

CHESTER ROAD

Baptist Church

WEEKLY BULLETIN - SUNDAY 16th DECEMBER 2018

Sunday morning (10.30am): Communion 'Christmas Joy' (Luke 2:8-20)

Shepherds on the social and economic margins, whilst working a night shift, saw what others didn't. Good news! God, is with us - Immanuel.

Sunday evening (4.30pm): Candle-lit Carol Service

Enjoy traditional carols, readings, mince pies and mulled wine (non-alcoholic). A great community experience!

This week



Disciples' Group broke up on 10th December and will return on 14th January 2019. Any queries please contact Mike Miller.



Early Bird Prayer on Tuesday 18th December; drop in anytime between 6.30-8.30am.



Midweek communion will be on Wednesday 19th December at 11.30am; a short communion service with prayers, readings, and liturgy.



Worship Group: The next meeting will be on Thursday 20th December at 7.30pm. Any queries please contact Jenni Beesley.



Contact: The deadline for Contact has been extended and is TODAY; please pass any articles or information to Julia in the office ASAP (office@chesterroadbc.org.uk) - thanks.



Pray One For Me! Got a prayer request? Pop it into the *Pray One For Me* box in the foyer, or post online www.ChesterRoadBaptist.org.uk/PrayOneForMe



Photographic Competition - *Image of the Invisible God* - We're running a photographic competition with Aston & Erdington Photographic Society (who meet Mondays 8-10 pm @ Chester Road) called *Image of the Invisible God*. For more info: www.ChesterRoadBaptist.org.uk/PhotoCompetition. Who could you tell?

Prayer Points



Please pray for: Mike, Sue, Steve, Jennifer (aged 10), Rob, Geraldine, Joyce, Murene and Joy. Roger who is recovering from an operation. See Contact for other prayer needs.

Please pray for the church. If you know of anyone in need of prayer please let Pastoral Care Leaders, Hazel Wilson and Laurel Trench, know.

Looking ahead



Thank You to everyone who has helped me and sent good wishes since my cataract operation; it is most appreciated - Hazel Wilson.



Tuesday 18th December: New Oscott Village are holding a Christmas Service at 6pm.



Wednesday 19th December: 1pm - Birmingham YMCA Carol Service @ Chris Bryant Centre, 300 Reservoir Road, Erdington B23 6DF.



Monday 24th December: Christingle Service here at Chester Road Baptist Church at 4.30pm. Mon 24th Dec @ 4.30 pm. In this creative all-age service, you'll make your own Christingle. Great fun for children, parents/ carers and grandparents!



Tuesday 25th December: Christmas Day Service at 10.30am. A *short* celebration on the Big Day. Bring, escape or send your guests!



Please note that the kitchen will be closed for use from Thursday 27th December 2018 until Wednesday 2nd January 2019 due to maintenance. The kitchen will be available to use for refreshments only on Sunday 30th December.



Deacons: The next meeting will be on Thursday 3rd January at 7.30pm in the lounge.



Ladies' Group Prayer Breakfast: We will meet on Saturday 5th January from 9am to 10.30am. The focus of the session is discipleship and building the confidence to share our faith. All welcome. For more information please contact Judith Miller.



Next Sunday: 23rd December: 10.30am – General Service / 6.30pm – General Service.

Notes

- ❖ Welcome to everyone worshipping with us today. First time visit? Please pick up a Welcome Card from the Connection Point in the foyer.
- ❖ In case of fire, please leave via the nearest Fire Exit. Take a moment to locate them. Please assemble in the car park by the traffic lights.
- **Toilets** are located off the foyer. The disabled toilet includes **baby-changing** facilities.
- **♦ Hearing Loop** I is available. Switch to 'T'. It's best to sit in the middle sections.
- ❖ Worship ♣ Feel free to stand, sit, take part or observe as you feel comfortable.
- * Refreshments are free and Fairtrade. Please stay for a cuppa!
- ❖ All room booking requests & articles for Contact should go directly to Julia in the office either by phone (0121 350 2779) or via email: office@chesterroadbc.org.uk Thank you.
- ❖ Please send items for the Bulletin to the office by Wednesday 19th December thank you.