### More news....

#### Praise God:

- That He is love, and this love is not a love of scarcity but a lavish, all consuming love. Demonstrated by sending His Son into this world as a baby, Immanuel, God with us, and by Jesus' death on a cross for 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 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 Des & Malc Marshall and their helpers as they prepare and delivery all the Christmas Lunches to the homes of so many that will be on their own and unable to cook themselves a proper Christmas meal.
- For the persecuted believers who must celebrate Christmas in secret.

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Isaiah 9:6

## Staff team....

Rev Chris Brockway (Team Leader)

Rev Kay Boulton (Minister)

Jackie McGregor (0-18s Ministry Lead)

Julie Dynan (Administration)

Mark Coleman (Caretaker)



If your pot of yoghurt is near its use-by date, mix it up with some fruit, chuck it in a tub and freeze: instant frozen yoghurt dessert.







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Sunday 24 December 2023

# 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 him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind.

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

John 1:4-5

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16

# Today....

Sunday 24 December - Fourth Sunday of Advent | Love

Refreshments will be served in the church foyer before the service

11.00am: The Cast Of Christmas: 9 Lessons & Carols

(The next notice sheet will be available on Sunday 07 January 2024)







## 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>

Monday 25 December

10.30am: All-Age Christmas Day Celebration

Sunday 31 December

NO MORNING SERVICES

8.00pm: New Year's Eve Celebration & Worship

**Happy New Year!** 

Thursday 04 January

10.00am: Linkup Wellbeing Café

6.30pm: Connect - Youth Bible Study (10-12+) 6.45pm: Connect+ - Youth Social (14 -16+)

Friday 05 January

10.00am: Stepping Stones - Parent & Toddler Group

6.30pm: Trailblazers - Friday Kids Club

Sunday 07 January

9.15am: Morning Communion Service - NEW TEACHING SERIES BEGINS

Kingdom, Come: 'Introducing The Kingdom' (Matthew 4:17; Mark 1:15) Chris Brockway

11.00am: Morning Communion Service (as 9.15am)

## 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: <a href="https://www.christchurchbaptist.org.uk/giving">www.christchurchbaptist.org.uk/giving</a> 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...

**Birthday Celebration!** - A very Happy Birthday to Riyad Tbaily who celebrates his 2<sup>nd</sup> birthday today (24 Dec).

**Wedding Anniversary Celebration!** - Many congratulations to Pauline & Graham Stevens who will celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary on Boxing Day.

**Sunday 24 December: Christmas Eve** - There will only be **one service** at 11am on today (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.

**All-Age Christmas Day Celebration** - We will once again be gathering 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.

**Songs Of Praise** - There will be **NO** Songs of Praise in January. The next Songs of Praise mid-week service will be on Tuesday 06 February. We look forward to welcoming all those who can make in February.

**Linkup Wellbeing Café** - You are warmly invited to come along to the next Linkup on Thursday 04 January, 10am-12noon. Pop in for a coffee or join in the activities. We'd love to see you!

**Advance Notice** - Our church's 'Week Of Prayer' will be from Sunday 21 January to Sunday 28 January 2024. There will be opportunities to pray at various times and in different ways. More details in the New Year.

**Message From Christchurch Foodbank+** - Our current needs are pasta sauce, custard, tinned fruit, rice, fruit squash and cereal. 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 in Uganda. Please give generously to help support Esther financially, suggested minimum donation of £1 per card.

**Prayer Requests** - If you would like to request prayer at any time, please email details to <u>prayer@christchurchbaptist.org.uk</u>.