

# The Week Ahead



## TODAY Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

- 9.45am Meetings for toddlers, children & teenagers
- 10.00am Senior Band at Blossom Fields Nursing Home
- 11.00am **All-Age Worship Night Light** (Luke 2:8-20)
- 2.15-2.45pm Carols at Page Park with Nicola & 'Small Band'
- 2.30pm CCM Carols Service at Deerhurst with 'Small Band'
- 5.00pm **Family Carol Service** with our Young People

## Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December

- 7.30pm Songsters at Woodland Court

## Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December

- 2.30pm Badminton Gardens Carol Service with Small Band
- 3.30, 5.30 & 7.30pm Slimming World

## Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December

- 10.30am "Meet & Greet"
- 12.30pm Lunch Club
- 6.00-8.00pm Band Carolling at Tesco's Yate

## Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December

- 7.30, 9.30 & 11.30am Slimming World
- 5.00pm Carols at the Ring O Bells Pub with Small Band

## Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December

- 10.00am-12.00pm **NO** Coffee Morning
- 1.00-5.00pm Bands Carolling at Tesco's Yate **(NEW TIMINGS)**

## Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT

- 9.45am Meetings for toddlers, children & teenagers
- 10.00am Young People at Park View Court
- 10.30am Band outside the Hall welcoming you to Worship
- 11.00am **All-Age Worship Star Light** (Matthew 2:1-12)
- 5.00pm **Corps Carol Service** A traditional service of carols & readings with Colin, Nicola and all our musicians

## Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> December

### Christmas Eve

- 5.00pm **Carols in The Square** – see poster inside

## Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> December

### Christmas Day

- All Day Activities, entertaining & Christmas Lunch with guests
- 11.00am **Christmas Day Worship Light Dawns** (Luke 2:1-7)



## Staple Hill

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## The Weekly Bulletin for Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2019

During December Colin & Nicola's preaching has considered **THE LIGHT:**  
**Christmas Light** (John 1:1-18), **Lighting the Darkness** (Isaiah 9:1-7),  
**Night Light** (Luke 2:8-20), **Star Light** (Matthew 2:1-12),  
**Light Dawns** (Luke 2:1-7) & **Light at Last** (Luke 2:25-35).

Some of the lights in our building are on up to 14 hours a day and we have focussed on replacing those high usage lights with LED units. In total 38 lights were changed. Whilst there has been an initial cost, we know that because they are more energy efficient and more reliable, over time they will pay for themselves in reduced energy bills and maintenance costs. This saving is further helped in that 12 of the units have motion sensors and reduce to 10% light output when not in use. As a result of this work, we will reduce our carbon footprint and impact on the environment. See if you can see which lights have been changed – Colin has a prize for the first person to tell him where all 38 new lights are!

Earlier this week, I came across this picture on Social Media. Clearly not by chance we've been reminded about **THE LIGHT** & to **BE THE LIGHT** this Christmas!



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## TODAYS BULLETIN:



Join Nicola & the Band this afternoon round the Clock Tower in Page Park. We'll be leading the community in some Christmas Carols along with a Primary School Choir

Then you can come back to the Hall for the Family Carol Service at 5pm. It features all our young people including the Primary – not that I'm biased, but always the best bit!

Next Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 5pm is our wonderful Corps Carol Service



**MISSION ENABLERS BULLETIN:** Don't forget we still need your help behind the scenes setting up, clearing away, helping with refreshments & especially cleaning the Hall after many events in a busy month. There are lists in the foyer or just volunteer & do something!



## TOY & FOOD PARCELS BULLETIN:

528 toy parcels delivered.

90 food parcels go with the toys

10 food parcels for local ad hoc needs

3 food parcels to Staple Hill Children's Centre

40 food parcels for our guests on Christmas Day

21 'Gift Bags' to those on the 'Wish you were here' List



A big **Thank You** to everyone who gave up time on Monday to sort all the toys and prepare the food parcels.

A further big **Thank You** to everyone who has and continues to donate toys.

Very humbling.



## FELLOWSHIP BULLETIN: [staplehillprayers@gmail.com](mailto:staplehillprayers@gmail.com)

Today is the final posting of your cards **to people who attend The Staple Hill Salvation – our Fellowship**. If you see cards on the table for people you know who are not with us, please take them & deliver them. Cards left after next Sunday (22<sup>nd</sup>) will not be delivered ..... well maybe next year!

After a couple of days delay, Malcolm Wiltshire has successfully undergone his major operation and is recovering in the Intensive Care Unit at the BRI. Our continued prayers & thoughts are with him, Gerry & all the family.

Mavis Stone, Aimee Bessex, Chris Claridge & Doreen Roberts are amongst others who need our prayerful and practical support.

Flowers today are from Viv remembering Allan's 70<sup>th</sup> birthday.

The Flower List for 2020 is on the Noticeboard. You can chose the Sunday most appropriate for you to provide the flowers in our Worship Hall.