

The Week Ahead

TODAY Sunday 2nd December
 9.45am Meetings for toddlers, children & teenagers
 10.00am Band Ensemble at BIRU Frenchay
 11.00am **Toy Service** with Colin & Nicola
 4.00pm **Family Christmas Crafts**



Monday 3rd December
 6.00pm **NO Rainbows** (Guiding Carol Service later in the week)

Tuesday 4th December
 9.30am Parent & Toddlers Party
 7.00pm Bradbury Hall: Community Engagement Forum
 7.30pm Songsters at Woodland Court

Wednesday 5th December
 9.30am Baby Song Carol Service
 10.00am Cell Group Christmas Special with Pat & Arnold Tilling
 3.30, 5.30 & 7.30pm Slimming World

Thursday 6th December
 10.30am "Meet & Greet"
 12.30pm Lunch Club
 2.00pm Friendship Club
 6.30pm Band Carolling at the Mall
 6.30pm Bands Carolling at Tesco's Yate

Friday 7th December
 9.30 & 11.30am Slimming World
 6.00pm Friday Club
 7.30pm Christmas with the Salvation Army – **SOLD OUT**

Saturday 8th December
 10.00am-12.00pm Coffee Morning with the Community Care Ministries
 A FREE day to go Christmas Shopping or rest!

Sunday 9th December
 9.45am Meetings for toddlers, children & teenagers
 10.00am Band Ensemble at Beaufort Court.
 10.00am Band Ensemble at Cossham Gardens
 11.00am **Morning Worship** with Colin & Nicola
 5.00pm **Light up a Life** with St Peter's Hospice



THE SALVATION ARMY STAPLE HILL

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The Weekly Bulletin for Sunday 2nd December 2018

Isaiah 9:6 (NIV) *'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.'*

Marcus Brown reminded us on Tuesday night in Band Practice that many people have started thinking about Christmas, but not everyone is thinking about the Christ of Christmas. In all our activity, we can easily overlook the real joy and peace of Christmas. A common saying these days "Jesus is the reason for the season" focuses our attention on the true meaning of Christmas. Christmas is a time when the story of the birth of Jesus is told in many ways. A good story with a happy ending, and this is why most people enjoy listening to the story year after year. There are those who attend carol concerts & services who never dream of going to a religious service at any other time. There are those who sing in the form of a Christmas carol who never sing a hymn in any other season. God sent Jesus for all of us and all of us are part of the story. He sent Jesus for everyone in the world, not just for Christmas but for every day of the year. We not only need to view the manger scene, we need to be part of the reality of it, and the gift we have to offer is our lives and talents. In our Christmas hustle and bustle, we must not forget those in the world today who do not know the joy and peace of His presence. The greatest gift we can give is to share the reality of His presence with others. Emmanuel, God is with us, in the person of Jesus Christ, is with you today and every day.

He promised us that He would be a counsellor, a Mighty God and the Prince of Peace. He promised us that He would be a Father. And that He would love us with a love that would not cease

*I stand amazed when I think that the King of glory should come to dwell within the heart of man.
 I marvel just to know He really loves me when I think of who He is, and who I am.*

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CHRISTMAS BULLETIN: What are you expecting?

Sunday Morning (11am) Meetings in December: 'Great Expectations'

- Sunday 2nd 'Long Expectations' Isaiah 11:1-9 (Toy Service) with Colin
- Sunday 9th 'Hopeful Expectations' Isaiah 42:1-9 with Nicola
- Sunday 16th 'Promised Expectations' Jeremiah 31:31-34 with Nicola
- Sunday 23rd 'Future Expectations' Matthew 24:36-51 with Colin
- Christmas Day 'Expectations Fulfilled' Luke 2:1-7 with Nicola
- Sunday 30th 'Beyond Expectations' Luke 2:22-40 with Colin

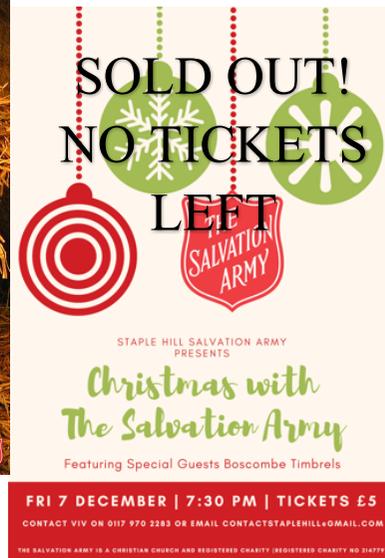
Special Events:



'GREAT EXPECTATIONS!'

Sunday 2 nd - 4pm Christmas Family Crafts	Sunday 9 th - 5pm Light Up A Life Service
Sunday 16 th - 5pm Family Carol Service	Sunday 23 rd - 5pm Church Carol Service
Christmas Eve - 5pm Carols in Fountain Square	Christmas Day - 11am Morning Worship

CHRISTMAS AT STAPLE HILL SALVATION ARMY



**SOLD OUT!
NO TICKETS
LEFT**

STAPLE HILL SALVATION ARMY PRESENTS

*Christmas with
The Salvation Army*

Featuring Special Guests Boscombe Timbrels

FRI 7 DECEMBER | 7:30 PM | TICKETS £5
CONTACT VIV ON 0117 970 2283 OR EMAIL CONTACT@STAPLEHILL.COM

THE SALVATION ARMY IS A CHRISTIAN CHURCH AND REGISTERED CHARITY (REGISTERED CHARITY NO 214771)



The Staple Hill Salvation Army

Light up a Life

Sunday 9th December 5pm

A special Christmas Service with St Peter's Hospice including our Salvation Army musicians.
An opportunity to remember & celebrate those we have lost.
"Remember your loved ones this Christmas"

St Peter's Hospice
For Patients, Families and Orphan

Sunday 9th December at 5pm:

Join us at our special reflective remembrance service supported by all our musical groups as we welcome our friends from St Peter's Hospice – for Patients, Families & Bristol.

"Keep your memories burning bright"

Some of our guests will be wanting to view the names of their loved ones in the 'Books of Remembrance' in the Prayer Room. If asked, please direct them to the Annex where Gerry Wiltshire & her team will look after them.

HELP NEEDED BULLETIN:

Following the Light up a Life Service next Sunday & after our guests have left, we need to bring all the donated toys from the rooms behind the platform into the Bradbury Hall – many hands will make light work!

Monday 10th December at 12.30pm to 2.30pm & 6.30 to 8.30pm

To sort the donated toys and & prepare the Food Hampers.

CHRISTMAS DAY: Volunteer Drivers to help bring our guests to & from the Hall. Only Brian Usher has contacted David James so far who deserves a medal. As far as David remembers, Brian has only missed one day since the event started in the Menary years! The more offers of help the better!

COMMUNITY BULLETIN: The Council have arranged a Community Engagement Forum for Staple Hill and Rodway Wards to be held in the Bradbury Hall on Tuesday 4 December starting at 7 p.m.

EMERGENCY EVACUATION BULLETIN:

In the unlikely event of the need to evacuate the suite of buildings, Marc Willetts will always be the First Responder and assume control of the building until the emergency services arrive. In his absence, Colin, Nicola or the Group Leader during the week will assume this responsibility. All you have to do is to leave the building by your quickest route in a calm, orderly fashion (through the platform & rear door, the side door of the main hall & then the rear exit or via the foyer, hallway & front door). There are a number of people designated to help you evacuate to the Square outside Iceland until told to do otherwise. The evacuation procedures are displayed on the main screen. However, we have a month when the buildings will be full on many occasions with many people who are not regular attenders so we seek your co-operation. Let's pray & hope we never have to put it into action!

FELLOWSHIP BULLETIN: staplehillprayers@gmail.com

As we enter Advent, a time to remember those who are unwell or we miss:

Sick & Poorly:

Hazel Leonard, Yvonne Tilling, Roy Rodman, Tim Scott & Martin Scott.

Wish You Were Here: Irene Ackerman, Rita Adams, Molly Angle, Doreen Butland, Wesley Challenger, Chris Claridge, Brenda Driscoll, Margaret Hatton, Brenda Hussey, Mary Jackson, David Jones, Gwen Lear, Joyce Lear, Shirley Nokes, Sally Partington, Peter & Valerie Scott, Francis & Ruth Shepherd - Ruth was taken into hospital yesterday, John & Olive Sheppard.