

On Duty

Sunday 23 December

10.30 Morning Service

Stewards: Jane Heath, Helen Williamson

Welcome: Jane Wilson

Door: Doris Burton, Helen Mattinson

Music: Keith Crawford

PA/PC: Daphne Groat/Mike Buckle

Prayer Ministry: Tom Southam,

Christine Lapworth

Morning Coffee: New Yatt Road House Group

15.00 Newland Service

Steward: Katie Lowe Music: Paul Reed

18.00 Blue Service

Steward: Roy Cobb Welcome: Sue Harley

Music: Rachael Prince PA: Les Harley

Christmas Eve—Monday 24 December

16.00 Crib Service

Stewards: Tina Limmer, Isabel Lee

Welcome: Ann Worrall Music: Rachael Prince

PA/PC: Dave Richardson/Naomi Prince

23.15 Midnight Holy Communion:

Stewards: Brenda Edwards, Roy Cobb

Music: Paul Reed PA: Ian Prince

Christmas Day Tuesday 25 December

10.30 Family Christmas Celebration

Stewards: Brenda Edwards, Roy Cobb

Welcome, Door:

Chris Lapworth, Jeanette Mills

Music: Keith Crawford

PA/PC: Ian Prince

Prayer Ministry: Shirley & Dave Richardson

Sunday 30 December

10.30 Morning Service

Stewards: Harry Eaglestone, Isabel Lee

Welcome: Peter Maisey

Door: Mary Jordan, Wyn Hunt

Music: Peter Hunt

PA/PC: David Limmer/Daphne Groat

Prayer Ministry: Ken Mumford, Ann Worrall

Morning Coffee: Shirley Hopkins, Ann Doherty,

Dorothy Burfitt

Sunday 6 January

08.30 Holy Communion

Stewards: Roy Cobb, Marie Cotton

Music: Jane Wilson

10.30 Morning Service

Stewards: Brenda Edwards, Bruce Anderson

Welcome: Sophie Hickman

Door: Sue & Stevie Green

Music: Rachael Prince

PA/PC: Naomi Prince/Guy James

Prayer Ministry: Mike & Tina Limmer

Morning Coffee: Seedhouse House Group

16.00 Messy Church

Steward: Jane Heath

Music: Rachael Prince

18.00 United Service at Congregational

HIGH STREET METHODIST CHURCH, WITNEY



*We extend a warm
Welcome to you today.
May you be filled with the
grace, peace and love of
our risen
Lord Jesus Christ*

SUNDAY 23RD DECEMBER '18

10.30 All Age Service on the Theme of Nativity
Mr Andrew Maisey

15.00 Newland Service *Rev Melanie Reed*

18.00 Blue Service *Mrs Jude Levermore*

CHRISTMAS EVE 24TH DECEMBER

16.00 Crib Service *Mrs Jude Levermore*

23.15 Holy Communion *Rev Melanie Reed*

CHRISTMAS DAY 25TH DECEMBER

10.30 Family Celebration *Rev Melanie Reed*

SUNDAY 30TH DECEMBER

10.30 *Rev Melanie Reed*

We pray for all those leading worship around our Circuit .
The ministry of prayer is available after the service in the
area under the stained glass window. If you are unable to
move there, please let a Steward know, so that they can
come to you.

A loop system is available for those with hearing aids.
Junior Church is available for children and young people up
to 16 years except at All Age Worship

The Church Coffee Bar Opening Times

10am—2.45pm during the week

9.45am—12.30 on a Saturday

*Please note it will be closed during the Christmas Period
25 December '18 to 1 January '19 inclusive.*

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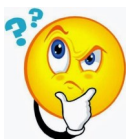
Church Website: www.witneymeth.org.uk

Circuit Website: <http://www.witneyfaringdoncircuit.org.uk>



church diary 23 & 30 December

Mon 24 Dec	16.00 23.15	CRIB SERVICE: Mrs Jude Levermore MIDNIGHT HOLY COMMUNION: Rev Melanie Reed
Tues 25 Dec	10.30	CHRISTMAS FAMILY CELEBRATION: Rev Melanie Reed THE CHURCH & OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED UNTIL WEDNESDAY 2ND JANUARY 2019 APART FROM WORSHIP SERVICES
Sun 30 Dec	10.30	ALL AGE WORSHIP: Rev Melanie Reed
Wed 2 Jan	09.30-10.45	SPACE 2B space and quiet with some discussion followed by led quiet prayer, at the home of Brenda Woods, 6 Spring Close. Please arrive from 9.15am. Tea/Coffee afterwards. For details phone Brenda on 700715.
Thurs 3 Jan	09.30 19.30	45 MINUTES PRAYER TIME In the Susannah Room NEWLAND CHURCH: Charlotte Lock—Journeys in Borneo
Frid 4 Jan	09.00	MAN FRIDAY
Sat 5 Jan	09.30	CHARITY COFFEE BAR
Sun 6 Jan	08.30 10.30 16.00 18.00	HOLY COMMUNION: Rev Melanie Reed MORNING SERVICE: Mrs Mary Blow EPIPHANY MESSY CHURCH: Mrs Jude Levermore UNITED SERVICE AT CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH: Rev Dr Jason Boyd



CHRISTMAS QUIZ (in aid of the organ fund)

This year's Christmas Quiz sheet is now available from Val Donoghue. Entry £2. Closing date Christmas Eve. The prize will be a Christmas treat. Completed quiz sheets can be placed in the box at the back of the church

NOTICES

to annmariepurkiss@yahoo.com by Wed 2 January

Have a very happy Christmas and may you know God's blessing in 2019.
Ann-Marie

In-Touch: Could all items for the Jan/Feb issue of In-Touch be given to Ruth Lapworth by Sunday 30 December. Thank you. ruthlapworth@hotmail.com

CHRISTMAS CHARITIES—DONATIONS/GIVING

- * **The Church Christmas Card** is at the back of the Church for you to sign and donations will go to Asylum Welcome
- * **Carole Service**—"All We Can"
- * **Christmas Midnight Service**—Porch
- * **Christmas Day Morning Service**—Action for Children.



Note: Mike and Tina Limmer are no longer at 5 Thorney Leys and are only contactable by email until the New Year.

EPIPHANY MESSY CHURCH ON 6 JANUARY—This is when we as a congregation share in providing party food for our Messy Church families. We are very grateful for the generosity of the morning congregation in providing items of food. (Look out for post it notes to take indicating food you might like to contribute). The food can be brought to the morning service or brought or dropped off at 4pm on the afternoon of 6 January. If you have any questions then please contact either Helen James (881047) or Jane Heath (705242). Thank you!

2 VACANCIES AT WINDMILL FARM: Hospitality & Housekeeping Manager, and Bookings Coordinator. See notice board in corridor for more information.

THE KINGS SCHOOL, Witney have a a part time primary teaching position available (Maternity cover) Please see notice board in corridor

LISTENING SKILLS COURSE 10am-3pm at Congregational Church, Witney on Saturday 16 March, 2019. Leaflets are on the table in the foyer.

The Methodist Church are offering a new Internship Programme starting in 2019. if you know of a young person who might be interested they should go to <https://www.methodist.org.uk/about-us/connect/jobs-volunteering/methodist-internship-programme>

LECTIONARY READINGS NEXT TWO WEEKS:

Fourth Sunday of Advent 23 Dec Micah 5:2-5a Canticle: Magnificat (Luke 1:46b-55) or Psalm 80:1-7 Hebrews 10:5-10 Luke 1:39-45 (46-55)

Christmas Day 25 Dec (Tuesday) Any of the following sets of readings may be used on the evening of Christmas Eve and on Christmas Day. Set III should be used at some service during the celebration. I Isaiah 9:2-7; Psalm 96; Titus 2:11-14; Luke 2:1-14 (15-20) II Isaiah 62:6-12; Psalm 97; Titus 3:4-7; Luke 2:(1-7) 8-20 III Isaiah 52:7-10; Psalm 98; Hebrews 1:1-4 (5-12); John 1:1-14 First Sunday of Christmas 30 Dec 1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26 Psalm 148 Colossians 3:12-17 Luke 2:41-52

Watchnight 31 Dec Deuteronomy 8:1-20 or Ecclesiastes 3:1-15 Psalm 8 or Psalm 90 Revelation 21:1-6a Matthew 25:31-46 or Luke 12:13-21 or Luke 12:35-50

GO TO WWW.WITNEYMETH.ORG.UK—CLICK ON THE TAB 'CHURCH LIFE', THEN CLICK ON LECTIONARY READINGS FOR 2018