

REGULAR MEETINGS & Activities

MONDAY

7.15pm
House Fellowship (*last Mon in month*)

3.00pm - 8.00pm
Mackinnon School of Dance.

TUESDAY

2.15pm - 8.45pm
Mackinnon School of Dance

6.15pm - 9.00pm
Boys Brigade

WEDNESDAY

2.15pm - 7.30pm
Mackinnon School of Dance

4.30pm - 9.00pm
Encore Music School

7.30pm Trefoil Guild (*monthly*)

THURSDAY

10.00am Friendship Club
12.15pm Lunch Club

FRIDAY

10.30am
Prayer Ministry in the Quiet Room

10.00am
Coffee Morning & Alfa Activities

7.00pm
Arise Women's Ministry (*2nd Friday in month*)

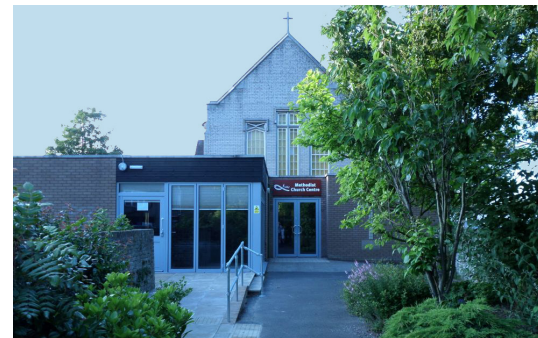
SATURDAY

8.30am
Breakfast, followed by study and prayer time
(*as arranged*)

9.00am - 2.00pm
Mackinnon School of Dance

2.00pm
The Jewish Messianic Church
(*3rd Saturday each month*)

(All Mackinnon School of Dance bookings
only take place in school term time)



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Weekly Notices

9th – 15th December 2018

Collect for this Sunday

God of all holiness, your promises stand unshaken through all generations and you lift up all who are burdened and brought low: renew our hope in you, as we wait for the coming in glory of Jesus Christ, our Judge and our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

We extend a warm welcome to everyone worshipping with us today.
If you are new to our church we would like to stay in contact with you.

So please take a card from the welcome area and fill in your name and address, handing it to a Steward following the service.

Your Stewards today are Neil Bolton & Linda Brown

This Sunday's Worship 2nd Sunday of Advent (Peace) will be led by

10.30am Rev Robert Zachar

Next Sunday's worship

10.30am Rev Robert Zachar - *including Holy Communion*



YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR

Those having treatment or with continuing difficulties:
Sylvia New and Betty Faint



Shopping List 2018

Due to significant changes relating to Universal Credit, those in receipt of benefits are experiencing real challenges in managing their food needs. School holidays increase the pressure to feed a family who would normally be in receipt of Free School Meals. If you are able to make a contribution to the Food Bank Box that would be great.

The Autumn Shopping List remains very similar:

- **Coffee** – Small packets/jars of coffee
- **Tinned meat meals** – beef/chicken casserole, curry, hot dogs
- **Cold tinned meat** – ham, chicken, spam
- **Vegetarian options** – including spaghetti, ravioli in tomato sauce, macaroni in cheese sauce
- **Rice** – easy cook packets/and dried
- **Squash and fruit juice** – bottles, cartons, UHT
- **Treats** – biscuits and savoury snacks, breakfast bars

Thank you.

Visiting our church and would like to Gift Aid your giving? Please take a Gift Aid envelope from the table at the back of the church and simply fill in your details.

Notices for inclusion in next weeks edition should be telephoned to Tony Brown on 01795 437801, or e-mailed to him at ajbrown1941@gmail.com all by 10pm on Thursday 13th December 2018.



Christmas Services

22nd December

11.00am Carol Singing at the Church Gate.



23rd December

4.00pm Nativity, Carols and Christingle Service followed by refreshments. Bring your children and their friends, if they feel like dressing up that's great.



25th December

10.00am Christmas Day Family Worship, led by Rev Robert Zachar



FAIRLY TRADED
PRODUCTS ARE
AVAILABLE HERE...

...come and browse our Traidcraft stall after morning worship.

HOW
**ACTION FOR
CHILDREN**
WORKS

Available NOW!

The 2019 edition of our Action for Children calendar is now available, this raised £500 last year, let's see if we can beat that this year!



Christmas Cards:

A variety of cards are now available in packs of 10 or a bumper pack of 20. priced from £2.85 with proceeds going to Action for Children, from the Traidcraft stall.

Chilli & Carols:

We need your voices! Come and join us on Saturday 22 December 10.30am for 11am start, singing carols in the High Street, followed by a chilli and rice lunch. Don't worry, the chilli won't be too hot! Please add your name to the list on the resources table.

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ALFA

Friday 14th December

Kathy's Technology Table will be available during coffee morning

Book Club

The January book is *The trouble with sheep and goats* by Joanna Cannon

And February *The Chilbury Ladies Choir* by Jennifer Ryan

No December meeting

Stay active in mind and body and enjoy a new stage in your life.

Holiday

Elaine Searle is hoping to organise a coach to **Potters Holiday Village Hopton Great Yarmouth** next year 17th to 21st June.

If she gets 49 people to go it will be £330 with a deposit of £40 this will be for the Standard Bungalow, full board and all activities, plus coach (it will be dearer to upgrade). If you are interested please let Elaine know by the 3rd week in December. The deposit is to be paid when booking. (If then the person is ill with a doctors note they will be refunded all money less £5).

Welcoming Door Stewards Needed

A permanent welcoming door steward is needed to fill gaps created on the rota caused by ill health and retirement.

If this is you please speak to Tina Donaldson on 01622 884114

ADVENT 2018

As part of our Advent liturgy this year we are asking if you could bring just one item each week for the Foodbank, the list of required items is shown on the weekly notice sheet



CHRISTMAS POSTBOX

Christmas Card Postbox will be out from 25th November till 16th December

Only cards fully addressed to people who regularly attend church will be accepted all others will be returned to the sender. Please ensure you put the persons full name as we have a number of people with the same Christian names.

Should you decide not to use the post box but prefer to write only one card you can place it on the noticeboard in the Welcome Area and donate in lieu of postage cost to Christian Aid, please pass your donation to Tony Brown (Treasurer).

