to Jonathan Ford or Colin Holden.

If you are a UK income tax payer and have not yet signed a Gift Aid form and would be prepared to do so again talk to Jon or Colin.

**Christmas Prayer Tree**

There is a Christmas tree in The Link for your prayers. Please feel free to fill in a heart label with those things you’d like to pray for this Christmas and add it to our Christmas Prayer Tree.

The **Refection Stations** will be in Church for the next few weeks running up to Christmas . Please feel free to use them whenever you feel you want to. The Church will be open on Friday Mornings (during Drop-in) as well as on a Sunday morning for this purpose.

**Monday 18th December - Carol Singing at Tesco 6.30pm – 7.30pm**

We will be collecting for Action for Children. Please come along and help.

Everyone welcome

**Sunday 17th December -Carol Service 10.30am**

followed by refreshments including mince pies

**Sunday 24th December – Christmas Eve Christingle Service** **4.00pm**

 The story of the first Christmas - with sweets, candles, oranges! Start Christmas

 with the festive fun event. Followed by drinks and mince pies

**Sunday 25th December – Christmas Day Family Celebration 10.30am**

 Family Service for ALL Bring a present - share the fun.

**Candle Money Boxes** are now available in the church entrance.

Please pick one up, fill and return by **Sunday 17th December** or bring to the

**Christingle Service on Christmas Eve.**  *Heather*

**Christingle Making.** We will be making this years Christingles on **Saturday 23rd December** in **The Link from 2pm**. Come and help if you can. Everyone is welcome. Refreshments will be available.

 **West Cheshire Foodbank**

 Thank you very much from everyone at the West Cheshire Foodbank.

 Please continue to help by donating an item or two from our shopping list to ensure

 we can provide help to people in crisis: The warehouse stock of Mashed Potatoes,

 UHT Juice, Custard and Jams/Spreads are running low.

 **Other items needed.** UHT Milk , Tinned Potatoes, Tinned Fish,

 Tinned Spaghetti, Instant Coffee 100g, Cup-a- Soups, , Instant Mash, Cereal.

**Drop in every Friday 10.00am - 12 noon in The Link.** We’re a friendly group who meet for friendship and fellowship. We knit, sew, do craftwork, plus board games, read newspapers and sometimes have music too. Open to all (men included). Tea, Coffee and Biscuits provided. Share your good news.

 **Service recordings** – Our morning services are usually recorded and available on a

 memory stick to be played on computer at home, or on listening devices available

 from Church. If you know of someone who is unable to be at this morning’s service

 please let the Duty Steward know and we will do our best to make it available.

 **Viv Robinson** has now taken on the roll of **Booking Secretary**,

 and so she now has the Church Diary.Please contact her if you need to make a booking

 tel.722338 or email her on geofviv@gmail.com

 **There is a prayer diary on the small table in the vestibule** and it will remain there

 throughout the year. You are invited to put in anyone's name that you wish us as a church family to pray for in the service each Sunday.

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|   | **Activities for the Week Ahead** |
| **Monday****11th** | **Muddles 10.00**am – 12.00 noon in the Link. Muddles is a friendly and fun mums and tots group, we also welcome of course dads, grandparents, carers and child-minders. We enjoy play-time, healthy snack time and song-time, so why not come along and join the fun! *(Cath Clarke 727217)* |
| **Tuesday** **12th** | **Tuesday Morning Housegroup** 10.00am – 12.00 noon in The Link *(Chris Critchley 722094***Walking Football for the over 55’s** 5.00pm – 6.00pm at Frodsham Leisure Centre £3.00 |
| **Wednesday 13th** | **Steve Lightfoot’s Housegroup** 8pm at 184 Chester Road( Rachel’s House) *( Steve Lightfoot 723071****)*** |
| **Thursday** **14th** | **Muddles** 9.30am – 11.30am in the Link followed by:**Church Mice** 11.30am – 12 noon in Church *(Cath Clarke 727217)* |
| **Friday****15th** | **“Time For Prayer”** 9.30am – 10.00am in Church**Friday Drop-in** 10am – 12 noon in The Link *(Church Office 727217 )* |
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| **Rota Duties**  | **This Week** | **Next Week** |
| Welcoming Stewards | Marjorie ChevalierKate Wood | Gill LockettJanet Mather |
| Tea | Marjorie ChevalierMargaret Marcroft | Gill LockettJanet Mather |
| Sound desk | Colin Holden | Celia Smith |
| Reader | Kate Wood | Janet Mather |
| Pre-Worship Prayers | No Leader | No Leader |
| Flowers | Advent | Advent |
| Foodbank Rota | Ian Oulton | John Malone |

 **Church Office**

**The Leadership Team:**

**Rev David Bintliff 209818**

Cath Clarke 723304, John Dearden 722292, Jon Ford 724968,

Nicola Lightfoot 723071, Ian Oulton 724587, Dave Penny 371085, Dave Taylor 724524, Rob Wigmore 723105.

The Church Office is staffed on Wednesday and Thursday mornings. **Weekly Notices:** Prepared by Heather Oulton 727217 or hmcadmin@btinternet.com

*Item for inclusion in the Notices should be advised before 12.00 noon on Thursday*

**Next week – Sunday 17th December**

Duty Steward: **John Dearden**

 **9.00 am Rev David Bintliff – Holy Communion**

 **10.00am Pre Worship Prayer in the Oasis**

 **10.30am Rev David Bintliff – Carol Service**

 **2.30pm Blakelees – Rev David Bintliff – Carol Service**