

St Andrew's Psalter Lane Church

An Anglican Methodist Partnership

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**Open Hearts, Open Minds -
Exploring the Mystery of God**

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SAPLC is an Anglican Methodist Local Ecumenical Partnership. A place where everyone is encouraged to be themselves, wherever they might find themselves in life; wherever they might find themselves on a journey of faith.

We are a congregation seeking to follow the way of Jesus. We ask questions and wonder at answers, as we celebrate life in all its fullness and travel deeper into exploring the mystery of God.

We are an inclusive church – a church which celebrates and affirms every person and does not discriminate.

We are on a journey of faith. Come and join us.

Cover picture: Duomo di San Cassiano Martire, Comacchio, Italy

Letter from Naomi

Dear Friends

Advent is here once again and, sooner or later, we will be turning our minds to Christmas Trees. Some of us will already have the tree up and decorated in anticipation of celebrations to come, whilst others of us will wait till Christmas is almost upon us. When I was a little girl, the real tree arrived on the morning of Christmas Eve, and we would gather round to adorn it with the well-worn but precious family decorations, baubles and tinsel, and beautiful trinkets which had been given to us over the years. In more recent years Lisa and I have chosen a fallen branch from the woods, or a cutting of dogwood to be our tree, but the sight and ritual and joy nonetheless remain.

The Bible Story begins and ends with references to trees. The Tree of Life in the heart of the Garden of Eden from which Adam and Eve are barred comes to symbolise the perfection and bliss we human beings have lost through our rebelliousness and rejection of God's grace. Yet in the final chapters of Revelation, the Tree of Life reappears in the New Jerusalem as a symbol of our future healing and restoration; a promise that the paradise we have lost will one day be regained. Sandwiched between Genesis and Revelation is of course the tree; the cross of salvation, where God in Christ bore the sins of the world on our behalf and opened the way to newness of life for all.

God herself is pictured as a tree in Hosea 14.8: 'I am like a green pine tree; your fruitfulness comes from me' (NIV). That's a word for us to contemplate this month. As we adorn and enjoy our trees in whatever form, let's think about God's Love for us in Christ, and pray that our lives will show forth fruits of God's beauty and grace. And as we acknowledge current tensions and fractures in the wider world, including the climate emergency which remains a huge challenge for us all, let's resolve to work, pray and lobby for international relations

focussed on the healing of the nations and for the urgent restoration of the planet.

I invite you to spend some time with the words of the carol below.

Peace, love, and blessings be yours, this Christmas,

Naomi

Jesus Christ the Apple Tree

- 1 The tree of life my soul hath seen,
Laden with fruit and always green;
The trees of nature fruitless be,
Compared with Christ the Apple
Tree.
- 2 His beauty doth all things excel,
By faith I know but ne'er can tell
The glory which I now can see,
In Jesus Christ the Appletree.
- 3 For happiness I long have sought,
And pleasure dearly I have bought;
I missed of all but now I see
'Tis found in Christ the Appletree.
- 4 I'm weary with my former toil -
Here I will sit and rest awhile,
Under the shadow I will be,
Of Jesus Christ the Appletree.
- 5 With great delight I'll make my stay,
There's none shall fright my soul
away;
Among the sons of men I see
There's none like Christ the
Appletree.
- 6 I'll sit and eat this fruit divine,
It cheers my heart like spirit'al wine;
And now this fruit is sweet to me,
That grows on Christ the Appletree.
- 7 This fruit doth make my soul to
thrive,
It keeps my dying faith alive;
Which makes my soul in haste to be
With Jesus Christ the Appletree.

Anon

Getting to Know You

A series where we interview a member of our community. This month it is Christine Hisom.



What brought you to Sheffield?

After nearly 50 years in Cumbria, I moved to Sheffield five years ago (a few years after my husband died) to be near to members of my family. My daughter and two of my (now grown-up) grandchildren live here. As soon as I heard about Southcroft, I put my name down and earlier this year I moved in.

Why St Andrew's Psalter Lane?

St Andrew's Psalter Lane, apart from being next door to where I live, is a most wonderful church: progressive, inclusive, diverse, and I feel at home here. The fact that it is ecumenical is important to me as, while I was baptised in the Methodist Church, I have attended many Anglican ones. I value the Wednesday morning service, quiet and reflective, and we share thoughts together. SAPL is a culmination of my Christian journey.

What work did you do?

I studied Theology at the University of Nottingham (where I met my husband) and trained as a secondary teacher at the University of Birmingham. I taught at a girl's school in Manchester and then, when my husband got a promotion to a school in Barrow-in-Furness, we moved to Cumbria. After our children started school I returned to teaching part-time, mostly RE but also some History. While I particularly liked teaching A level, I also enjoyed working with less able children. Some had had a rough time and it was important to show them that someone was on their side. Eventually I retired early as I felt I had given all I could and I wanted to be more involved with Ulverston

Parish Church where I then ran a Christian Listeners course initiated by Acorn Healing Trust.

What do you do with your time?

I have been involved with charity fund-raising for over fifty years and I still do what I can. At the Tuesday café we make cards to sell and have stalls at Southcroft summer and Christmas fayres and in Church during Christian Aid Week. I enjoy doing crosswords and puzzles; sometimes I compile my own. I join in many activities at Southcroft some organised by the Chaplain and others include armchair exercises and singing.

Which person have you found particularly influential or inspiring?

My Aunt Maud wanted to be a teacher but had to work as a secretary in the family business. She took an interest in me, the youngest of the grandchildren, and would buy me books (we didn't have many in our house). My love of reading comes from my Aunt Maud.

What would be a perfect day?

The sun would be shining and I would be in the garden at Southcroft chatting to people, catching up with family and enjoying my hobbies. As I have got older I have learned to accept my limitations and try to live by the phrase 'accentuate the positive and eliminate the negative'.

What is your favourite hymn?

Praise my Soul the King of Heaven. It is a good, solid hymn which I had at my wedding and would like to have at my funeral.

Is there a book or film or piece of music you keep going back to?

My favourite book is the one I am reading, which right now is *When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit* by Judith Kerr. I love historical fiction and also biography, particularly of lesser known people. My husband introduced me to classical music and I especially like Mozart, with his

Clarinet Concerto being a favourite. My daughter plays the clarinet and so did my brother.

United or Wednesday?

I am not a football fan or interested in either Sheffield team. However, I was born in West Bromwich and so do keep a look out for 'The Baggies'.

Contemplation

Our hope in Advent is in the small, ordinary miracles of love and justice in the face of so much that is wrong. Hope that extends us beyond optimism to a deep, embedded, visionary hope - a belief that, despite all that changes, we will not fall apart. The first prayer is for Advent, the second a blessing for Christmas.

Marilyn Godber

Seems Shepherds Always Get the Worst of it ...

Seems shepherds always get the worst of it ...

Cold hillside and rocky, barren places ...

Sheep and sheep and more sheep - and sleepless nights counting them.

No camels to ride or gifts to bear, no wisdom either -

just second-hand news.

Seems shepherds always get the worst of it ...

bathrobes and tea towels and the back of the stage - sharing one line:

'Let us go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has been made to us.'

No tinsel or glitter or golden wings.

Seems shepherds always get the worst of it ...

Minimum wage and zero - hours contracts.

No pensions plan or savings account - no respect either.
Just systemic injustice that keeps them in their lowly laces.

Seems they had something in common
with the baby they visited.

Later, he would call himself a shepherd.

Later, he would lay aside his wants for the needs of his sheep.

Later, he would say 'If you love me, you will feed my lambs.'

In the face of the worst, he would give his best.

So there is wisdom.

There is glory without the gold.

And there is hope that there will be justice for those who always
seem to get the worst of it.

Sally Foster-Fulton

A Celtic Blessing for Christmas

May the blessing of light be on you - light without and light within.

May the blessed sunlight shine on you like a great peat fire
so that stranger and friend may come and warm himself at it.

And may light shine out of the two eyes of you,
like a candle set in the window of a house,
bidding the wanderer come in out of the storm.

And may the blessing of the rain be on you,
may it beat upon your Spirit and wash it fair clean,
and leave there a shining pool where the blue of Heaven shines,
and sometimes a star.

And may the blessing of the earth be on you,
soft under your feet as you pass along the roads,
soft under you as you lie out on it, tired at the end of the day;
and may it rest easy over you when, at last, you lie out under it.
May it rest so lightly over you that your soul may be out
from under it quickly; up and off and on its way to God.

And now may the Lord bless you and bless you kindly.

Amen

L A Smith

News from Shirley House Interfaith Centre



Recently Shirley House Interfaith have addressed an interesting variety of topics. In September we discussed money: does 'money make the world go round' or is 'the love of money is the root of all evil'? Abd El Rahim, now a trained economist, gave an introduction to the history and role of money. Contrary to our lived experience, money is not essential, it is just a convenient human idea! Clare Loughridge produced an amusing and thought-provoking, playlist of songs about money. Others explored scriptures of different faiths, looking at attitudes to wealth and poverty and how to treat others. We agreed that poverty is not God's plan for anybody.

In October we looked at harvest festivals and traditions in different cultures. This is shared all over the world, though some regions have more seasonal food production than others. Since early times, successful gathering of crops has been essential for survival, and it continues to be – though city dwellers in affluent countries, even if not affluent themselves, may not realise this as much as subsistence farmers. Harvest festivals originating in different parts of the world thus occur in different months of the year, and have different traditions. Apple bobbing is an English tradition with no specific religious connection, just thankfulness for the bounty of God in creation. Some (Turkish Muslim) representatives from the Dialogue Society brought 'Noah's pudding' for everybody. This sweet mixture of

grains and dried fruits represents food stores still on the Ark when Noah finally reached dry land.

Our November meeting featured a talk by Mike Reeder, Chaplain of St Luke's Hospice, which is the oldest one outside London, founded in 1971. The chaplaincy addresses the spiritual side of the hospice's work, and serves staff, patients and their families of all faiths or none. Mike challenged us to think about when we think we might die, and how we would like to die. He even questioned the answer that we all want to do die 'quickly'. The current debate about 'assisted dying' was obviously raised.

Forthcoming Events

- Wednesday 4 December, 7:00 pm: Winter Party - food, drink and board/table games
- Tuesday 14 January, 7:30pm: discussion group - how different faiths interpret 'Love your neighbour'
- Wednesday 19 February, 7:30pm: film show - *The Quiet Girl*
- Tuesday 29 April, 7:30 pm: Suzanne from the Chesterfield Pagan Group will talk about her new book on Paganism

All Shirley House Interfaith meetings are live in Shirley House but include a Zoom link for those unable to attend in person. Links are available by contacting: Shirleyhouseinterfaith@gmail.com.

See www.sheffieldinterfaith.org.uk, the noticeboard outside Shirley House, or SAPLC weekly newsletters and website for more information.

Caroline Cripps

Gardening Notes

I cut Dahlias from my allotment in November! The colour wasn't the best, but the red and orange hues brightened up the house. How do you make plans for your garden when the seasons don't run on time?



There were cold snaps late into the year. It was crazy wet, then dry and dark for months. As I write we are well into November, and it is not appropriate to prune fruit trees because we are still waiting for the first frost! Over a month late. I may have to cut the grass again before we get to December. We can only deal with what we have. Follow good advice where you can get it.

Cover bare soil with shredded leaves if they won't blow about making



*Rudbeckia, Marigold variety
(as in the glove)*

a mess, or compost from your stack will do. I will be using some areas of my allotment to stand big plant pots containing hardy perennials. The potted Dahlias will have to go under cover at one end of the greenhouse. Cut them down now and keep them dry. Some permanent features of the garden, raspberries, asparagus, fruit trees can have a layer of manure put on them. Up to four inches thick. It doesn't need digging in. Worms will do the work for you. In fact, what remains on

the asparagus will need to come off again mid-March.

When we do get a frost that is the time to prune the fruit trees, except plums.

Hardy perennials can be divided up, strawberry runners potted. Anyone you know having a plant sale next year will be glad of these as a contribution. This kind of generosity is the best way to keep plants. Spreading the plants spreads the risk.



November Nasturtium

I will be lifting some of my dahlias but leaving some in the ground. Hedging my bets again. Those staying in the soil will have a mound of leaves piled over them with some kind of rainproof cover. A

toughened-glass shelf from a discarded fridge or a plastic bag and bricks. Don't use window glass - it is too fragile and dangerous, especially if children have access to your garden.

Clean the dahlias you lift. I had more survive when I dusted them with 'flowers of sulphur'. Put them into boxes with enough insulation to protect them from frost; if they freeze they die. Shredded paper works, leaves didn't.

The RHS tells us that domestic gardens are important havens for wildlife in the UK. Please don't get a plastic lawn for Christmas. And please keep your cat in the house overnight. A gift of membership for Garden Organic or the RHS might be just the thing for the man or woman who has everything. That assumes your significant other already has a rainwater catching barrel fitted to the downspout on your dwelling.

Next year will be 'interesting.' I hope it goes well for you.

Bill

Seasonal Thoughts

I have never heard of anyone in *Who's Who* books listing "watching" as a pastime.

So, are we watcher's ? And if we are, what are we seeing ? When I lived by the coast in Great Yarmouth I often watched a rising moon lift itself out of the great North Sea, round the corner from where we lived, so bright it looked as if it had been freshly born. It was awesome and wonderful every time I saw it. But there were others for whom it was a commonplace, and who would just walk on by. Then again, the night sky may be clear on another evening, but who will notice the stars in the great arc of sky we had down there? And what do we 'see' at Christmas?

The central event, of a woman having a baby in difficult conditions away from home, has been dulled and distorted by scores of Nativity plays and cribs, and plaster figures in clean straw. Christmas cannot be so confined, because it celebrated a mystery of awful power.

Who is this child who we worship amidst all the colour, the presents and the music? Is he not the Lord most high, immortal, invisible? One beyond our power to imagine or describe? Yes, all that, but there is something more. The 'something more' is God made flesh, "The maker of the stars and sea, become a child on earth for me". The man that child became was one day to say, "whoever has seen me has seen the Father." And so the "something more" is that God is Christlike.

There are times when we question how such a thing can be, this greatest of all mysteries, God made known in Christ. Times when we grapple with our faith and need to think through with our minds what we respond to in our hearts.

To celebrate Christmas doesn't mean indulging in nostalgia. It means first and foremost to believe that God has spoken his final and definitive word in history no matter that the world chooses to ignore it. It is to say Amen to the word God has spoken. Through the lights

and tinsel of Christmas, that distort our vision, if we can from our hearts say our 'yes' to God's love in Jesus, then Christmas really takes place, and the Christ who once came at Bethlehem and took possession of the world, is born again in us and takes possession of our hearts.

A very happy and awesome Christmas to everyone.

Mike W

Taizé in Advent

Quiet reflective worship with gentle repetitive singing on Thursdays at 7:00 pm in the Chancel lasting about half an hour.

5, 12 and 19 December

Christmas Card Tree for HARC

The tree, collecting box, card to sign and gift aid forms for those who need them will be in Church from Sunday 8 December. For anyone new to our Church, those of us who wish send one card to the whole congregation and the money saved on cards and stamps is donated to the Sheffield charity, Homeless and Rootless at Christmas (HARC).

Rodney and Marilyn



Theology Everywhere

Time for a new reformation?

This year's SPECTRUM Conference *What role for the Remnant Church?* was held at Swanwick in mid-May and was led by Michael Wakelin and Elaine Lindridge, two speakers who have both written publicly of their growing conviction that some long-held beliefs and practices of Christians and the churches are in urgent need of close scrutiny and critique.

I can't stand your religious meetings.
I'm fed up with your conferences and conventions.
I want nothing to do with your religion projects,
your pretentious slogans and goals.
I'm sick of your fund-raising schemes,
your public relations and image making.
I've had all I can take of your noisy ego-music.
When was the last time you sang to me?
Do you know what I want?
I want justice - oceans of it.
I want fairness - rivers of it.
That's what I want. That's all I want.

Amos 5: 21-24 (*The Message* paraphrase)

In the 2021 Census, 94% of respondents answered the voluntary religion question and, although it remained the most common answer, only 46.2% had described themselves as 'Christian', a 13.1 percentage point fall since 2011. In contrast, the second most common answer was 'No religion' – up from a quarter of respondents to around two-fifths.

Writing in *The Times*, Janice Turner responded by suggesting that Christianity 'is blandly everywhere and therefore nowhere' and young people prefer to identify as more interesting things.

The most visible representation of Christianity is not God or the Gospel but the Church, and while we may protest that its image has not been

helped by 'the media', we have been shooting ourselves in the foot for decades with scandals, secularist attacks and a perceived obsession with sex! Sociologist and theologian, Professor Linda Woodhead suggests that religious institutions such as the Church 'have had their day ... they have harmed, not healed ... they have become a barrier and not a bridge'.

Society needs good Christianity, so how might we get back to what we should be?

Five areas of change

- Get rid of Jesus! Or the picture of the blonde-haired Jesus that still hangs on the vestry wall! That image epitomises a bland easy-going figure, far removed from the edgy, rebellious Jesus in the Bible. We need to get back to the steely challenge of the real Jesus.
- Get rid of the need to be popular. That was never a priority of Jesus! How is it that we have allowed church growth thinking to dominate, as if size matters most? John Hull wrote of the move away from Christendom towards Christlikeness – and a Church which is more of fringe movement than part of the establishment may be a better model.
- Re-introduce Jesus to young people. Somehow the idea of Jesus, the very name 'Jesus' has become one of the most instant switch offs. And yet the Jesus of the gospels is a character typical of all that Gen X, Y and Z find interesting. He was on the fringes of society, with intriguing friends who enjoyed an edgy party. He mocked the establishment, poked fun at the pompous and spoke truth to power.
- Get rid of the 'Christian' speak. We don't seem to have twigged that the language we use amongst ourselves sounds odd and meaningless 'out there.' In his book *Agent of Grace*, Bonhoeffer wrote, 'It is not for us to prophecy the day when people will ask God that the world be changed and renewed. But when that day arrives

there will be a new language, perhaps quite non-religious'. Movements such as Extinction Rebellion and other secular organisations have stolen the Church's moral and ethical imperatives and have developed a new language to express Gospel ideas. We need to follow their example.

- End the sexuality debate. It has played into the hands of those who want to marginalise us, and has got completely out of proportion. Amos 5 reminds us that there is much more in the Bible about justice, and we need to put things into perspective.

Conclusion: Society needs Christianity, but we need to get the relevant, dynamic, challenging, engaging Christian story out there. What kind of Church might make that possible?

For reflection:

'Christianity is blandly everywhere and therefore nowhere' – is that a fair critique? Examples?

What might you add to or remove from the list of five areas of change?

'There will be a new language, perhaps quite non-religious'. What might we learn from secular organisations in how to express and embody the Gospel?

Michael Wakelin

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Church and Community

Knit and Knatter

Mondays, 10-12:00, Shirley House

Contact: Alison Gregg, 266 5638

17th Sheffield Brownies

Mondays, 17:45-19:15, St Andrew's Hall

Contact: Chris Venables, 07950 432487

The Tuesday Café

Tuesday 14:00-16:00

Shirley House

The Tuesday Café is our café for people living with memory loss or dementia and their carers.

Church Family

We pray for those with health concerns: Pam Frost, Q Ackom-Mensah, Helen Mannion (Barbara and John Booler's daughter), Tom Reavey, Hilary Jowett, Mark Stone, Blanca and Fiona, Trevor Mann, Maggie and Pete, May and Leon, and Jan Birch.

Congratulations to Sabrina Waddon on the award of MA with distinction at SOAS, University of London in Humanitarianism: Conflict and Violence.

Sandy and Marlene Kennedy are moving away from Sheffield to Kenilworth to be nearer to their family. We will miss them, and wish them all the best for the move and every happiness in their new home.

We have also said farewell to Gary and Jamie who have unexpectedly had to move back to the States. Again, we wish them well and our love and prayers go with them.

We have formally welcomed the following people to SAPL. Pete Sandford, Sheila Smith, Cyril Alston, Liz Trudgill, Emma Handy and Tony Venables. We are also delighted to welcome Liz Bentley as our new Director of Music and look forward to all that she will bring.

We were sad to learn of the death of Pauline Mottershead. Pauline was originally a member of Endcliffe Methodist Church and joined

SAPL when Endcliffe/Horizon closed. We send our love and condolences to Leslyann and Martin and all the family.

We were sorry to hear that John Durling has died. John and his wife Pam belonged to old St. Andrew's and were active members at SAPL. We send our love and condolences to Mark and Anita.

Finally, special greetings to all those of you who can't get to church but who join us online for worship or who keep in touch with us through your Church Links visitor. We do think of you and value your prayers and support.

Services

Services are held in the Church every Sunday and are also live-streamed and recorded. The links to online services will be sent by email on Saturday evening or Sunday morning to all on our list, and are also on the Home Page of the SAPLC website.

Sunday Services Each Month

1 st Sunday	Holy Communion	10:30 am
2 nd Sunday	Morning Worship	10:30 am
3 rd Sunday	Holy Communion	10:30 am
4 th Sunday	Holy Communion	9:15 am
	Morning Worship	10:30 am
5 th Sunday	Holy Communion	10:30 am

Please note that this is not a set pattern – please check the list below, the church website or the weekly newsletter for up-to-date details.

Gluten free bread is always available in our Sunday communion services. Both fermented and unfermented communion wines are normally used.

Junior Church takes place during the main 10:30 am services (except All Age Worship services). Children between 2 and 3 can join in with a parent/carer.

Wednesday Services

Every Wednesday 10:30 am

See separate article for details of a new midweek evening service

Church Diary

Services

1 December 10:30 am	Advent Sunday <i>Advent Carol Service, Holy Communion</i>	Rev Naomi Cooke
5 December 7:00 pm	<i>Taizé Prayer for Advent</i>	
8 December 10:30 am	Second Sunday of Advent <i>Morning Worship</i>	Chris Sissons
12 December 7:00 pm	<i>Taizé Prayer for Advent</i>	
15 December 10:30 am	Third Sunday of Advent <i>Holy Communion</i>	Rev Naomi Cooke
19 December 7:00 pm	<i>Taizé Prayer for Advent</i>	
22 December 10:30 am 6:00 pm	Fourth Sunday of Advent <i>Holy Communion</i> <i>Carols by Candlelight</i>	Rev Naomi Cooke Rev Naomi Cooke
24 December 4:00 pm	Christmas Eve <i>Christingle Crib Service</i>	Rev Cheryl Collins
25 December 10:30 am	Christmas Day <i>All Age Christmas Celebration and Holy Communion</i>	Rev Naomi Cooke
29 December 10:30 am	First Sunday of Christmas <i>Morning Worship</i>	Jenny Carpenter
5 January 10:30 am	2 nd Sunday of Christmas <i>Holy Communion</i>	Rev Jane Brooke
12 January	Covenant Sunday	

10:30 am	<i>Holy Communion</i>	Rev Naomi Cooke
19 January 10:30 am	<i>Holy Communion</i>	Rev Naomi Cooke
26 January 9.15 am 10:30 am	Holy Communion <i>All Age Worship</i>	Rev Cheryl Collins Judith Roberts
2 February 10:30 am	<i>Holy Communion</i>	Rev Naomi Cooke Tim Jansen
9 February 10:30 am	Sunday before Lent <i>Holy Communion</i>	Rev Tracey Morris
16 February 10:30 am	First Sunday of Lent <i>Holy Communion</i>	Rev Naomi Cooke
23 February 9:15 am 10:30 am	Second Sunday of Lent <i>Holy Communion</i> <i>Morning Worship</i>	Rev Cheryl Collins Rev Naomi Cooke

Other Events

Tuesday 3 December	6:30pm - 8:30 pm	Sheffield Carols Evening Carols from Sheffield's folk tradition <i>Drop in any time; with seasonal refreshments (see also page 23)</i>	Church
Wednesday 4 December	7:30 pm	Interfaith Centre Winter Party	Shirley House landing
Friday 6 December	6:30 pm	Saltmine Theatre Company presents <i>A Christmas Carol</i> <i>(see also back page)</i>	Church
Saturday 7 December	9:30 am onwards	Working Party	Church Grounds
Sunday 8 December	11:00 am – 3:00 pm	Nether Edge Farmers Market	Nether Edge Road

Monday 9 December	7:30 pm	Worship Planning Meeting	Interfaith Room, Shirley House
Tuesday 14 January	7:30 pm	Interfaith Discussion group: How different faiths interpret 'Love your neighbour'	Shirley House landing
Wednesday 15 January	7:30 pm	Property & Finance Committee meeting	Shirley House landing
Monday 20 January	7:30 pm	Eco Group Meeting	Interfaith Room, Shirley House
Saturday 3 February	9:30 am onwards	Working Party	Church Grounds
Tuesday 18 February	7:30 pm	ECC Meeting	Narthex
Wednesday 19 February	7:30 pm	Interfaith Centre Film show, <i>The Quiet Girl</i>	Shirley House landing

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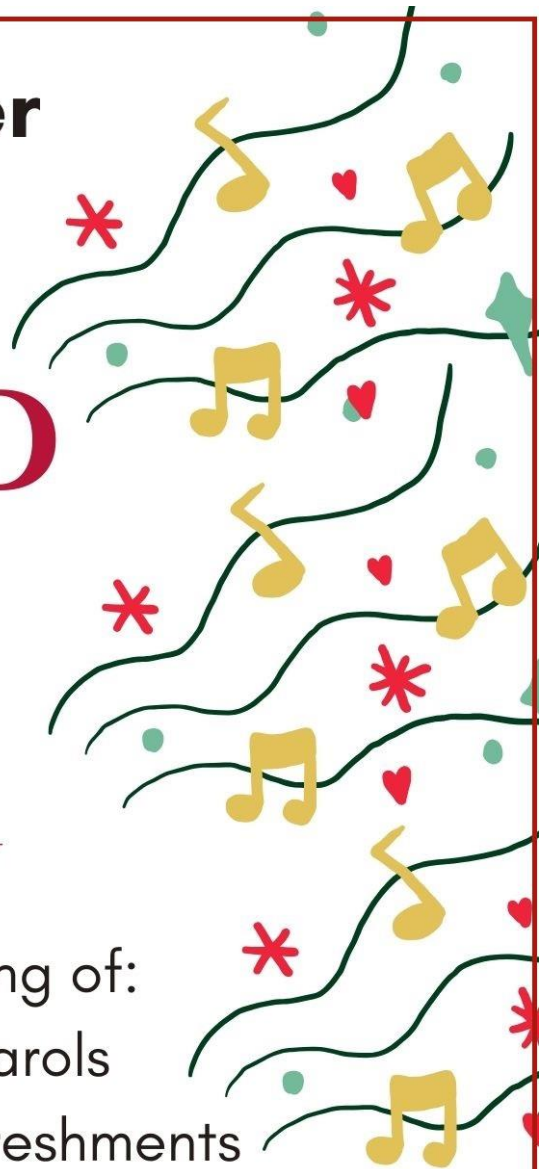
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