CRIB SERVICE at Springdale Methodist Church on Christmas Eve at 3.00pm. Suitable for all ages, and featuring Penn Puppets. Followed by crafts and refreshments.

WOLVERHAMPTON CIRCUIT METHODIST WOMEN IN BRITAIN: Winter Meeting to be held on Tuesday, 21 January 2025 at 2.15pm at Rakegate Methodist Church. The Speaker will be Mrs Tina Kinch and there will be a "Bring & Buy Stall" for MWIB and World Mission Funds. Everyone is welcome.

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### Worship... Service ... Witness ... in the name of Jesus

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# Worship and Fellowship

Sunday, 15 December 2024

Third in Advent

What's On This Week Monday 16 December 9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open 1.00 - 3.15pm Take a Break 5.30 - 7.30pm Dinky Divas	To God you se to pre of the and s disob Christ our confic and r the witho
<b>Tuesday 17 December</b> <b>9.30am - 12.30pm Office Closed</b> 9.30am - 12.30pm Art Group 12.30 - 2.30pm Interfaith Christmas Bring & Share Lunch (See Notices) 6.30 - 7.30pm Carol Singing (See Notices)	
Wednesday 18 December 9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open 9.00am Zoom Prayer Meeting 9.15 - 11.15am WeightWatchers 2.30pm Ministers Meeting 7.00pm Advent Study on Zoom (See Notices)	
Thursday 19 December 9.30am - 3.30pm Office Open 7.00 - 9.15pm St Johns Ambulance 6.30 - 7.30pm Carol Singing (See Notices)	Su
Friday 20 December 9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open 6.30 - 9.00pm Gateway Group	10
Saturday 21 December 12noon - 1.00pm CTinG&PF Carol Singing (See Notices)	

Collect for the Day ponder and pray ...... for whom we wait and watch, ent your servant John the Baptist pare your people for the coming e Messiah. Inspire the ministers tewards of your truth to turn our edient hearts to you; that, when shall come again in glory to be judge, we may stand with lence before him, who is alive eigns with you, in the unity of Holy Spirit, one God, world ut end. Amen.

Come and join us on nday, 22 December 2024 Fourth in Advent .30am LA - Carol Service



10.30am Gift Service led by Rev Dr Paul Nzacahayo

Welcome

Advent Liturgy and lighting of the three candles

Prayers

Bible Reading from Luke 2: Eliana

Sketch: 'Out in the fields' ...by Sunday Club

StF 213: O little town of Bethlehem,

Reading: Luke 3: 7 - 18 read by Carolyne Hurley

Reflections

Gifts are brought to the front

StF 615: Let love be real, in giving and receiving,

Prayers

Offerings and Prayer

StF 689: Summoned by the God who made us

Blessing

We Welcome You to Worship Today

If you are here for the first time, please make yourself known to those around you, or to one of the Stewards or Minister.

Our fellowship will continue after morning worship with tea and coffee served in the Coffee Bar. The Plants for December are in Loving Memory of: Donald Rushton; David Griffiths; Alwin Ordidge; John Felton;

### Beckminster Carol Singing

will take place at Tesco, Penn Road Tuesday, 17 December 2024 from 6.30 raising funds for Action for Children Sainsbury's, St Marks, Wolverhampt Thursday, 19 December 2024 from 6.30 raising funds for Sainsbury's agreed

### Churches Together in Graiseley & P Carol Singing

will take place at Tesco, Penn Road Saturday, 21 December 2024 from 12noon - 1.00pm raising fur for Beacon Centre for the Blind

All are welcome to join us at an of these services and events



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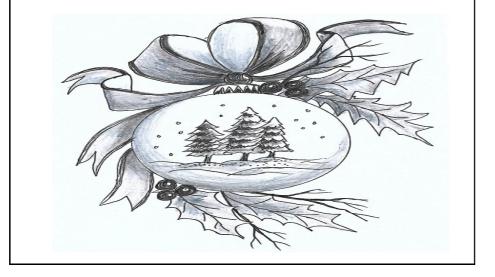
## **Christmas Services 2024**

Sunday, 22 December 10.30am Local Arrangement - Carol Service

**Tuesday, 24 December** - **Christmas Eve** 4.00pm Christingle Service 9.00pm Christmas Communion Service

Wednesday, 25 December - Christmas Day 10.00am Joint Service with Cranmer at Beckminster All Age Worship

> Sunday, 29 December 10.30am Local Arrangement



**SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE:** The service this morning will be live streamed. The camera focuses only on those taking part but the back of your head might be seen. If you wish to remain out of sight of the camera, please sit at the back of the church.

**ZOOM PRAYER MEETING** on a Wednesday at 9.00am. All are welcome and for further details please contact Sue.

**COFFEE MATES:** Meet Monday, 6 January 2025 at The Two Greens, Old Hill, Tettenhall WV6 8BQ from 10.45am - 12noon. Everyone welcome. June Sutton, tel. 07790272865.

**SUNDAY SERVICES IN JANUARY AND FEBRUARY:** As in previous years, we plan to hold our morning worship in the Church Hall during January and February 2025.

**CHURCH OFFICE** will close on Friday, 20 December 2024 at 12.30pm and will then be open on Friday, 27 December 2024 during the morning for the preparation of the service sheet, so send notices in the usual way. The office will then re-open on Thursday, 2 January 2025 at 9.30am. Sue.

INTERFAITH, WOLVERHAMPTON will be holding their Christmas Bring and Share Lunch on Tuesday, 17 December 2024 from 12.30 - 2.30pm here at Beckminster. All are welcome.

**ADVENT BIBLE STUDY:** The last Advent Bible Study will be held this week on **WEDNESDAY**, 18 December 2024 at 7.00pm on zoom.

'The Love Song' - Micah 5: 2 - 5a and Luke 1: 39 - 55 If you would like to join the Study Group, please contact Sue in the office for the zoom details.

**CHRISTMAS GREETINGS** to all at Beckminster. Love and best wishes from Christine Davis.

**SUNDAY CLUB:** If anyone has borrowed a box of children's costumes belonging to Sunday Club from the upstairs store room, please return or have a word with Donna, Sheena or Brian if you are aware of its whereabouts. Thank you.

CHURCHES TOGETHER in GRAISELEY & PENN FIELDS. ADVENT GROUP 2024: The last Advent Group will be held on Monday 16 December 2024 at 7.00pm led by Beckminster. This will be held at Lea Road Community Church, Lea Road, WV3 0LW.

**FUNDING RAISED FOR THE BRITISH HEART FOUNDATION IN 2024.** I have posted off a second cheque to the British Heart Foundation this week and this one is for the sum of **£124.45**. I have raised this money from donations for **packets of seeds** that I've collected from the plants in my garden.

This means that in 2024 I have donated a total **£575.14** to help support the British Heart Foundation.

Thank you to everyone who's been kind enough to make donations for both plants in the summer and packs of seeds recently, I couldn't have raised the cash without you. Sue Lloyd

**CHRISTMAS POST 2024:** We will again be offering a Christmas Post service within Beckminster during Advent this year, with donations for the Methodist World Mission Fund. Cards posted in the box in the church vestibule will be available for collection in the hall after services. Please include an address as well as the recipient's name and only post cards for people you expect to be attending our Advent services. You can also put a card in the box if you want to send one to the Church Family to be put on the board in church. Donations will be passed on by Beckminster to World Mission; if you are donating by cheque, please make that out to Beckminster Methodist Church and include your name with your donation if it is being gift aided.

**BECK MATTERS:** We are very grateful to Maggie Marriott for the work she does to produce our Church Magazine. At a recent meeting she invited all of us to provide suitable items to widen its appeal, especially for those people who receive their magazines from pastoral visitors. So this is YOUR opportunity to provide a special little unique contribution of your own. How about a poem, a personal reflection, an account of an event, an amusing limerick or two or a selection of photographs? There are lots more possibilities, no doubt. Please help us by approaching Maggie and offering your contributions. The next deadline for articles is 31 January 2025.