More news....

Praise God:

- For the gift of His Son, Jesus Christ, who gave His life that we might live! Praise Jesus, Immanuel, Almighty Saviour and Light of the world!
- That He dwells and delights in us.
- For family and friends. Pray for all those who are mourning the loss of loved ones or are alone this Christmas. Pray that they would know God's comfort and strength.
- 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 Esther Boulton as she shares God's Word with us this morning.
- For the services that are taking place at CBC today, the Christmas Service at Fairmile Grange and our Carol Services on Friday 23 December. Pray that hope will shine through to all who attend both in person and online. Pray for all those involved that they will be a blessing as well as blessed themselves.
- That our focus will stay on Jesus this Christmas time and into 2023.
- For all those who struggle with loneliness, which can be even more noticeable and painful at this time of year.
- For the persecuted believers who have to celebrate Christmas in secret.

Staff team....

Rev Chris Brockway (Team Leader)

Rev Kay Boulton (Minister)

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Sunday 18 December 2022

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.

And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away."

Revelation 21:3-4

Today....

Sunday 18 December - Fourth Sunday of Advent

9.15am: Morning Worship - Unwrapping Jesus

'Everlasting Father: God With Us Beyond Our Hardships'

(Isaiah 9:2-7; Revelation 21:1-6) Esther Boulton

Refreshments will be served in the church foyer between the services

11.00am: Morning Worship - (as 9.15am)







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: https://youtube.com/c/ChristchurchBaptistChurch or https://cbcdorset.online.church/

Monday 19 December

2.30pm: Fairmile Grange Christmas Service

Tuesday 20 December

2.30pm: Faith & Fellowship

Thursday 22 December

10.00am: Linkup Wellbeing Café

Friday 23 December

5.00pm: All-Age Carol Service (With Christingles)

7.00pm: Carols By Candlelight

Sunday 25 December

10.30am: All-Age Christmas Day Celebration

Thursday 29 December

10.00am: Linkup Wellbeing Café

Sunday 01 January

11.00am: Morning New Year's Day Communion Service

'Resolved: Our Wardrobe For 2023' (Colossians 3:1-17)

Chris Brockway

More news...

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. Alternatively, we have two easy to use self-service devices that collect donations via contactless or Chip & PIN. For more information about giving to the work of Christchurch Baptist Church please visit our website: www.christchurchbaptist.org.uk/giving where you can also download Standing Order and Gift Aid forms. If you are a visitor with us today, please do not feel any obligation to give.

More news....

Thanks - A big thank you to everyone who braved the elements and worked hard to give everyone such a fun and festive time at the Beer & Carols event!

Faith & Fellowship - Join us for an hour's informal gathering with refreshments this Tuesday (20 December). It will be a great chance to meet to share life, faith and friendship.

Linkup Wellbeing Café - You are warmly invited to come along to Linkup Wellbeing Café which is on every Thursday from 10am-12noon. Including over the Christmas period. Linkup Wellbeing Café is a great place to come, or invite friends & neighbours to come, if you are lonely or isolated or looking for an opportunity to meet with others.

All-Age Christmas Day Celebration - We will once again be gathering in-person on Christmas Day for a short (45 minute) all-age celebration service! You are warmly invited to join us. The service will also be live-streamed. It's become something of a tradition at CBC to wear a Christmas jumper and to bring a small gift to open during the service! Join in the fun if you like.

Message From Christchurch Foodbank+ - Lots of people coming in with huge donations, individuals and companies locally saying "no no we don't want thanking". But...WE SAY 'THANK YOU' from the heart, because without you we couldn't do what we are doing. Such a huge blessing for so many AND always a HUGE thank you to our team who work unbelievably hard, king hours, sorting, packing, checking and always smiling, ready to help. Thank you. OUR NEEDS ARE: UHT Milk cartons, tinned meat balls and Hot dogs please oh and a little extra Christmas goodies.

Deeper: Bible Study For Mums - This Bible study group for mums will re start on Monday 16 January. Contact Meg Brockway for more information.

Advance Notice - Our church's 'Week Of Prayer' will be from Monday 23 January to Saturday 28 January 2023. There will be opportunities to pray at various times and in different ways. More details in the New Year.

Old Stamps For New Works! - As all your Christmas cards come in the post, please don't forget to save the used postage stamps from them. Cut (don't tear) them from the envelope, leaving a small margin and put them in the basket in the foyer.