

#### THE UNITED CHURCH

Jewry Street, Winchester (Methodist and United Reformed)



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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 20th January 2019

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, 18th - 25th

9.00 am WORD & WORSHIP

Preacher: Revd Tim Searle

1 Corinthians 12: 1 - 11; John 2: 1 - 12

10.00 am Coffee in the Hall

10.30 am MORNING SERVICE

Led by: Revd Andrew Bird

John 2: 1-12 (NRSV)

Closing Blessing: May the love of the Lord rest upon your soul.

May his love dwell in you throughout every day.

May his countenance shine upon you and be gracious to you.

May his Spirit be upon you as you leave this place.

Coffee, together with a Fair Trade stall, is served after the 10.30am service. Do join us!

## 6.30 pm Churches in Winchester Unity Service:

The Very Revd Catherine Ogle, Dean of Winchester Cathedral

**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 available on our new website – ucw.org.uk We can also provide digital recordings of services, as well as tapes.

#### Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Nehemiah 8: 1 - 3, 5 - 6, 8 - 10; 1 Corinthians 12: 12 - 31a; Luke 4: 14 - 21

9.00 am Sunday Celebration (S): Revd Tim Searle

10.30 am Morning Worship: Revd Tim Searle

S = Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

#### **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.

### This Week's Activities

COFFEE BAR is open: Monday to Friday, 10 am-2 pm & Saturday 10 am-12 noon FAIR TRADE SHOP open: 1<sup>st</sup> + 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays 10 am-2 pm & Sunday mornings CHURCH OFFICE is open: Monday to Friday, 10.00 am-2.00 pm

**MONDAY 21 JANUARY** 

7.30pm Safety Group Meeting

**TUESDAY 22 JANUARY** 

2-3.30pm Baby & Toddler Group in the Hall 2.30pm Daytime House Group in the Chapel

**WEDNESDAY 23 JANUARY** 

12.30-1pm Space in the City: Mark Byford – 'The Annunciation: A

Pilgrim's Quest' - The Journey begins (1of3)

2.30pm Wednesday Fellowship: Pamela Gilbert - New Beginnings.

**THURSDAY 24 JANUARY** 

10am-1pm Coffee Bar Playtime in Room 1

FRIDAY 25 JANUARY

11-11.20am Friday service in the Sanctuary: Pat Fry

#### **NOTICES**

TODAY AT 6.30 PM: CHURCHES IN WINCHESTER CHRISTIAN UNITY SERVICE at the <u>United Church</u>, on 20<sup>th</sup> January, at 6.30 pm. Speaker: The Very Revd Catherine Ogle, Dean of Winchester Cathedral. *Theme: Justice.* 

SPACE IN THE CITY (NEW YEAR 2019), at The United Church, 12.30-1pm Mark Byford – 'The Annunciation: A Pilgrim's Quest' 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

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

**LENT COURSE: BROKEN.** It was good to see so many people at the showings of the first episode in this six episode series. Some house groups will choose to watch each episode and discuss using Paula Gooder's material and some people might want to watch it separately. I've discovered that the full season is now on Netflix so if you have that you can watch it when you like. Copies of the study material are on the table on the landing so please help yourself to a copy if you'd like one. If you'd like to join a house group, talk to me. Juli Wills.

**SUNDAY LUNCH CLUB:** Janet and Jill will be hosting Sunday lunch on **27**<sup>th</sup> **January**, **at Flat 1 Bereweeke House**. If you usually lunch alone please join us. We contribute £5 each - any surplus goes to Luna Children's Charity. Please let Janet or Jill know to reserve a place.

MEN'S GROUP on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> January. Usual place: The Queen Inn, Kingsgate Rd, and usual time **7.30pm**. Hope to see you there! Tim

MESSAGE FROM THE NIGHTSHELTER: Thank you so much for choosing us as your charity for the month of January. We invite your congregation to our **open day on Saturday 26**<sup>th</sup> January, from 11am - 3pm. It will be interesting and informative to visit the Nightshelter and hear more about the work we do.

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.

**WOMEN'S GROUP** will meet at The Queen Inn, Kingsgate Road, at 7.30 pm, on **Thursday 31**<sup>st</sup> **January**. Do join us! Jenny.

'TOMORROW - ALL OVER THE GLOBE, SOLUTIONS EXIST' a documentary film by Cyril Dion and Mélanie Laurent, showcasing positive stories and highlighting practical solutions to the ecological, economic and social crises around the world. Tuesday 5 February at 6.30pm, The Stripe, Winchester University. Event is free and open to everyone. No booking required. Refreshments from 6pm and following the screening.

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 and on the HOME page (front page) scroll down to WATCH.

OPERATIONS MANAGER - WINCHESTER BASICS BANK. Winchester Basics Bank provides food and clothing to residents in emergency need. In 2018 we served more than 2000 people. Salary: £11 per hour (equiva of £8580 pa) 15 hours per week. For further information and an application form, please contact the Chair of Winchester Basics Bank: Mike Slinn, chair@winchesterbasicsbank.co.uk 07803 136831. Closing Date: 11<sup>th</sup> February

#### **PRAYERS**

Loving God, we place before you the political situation and pray that MPs and leaders may take wise decision for the future of this country.

The Churches in Britain and Ireland have requested the churches to join in the following prayer for the national political situation in the United Kingdom:

God, at this time of uncertainty, within our nations and communities, we pray for ourselves: that we will remain open to the stranger; welcoming to the neighbour; and committed to those who struggle.

Generous God, we pray for all the churches in Winchester in their ministry to the city. We ask for your blessing on all who will attend the Winchester Unity Service in this church this evening, and on the Dean who will preach the sermon.

O Lord, we ask for your blessing on those members of our congregation who are passing through a difficult time themselves or are concerned for those close to them. May the peace of your presence be a strength and a comfort to them. 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.