



“Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favour rests.”



Luke 2 :7-15



Sunday 13th December 2015 - Third Sunday of Advent

10:00 – 10:15 am Prayer (Mary Hall Suite)

10:30am Worship Service with KCBC Nativity

2:30pm Coombeswood Service



Prayer is available after the service from our Prayer Ministry Team

For those who use a hearing aid, a hearing loop is provided in the main hall. To use: switch to the 'T' position.



If you are visiting we are pleased to have you with us, please take time to write in the visitor's book and stay for tea or coffee after the service.



**Please remember our diary for the few weeks
in your daily prayers**

Monday 14th December

6:30 pm Rock Solid

Tuesday 15th December

10:00am KILTS Parent & Toddler Group

10:30am Bible study at Peter Heckford's home Long Barton

Wednesday 16th December

7:30pm Leadership Meeting

Friday 18th December

9:30 am "Craft on Friday" in the Mary Hall Suite

Saturday 19th December

9:30am Messy Church

Sunday 20th December

10:30am All-Age Carols

6:30pm Carols by Candlelight

Wednesday 25th December

10:00am Christmas Day Service



Sunday 27th December

10:30am Worship Service

Wishing you all God's blessing in 2016

Sunday 3rd January 2016

10:30am Communion Worship Service

Make a note in your diary



- Next year's Messy Church dates so far are 23rd January, 27th February, 19th March, 23rd April, 28th May, 25th June, and 23rd July
- Next fellowship lunch Sunday January 10th



Many thanks to everyone who knitted, gave money and filled lovely shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child.

A very big THANK YOU on behalf of the 30 children in Belarus who will receive shoeboxes from KCBC and the many others who had items added into their boxes at the warehouse.

A prayer for our shoeboxes.



Everyone needs to learn.

We pray that our gifts will help children to enjoy learning at school.



Everyone needs clothes.

We pray that our gifts will help children to keep warm, day and night.



Everyone needs to keep clean.

We pray that our gifts will help children to enjoy looking after themselves.



Everyone needs to be loved.

We pray that our gifts will help children to know that someone cares for them. *Tricia*

Communion help

As Bryan and Margaret have difficulty with travel in the immediate future, we need some people who are willing to help put out and wash up the communion cups.

We still have no volunteers for December 27th, Jan 3rd or Jan 17th.

If you can help, please tell David, Bryan or Margaret.

“Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing”



1 Thes 5:11

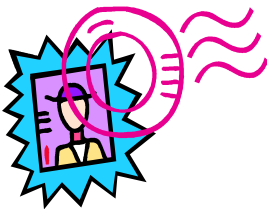
It is great to hear how God has been encouraging his people. Throughout Scripture we see instructions to encourage one another and verses that are meant to encourage us.

It would be great if YOU could forward bible verses, poems, passages, songs etc. that have been of encouragement, I can then include them in the newsletter and we can all encourage each other...thank you

Sarah

Thank you

I would like to thank June for double checking and printing the noticesheet each week. Sarah



HOME MISSION STAMPS

Please save all your stamps from Christmas cards and encourage family and friends to do so

Stamps should have a 6mm or ¼ inch border. For more information please talk to Rita



Today is the third Sunday in Advent, traditionally Christians all over the world light the third candle of the Advent Wreath.

But what does it all mean?

The Wreath: The wreath itself means "victory" as Christ's victory over sin so He can save us. The Advent Wreath has 4 or 5 candles that are arranged in a circle symbolizing Christ's eternity, as a circle has no beginning and has no end, it is a symbol for God, Who is eternal and thus without beginning or end. The evergreens mean He is "ever with us," they are usually pine branches or holly that are used as a base that represents anticipation, newness, renewal and His everlastingness. The red berries of the holly represent the shedding of Christ's blood.

The third candle "CANDLE OF THE SHEPHERDS or JOY"

The angels sang a message of Joy...

And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Saviour has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."

Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,

*“Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace to those on whom his favour rests.”*

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let’s go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about.”

The fourth candle "ANGEL CANDLE or THE CANDLE OF LOVE"

The angels announced the good news of a Saviour. God sent his only Son to earth to save us, because he loves us!

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.



John 3:16-17

On Christmas Day we light the traditionally white central candle, the “**CHRIST CANDLE**”, the central reason for Christmas. The white candle reminds us that Jesus is the spotless lamb of God, sent to wash away our sins! His birth was for his death, his death was for our birth!

*May the true meaning of Christmas draw close and
bring you peace.*