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**Opening Letter**

This year's Advent theme will be entitled 'Ignite the Flame' and will tie in with both the Advent displays which teams of you are starting to work on co-ordinated by Pamela, and the 'Wild Advent' material which we are making available to our families and young people.



The theme will centre on inviting the Holy Spirit to reignite our walk with Jesus as we prepare to welcome him again this Christmas. Here's a sneak peek at the themes we'll be exploring:

- 22 Nov (the Sunday before Advent) **'The Holy Spirit'**
- 29 Nov (1st Sunday of Advent) **'Waiting'**
- 6 Dec (2nd Sunday of Advent) **'Accepting'**
- 13 Dec (3rd Sunday of Advent) **'Journeying'**
- 20 Dec (4th Sunday of Advent) **'Birthing'**
- 25 Dec (Christmas Morning) **'Re-birthing'**

I'd like you to do two things in preparation for this year's Advent services. First, I want you to look at each of the words mentioned above (Holy Spirit, Waiting, Accepting, etc.) and ask yourself: 'What does this word *spark* in me?' It could be another word, or it could be a picture, or it could just be a feeling. Whatever it sparks in you, make a note of it and return to these thoughts week-by-week as we journey through Advent.

Secondly, I'm very keen to hear your stories about what life has been like during 2020 with the rise of COVID-19. I want to invite you to share a thought or a story (or perhaps a poem or picture if you prefer) about your experiences of the pandemic. In particular, I'd like to link these stories with our Advent theme words. Perhaps you've had an experience of 'waiting' when faced with the isolation of lockdown and can share a reflection on that. Perhaps you have a story to tell about how you've seen people 'journeying' together when faced with adversity. Above

all, I don't want these themes to just be spiritual abstracts that I can pin a sermon on but a chance to really connect with the real-life struggles you've faced this year.

Let us pray that, by 'Igniting the Flame', we will truly allow the Holy Spirit to re-birth the wonder of Immanuel, God With Us, into our lives and our church this Christmas. And in doing so, may we feel Christ's presence with us at the start of a new year more closely than we've ever felt before.

Every blessing,

Tim

## News of the United Church Family



Alan Rickman died in Mountbatten Hampshire Hospice on 9 October after a long illness. Despite being very seriously ill he kept extremely active until the last few weeks of his life. He was particularly pleased to be able to return to attending church services in person recently and it was lovely to see him. Over the years, Alan was very active in the church – especially in the Coffee Bar and as part of the Hospitality Team. He also trained as a Worship Leader. We shall miss him. He and Brenda marked 20 years of marriage in September. We hold Brenda, Alan's children and all his family in our prayers at this time.

Longstanding members of the congregation will remember Bill and Marie Briggs. Some years ago, they transferred their membership from us to Wesley Methodist Church which was nearer home. Some will know that Bill was very ill for a long time but it is only recently that we heard of his death back in the spring. We remember Marie and their family.

On a happier note ...

Many congratulations to Alison McTiffin (younger daughter of Mac and Helen) and Simon Fenton who recently announced their engagement!



In recent weeks it has been a real joy to have services in the church building again – even if ‘robber’s masks’ (as someone termed them recently!) have to be worn. Do come if you feel able. Being together and knowing that we are joined online by everyone at home is a big boost. Enormous thanks to the technical team who work extremely hard each Sunday to make this possible – whilst being bowled fresh technical ‘googlies’ from time to time.

We are looking at additional ways of keeping in touch with everyone as the situation continues – so ideas are very welcome, please.

**Helen McTiffin**  
**Pastoral Co-ordinator**

## **Babies, Children, Young People and their Families**

### **Sunday 8th November 4pm**

Please keep this time free to meet. We are working on different options for the older and younger groups but some of us will definitely be on zoom.

We hope to meet at this time every 2nd Sunday of the month until we have a normal pattern of meeting.

If you have a baby or toddler you are also welcome as there will be a chance to have a catch up for parents as well.

Junior church "regulars" we will invite you but please email me if you would like to join us: [prestige.roles@btinternet.com](mailto:prestige.roles@btinternet.com)

## **Joy – a Brief Meditation**

Joy is greater than happiness. Happiness turns up more or less where you would expect it to – a good marriage, a satisfying job, a pleasant vacation. Joy, on the other hand, is notoriously unpredictable. Paul calls it a gift – a gift which Christ claims as his own: 'These things I have spoken to you,' he said at the Last Supper, 'that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be full'.

At this season of Advent, we remember the angel's declaration to the shepherd, 'Behold, I bring you news of great joy which will come to all the people: for to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour who is Christ the Lord.'

Joy comes unbidden wherever there is love: the love of man and woman; the love of a mother for a child. It comes whenever, for a brief minute or two, we experience ourselves at unity with the created cosmos, with the mist of a morning, the surge of a stormy sea, the evening sunset, the quiver of a religious moment.

But it is there, less fleetingly, more surely, more serenely, in a life which is put into the loving hands of God. Then it becomes a joy which even absorbs grief and pain and fear. This is the joy we long for and which the Gospel proclaims.

Lord, give us joy, in the name of Christ. Amen.

**Revd James Williams Forster**

## Winchester Churches Christmas Project 2020

Have you thought about Christmas yet? How do you think it will look and feel? At the moment it is hard to imagine what the picture will be. What will we be allowed to do and what restrictions might be in place to affect our usual plans? What is not in doubt is that the need in Winchester is not likely to have diminished.



### **Winchester Churches Christmas Project**

attempts to help those in Winchester for whom Christmas can be a really difficult time. Last Christmas volunteers from 18 different churches helped 141 people in the Winchester area through a lot of personal contact and consultation. Sometimes the money is not the most important bit – knowing that someone is prepared to spend time and take the trouble to listen can mean a lot. This is a thoughtful ‘bespoke’ enterprise – definitely not ‘one size fits all’. We show our Christian faith through caring for and helping those we would normally visit.

However, we envisage that this year's Christmas Project will be forced to be much lower key and less ‘hands on’ as COVID-19 guidelines will shape what is practically possible. We are consulting with the usual agencies to consider how this might work and have approached experienced volunteers to find out what help they feel able to offer.

We are in the fortunate position of having some funds available already but would still be grateful for any donations. These should be sent to the Project Treasurer, Jessica Tringham, c/o the Church Office [The United Church, Jewry Street, Winchester SO23 8RZ]. Please make cheques payable to ‘Winchester Churches Christmas Project’. If you would like to Gift Aid your donation, please add ‘Gift Aid’ to the Project name on the cheque,

provide your name and address and specify that it is to be Gift Aided.

In the meantime, we would really value your prayers for the Project, our volunteers and the people referred to us.

Thank you very much.

**Helen McTiffin**

## **Holy Spirit!**

Whilst recently viewing a Sunday Morning Service, I was very aware of the Blue Screens that had been put in place to hide the chairs. Looking at the Screens, I was suddenly struck with the thought that we have a golden opportunity to use them as a resource to reach out to all who view our services online as well as our congregation.

With Advent soon to be with us, I sort inspiration from our Lord, and came across an article in *The Preacher* magazine that answered my prayer. Hence the title.

This Christmas we are not able to have a traditional Nativity, or Carol Service, so this gives us an opportunity to take a different approach. Having gathered together a very talented group, we have started work on displays to go on the Blue Screens. They will be shown each Sunday morning during Advent, with the first one being the 'Holy Spirit' for the Sunday before Advent.

I am looking for more helpers, so if you feel this is something you may wish to be involved in, please do not hesitate to contact me. We use Advent to prepare for Christ's coming, not just as a baby but as he comes to us now through the Holy Spirit. Bringing Light to our darkness, enabling us to live as children of the Light.

You may wish to meditate on the following powerful words by Oscar Romero (1917–80).

This is what Advent is:

*Advent should admonish us to discover  
In each Brother and Sister that we greet  
In each Friend whose hand we shake  
In each Beggar who asks for bread  
In each Worker who wants the right to join a union  
In each Peasant who looks for work in coffee groves  
The face of Christ.  
Then it would not be possible to rob them  
To cheat them  
To deny their rights  
They are Christ  
And whatever is done to them  
Christ will take as done to Him  
This is what Advent is: Christ living among us.*



**Pamela Gilbert**

## Space in the City

Many who have been used to the autumn heralding a new series of wonderful talks for Space in the City may be wondering what is happening?

You will know that the May series was not viable during lockdown, and we have been considering how we might go forward this autumn and, indeed, after Christmas. Few people will be enthusiastic about gathering and now the Rule of Six bans it, as we rather expected.

We are putting all thoughts of zooming to one side. There is something rather different about speaking to a crowded church compared with 'eye to eye with the computer's camera', not to mention 27 minutes of unadulterated talk, which is quite hard to sustain as a speaker on zoom, and for us as listeners.

We hope for better news in May 2021 when we might be able to resurrect the *Holy Spaces* talks. In the meanwhile, thank you for your support in the past and watch this Space which we hope will be open to everyone again, next year.

With best wishes and our hope for spiritual growth in this time of darkness and for your safety in the coming months,

**Amanda and the Space in the City Committee**

The Revd Amanda Goulding BTh (Hons), *Chair - Space in the City*  
Assistant Priest, *St Bartholomew & St Lawrence with St Swithun, Winchester*



*'Inspiration is the act of drawing up a  
chair to the writing desk.'*

**Anonymous**

**Rosemary MacMullen**

## Street Pastors

Have you ever thought about becoming a Street Pastor? Well if you have please give it more thought, and if you haven't now is the time to think and pray.



Is God giving you a nudge? New recruits are needed for next spring to replace those who are retiring. Once trained you would be part of a team on duty only one evening a month.

At the moment, with pubs, clubs and restaurants closing early, Street Pastors are starting and finishing earlier than usual. If you are interested in this truly ecumenical project you can find out much more by googling Winchester Street Pastors, or even better would be to ask to go out one evening with a team as an observer, which can be easily arranged.

**Jean Giles**

## Famous Christians

South Wonston House Group had a series recently in which they looked at famous Christians. In September we heard about Edwin Tschärke, and in October we learnt about Jackie Pullinger. This month we hear about Fred Kaan.



**Frederik Hermanus Kaan** was a minister in the United Reformed Church with a passion for social justice and ecumenism, as well as being a prolific hymn writer. His hymns, which include both original work and translations from a variety of languages, address the modern challenges to faith, notably issues of peace and justice, and are known and used right across the spectrum of Christian churches.

He was born in 1929 in Haarlem in the Netherlands. The Second World War significantly affected the family; his parents supported the Resistance during Nazi occupation, storing small arms in their home. They also hid a young Jewish woman, who had escaped from Belsen, for two and a half years before she then joined the Resistance.

During the famine of 1945 three of Fred's grandparents died. His experiences of wartime Netherlands had a lasting effect upon him and towards the end of the war he became an active Christian and, growing up with a strong social conscience, became a committed pacifist. After the war he attended Utrecht University, studying theology and psychology.

Fred was a member of the scouting movement and it was through the exchange of letters with an English scout, who was a Congregationalist, that he came to Britain and attended a Congregational church. In 1952 he was accepted for ministerial training at Western College in Bristol and was ordained in 1955 taking up his first pastoral post in Barry, South Wales. In 1963, he moved to Pilgrim Church in Plymouth, where he began hymn writing. Finding that many published hymns did not reflect the sentiments of post-war Britain or the social ideals of the New Testament, he began to write new hymns to illustrate his sermons. His earliest collection, *Pilgrim Praise*, initially an 'in-house' book, quickly became popular with Christian denominations all over the world and went into second and third editions.

After leaving Plymouth, he worked for some years in Geneva helping to form the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, focusing his work on human rights, inter-church relations, and communications – he was also chairman of the Council for World Mission, visiting faith communities in about 83 countries. However, he missed working with people so in 1978, aiming to return to pastoral ministry, he became Moderator of the West Midlands province of the URC. His final ministry was in a Local Ecumenical Partnership in Swindon.

He firmly believed that faith must include practical commitment to justice and peace. Central to his ministry was the conviction that Christ is in the world now, sharing the consequences of human injustice. This has, at times, led to controversy – in 1972, Enoch Powell expressed concern in a parliamentary debate over Fred's hymn, 'Magnificat Now'. He was also once accused, with direct reference to his hymns, of 'strident left-wing propaganda.'

Another of his great concerns was the unity of the world-wide Church. He thought that the Christian Church should be prepared to look further and to work for the unity of all faiths – if the different faiths '*cannot agree to act together, what hope is there for us?*' Gradually, his hymn texts grew towards a spirituality that unites humanity. He suggested that the search for what is divine is ultimately the search for that which binds us together as human beings and he altered his text 'Put peace into each other's hands', which started life as a communion hymn, to suit singers of every faith or none – adding verses to show the need for service and giving.

Fred was able to use his skill as a linguist by making paraphrases of texts originally in Ceylonese, Bengali, Marathi, and Bemba. He also collaborated with the Jamaican musician Doreen Potter and they worked together on 'Break Not the Circle', which was published in 1975. His last collection, *The Only Earth We Know* (1999), used a quotation from Black Elk of the Sioux nation, and emphasises the balance between humanity and nature whereby nature provides for us, but we must play our role in protecting nature in turn. He had always been concerned with the future of the planet, and many of his hymns challenge worshippers to consider their responsibility to the environment.

Fred Kaan eventually produced six collections of hymns, with translations into over fifteen languages. His best-known hymn, 'For the Healing of the Nations', commissioned in 1965 for Remembrance Sunday and sung for the first time in Coventry Cathedral, has human rights at its heart, serving as a reminder that peace also brings freedom. Although his formal ministry

ended in 1990, he continued to work as honorary secretary of the Churches' Human Rights Forum in Britain and Ireland and his hymn writing also continued. He died in Penrith on 4 October 2009, having suffered from Alzheimer's disease and cancer in his last years.

### ***Magnificat Now***

*Sing we a song of high revolt;  
make great the Lord, his name exalt!  
Sing we the song that Mary sang  
of God at war with human wrong.*

*Sing we of him who deeply cares  
and still with us our burden bears.  
He who with strength the proud disowns,  
brings down the mighty from their thrones.*

*By him the poor are lifted up;  
he satisfies with bread and cup  
the hungry ones of many lands;  
the rich must go with empty hands.*

*He calls us to revolt and fight  
with him for what is just and right,  
to sing and live Magnificat  
in crowded street and council flat.*

*Fred Kaan*



## Book Review Corner

***Through a Glass Darkly – Journeys through Science, Faith and Doubt*  
by Alister McGrath  
(Hodder & Stoughton)**



Alister McGrath is Professor of Science and Religion at Oxford University, and is the author of many works of theological study. *Through a Glass Darkly*, which has just been published, is probably his final book. It is different from his previous work in that the theology is interwoven with stories from his life. It is a very readable book.

McGrath was born in Northern Ireland into a medical family, his father being County Down's Medical Officer of Health. When he was 13 he went as a boarder to Methodist College, Belfast, where he became fascinated by science and pure mathematics. All the while his thoughts on faith were developing, but he decided to stick with the science and was awarded a scholarship to read Chemistry at Wadham College, Oxford.

His career was a roller coaster of success: First Class degree in Chemistry, and after further research he began his theological studies, also at Oxford. Again, he achieved First Class, and then trained for ministry in the Church of England, serving in a parish near Nottingham. After a lectureship at Wycliffe Hall, Oxford, he became the Principal, moved to become a professor of theology at King's College, London, and then finally the Oxford Professorship.

If this all sounds rather high powered, the story is fascinating in the way he describes his search for faith, and the development of his ideas about God. I found particularly helpful his emphasis on the fact that science and religion should never be seen as being in opposition but rather two different ways of discovering truth.

As a final point, it is good to know that one of his favourite authors is C. S. Lewis. 'Lewis helped me to see that my own conversion to Christianity was like stepping into a grand picture, and discovering that I seemed to belong there. I was able to perceive the world in a new way, noticing interconnections that had eluded me'.

**Graham Rolfe**

### ***The Peaceable Kingdom* by Jan de Hartog**

*The Peaceable Kingdom* tells the history of the Quaker Movement, from the meeting between George Fox and Margaret Fell of Swarthmoor Hall in 1652, which led to the foundation of the Religious Society of Friends.

From its beginning in Cromwell's England to its climax in the American wilderness, the author takes us on an imaginary journey telling the story of the Children of the Light and their Holy Experiment.

Based on the generations who founded a new faith, sought freedom in the New World, achieved a unique peace with the Indians, subdued the wilderness, struggled with the agonising issue of slavery, and transmitted their love of God through their lives rather than their words, this is an epic novel.

A review I read said that the greatest achievement in this passionate novel lies in its revelation of the miracle of compassion, which is at the heart of the Quaker movement. I like to think compassion is at the heart of all religions and reading about other ways of showing this not only broadens the mind but the heart.

This novel inspired me to write a poem in 2000. I think it is as relevant today as always so am sharing it now.

## **The Kingdom of God**

*The Kingdom of God is the home of each spirit  
The Kingdom of God is the space for our soul  
While journeying onward towards our hereafter  
The Kingdom within should be our earthly goal.*

*For if we are bound in our Lord's loving circle  
Each link in the chain is a light for our day  
By helping each other through life's tribulations  
Each step is less painful and straighter the way.*

*Stripped bare of pretences our egos are fragile  
Self-worth can be shattered by sorrow and shame  
But we can be healed and restored to our Father  
By those gentle folk who do good in His name.*

*Glorious and bright come the sons of the morning  
Those passionate pilgrims who dare to break free  
Of hidebound traditions and limiting dogma  
Who bring new awareness to you and to me  
Who in fighting for justice call us all into action  
Who stir up our mind as they pierce to our heart  
Discard inhibition and shout 'Hallelujah!  
We're all in the Kingdom so come play your part!'*

**Rosemary MacMullen**

## **More Questions than Answers**

During this time of isolation I have been using the hymn book as a resource for prayer and meditation – concentrating on the words as there's no music! Looking at the index, I was struck by how many hymns start with the word 'I'. This has given rise to lots of questions.

Is this my experience? Is this how I see the world? Do I understand the theology?

Is this what I believe? Do these words describe the Jesus I find in the gospels?

Is this what the church is/should be? How does this inform my Christian journey?

I began with number 248 'I heard the voice of Jesus say come unto me and rest'. I've then been working through the 'I' hymns alphabetically and it has become a fruitful occupation and one that will last a long time! Give it a try.

**Jill Cook**

## **Uplifting Poems**

During our weekly Zoom meetings members of the Abbotts Barton House Group have been sharing books, poems and hymns that they enjoy and find uplifting. One member, Lisa Ball, shared two poems that we all really enjoyed and that we thought we would like to share with readers of *Yours*. Lisa introduces them:

**'The Peace of Wild Things'** is in a book of poetry called *Through Corridors of Light*. I recommend this book highly as it contains many wonderful poems and it was compiled by someone who has a chronic illness to encourage or inspire those who are seriously or chronically ill (I am one of the latter). It may be a collection very appropriate, sadly, for many at this time.

### **The Peace of Wild Things by Wendell Berry (b. 1934)**

*When despair for the world grows in me  
and I wake in the night at the least sound  
in fear of what my life and my children's lives may be,  
I go and lie down where the wood drake  
rests in his beauty on the water, and the great heron feeds.*

*I come into the peace of wild things  
who do not tax their lives with forethought  
of grief. I come into the presence of still water.  
And I feel above me the day-blind stars  
waiting with their light. For a time  
I rest in the grace of the world, and am free.*

The second poem comes from a collection by Max Ehrmann, *The Desiderata of Happiness*. He is most well known for writing *The Desiderata* but he wrote many thoughtful poems. I introduce '**You with the Still Soul**' as another wonderful example of his poetry.

## **You with the Still Soul** By Max Ehrmann

*Maybe you have a still soul that  
goes murmurless like water in the deep of rivers;  
And perchance you wander  
silent amid the din of the world's  
grinding barter like one  
journeying in strange lands.  
You, too, with the still soul,  
have your mission, for beneath the  
dashing, noisy waves must ever  
run the silent waters that give the tide  
its course.*

Peace be with you.

**Lisa Ball**

# The Methodist Year of Prayer

It was only after last month's *Yours* was published that I discovered Conference had declared the year beginning September 20 to be 'a year of prayer', particularly appropriate as churches wrestle with how to communicate given the limitations of the pandemic.

They have set up an online prayer meeting every Tuesday at 12.45 on Facebook. There are also many resources for personal prayer. I was particularly struck by an extract from a *Songs of Praise* interview with Rowan Williams when he was Archbishop of Canterbury. Here's a summary of the Archbishop's answers to two questions (not verbatim):

**Aled Jones:** What is prayer?

**Archbishop:** Prayer is connecting with God...putting yourself where God can get at you...aligning yourself with God.

**Aled Jones:** I can feel God with me during the day whatever I am doing, so why do I need to pray?

**Archbishop:** If you go on a family holiday you enjoy doing things together... But it would not be much of a holiday if you did not take time just to sit down and enjoy each other's company. Prayer is that opportunity to sit down and enjoy being together with God.

See [methodist.org.uk](http://methodist.org.uk), and go to Year of Prayer 2020-21

**Pat Fry**



# Stories of our Time

## **Queues**

I was wondering whether to join the very long queue outside Barclays on Jewry Street or whether to go shopping and then return. Just as I was about to turn away, the queue vanished, as the No. 1 Southampton bus turned up on time. It was thus a 'no brainer'

## **Weddings**

A dressmaker friend had fitted the bride's dress for the May wedding which then could not take place because of lockdown. Plans were changed to only 30 guests for August and then to 15 for October, meaning that 'many were called but few were chosen'. The bride has had to have another fitting because of the weight she has lost over this period. Who might be able to attend this time in this 'cruel' world?

## **Distancing**

On one occasion Pauline thought that a lady in the High Street was far too close to her and politely asked the lady to remember the distancing 'rules'. She was rather alarmed when the lady in question came even closer, put her cupped hand to her right ear and said 'What did you say?'

## **Balance of risk**

The Romsey Road just above Westgate has a pavement notoriously too narrow for distancing, unless one steps into the road. On occasion those coming UP the hill step out, forgetting that they cannot see the traffic accelerating up the road. It becomes a choice of death by car or death by Covid.

## **A Covid reprimand?**

Pauline and I were walking down the High Street just by the statue of the horse and rider chatting happily to each other and laughing, somewhat oblivious to those around us. Just behind us was a lady in black with a black face mask and, as she passed us, she span round and we thought we were to be ticked off.

Instead the lady in black said 'You are a delight' and sped on her way, leaving us somewhat bemused.

### **Social distancing**

There is one great advantage to having a cat dander allergy that produces a hacking dry cough. It ensures that you do not have to bother about social distancing as everyone around you, outside or in, moves smartly away.

### **How to be infected!**

The school insists that a child with a cough goes to a test centre where the queue does not observe distancing and where many must be positive or they would not have gone to be tested. Test result negative, but please 'tell the school that the key symptom is a dry cough, not a 'wet' one.

### **Communication**

One can no longer see if people smile in conversation so one is then reliant on twinkling eyes, unless the recipient wears glasses or the speaker does too and steams up in the course of being amusing.

### **That is the Question!**

Do we, my dear, go to church this Sunday to be back in a familiar much loved setting with a real organist and organ **OR** do we have Zoom service so we can then all chat over Zoom Coffee fellowship? Coffee and eat it?

**Richard & Pauline**



## Oasis Christian Centre – Romsey 25 Church Street, Romsey, SO51 8BT

A reminder to you all that your local Christian bookshop is open for business. Our stock of Christmas cards, from charities such as Embrace, Leprosy Mission, Traidcraft, Compassion and Tearfund are all here.

We have Advent Calendars, including the Chocolate ones from The Meaningful Chocolate Co., as well as ordinary calendars and diaries. As ever, we have a good stock of fairly-traded food and goods, plenty of Christmas presents to buy and of course lots of books.

We are happy to host 'small group' events out of hours.

**Please note** that our current opening hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 10–4, Wednesday 10–1, Saturday 9–1. We are on Facebook, our phone number is 01794 512194 and our email address is [oasis@oasisromsey.co.uk](mailto:oasis@oasisromsey.co.uk)



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#### *Yours Magazine*

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# Services for November 2020



## 1 NOVEMBER

**10.30 am Holy Communion**                      Revd Tim Searle  
(HC\* & L)

## 8 NOVEMBER - REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

**10.30 am Morning Worship** (L)                      Dr John Evans

## 15 NOVEMBER

**10.30 am Morning Worship** (L)                      Revd Tim Searle

## 22 NOVEMBER

**10.30 am Morning Worship**                      Mrs Elizabeth Britton  
(WW & L)

## 29 NOVEMBER - ADVENT 1

**10.30 am Morning Worship** (L)                      Revd Tim Searle

*This Preaching Plan is subject to change in response to changes in COVID-19 Restrictions.*

- HC\***    Holy Communion (provisional)
- WW**    Word & Worship
- L**        Livestreamed Service from the church

### LINK FOR UNITED CHURCH WINCHESTER'S LIVESTREAMED SERVICES:

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1kw6tJ7qV1VI9GIObu5L\\_A/videos](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1kw6tJ7qV1VI9GIObu5L_A/videos)

### NOVEMBER 2020 LECTIONARY:

- 1 Nov**    Revelation 7: 9-17; 1 John 3: 1-3; Matthew 5: 1-12.
- 8 Nov**    Joshua 24: 1-3a,14-25; 1 Thess. 4: 13-18;  
Matthew 25: 1-13.
- 15 Nov**    Judges 4: 1-7; 1 Thess. 5: 1-11; Matthew 25: 14-30.
- 22 Nov**    Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24; Ephesians 1: 15-23;  
Matthew 25: 31-46.
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