## More news...

#### Praise God:

- For the joy that entered the world when Jesus was born. Thank Him for becoming 'God with us'. Pray God will purify our hearts this week and remind us that He is in control and that He will help us to 'consider it joy when we experience trials of any kind' (James 1:2) because we know He is creating something beautiful and eternal.
- That the 'joy of the Lord is our strength' (Nehemiah 8:10).
- For the work of the Christchurch Food Bank and others throughout the country. Please pray for them at this very busy time as they help those in need over the Christmas and New Year period. Please pray for health, energy and compassion.

#### Please Pray:

- For Chris Brockway as he shares God's Word with us this morning.
- For the children, youth and their leaders as they enjoy time with each other and explore more of God today.
- For all those who struggle with loneliness, which can be even more noticeable and painful at this time of year.

**Prayer Requests** – If you would like to request prayer at any time, please email details to <a href="mailto:prayer@christchurchbaptist.org.uk">prayer@christchurchbaptist.org.uk</a>.

When they saw the star, they were overjoyed.

Matthew 2:10

# Staff team....

Rev Chris Brockway (Team Leader)

Rev Kay Boulton (Minister)

Jackie McGregor (0-18s Ministry Lead)

Julie Dynan (Administration)

Mark Coleman (Caretaker)



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Sunday 12 December 2021

# Welcome...

Joining us for the first time...? You are very welcome!

During the 11am service our children & young people will enjoy time together with their leaders in the Christian Centre.

On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him.

Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

Matthew 2:11

# Today....

Sunday 12 December - Third Sunday of Advent

9.15am: Morning Worship - Hope Shines Through: Three Discreet Kings

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11.00am: Morning Worship - As 9.15am And Including Youth &

Children's Activities

**Christmas Services** - Details about our Christmas services, and information of how to book seats for the Carols By Candlelight Service, are now available from the church website: <a href="www.christchurchbaptist.org.uk/christmas/">www.christchurchbaptist.org.uk/christmas/</a>.







# Next week...

**Live Streaming** - If you can't come physically, we will be live streaming the 11am service on our YouTube Channel and our online church platform: <a href="https://youtube.com/c/ChristchurchBaptistChurch">https://youtube.com/c/ChristchurchBaptistChurch</a> or <a href="https://cbcdorset.online.church/">https://cbcdorset.online.church/</a>

Tuesday 14 December

Noon: Barnabas Fellowship Christmas Meal at Iford Baptist Church

Thursday 16 December

6.30pm: Connect/Connect+

Friday 17 December

10.00am: Stepping Stones - Parent & Toddler Group

10.30am: Christmas Coffee Morning For Those Living With Loss

2.00pm: Fairmile Grange Christmas Service

Sunday 19 December

9.15am: Morning Worship

11.00am: Morning Worship Including Youth & Children's Activities

5.00pm: All Age Carols (With Christingles) For Families

7.00pm: Carols by Candlelight

**Christmas Weekend** 

Saturday 25 December

10.30am: All-Age Christmas Day Celebration

Sunday 26 December NO SERVICES AT CBC

# More news....

Christchurch Living Advent Calendar - With a surprise 'Performance' every evening during and up to 24 December, the Living Advent Calendar is a fantastic way for the town to get in the festive spirit. Go along to any or all of the performances and all for the great cause of raising money for a number of different charities. For more information and to see each daily location visit - www.christchurchlivingadventcalendar.org.uk/.

## More news....

**Face Coverings** - Due to the updated guidance from the Government, anyone attending our services in person (11 years+) will be expected to wear a face covering whilst in the building, unless medically exempt.

Christmas Greetings - We won't be using the post box for Christmas cards or gathering in cards for church attenders this year. So why not send Christmas greetings to everyone in our CBC Church family by emailing your message to Julie (office@christchurchbaptist.org.uk) or write a note and drop it into the church office. The collating of Christmas messages to the whole church family into one publication worked so well last year, we have decided to do the same again! It's even more eco-friendly. Please make sure your message is sent on or before Wednesday 15 December and we will compile them to be an addition to the notice sheet on 19 December.

Christmas Coffee Morning For Those Living With Loss - You are warmly invited for coffee and mince pies in the Christian Centre on Friday 17 December at 10.30am. Recognising that as Christmas approaches the loss of a loved one can be felt even more acutely, we are offering the opportunity to meet up with others facing similar circumstances to share, support and encourage one another. There will also be a short service of reflection and prayer during the morning. For more information contact Kay Boulton <a href="mailto:kay@christchurchbaptist.org.uk">kay@christchurchbaptist.org.uk</a>.

Message From Christchurch Foodbank+ - Our needs this week are UHT Milk, fruit squash, tinned ham & corned beef, tinned meat balls and meals in a tin (e.g. curry, stew, chilli). Or you can give a donation and we can purchase items needed. Thank you, we really value your continued support.

**Journey To Christmas** - Join us on Zoom, every day from 7am-7.15am, Monday 20-Friday 24 December, as we start the day sharing in a Scripture reading from the Christmas narrative and then a short reflection/prayer. The Zoom link is the same every day: <a href="https://us06web.zoom.us/j/603779849">https://us06web.zoom.us/j/603779849</a>.

**Giving To The Work Of The Church** - If you would like to give a cash offering for the work of God's Church please place it in the wooden box on the stage or in the foyer. If you are a visitor with us today, please do not feel any obligation to give. For information about giving to the work Christchurch Baptist Church please visit our website: <a href="www.christchurchbaptist.org.uk/giving">www.christchurchbaptist.org.uk/giving</a> where you can also download Standing Order and Gift Aid forms.