



**Services at Christ Church this week**  
**14.12.2008**

**earlychurch@9am** Holy Communion or Morning Worship with Anglican Liturgy, Hymns and Sermon.  
*This week:* Morning Prayer  
*Theme:* Emmanuel  
Isaiah 7:13-15      Matt. 1:18-25

**allagechurch@10:30am.** Lively worship for all ages. Crèche is provided every week with Children's Groups most weeks.  
*This week:* Holy Communion  
*Theme:* Emmanuel  
Matt. 1:18-25

**4.30pm Christingle**

**latechurch@7pm.** Informal and contemporary worship.  
*This week:* Evening celebration  
*Theme:* Emmanuel  
Matt. 1:18-25

The Prayer times at Christ Church for weeks (during term time):

**Monday 9:00-9:45am** In the Chancel  
**Friday 9:00-9:45am** In the Lower room

**Pathway**

**together@10:30am** Pathway meets at Inham Nook Methodist Church on Pearson Avenue (Inham Road).

For more information please contact the Pathway leadership team:  
leaders@pathwaychilwell.org.uk or phone 07005980929  
<http://www.pathwaychilwell.org.uk/programme>

**DAILY READINGS**  
**COMMENCING 15.12.2008**

<b>Mon</b>	Psalms 40, 44 Isaiah 49:14-25	1 Thess. 5:1-11
<b>Tues</b>	Psalms 70, 74 Isaiah 50	1 Thess. 5:12-end
<b>Wed</b>	Psalms 75, 96 Isaiah 51:1-8	2 Thess. 1
<b>Thur</b>	Psalms 76, 97 Isaiah 51:9-16	2 Thess. 2
<b>Fri</b>	Psalms 144, 146 Isaiah 51:17-end	2 Thess. 3
<b>Sat</b>	Psalms 46, 95 Isaiah 52:1-12	Jude

**CHURCH OFFICE**

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Mon - Fri 9:15am-1:00 & 2:00-3:45pm  
If you want to place something in the Church Notices send to the office by email, or in writing, by **Wednesday 12:00 noon** please.

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**14th December 2008**

**WELCOME !!** Thank you for joining us today as we meet to worship our Lord Jesus Christ. We pray that you will feel part of His family here. If you are new please make yourself known to us – there are welcome cards at Christ Church on the table by the door to complete and hand in if you wish. Please do stay with us after the service for refreshments and a chat or if you would value prayer with the prayer ministry team who are always available after the service.

**Christmas in the year of HOPE**

HOPE 08 has made such a profound change to the ways we think and the ways in which we do things. There is a sense 'more than ever' of doing Christmas together with the community and doing Christmas together with the wider Christian community. Last Sunday 80 Methodist, Anglican and wider community worshippers gathered for a Christmas Service at Inham Nook. Yesterday we shared a nativity event (with Jenny Corcoran as Mary!) with the local council and partner churches all celebrating together across wonderfully fuzzy boundaries. Over the Christmas period our new partnership with Lenton Abbey kicks off in earnest as we have helping them by producing and helping distribute their Christmas invitations. Our Scout service on Monday saw at least one parent attending a church based worship event for the first time in his life (and he enjoyed it) next week Castle College celebrate Christmas here and I have the opportunity of sharing something of the wonder of Jesus with them. May this be a Christmas seekers both seek and find. It is a two way process in a year when 'church' has been on a fresh journey of exploration into the community some seekers in the community will make a fresh journey into the Christmas story visit Christingle, the crib service, midnight communion and our carol services. They will find what they expect, a familiar story, may they also find more than they expect, a saviour who is Christ the Lord. Christmas day is His birthday may it be a spiritual birthday as those wise men and women who still seek Him, find Him.

### **DON'T FORGET THESE FORTHCOMING SERVICES:**

**Christingle** service is today at 4.30pm.

Next Sunday at 4.30pm and repeated at 7pm is Christ Church **Carol Service**.

On Christmas Eve at 4.30pm is the **Crib Service** and at 11.30pm is **Midnight Communion**.

Celebrations on Christmas Day are at 9am for Communion and 10.30am for a family celebration.

There will be normal services at 9am, 10.45am and 7pm on Sunday 28th December.

### **JOURNEYING WITH JESUS (in the Holyland) DVD**

Copies of this £20,000 venture will be available this Sunday at all services, at the special launch price of £10 (£8 for 5 or more). This is an excellent Christmas present. It is to be shown on Finnish television but is considered too 'religious for British people!

### **CHURCH DATA PROTECTION POLICY**

The PCC at it's November meeting reviewed the church Data Protection Policy which safeguards the information we hold. It was decided to revert to our old practice whereby the Parish Office, in consultation with the Vicar, will give out basic contact details (including telephone number) of any *adult* member of the Church to any other member of the Church who needs them. A copy of the Policy is available to be read at the back of Church. If, having read the Policy, you still have concerns relating to this change please contact the Church Office by Wednesday 23rd December.

### **NOTTINGHAM YOUTH FOR CHRIST**

The December prayer letter for Nottingham Youth for Christ is available at the back of Church. Please take a copy and use it in your housegroups and in personal prayer.

### **THANK YOU**

Denis Hattersley and family wish to thank you all for your prayers, condolences and support throughout Doreen's battle with cancer. Finally at peace.

### **MOTHER GOOSE PANTOMIME...**

...is being performed by members of 17<sup>th</sup> Nottingham BB and 30<sup>th</sup> Nottingham GB from Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2009 at the Pearson Centre for Young People, 2 Nuart Road, Beeston, Nottingham. Performances 7.15 pm and Saturday matinee 2.30 pm. Tickets available from the Pearson Centre (0115 9254112) at a cost of £4.50 per adult, £3.50 for concessions. Group rate available. The Centre looks forward to welcoming you all to the show.

### **PRAY FOR ST MARY'S ATTENBOROUGH**

St Mary's are trying to use their situation beside the nature reserve for outreach—encouraging visitors to the reserve to come into the Church for a spiritual aspect to their day. Also a larger than usual number of their congregation is ill at the moment.

### **THANK YOU**

The gifts and toys that were collected at last week's 'Toy service' have been delivered to Familycare. Thank you to everyone who donated these. These will go to children in Nottinghamshire that would not otherwise get a Christmas present.

# **Carol Singing to the Neighbours**



## **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December 6.00pm**

We are meeting at church and it would be lovely if as many people as possible could join us. Hopefully all ages will be able to come at this time.

As well as carol singing we are going to be distributing gifts to the neighbours as a thank you for putting up with the pressures that a busy church life places on parking.

We are still in need of a few items for the bags

**45 bottles Shloer/Ami/Appletise**

**46 boxes Mince pies**

**Satsumas**

**Small pot plants**

Could you please bring any of these to the vicarage by Tuesday evening. If you prefer you could give money to enable us to buy these items. Please see Alan or Hilary Howe, or Dave Henson.

From the Tuesday Evening Homegroup.