



# Trinity Baptist Church

## News Sheet

## Christmas & New Year 2021/22

### Sunday 19th December 2021

9.30 am	Morning Prayer in the lounge	
10.30 am	Morning Service	Led by the children of GodZone
5 pm	Carols by Candlelight	

### Saturday 25th December

10 am	Christmas Day Family Service	Led by Andy Banks
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### Friday 31st December

11.15 pm	Watchnight Service	Led by Andy Banks
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### Sunday 2nd January

9.30 am	Morning Prayer in the lounge.	
10.30 am	Morning Service. Preacher: Ron Jones	

Click here to watch any of the services streamed live: <https://www.youtube.com/c/TrinityBexleyheath>

#### Covid-19 Update From The Deacons

You will be aware from media reports that there is no way that we can control what happens with Covid-19 but we can all respond and help with the suggested measures, to play our part in helping make a safer community.

When it comes to care and protection at Trinity, the Diaconate constantly review and respond to information and trusted advice available, and will make the necessary changes to keep Trinity in the best place possible. We will keep you informed of any changes which may be needed to achieve this, and if possible give notice of planned changes. We ask for your help in making Trinity a safe place for all.

We would encourage everyone to consider the current situation with Covid and decide for yourself if you come to church in person or watch online.

This Sunday 19th December should go ahead as planned with the Children's Christmas event, and the Carols by Candlelight.

Be assured that we will let you know, as soon as possible, of any changes which need to be made in response to the Covid situation.

Currently, mask wearing is now mandatory at Trinity, except for those on the stage or those who are exempt. The deacons continue to closely monitor the impact of the Omicron wave, listening to the most informed scientific advice, and will advise the church if there are any further changes necessary to our meetings. Please be aware that changes could be necessary at short notice.

We look forward to celebrating together, our Saviour's coming. From the Deacons.

#### For Your Prayers

- Praise God for the news that 'our' school in Tanzania now will soon have running water!
- Praise God for this Christmas Season and all of the opportunities that we have to share with others the real reason for the season.
- Praise God for the work of SAT-7 and Evergreen Care UK who benefit this year from our Christmas offering. Pray God's special blessing on all their work and witness in 2022.
- Pray for those known to us suffering from Covid at the moment and those recovering from it.
- Pray for protection from Covid within the fellowship, especially for those who are more vulnerable.
- Pray for those suffering from acute loneliness or grief at this time of the year, and for those undergoing medical treatment.
- Pray especially for persecuted Christians from around the world as they celebrate Christmas.
- For all those serving the Lord in the UK and on the Mission field, especially those who are away from home at Christmas.
- Pray for Afghanistan; people are starving to death as Afghanistan faces the bleakest of winters. The country is in the grip of a catastrophic food shortage – half of the population don't have enough to eat. Now, the bitter cold is setting in, with temperatures dropping as low as -20°C.

### Staffing

Our Pastoral Worker Jan Grist is currently off sick as she continues to suffer fatigue following having covid. Please contact Andy Banks or Ron Jones with any pastoral concerns.

Andy will be off on the 28th December and 3rd January.

Kerry will be off between the 24th Dec & 4th January.

Debs will be off from the 22nd to 28th December.

### Christmas Offering

We cannot take a physical collection of cash/cheques but we would like to make a Christmas donation from Trinity, which will be split equally between SAT-7 and Evergreen Care UK. Please click here to donate and ensure you select 'Christmas appeal' in the drop down box. Thank you

<https://trinitybexleyheath.churchsuite.com/donate>

### Christmas Cards

Sadly, due to COVID restrictions we cannot facilitate the exchange of Christmas cards this year. Instead, why not complete this form, sending a message to all at Trinity that will be displayed on the website?

<https://www.trinitybexleyheath.org.uk/christmas/christmas-cards.php>

Perhaps with the money you save, you could consider making a donation to the Fellowship Fund.

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# Community Christmas Meal



## 26th December 2021

Anyone who is alone this Christmas is invited to join us at 17 Upland Road, Bexleyheath, DA7 3NR this Boxing Day for a Christmas meal, entirely free of charge.

For catering purposes, please book your place on [www.bexleylife.eventbrite.com](http://www.bexleylife.eventbrite.com). If you need any support booking, or have any questions, please do **contact us** at [info@bexleylife.co.uk](mailto:info@bexleylife.co.uk)

## Christmas at Trinity

**Children's Nativity Service**  
10.30 am Sunday 19th December

**Carols by Candlelight**  
5 pm Sunday 19th December

**Christmas Day Family Service**  
10.00 am Saturday 25th December

**Children's New Years Eve Party**  
4.30 pm Friday 31st December

**Watchnight Service**  
11.15 pm Friday 31st December

*There will be no services on Sunday 26th Dec.*

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### Trinity Diary

Monday 20th December	1- 3.30 pm
Wednesday 22nd December	8 pm
Saturday 25th December	10 am
Sunday 26th December	-
Friday 31st December	4.30 pm
	11.15 pm
Sunday 2nd January 2022	10.30 am

Foodbank
Zoom Prayers
Christmas Day Family Service
No services
Children's New Year's Eve Party
Watchnight Service
Morning Service. Preacher: Ron Jones