

The Week Ahead



TODAY Sunday 24th November

- 9.45am Meetings for toddlers, children & teenagers
 11.00am **All-Age Worship** with Colin & Nicola
 Afternoon rehearsals for YP Band & Singing Company
 Band ensemble switching on Christmas Lights
 5.00pm **Go Forth in Worship** with Colin & Nicola

Monday 25th November

- 7.30pm Decorating Christmas Trees – see inside
 8.00pm CAMEO Craft Club making Money Purses

Tuesday 26th November

- 9.30am Parent & Toddlers Carol Service (Small Band)
 6.45pm Young People's Band Practice
 8.00pm Open Senior Band Practice – all are welcome!

Wednesday 27th November

- 9.30am Baby Song Carol Service (Small Band)
 3.30, 5.30 & 7.30pm Slimming World
 7.45pm Cell Group at the Hall with Nicola
 8.00pm Cell Group with Linda & Kelvin

Thursday 28th November

- 10.30am "Meet & Greet"
 12.30pm Lunch Club
 2.00pm Friendship Club
 6.45pm Singing Company Practice
 8.00pm Songster Practice

Friday 29th November

- 7.30, 9.30 & 11.30am Slimming World
 6.00pm Friday Club
 6.30pm Senior Band at Keynsham Victorian Evening

Saturday 30th November

- 10.00am-12.00pm Coffee Morning
 11.00am-1.00pm Band Carolling at Yate & Emerson's Green

Sunday 1st December

- 9.45am Meetings for toddlers, children & teenagers
 10.00am Senior Band at Residential Homes – venues TBC
 11.00am **All-Age Worship** with Colin & Nicola
 4.00pm **Christmas Crafts**



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The Weekly Bulletin for Sunday 24th November 2019

WHO IS GOD TO YOU?

He is my HEALER (Psalm 103:3)
 He is my REDEEMER (Isaiah 59:20)
 He is my DELIVERER (Psalm 70:5)
 He is my STRENGTH (Psalm 43:2)
 He is my SHELTER (Joel 3:16)
 He is my FRIEND (John 15:15)
 He is my ADVOCATE (1 John 2:1)
 He is my RESTORER (Psalm 23:3)
 He is my EVERLASTING FATHER (Isaiah 9:6)
 He is LOVE (1 John 4:16)
 He is my MEDIATOR (1 Timothy 2:5-6)
 He is my STRONGHOLD (Nahum 1:7)
 He is the BREAD OF LIFE (John 6:35)
 He is my HIDING PLACE (Psalm 32:7)
 He is the EVERLASTING LIGHT (Isaiah 60:20)
 He is a STRONG TOWER (Proverbs 18:10)
 He is my RESTING PLACE (Jeremiah 50:6)
 He is the SPIRIT OF TRUTH (John 16:13)
 He is my REFUGE FROM THE STORM (Isaiah 25:4)
 He is ETERNAL LIFE (1 John 5:20)
 He is the LORD WHO PROVIDES (Genesis 22:14)
 He is the LORD OF PEACE (2 Thessalonians 3:16)
 He is the LIVING WATER (John 4:10)
 He is my SHIELD (Psalm 144:2)
 He is my HUSBAND (Isaiah 54:5)
 He is my HELPER (Hebrews 13:6)
 He is my WONDERFUL COUNSELOR (Isaiah 9:6)
 He is the LORD WHO HEALS (Exodus 15:26)
 He is my HOPE (Psalm 71:5)
 He is the GOD OF COMFORT (Romans 15:5)



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CHRISTMAS LIGHT BULLETIN:

Today we're focussing on our last 'I am' saying of Jesus: 'I am the Light of the World' and this leads us nicely into our Christmas series 'Christmas Light'. At this dark time of the year when we see Christmas Lights all around us in shops and houses let's remember Jesus coming to light our dark world. Here's the plan for advent and Christmas:



CHRISTMAS CRAFTS BULLETIN:

Don't forget this fantastic opportunity to invite someone along to this great occasion – kids & adults are welcome!

ANGEL TREE BULLETIN:

It's that time of the year again. Last year we gave gifts and food parcels to over 500 people throughout South Gloucestershire. But we can only do that with your help. Please take a tag from the angel tree situated in the foyer and buy a gift for the person as indicated on the back of the tag. Gifts can be anything you choose. All gifts need to be brand new and unwrapped, please. Sunday morning 1st December, will be our Toy Service when you can bring your gifts and place them under our tree or you can bring them to the hall at any other time. The sorting of gifts will take place on Monday 9th December during the afternoon and evening, if you would like to help us with that please keep this date free and we will give you more details nearer the time. On behalf of the families we represent, thank you so much for your generosity - if you need any further information please don't hesitate to ask.

ADVENT BULLETIN:

As part of Advent we are going to engage in a Posada experience. Posada originates in Mexico and involved 'Mary and Joseph' travelling around the community asking for room in the different households. Over advent you will be asked to make room in your homes for a nativity scene and engage in a short reflection. You would then be asked to pass it on to the next person on the rota. We are not insisting that you undertake the reflection, but would be grateful if you would pass 'Mary and Joseph' to the next person/family on the rota. It's an act of faith and is dependent on your involvement and we hope that by the Sunday before Christmas Day all our nativity scenes will arrive back at the hall. May I thank you for your involvement in this project and trust that it will bring blessing to you over this advent time,

MISSION ENABLERS BULLETIN:

DECORATING THE HALL FOR CHRISTMAS

Monday 25th November 7.30pm: Decorate 4 trees plus other decorations.

Reception Rota: Speak to Viv or Pauline

Toy and Food Parcels 8th & 9th December

Sunday 8th : (after Light up a Life) bring toys and food downstairs

Monday 9th: Help to sort toys & food parcels during the day and evening

We still need someone to do Coffee Morning on Saturday 14th December.

Don't be shy in volunteering to help! Nothing better than a willing volunteer! If you're not sure what you do, look at the list of events & see Colin or Nicola.

SAVE THE DATE BULLETIN: 6th to 8th March 2020

In 2020 we are looking forward to sharing together in another Staycation weekend, a retreat weekend that we can all take part in, but based in our own building! The date is booked for Friday 6th - Sunday 8th March 2020. On the Saturday we are very excited to be hosting an event by the organisation 'Walk Through the Bible'. Ever wondered how the Bible fitted together and what is the point of the Old Testament? In just one day we'll have the opportunity to learn the whole Old Testament Story in a fun and interactive way - impossible you say?! Come and find out. So please put the date in your diary now!

FELLOWSHIP BULLETIN: staplehillprayers@gmail.com

Welcome to the world to Arthur Fortt-Brewer, born on the 19th November weighing in at 6lb 9ozs. Hannah, Nick & the grandparents are all doing well!

Prayers for Malcolm & Gerry on Monday morning

Thank you to Morag for sharing the flowers with us today.

PRAYER REQUEST BULLETIN:

Becky Gardner is training to volunteer for the Bristol Churches Together Winter Homeless Project. Your prayers for Becky, other volunteers and those who they will help during January to April would be greatly appreciated.

LEADERSHIP BULLETIN: A word from Colin & Nicola

You will be pleased to know that Marc Willetts has agreed to take responsibility for the Band, and will be appointed Bandmaster in January. We are grateful to Steve, Chris and the Band Locals Team for leading the Band over the past couple of months and through the Christmas period. I know that Marc will have the support and encouragement of the Band and Corps as he takes on this leadership. Thank you Marc.

