



# THE UNITED CHURCH

Jewry Street, Winchester  
(Methodist and United Reformed)



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(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 6<sup>th</sup> January 2019

#### Ephiphany & Covenant Sunday

**9.00 am WORD & WORSHIP**

Preacher: **Revd Tim Searle**

*Isaiah 60: 1 – 6; Matthew 2: 1 - 12*

**10.00 am** *Coffee in the Hall*

**10.30 am COVENANT SERVICE WITH COMMUNION**  
*Communion will be at the dais.*  
Preacher & Celebrant: **Revd Tim Searle**

*Coffee, together with a Fair Trade stall, is served after the service.  
Do join us!*

### Sunday 13th January 2019

*Isaiah 43: 1 – 7; Acts 8: 14 – 17; Luke 3: 15 – 17, 21 - 22*

**9.00 am Sunday Celebration:** Revd Tim Searle

**10.30 am Morning Worship:** Revd Adrian Roux

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 SERMONS are now available on our new website – [ucw.org.uk](http://ucw.org.uk)**  
We can also provide digital recording of services (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.

## NOTICES

### WEEKLY ACTIVITIES:

- **COFFEE BAR** is open: **Monday to Friday, 10 am–2 pm & Saturday 10 am–12 noon**
- **BABY AND TODDLER GROUP** – **Tuesdays**, in term time, **from 2 – 3.30pm**. We welcome Mums, Dads, Grandparents, Child-minders – in fact anyone with a child of pre-school age. Our babies' and toddlers' sessions include refreshments and, on most Tuesdays, singing and action rhymes.
- **FAIRTRADE SHOP** open on **1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of the month, 10 am – 2 pm**. **Good news!** Traidcraft plc is continuing to trade but will downsize the company and it looks as if it will be possible to order many of the items which we have always had. Please continue to support our Fairtrade Stall as each item bought enables some of the world's poorest producers to get a fair price for their products. Hilary Lock.
- **WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP** resumes on **23<sup>rd</sup> January at 2.30 pm**. Come and enjoy midweek fellowship, a very good speaker, followed by tea and biscuits.
- **COFFEE PLAYTIME**, in Room 1, **Thursday drop-in from 10 – 1 pm**, for play, chat, coffee/tea, cakes and biscuits available from the Coffee Bar
- **WINCHESTER MUMS' & DADS' CHAPLAINCY\*** find us at Coffee Bar Playtime, **10 am – 12noon on Thursdays**. Do you have young children? Are you a first-time parent? Winchester Mums' & Dads' Chaplaincy is a free, confidential service for mums to share their parenting experiences, providing a listening ear and impartial support and encouragement. \*Winchester Mums' & Dad's Chaplaincy is part of the Winchester City Centre Chaplaincy, serving people of all faiths or none by providing a pastoral and spiritual link in the workplace
- **FRIDAY WORSHIP** come and join us on **Friday mornings at 11 o'clock** in the Sanctuary (upstairs) for a short service of prayer and praise

**ADVENT ANGELS** will be taken down today **6 January**. If you produced one and wish to take it home, please ensure you are at church that day or ask someone to collect it for you. If you'd like one of the other angels, ask me or Jo Crocker. Any that are not claimed that day will be going to the Great Reclamation site in the sky. Juli.

**CHRISTMAS REVEALED VIDEO.** Mike Holt has put together a video of the angels with music which is well worth a watch! To see it go to our website [ucw.org.uk](http://ucw.org.uk) and scroll down to WATCH.

**CHURCH COUNCIL** meets on **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January, 9.30 am–12 noon**, in Room 1.

**BABY AND TODDLER GROUP** resumes on **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January, at 2 pm**. *They would be very grateful for some extra pairs of hands.*

**MESSY CHURCH** on **10<sup>th</sup> January, 3.30 pm** (straight from school) – **5.15 pm**.



*Fun, games, craft, DVD, Bible stories and a shared meal.*

*Children must bring an adult with them. (Please note Messy Church is being held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday and not the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday this month.)*



*Future dates: 1<sup>st</sup> Thursdays - 7<sup>th</sup> February, 7 March & 4 April.*

**YOURS MAGAZINE FOR FEBRUARY 2019.** *Items should be with the editorial team by Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January.* Please send them to [yours@unitedchurchwinchester.org.uk](mailto:yours@unitedchurchwinchester.org.uk) Thank you. Barbara & Sophie.

**LENT 2019 HOUSE GROUP:** Please see the attached handout about the Lent House groups when we will be using a series written by Dr Paula Gooder and based on the TV series 'Broken'. All are welcome, whether currently in a house group or not. *You may have not see the TV series, so we are offering an introductory session led by Tim in which we will watch the first episode of the series and start the discussion on either 15 January, 10.30 am -12.30 pm or 17 January, 8 - 10pm – see handout for full details.*

**CHURCHES IN WINCHESTER CHRISTIAN UNITY SERVICE at The United Church, on 20<sup>th</sup> January, at 6.30 pm.** Speaker: The Very Revd Catherine Ogle, Dean of Winchester Cathedral. Theme: Justice. Unusually this united service for all the churches in Winchester is to be held at this church. Please book the date to come. If you can help steward or techie, please see Pat today if possible or e-mail: [office@ucw.org.uk](mailto:office@ucw.org.uk)

**The next BASICS BANK COLLECTION will be on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> January.** Many thanks for your continued support of the Basics Bank, our contribution is always much needed and appreciated.

**CRAFT CLUB**, in Room 1, **Monday 28 January, 10 – 12 noon**. We are a friendly group who meet to work of different crafts while enjoying a chat and a cup of tea or coffee. Material and equipment provided. Just drop in at any time.

**SPACE IN THE CITY (NEW YEAR 2019), at The United Church, 12.30-1pm**

**Mark Byford – ‘The Annunciation: A Pilgrim’s Quest’**

Inspired by a chance viewing of a painting in the National Gallery, on loan from Winchester College, award-winning journalist and Winchester resident, Mark Byford, searches for the spiritual meaning of Luke’s biblical story of the Annunciation.

**23<sup>rd</sup> January – *The Journey Begins*; 30<sup>th</sup> January – *The Meaning of the Meaning*; 6<sup>th</sup> February – *Seeing not Looking***

*No entrance charge but donations appreciated. Sandwiches available in the Hall after each talk.*

## **PRAYERS**

Lord God at the beginning of this New Year:

we look back in thankfulness for all the blessings of the past year & for the times when we felt your presence very close to us;

we look forward in hope not knowing what lies ahead but trusting that you will be with us in every situation;

we pray for our world where so many are suffering from conflict, hunger, sickness and homelessness. May we not be overcome by the scale of these problems but help us to find ways to show your love to all whom we meet who are in need.

We ask in the name of Jesus who came to show us how to live. Amen.

### **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.*