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Luke 2:10



14th December 2014

10:00am Prayer upstairs

10:30am Nativity Service

During the Service on Sunday there will be an opportunity to share what God has done, what you have learned or something to encourage in a time of short testimonies.

2:30pm Coombeswood Residential Home Carol Service



Prayer is available after the service from our Prayer Ministry Team

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.

For those who use a hearing aid, a hearing loop is provided in the main hall if you would like to use this switch to the 'T' position.





Please remember this week's events in your daily prayers.

Monday 15th December

1:15pm SNAILS
6:30pm Rock Solid
7:30pm Prayer meeting at Peter Heckford's home Long Barton

Tuesday 16th December

10:00am KILTS Parent & Toddler Group
10:30am Bible study at Peter Heckford's home Long Barton
7:00 pm Sing Christmas Sandygate Inn

Wednesday 17th December

7:30pm Leadership Meeting

Friday 18th December

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

Saturday 20th December

9:30am Messy Church Christmas Special

Sunday 21st December

10:30 am All-Age Carols
6:30pm Carols by Candlelight

Thursday 25th December

10:00am Christmas Day Service



If you know of any events that you would like included in our newsletter. Please let me know. Thank you Sarah

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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."

Luke 2:7-15

HOME MISSION STAMPS

.....and much more

Thank you so far this year we have raised **£5450**, an increase on last year's **£5110**

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

Stamps should have a 6mm or ¼ inch border.

For more information please talk to Rita



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

KCBC sent 37 boxes and over £200 online donations and gifts towards transportation costs. A big THANK YOU on behalf of those 37 children in Belarus and the many more who had extra items added to their boxes.

Tricia

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

1 Thessaonians 5:11

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*