



THE UNITED CHURCH

Jewry Street, Winchester
(Methodist and United Reformed)



Minister: Revd Tim Searle
(Day off - Wednesdays)

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Building community through the love of Christ

Welcome to Worship: If you are a newcomer or a visitor, please make yourself known to us by name. The Crèche (available from 10.30) and Junior Church meet downstairs after the first part of our Morning Service; please ask if you would like directions.

Sunday 25th November 2018

9.00 am **SUNDAY CELEBRATION (S)**
Preacher & Celebrant: **Revd Tim Searle**
Revelation 1: 4b - 8; John 18: 33 - 37

10.00 am *Coffee in the Coffee Bar*

10.30 am **MORNING SERVICE**
Led by: **Revd Tim Searle**
Revelation 1: 4b - 8; John 18: 33 - 37
followed by
CHURCH MEETING and BRING & SHARE LUNCH

Sunday 2nd December 2018

Advent Sunday

Jeremiah 33: 14 - 16; 1 Thessalonians 3: 9 - 13; Luke 21: 25 - 36

9.00 am **Word & Worship: Mrs Pat Fry**

10.30 am **Morning Worship (S): Revd Tim Searle**

S = Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

At the 10.30 am service hymns, songs and readings are on the screen. Hymn books and Bibles are available from the Stewards at the doors to the Sanctuary

Recordings of Services are now available on our new website – ucw.org.uk

We can also provide digital recordings (a CD for playing on an ordinary CD player, or copy to memory sticks/cards) as well as tapes.

Our Mission Statement

We proclaim the all-embracing love of Jesus Christ.

We are an inclusive church where all are welcome, whether joyful, hurting, confident or doubting.

We journey alongside all faiths and none, as we seek to act justly, love mercy and walk humbly with God, guided by the Holy Spirit.

The Week's Activities

COFFEE BAR is open: Monday to Friday, 10 am–2 pm & Saturday 10 am–12 noon

FAIR TRADE SHOP open: 1st + 3rd Wednesdays 10 am–2 pm & Sunday mornings

CHURCH OFFICE is open: Monday to Friday, 10.00 am–2.00 pm

TUESDAY 27 NOVEMBER

2–3.30pm **Baby & Toddler Group** *in the Hall*
2.30pm **Daytime House Group** *in the Chapel*
4pm **Angel Workshop** *see below*

WEDNESDAY 28 NOVEMBER

2.30pm **Wednesday Fellowship:**

THURSDAY 29 NOVEMBER

10am–1pm **Coffee Bar Playtime** *in Room 1*
10.30–11.30am **Prayer for Open Days** *in the Sanctuary*

FRIDAY 30 NOVEMBER

11–11.20am **Friday service** *in the Sanctuary:* Jill Cook

NOTICES

YOURS magazine for December 2018 and January 2019 is now available.

NEW WEBSITE. Our new website is available for church members. We hope you like it! The address is ucw.org.uk. It is 95% ready. Please have a look at it. If you spot any typos, we would appreciate an email. If you are in one of the photos and do not wish it to stay on the site, please let me know boblord3004@gmail.com. The website will be advertised in the lead up to our Open Days starting on 6th December. Bob Lord, on behalf of the Communications group (Richard Coleman, Dorothy Lusmore, Tim Searle).

ADVENT ANGELS:

- I think it's fair to say we've had fun at the workshops so far. But we have one final 'making' workshop where we'll be making and fitting halos and scrolls to all hands on deck please. **We could then do with some help on Friday 30 November from 11.30 am and possibly Saturday 1 December from 10.15 am. Please come to one or more of these dates. Thank you.**
- The St Cross House Group plan to 'pray the angels' on Monday 3 December, from 2 pm. We shall also be praying for the Open Days. You'd

be very welcome to join us, in the Church at 2 pm, followed by an Advent tea. Juli (863057, juliwills12@gmail.com Thanks Juli and Jo.

DAYTIME HOUSE GROUP: We will be meeting in the Chapel on the Tuesday afternoon at **2.30 pm on 27 November**. Future date: 11 Dec.

CHURCH RELAUNCH OPEN DAYS 6TH TO 9TH DECEMBER.

Can you spare some time to welcome visitors to the church during our open days at the beginning of Advent?

Could you welcome people at the door, show them round the sanctuary, play music, or sit with them in the prayer chapel?

If you would like to help with any of these roles, please email Dorothy Lusmore dotlusmore@gmail.com.

Dates for your diary:

Prayer for the Open Days, please join us on **Thursday 29 November**, from **10.30-11.30 am in the Sanctuary**.

Follow-up Welcome Evening on Monday 10th December, 7-8.30pm in the **Sanctuary**.

MESSY CHURCH - THURSDAY 6 DECEMBER, 3.30 pm until 5.15pm.



*Fun, games, craft, meal, DVD, Bible stories. Free.
Children must bring an adult with them.
1st Thursday of the month.*



WINCHESTER CHURCHES CHRISTMAS PROJECT: Donations can be made via The United Church. *Cheques should be made out to "Winchester Churches Christmas Project" and if you pay tax and wish to Gift Aid please add "Gift Aid" to the project name.* Gift Aid envelopes and special collecting boxes are available in the church and church office. Thank you for your support and prayers. Helen McTiffin.

THE CHRISTMAS MARKET! *Let's show our support for the Market as Christians and not stay away as Winchester residents!* There will be more opportunities for **families** this year with a **trail to follow** and a **special Messy Church session for all ages on Saturday afternoon 8 December in the Education Centre**. Preparations are going really well and the **CTW Mission Chalet** looks good with encouraging numbers from all churches volunteering. However they do need some more people to ensure complete cover. If anyone has some time to spare between now and 20 December please check at <http://bit.ly/missionchalet18> where all available slots at the Mission Chalet may be found or phone Lin Brewer, in the Christ Church office, on 854454 to discuss how to help. **The Lantern Parade is on 29 November** with music and judging inside the Cathedral, followed by fireworks. CTiW

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOE BOX APPEAL: Thank you to everyone who helped in any way with the Shoe Box Appeal this year. **200 boxes** were collected from The United Church to take to the warehouse where they will be customs checked and packed ready for dispatch to children and families.

PRAYERS

I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.

Revelation 1: 4b – 8

Let us pray:

- for our church's Re-launch in December.
- for the Winchester Churches Christmas Project, and for those members who will be visiting families.
- and for the staff of the Winchester Churches' Nightshelter, who, as the nights grow colder and more homeless come to their door, welcome them with kindness and understanding, and offer them hope for the future.

Christ, let me see You in others.

Christ, let others see You in me.

Christ, let me see.

David Adam

O thou who camest from above,
the pure celestial fire to impart,
kindle a flame of sacred love
on the mean altar of my heart.

Charles Wesley (1707–1788)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your Kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation but deliver
us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.

Prayer Bowl in the sanctuary is for people to place their confidential prayers in. The bowl is brought forward during the service and prayed over but not read out. The Minister will take them home and use them as part of his daily prayers.