

More news...

Praise God:

- That He alone is worthy of all our praise and worship. Pray that in all that happens in the next couple of weeks that we don't forget to spend time with the Prince of Peace who has come into the world.
- For the work of the Christchurch Foodbank+ 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 Christmas Service at Fairmile Grange and our Carol Services on Friday 22 December. Pray that hope and peace 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.
- For Tricia White as she receives physio rehabilitation.
- 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 must celebrate Christmas in secret.

**"Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews?
We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him."**

Matthew 2:2

Staff team...

- Rev Chris Brockway** (Team Leader)
- Rev Kay Boulton** (Minister)
- Jackie McGregor** (0-18s Ministry Lead)
- Julie Dynan** (Administration)
- Mark Coleman** (Caretaker)

Creation Care Challenge...



Reduce your energy consumption,
put lids on pans when cooking.

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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.

When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. 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 2:10-11

Today...

Sunday 17 December - Third Sunday of Advent | Peace

9.15am: Morning Worship - The Cast Of Christmas: 'Wise Men & Herod' (Matthew 2:1-18 selected verses) Chris Brockway

Refreshments will be served in the church foyer between the services

11.00am: Morning Worship (as 9.15am)

6.30pm: Let's Explore - Youth Social (10-17+)

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/>

Thursday 21 December

10.00am: Linkup Wellbeing Café

Friday 22 December

11.00am: Fairmile Grange Care Home Carols

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

7.00pm: Carols By Candlelight

Sunday 24 December- Fourth Sunday of Advent

ONLY ONE SERVICE

11.00am: Morning Worship - The Cast Of Christmas: 9 Lessons & Carols
Chris Brockway & Kay Boulton

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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.

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Linkup Wellbeing Café - You are warmly invited to come along to Linkup this week on Thursday 21 December, 10am-12noon as we celebrate Christmas with some festive food, quiz, activities and music! Pop in for a coffee or join in the activities. We'd love to see you! **Advanced Notice** - There will be no Linkup on 28 December.

Fairmile Grange Care Home Carols - We will be holding a Carol Service at Fairmile on Friday 22 December at 11am. If you would like to come along to swell the singing and encourage the residents, please let Kay Boulton know. kay@christchurchbaptist.org.uk.

Acts 435 - A spokesperson from this Christian charity, that we heard about during our services a couple of months ago, are going to be on Songs of Praise on BBC1 at 1.15pm TODAY (Sunday 17 December). Acts 435 confidentially puts people around the UK who can give, in touch with a specific need which their financial gift can help. To find out more watch the program or visit our website www.christchurchbaptist.org.uk/acts435/

Sunday 24 December: Christmas Eve - There will only be **one service** on at 11am on Sunday 24 December. Youth & Children's ministry will be happening during this service, but please can they go straight to the Christian Centre or Youth Room for 11am.

New Address - Eileen Balkwill is now living in Wickmeads Care Home Room 7. She would love to see old friends from CBC. Perhaps you would like to send her Christmas greetings.

Message From Christchurch Foodbank+ - We have now begun our School Holiday Hunger. Please be patient with us and our volunteers. Our current needs are cereal, tuna, rice, crisps, dry rice, tinned curry, stew and chilli and toilet rolls. Thank you for helping us to help others at what can be a very difficult time of year. *Donated food items can be placed in the boxes in the foyer of church.*

Card Sale - There are some cards in the foyer that Michelle Tanner is selling to raise funds for Esther Boulton who is now in Uganda. Please give generously to help support Esther financially, suggested minimum donation of £1 per card.

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 by the welcome desk.