



*And in another place Isaiah said,*

*“The heir to David’s throne will come, and he will rule over the Gentiles. They will place their hope on him.”*

*I pray that God, the source of hope, will fill you completely with joy and peace because you trust in him. Then you will overflow with confident hope through the power of the Holy Spirit. Romans 15:12-13 NLT*

## **Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2016**

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

10:30am Worship Service

Sermon: Listening to the Spirit - Thyatira. Revelation 2:18-29

*If you miss a sermon they are available on our website.*

6:30 pm We are invited to join the other Kingsteignton churches for the St.Michael's Advent Candlelit Service. We will taking our Advent wreath along to light alongside other ones there.



*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 next week in your daily prayers



## Monday 28<sup>st</sup> November

6:30 pm Rock Solid

## Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November

10:00am KILTS Parent & Toddler Group

## Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December

9:30 am Friday Craft

7:30pm Leadership Prayer

## Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> November

10:30am Communion Worship Service

7:30pm Word Alive

***“Therefore encourage one another and build each other up,  
just as in fact you are doing” 1 Thessalonians 5:11***



Do you have a bible verse, poem, passage or song etc. that has been of encouragement that you would like to share? If so please let me know so that I can include it in the newsletter and we can all encourage each other...

Thank you *Sarah*

Some encouragement from Steve Grubb

One of my favourite verses is Hebrews 13, verse 8 –

***"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever".***

Ever since I became a Christian when I was in my twenties, this verse has meant a lot to me. It exudes authority and stability!

Authority because, although many voices are against Jesus today, this verse shows they will never succeed against Him. Voices come and go, and make all sorts of demands on us, but far above all that, Jesus is THE SAME!

Stability because, no matter what circumstances you may find yourself in, He will always be there! So TAKE COURAGE He says!

We can't do this in our own strength, but in Jesus, ANYTHING is possible!

Bless His mighty name!

Steve Grubb



## Make a note in your diary of Our Christmas services and events



- 10<sup>th</sup> December Nativity at Pennywell Farm – more information on the back page
- 11<sup>th</sup> December KCBC Nativity Service
- 12<sup>th</sup> December 7:00 pm Mayor's Civic Carol Service
- 16<sup>th</sup> December 6:30 pm Town Carol Service at the Fountain
- 18<sup>th</sup> December 10:30 pm All-age Carol Service
- 18<sup>th</sup> December 6:30pm Carols by Candlelight
- 20<sup>th</sup> December 7:00pm Sing Christmas - carols at Sandygate Inn
- 25<sup>th</sup> December 10:00am Christmas Day Service

### Remembrance of Life Service

You are invited to a special service at St. Michael's Church starting at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday 14th December. It is to remember those who have died, especially over the last few years, and to bring our thanksgiving and sadness to the Lord. It is organised by our local Funeral Directors and will be hosted by the Kingsteignton clergy. They would be very pleased if you bring along members of your family or a friend to be with you. The service will be about 45 minutes. Hot drinks and mince pies follow the service.

A complete order of service will be produced so you can join in. Also, a list of the names of all the loved ones we are remembering will be read out. If you would like someone remembered, please contact Kerry on [KinFunerals@psw.coop](mailto:KinFunerals@psw.coop) or hand a note to David to pass on.



**Today is the first Sunday in Advent (Advent Sunday).**

When Traditionally Christians all over the world light the first 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 first candle "CANDLE OF HOPE" means His promise and hope. We can have hope because God is faithful and will keep the promises He made to us. Our hope comes from God. (Romans 15:12-13)



We are going to Pennywell Farm on Saturday 10th December for the 10.30 am performance.

The Nativity Play: While the wonderful story of the nativity is narrated, the children are star performers.

The costumes and direction are organised by Pennywell. The play is in the barn so make sure everyone wears warm clothes, hats and coats. Wellingtons are not required.

The Visit to Santa's Grotto: After the nativity, each child will meet Santa in his grotto and receive a present. There will also be a Christmas biscuit and squash for each child. For the adults there will be mulled wine, coffee or tea and mince pies.

Please let Tricia know the number of children (boys/girls + ages) and adults who would like to go.