

Sunday 16th December 2018

Welcome to TRINITY Church, Lewes

If this is your first visit to TRINITY then please introduce yourself to one of our welcome team members as we would love to meet you help you to enjoy your time with us today.

If you would like to join one of the many groups we run at TRINITY please contact a member of our leadership team. Pick up a welcome booklet, relevant postcards or visit our website to discover more about TRINITY and our vision ...

... to see lives transformed by the love of Christ







WHERE WE MEET

8:00am **Southover**

9:30am **South Malling**

10:00am Southover

11:15am St John sub Castro

4:30pm **St John sub Castro**

(1st ,3rd & 5th Sundays)

6:30pm Southover

TRINITY is a multi-site church, made up of six congregations meeting in three locations: South Malling, St John sub Castro and Southover. Each week we meet at the times shown opposite.

For more details of the content and style of each service, please visit our website.

www.trinitylewes.org

TO PRAY FOR THIS WEEK

Please remember in your prayers those who are unwell or facing difficulties:

John Vokins (8am)

Digi Grant-Richardson (10am)

Chris Stanley (10am)

Gordon and Edith Moore (10am)

Jill Pelling-Fulford (10am)

Jane Hunt

Alan Pilfold

Andrew Deans (10am)

Mike and Marie Brown (10am)

Will and Jane Perry (11.15am)

DAILY PRAYER FOR TRINITY

We would like to encourage TRINITY Members to be praying for each other by focussing on a particular section of the alphabet each week. This week we are praying for those from Perry to Ross.

Please pray for:

Marie Brown and her family.

lan Brown's thanksgiving service will be held on Friday 4th January 2019 at Southover at 12 noon, everyone is welcome to stay afterwards for refreshments.

THIS WEEK'S FEATURES

CHRISTMAS FOODBANK DONATIONS

As we approach Christmas demand on foodbanks is higher than normal and we'd love to bless our local foodbanks as much as we can. Particular needs in this season are Special tins of meats such as ham, chicken etc. Mince pies, nuts, dates, selection boxes for children, pickles, cranberry sauce, stuffing, gravy & fruit in tins

Donations can be dropped at any of our 3 church buildings.

CAFÉ12/31 SATURDAY BARISTA

We are looking for a paid barista for Saturdays in the café from January. The hours are 8.30am to 2pm and the post includes unlocking, setting up and clearing away, as well as serving cakes and making drinks alongside a volunteer. Training will be given.

This is a fabulous missional opportunity to engage with many people outside the church community. We are specifically looking for someone who would enjoy a sociable role and willing to chat with customers, helping us to put God's love into action. If you think you might be suitable please contact: jules@trinitylewes.org

CHRISTMAS COLLECTIONS

This year the loose collections from our Christmas services will be split between the following 2 charities.

Off the Fence, a registered charity committed to making a real difference in the lives of many that are 'most at risk' in our community. This is a Christian charity that offers spiritual, practical and emotional support to the homeless in Brighton and Hove.

Beachy Head Chaplaincy Team, a Christian charity saving the lives of the suicidal at Beachy Head. The charity specializes in Crisis Intervention and Search and Rescue.

ALL SERVICES ARE CHANGED ON SUNDAY 23RD DECEMBER...

To a combined Nativity service at 10am at St John sub Castro. There will **not** be a 9.30am service at South Malling or a 10am service at Southover on this day.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

The large Christmas cards are now at the back of each church, each with a donation box. This is an excellent way of wishing members of our large church family a very happy Christmas. All of the donations will be split between our chosen Christmas charities.

TRINITY-WIDE NEWS & EVENTS

Servers needed for mulled wine.

Are you able to help serve mulled wine at the Southover carol services Sunday 23rd December?. Everything will be set up and ready to go, we just need people to help serve and tidy up. Please contact Michelle Hammond 01273 474377

Notices sheet at New Year

Due to Christmas and staff holidays, the notice sheet for 30th December will be produced a week early, this means the deadline for any notices for that week will be 9am Wednesday 19th December.

Normal service resumes in the new year.

4.30pm Services in December

Please note the changes in the usual pattern of 4.30pm services this month. The usual 3rd Sunday service is postponed from 16th December to 23rd December, when it will be Communion with Carols. There will be no service on the 5th Sunday (30th) this month.

6:30pm congregation

Please note that this week's Evening Service will be at TRINITY St John sub Castro with a Contemporary Carol Service.

Children's craft morning.

Saturday 22nd December, 10-12noon, South Malling. Come and join us for a morning of Christmas activities and crafts. Light refreshments available.

Advent: A Time to make space for prayer?

Fridays 8-9am, St John's Prayer Room. All welcome.

Christmas services at TRINITY

Below is a list of all of our special Christmas services.

16th December

Candlelit Carol Service 6.30pm at South Malling

Contemporary Carol Service 6.30pm at St John sub Castro

23rd December

All Age Nativity

10am at St John sub Castro

Candlelit Carol Service 4pm & 6.30pm at Southover

24th December Christmas Eve

Toddler Crib Service 3.30pm at Southover

Young Families Crib Service 3.30pm at South Malling

All Age Christingle Service 6pm at St John sub Castro

Midnight Communion I Ipm at Southover

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25th December Christmas Day

9.30am at South Malling

10am at Southover

10am at St John sub Castro

Children's Groups

All of our children's groups will continue up to the end of term as scheduled. Boogie Bunch will re start 10th January, Lunch Bunch will re start 17th January and Xcite will re start 18th January 2019.

Welcoming the New Year in prayer

Would you like to join us round the fire at 4. Delaware Road from 10pm to Midnight on December 31st? Just a simple time to honour Jesus at the start of a brand New Year. Richard and Prilla Rowland

Alpha course

We are hoping to run 2 courses in parallel this term: Tuesday evenings starting 22nd January at 7.30pm and Thursday evenings starting 7th February at 7pm.

Alpha is a great opportunity to explore the basics of the Christian faith. An ideal course for seekers to discuss the big questions of life in an informal and relaxed setting. For information and booking contact Steve Daughtery 01273 472018

Christmas is Coming!

Consider buying an organic, or at least free range turkey this Christmas, because we know God has entrusted all creation into our care so that we might reflect his love and compassion. Cost should not be our only concern; a cheap bird probably means intensively farmed which involves intense suffering.

Wanted room to rent

Linda is a professional photographer in her late thirties, seeking a long term room to rent in Lewes. from January/ February. Tidy, kind, animal loving. She would prefer a peaceful home with adults rather than a family.

Daily Bible readings delivered to you!

Mon 17th	Luke 1:1-25
Tue 18th	Luke 1:26-38
Wed 19th	Luke 1:39-45
Thu 20th	Luke 1:46-56
Fri 21st	Luke 1:57-66
Sat 22nd	Luke 1:67-80
Sun 23rd	Luke 2:1-14

This week we hope you will enjoy receiving these notes which we are emailing to everyone on our Church Family List so that we can explore God's word together.

If you have any questions about the passage please email Steve and he will add his response in a following broadcast. You can, of course, unsubscribe at any time.

We believe God speaks to us through his Word and Spirit. Part of a living relationship with Jesus is to take time to listen and to learn God's will for our lives. As a church we encourage each other to set aside a portion of the day meditating upon God's word.

One way of doing this is to use the Scripture Union WORDLIVE programme which is a simple and practical way to pray, read, reflect and respond to God's word, with additional material to help you go deeper into the background of the Bible passage. https:// www.wordlive.org/Session

Thank you

Thank you to all who attended the Bring and Share lunch on 2nd December raising £90 for the A Rocha UK Hedgehog appeal. David Melville

THIS MONTHS MISSION FEATURE Christine Angell & Serving In Mission



SERVING IN MISSION

Convinced that no one should live and die without hearing God's

good news, we believe that He has called us to make disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ in communities where He is least known.



That's the vision of SIM (Serving In Mission). Its 4,000+ members are working in more than 70 countries, in all six inhabited continents, seeking to fulfil it.

SIM is an international organization. The current international director came to know the Lord as a teenager while attending a school founded by SIM in his country of Nigeria. Now SIM multi-ethnic teams are involved in many different ministries around the world: community development, prison ministry and work among drug addicts; education and medical work; sports ministry; evangelism and discipleship, Bible translation, youth and children's ministry, equipping national Christian leaders . . . and much more. Teams work together with local Christians, and seek to see disciples established in Christ-centred churches.

One current initiative is to send workers to serve among refugees and migrants from the Middle East, and from other turbulent parts of the world. SIM members are now serving among Middle Easterners in several countries, including Greece, Germany and UK. And since 2016, when MECO (Middle East Christian Outreach) UK & Ireland merged with SIM, SIM have been actively recruiting more workers to serve in the Middle East. Several new workers are already there, making friends with their neighbours as they grapple with the language and culture.

"The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."
(Matthew 9:37-38)

Loose Collections

Every loose collection will be shared amongst our mission partners. This week we are focusing our prayers on Passion for Sport.

If you would like to give to the Church and not to the current mission partner please use the appropriate envelope: either a Gift Aid one or a non-taxpayer's one. **Non-taxpayers please note:** under the Gift Aid Small Donor Scheme (GASDS) the Church can claim gift aid on **cash** donations of £20 or less, no details are required. Please ask a Church Warden if you cannot find the correct envelope.

If you have a notice...

All events, ministries or notices for publication in any of our media should go to **office@trinitylewes.org**. Please note that the deadline for the notice sheet is Wednesday 9am.

Please note Monday is the Clergy, Youth Minister's and Children's Minister's day-off, and Friday is Janette Watkins' day-off (Pastoral Minister) so they are not available on those days except for emergencies.

Safeguarding

We take the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults seriously. Therefore if you have any concerns please speak to any of our Lead or Deputy Safeguarding Representatives: Jane Lee is our Lead representative, supported by Amanda Burgess who is Deputy Safeguarding Representative for Children; and Jenni Taylor who is Deputy Safeguarding Representative for Vulnerable Adults.

Jane Lee 07825576936 safeguarding@trinitylewes.org

THIS SUNDAY AND NEXT

16th December 2018

Third Sunday of Advent

8:00am(SO) BCP Communion

Steve Daughtery

9:30am(SM) Holy Communion

Jeremy Bamber Id Ian Graham pr

10:00am(SO) Morning Praise

Jules Middleton Id Steve Daughtery pr

11:15am(SJ) Informal Worship

Rob Moore Id Steve Daughtery pr

6:30pm (SM) Candlelit Carol Service

Jeremy Bamber

6:30pm(SI) Contemporary Carols

Emma Dyer Id Jules Middleton pr

23rd December 2018

Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:00am(SO) BCP Communion

Jules Middleton

10:00am(SJ) All-Age Nativity Service

Dianne Hamilton

4:00pm(SO) Candlelit Carol Service

Jeremy Bamber Id Steve Daughtery pr

4:30pm (SI) Holy Communion

Dick Field Id Miriam Owen pr

6:30pm(SO) Candlelit Carol Service

Jules Middleton Id Steve Daughtery pr

Non alcoholic wine and gluten free wafers are available at communion services. Please make your requirements known to the servers. Thank you.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday 17th

10:00am(CE) Monday Club Christmas

outing

7:00pm(SO) Youth Worship

Tuesday 18th

7:00pm(SO) Bell Ringers

7:30pm(CE) Antioch Club

7:30pm(SJ) Lewes Sings Gospel

Thursday 20th

2:30pm(CH) Links

Friday 21st

08:00am(SJ) Open to God

6:45pm(SO) Choir Rehearsal

Saturday 22nd

10:00am(SM) Christmas craft morning

Sunday 23rd

8:00pm(CE) After Hours & 18:25

SO = Southover

SM = South Malling **SJ** = St John sub Castro **CE** = Church End (SO)

CH = Chapter House (SO)

HL = Church Hall (SO)