



# Ruislip Manor Methodist Church

Sunday 3rd December 2023

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## **SERVICE ON SUNDAY 3rd December**

**11.00am Ruislip Manor Methodist Church: Mr Peter Davis**

## **SERVICE ON SUNDAY 10th December**

**11.00am Ruislip Manor Methodist Church: Susan Colwell Bracey**

## **SERVICE ON SUNDAY 17th December**

**11.00am Ruislip Manor Methodist Church: Revd Lynita Conradie**

**5.00pm— Nativity**

**Wednesday 20th December Methkeg at 7.30pm in the church**

## **SERVICE ON SUNDAY 24th December**

**11.00am Ruislip Manor Methodist Church: Revd.Dong Hwan Kim**

## **SERVICE ON CHRISTMAS DAY 25th December**

**10.30am Ruislip Manor Methodist Church: Deacon Claire Gill**

## **SERVICE ON SUNDAY 31st December**

**11.00am Ruislip Manor Methodist Church: Revd.Dong Hwan Kim, Communion**

## **SERVICE ON SUNDAY 7th January**

**Joint Service at Ruislip Methodist Church (Ickenham Road)**

To join the service on line, join it later or go to any of the other recent selected services

[click here](#) If this does not work go to the church website [www.rmmc.org.uk](http://www.rmmc.org.uk) and click on “Livestream Services” on the top of the page. Recently automatic live subtitles have been available at the time of the service. They are often improved after further processing a few hours after the service.

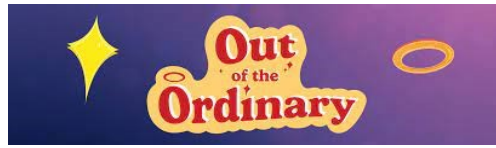
### **[Dong is back from compassionate leave!](#)**

Happy to report that Dong is now returned and says:

*"I have freshly arrived from Korea and am adjusting to jetlag as well as looking after Samuel after his time home alone. I would like to show my and my family's appreciation for your support and the time you all allowed me to return to Korea to support my wife through her illness. She has successfully completed her chemotherapy and her radiotherapy now, although there is still the prospect of targeted and hormone treatments left, which will take 5 years to complete. I should be good to go by the start of December as planned in time for advent. Thank you for all your prayers which my entire family has felt throughout this time, for looking after my son Samuel during my absence and also for your patience."*

## Our Advent Activity

The Methodist Church theme for Advent this year is 'Out of The Ordinary'. We are asked to share how the wonder of God's love is revealed in the ordinary... a seemingly ordinary birth becomes God's out of the ordinary world-saving event through Jesus.



As a Church Community, we would like to focus on how every day, ordinary acts of kindness can breakthrough to the extraordinary. At Church you will see a large, blank, board appear along with a pot of stars. We would love for you to write on a star a simple act of kindness that you have performed this week - or that someone has performed for you. It could be as simple as picking up some litter or donating to a foodbank - and you can use as many stars as you like!

The idea is that by Christmas, the blank board will be filled with stars of our 'ordinary acts' Please ask the Steward's if you have any questions.

There will, of course, be the usual Advent Wreath and Christmas Card exchange throughout Advent, with a "last posting date" of 17 Dec, to enable us to deliver any unclaimed cards; please ensure the name, including last name, is written clearly, to make sorting simple for the Stewards; the red posting box will be in the vestibule from 3 December...don't forget to collect cards addressed to you from the "pockets" which will be on a noticeboard (to be advised which one!). Also help wd be very much appreciated from **10am on Weds, 6th December** to get out and decorate the tree?

**Ruislip High School** (Sidmouth Drive, HA4 0BY) are, once again, inviting the local community in for what promises to be a fun and festive afternoon for over-55s. This year guests are invited to a Christmas style **buffet** followed by a **performance** of 'Little Women', performed by the students. The event will take place on the afternoon of **Tuesday 19th December, 2023** from 4:30pm to 7:00pm (with the performance beginning at 5:30pm). The event is free for all guests.

If you would like to attend, please contact the Assistant Headteacher - Ms L Horton - via email or telephone: [office@ruisliphigh.org.uk](mailto:office@ruisliphigh.org.uk) 01895 464064.

### CHRISTIAN AID GAZA APPEAL

So far £175.34 (including Gift Aid) has been sent to Christian Aid to help their partners who are supporting people in the Gaza crisis. Many thanks to all who donated.

### ADVENT EMAILS

Both the Methodist Church and Christian Aid are offering daily or weekly emails as we journey through Advent. Details on how to sign up for these, are on the links below:

<https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-faith/out-of-the-ordinary/>

<https://www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/key-appeals/christmas-appeal/worship/advent>

Message from a lady called Susanna who enjoyed the Borehamwood Community Choir concert in November. and chatted with Jess afterwards.

Susanna moved to Ruislip about a year ago and is looking for a church or community choir to sing with locally. She maintains a link with her old choir in Newham. She loved the friendly vibe of the BCC (but they are in Borehamwood). If anyone can suggest something quite local, please come forward. Jess can pass on a message or you could email Sue at Gohtreehouse dot Com.

Newham Super choir is singing Xmas carols on 21/12 at Trafalgar Square from around 16:00.

They will be singing all popular Xmas carols everyone knows. The choir mistress, Ms.Sorva Newman, welcomes friends & relatives to join in, if anyone is free. The singing will last about 1 hour, with the opportunity to go on and enjoy the festival atmosphere, shops & restaurants in the West End. God bless. Susanna GOH.

## Prayer Requests

We remember **Sandra Jones** and the family in our prayers after her husband **Alan** passed away in hospital on 26th November.

Your prayers for **MiHwa**, and the rest of the family, would be appreciated as she continues receiving treatment.

Please continue to pray for :-

Anyone suffering from mental issues and from loneliness because of isolation. Please include in your prayers all our members and friends who have any illness or infirmity. Prayers and Blessings to all at Ruislip Manor and beyond - stay safe.

Any requests for prayers please send to [prayerrequests@rmmc.org.uk](mailto:prayerrequests@rmmc.org.uk)

### Prayer for Israel & Palestine

*The President and Vice-President of the Methodist Conference have [released a statement](#) on the situation in Israel and Palestine. They have written to the UK Government to ask them to work for peace in the region and are asking you to join them in praying for those affected by the attacks. The Methodist Church has published [resources, prayers, background and reflections](#).*

### Loving God

I see the news and I am afraid. Violence is spiralling out of control. I don't know what to think or feel. The temptation to fall into hatred, or despair feels very close at hand. Help me to remember that nothing in all creation can separate me from your love that I know in Jesus. May your perfect love for me cast out my fear and free me to discern what is mine to do amidst the chaos of this suffering world.

**Amen**

**Also remember in Prayer Armenia, Libya, Afghanistan, Morocco, Yemen, Syria and all places of conflict or disaster as well as for those involved in the rescue and reconstruction efforts.**

### Please Continue to Pray for Ukraine and its People

*Dear Lord, please help the US and the EU to provide the necessary funding to support the Ukraine's fight for freedom; for talks to commence relating to the inclusion of the Ukraine into the EU. Through Jesus Christ Amen* The Bible Society Prayer Tree

### Friday 1st December:

This week we pray for all at North Harrow Methodist Church

We bring Sacred Heart Church and St Paul's Church to God in prayer.

We also pray for the people who live in Ashburton Road and Bempton Drive

**We wish many happy returns to all who celebrate a birthday in December**



Items for the News sheet for Friday 8th December to **Janet Miles**, by email [newsletter@rmmc.org.uk](mailto:newsletter@rmmc.org.uk)

by **Wednesday 6th December**, please