Blandford Methodist Church: Sunday 27th November

Good morning and a warm welcome to our morning worship on the 1st Sunday in Advent. The service is led by Reverend Pauline Crispin and includes Holy Communion. The stewards today are Tina Wise and Jean Peck & Joyce Wild. Thank you to Margaret Dymond for the Advent Ring. Following the service, please do stay for refreshments in the hall.

Dates for your diary:		
Sunday 27 th November	3-00pm	Circuit Advent tea and service at Ringwood
Tuesday 29 th November	1-00pm	Funeral Service for the late David Young
Wednesday 30 th November	10.00 am	Advent Bible Study, Okeford Room
Friday 2 nd December	10-00am	Holiday at Home
Saturday 3 rd December	8.30 am	Monthly prayer meeting, Holtwood Methodist
Saturday 3 rd – 17 th Decembe	er	Highcliffe Christmas Tree Festival
Sunday 4 th December	10-00am	Choir Rehearsal in the Hall
Sunday 4 th December	10-45am	Morning Worship Service on 2 nd Sunday in Advent
		led by Mrs Margaret Havers
		*No Coffee after the service today
Sunday 4 th December	3-00 pm	Salvation Army Carol Concert
Wednesday 7 th December	10.00 am	Advent Bible Study, Okeford Room
Saturday 10 th December	4.00 pm	Carols on the Green
Sunday 11 th December	5.30 pm	Carols by Candlelight, Parish Church
Sunday 11 th December	6-00pm	"Worship for You" at Woodlands
Wednesday 14 th December	10.00 am	Advent Bible Study, Okeford Room
Sunday 18 th December	10-45 am	Carol Service at Methodist Church
Sunday 18 th December	11-00 am	Christingle Service in the Parish Church
Wednesday 21st December	10.00 am	Advent Bible Study, Okeford Room
Saturday 24 th December	6.00 pm	Christmas Eve Service, United Reformed Church
Sunday 25 th December	10-00 am	Christmas Day Service, Blandford Methodist
		Church
Sunday 8 th January	10-45 am	Covenant Service

Bible in a year: 27th November – 3rd December: Ezekiel 30-46 and 1 Peter 4 – 1 John 2

Reverend Pauline Crispin: The Reverend Pauline Crispin has accepted a ministerial position in the East Solent and Downs Circuit with responsibility for Methodist Churches at Fareham, Gosport, Lee on the Solent and Stubbington. The appointment starts in September 2023.

Advent Bible Study: Advent bible studies will take place at Blandford every Wednesday for four sessions beginning on the 30th November at 10.00 am.

Highcliffe Christmas Tree Festival every Saturday from 3rd - 17th December: Please see the poster on the hall noticeboard for all the details about this exciting outreach.

Woodlands "Worship for You" on Sunday 11th December. There will be carols by candlelight with the Verwood Concert Brass Band. This is followed by tea/coffee and mince pies. Everyone welcome.

Christmas Cards: We welcome the giving and receiving of Christmas Cards to friends at Church. However, we would be grateful if you could arrange to give your cards in person and not to leave them on a table for others to deliver for you. Thank you for your consideration.

The Stewards

Church Carol Service, 18th December: Some of us thought it would be lovely for those who enjoy singing to get together to sing a carol at our carol service on the 18th December. If you would like to join the group – and everyone and any ability is welcome to come and sing – then please come and join us on **Sundays at 10.00 am** for a run-through of the carol.

Margaret Cornish

Christmas Day Meal: For those who are own their own whether they are single or a couple the church is opening for Lunch at 12.30 pm on Christmas Day. The cost is £5.00 and booking with payment is essential. Contact Joyce Wild on 07817 505543.

Blandford Foodbank is urgently in need of -

- Deodorant
- Tinned fruit
- Tinned vegetables

The following items are also running low and need restocking -

- Porridge
- Tinned Meat
- Tinned soup
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste

Prayer: Please can we continue to uphold in prayer those members of our congregation who we know are ill or suffering in some way.

If you know of anyone who would like prayer and be mentioned by name in The Link, please let me know (having obtained their permission first to mention them by name).

Minister:

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