

## 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. **Please collect your children from the downstairs of the Christian Centre at the end of the service.**

***'In a loud voice she exclaimed: 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the child you will bear! But why am I so favoured, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? As soon as the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed is she who has believed that the Lord would fulfil his promises to her!'***

Luke 1:42-49

## Today...

**Sunday 08 December - Second Sunday of Advent | Joy**

9.15am: Morning Worship - Embracing Humility  
'Humility Exemplified' (Philippians 2:5-8 & Luke 1:39-45) Dave Edwins

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 join us in-person, we'll be live streaming the 11am service on our YouTube Channel: [www.youtube.com/c/ChristchurchBaptistChurch](http://www.youtube.com/c/ChristchurchBaptistChurch)

### **Monday 09 December**

7.00am: Advent | Start The Week With Prayer  
12.45pm: Deeper - Bible Study For Mums  
7.30pm: Leadership Team Meeting

### **Tuesday 10 December**

12.15pm: In-Person Prayer Gathering with Soup & Roll Lunch

### **Thursday 12 December**

10.00am: Linkup Café  
3.30pm: Carol Service at Fairmile Grange  
6.30pm: Connect - Youth Bible Study (10-12+)  
6.45pm: Connect+ - Youth Social (14 -16+)

### **Friday 13 December**

7.00am: Advent | End The Week With Prayer  
10.00am: Stepping Stones - Parent & Toddler Group  
6.30pm: Trailblazers - Friday Kids Club

### **Saturday 14 December**

4.30am: Carols In The Square

### **Sunday 15 December - Third Sunday of Advent | Peace**

9.15am: Morning Worship - Embracing Humility  
'Humility Exalted' (Philippians 2:9-11 & Luke 1:50-55) Kay Boulton  
11.00am: Morning Worship (as 9.15am)  
7.00pm: Beer & Carols at Arcado Lounge

## More news...

**Giving To The Work Of Our Church** - If you would like to give a cash offering for the work of God's Church, please place it in the box on the stage, in the foyer or use the offering bags which will be circulated during our opening worship. We also have two contactless giving points which you can use. For more information about giving to the work of Christchurch Baptist Church please visit our website where you can also download Standing Order and Gift Aid forms: [www.christchurchbaptist.org.uk/giving](http://www.christchurchbaptist.org.uk/giving). If you are a visitor with us today, please do not feel any obligation to give.



Scan the QR code to give online via ChurchSuite

## More news...

**Birthday Celebrations!** - A very special Happy Birthday to Jean Coleman who celebrated her 94<sup>th</sup> birthday yesterday (07 December).

**Bring & Share Lunch** - TODAY (08 December) we will be having our quarterly 'Bring & Share Lunch' in the main church hall. It's an opportunity to gather with others in our church family. Please do come along even if you haven't signed up and are not able to contribute any food, we're keen that everyone is included.

**CBC Art Group** - This art group will **NOT** be meeting this week due to a clash of events affecting a few of the regular attendees. Therefore, they will meet again on Wednesday 08 January 2025.

**Carol Service at Fairmile Grange** - If you are interested in being involved in a Carol Service for the residences of Fairmile Grange on the 12 December at 3.30pm, please contact Kay Boulton - [kay@christchurchbaptist.org.uk](mailto:kay@christchurchbaptist.org.uk).

**Beer & Carols At Arcado Lounge** - This popular community event is on Sunday 15 December 7pm-9.30pm. Please do come along if you can and join our worship group in singing some carols & sharing the true meaning of Christmas to all those gathered.

**Living with Loss Christmas Coffee Morning** - This Christmas coffee morning is on Wednesday 18 December at 10:30am in the Christian Centre. You are really warmly invited to come along if you are living with loss and chat over some yummy mince pies. Also, during the morning we will take a few moments out of the busyness of the Christmas season to be still and allow God to meet with us, recognising that Christmas can be a difficult time for those who are living with loss. For more details contact Kay Boulton [kay@christchurchbaptist.org.uk](mailto:kay@christchurchbaptist.org.uk).

**Christmas Greetings** - Why not send Christmas greetings to everyone in our CBC Church family by emailing your message to Julie ([office@christchurchbaptist.org.uk](mailto:office@christchurchbaptist.org.uk)) or write a note and drop it into the church office. Please make sure your message is sent on or before Wednesday 11 December and we will compile them to be an addition to the notice sheet next week.

**Message From Christchurch Foodbank+** - What a week, lots of Reverse Advent boxes being dropped off, thank you, what a blessing these will be to the families referred to us this Christmas. Building our stock ready for the school holiday top up bags and in need of tinned fruit, custard, pasta sauce jars, UHT milk cartons and tinned meat meals/pies.

**Kitchen/Toilet Rolls** - Many thanks to all who have brought in kitchen and toilet rolls over recent weeks. We have now finished the crafts that required us to ask for them so no more are now needed.

## More news...

### Praise God:

- 🙏 For His trustworthiness and that He is faithful to His promises. Thank Jesus for His obedience to God the Father by going to the cross and dying for our sins. Pray that we would trust and obey Him more.
- 🙏 That He is with us through whatever we are facing and will face in the future. Thank Him for the amazing love and comfort He lavishes on us.

### Please Pray:

- 🙏 For Dave Edwins 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 Juliette who is going through a tough time at the moment.
- 🙏 Please remember to pray regularly for our Leadership Team. Pray for wisdom and guidance as they meet on Monday. Pray that they would know God's strength and presence as they lead and guide us as a Church Family and that their individual faith journeys would deepen as a result.

**In-Person Prayer Gathering** - This coming Tuesday lunchtime (10 December) we will be gathering in-person at 12.15pm in the church for soup & a roll before praying 12.30-1pm. Please do join us if you possibly can.

***'Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage.  
And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself  
by becoming obedient to death - even death on a cross!'***

Philippians 2:6 & 8

## Staff team...

**Rev Chris Brockway** (Team Leader)

**Rev Kay Boulton** (Minister)

**Jackie McGregor** (0-18s Ministry Lead)

**Julie Dynan** (Administration)

**Mark Coleman** (Caretaker)

Church Office is closed on Wednesdays

## Creation Care Challenge...



Take your own plastic boxes to the butcher and fishmonger instead of using their plastic bags.