



Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good. His love endures forever.

Psalm 136 verses 1



## Sunday 4th December 2022

10:30am Communion Worship Service (Second Sunday in Advent) with THAT collection Eagles and Owls are meeting this week.

**Live at the hall.** For those at the hall, there will be opportunity for and (socially distanced) socialising. Refreshments served at the end of service.

**Live on Zoom** will be open from 10:00 a.m. Afterwards we will, as last week, have the option of joining others in chat rooms of about 4-5.

If you know of anyone outside of KCBC who joins us, please let them know about the recording or alternatively invite them by passing on the Zoom details. If you need help, please contact one of the tech team, who will be delighted to assist you - David B, Darren, Jack, Phil, Nick, Richard

#### Prayer chain

Nat Bond 01626 366668 email: natfromfife@gmail.com

If you are not on the chain at the moment, would like to put things on the prayer chain or would like to be involved please talk to Nat.





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Facebook group: KCBC at home

# Please remember our diary in your daily prayers



## Monday 5th December

2:00pm Snowdrops group meet at Nat and Helen's home2:00pm David at Teignbridge Cost Of Living meeting

7:30pm Leadership meeting

#### Tuesday 6th December

9:00am KILTS for helpers 10:00am KILTS parents/carers

#### Wednesday 7th December

10:30am David at Kingsteignton Food Provision/ Cost of Living Meeting

7:30pm Homegroup meeting at Haytor Drive7:30pm Homegroup meeting at Primrose Drive

## Thursday 8th December

7:00pm Carols and guiz at the Sandygate Inn

#### Friday 9th December

12 noon Friday Outing: Christmas lunch at Christina's house ready to eat at

12.30pm. Please see Christina if you would like to come.

7:00pm Mayor's Civic Carol Service.

#### Sunday 11th December

10:30am Worship Carol Service (Third Sunday in Advent)

6:30pm Carols by Candle light

# **Notes for your diary**

• Craft and Chatter 16th December location to be confirmed



#### **Christmas Services 2022**

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> December 9:30 a.m. Messy Church Christingle special

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December 10:30 a.m. Nativity

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> December 10:00 a.m. Christmas Day worship



# From the minister ....

Poverty is often mentioned in the Christmas message, as we recall Jesus being born in poverty in a stable. The setting for the Nativity is likely to be in the peasant culture of the time and maybe quite middle of the road for the day, especially as Joseph was a carpenter and so capable of bringing in an income of some sorts. But just as we could only see grinding poverty in Moldova in the presentation by High Scudder of CR2EE the other Sunday, we would only describe Jesus' family situation as grinding poverty.

Images of Christmas now do not comfortably put this season alongside images of poverty. It is a season to splash out, isn't it? Maybe the cost of living crisis is something to get us all to reconsider our plans. At least, it is an invitation to appreciate the choice of our Father God for how the Word will actually become flesh. In John 1:14 we are told that the Word (God Himself) dwelt among us, and it wasn't exactly the best location that humanity has to offer to the Lord Almighty. But Jesus took the very nature of a servant, grinding out that role in a peasant culture, just to be among us.

However, we are aiming to mark out this season, whether we love it or dread it, let us welcome Jesus, God among us, into all that we do. May Christ, by the Holy Spirit, be in our homes, our families, church and our frontlines. Out of our poverty of heart may we offer the riches of His grace.

David



## Prayer for Ukraine – A Prayer for Peace

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious children,
at-risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

Amen

Archbishop Justin Welby & Archbishop Stephen Cottrell

## **Travelling Nativity!**



The Travelling Nativity has started travelling! Please continue to pray for those families from within and without the KCBC community who are hosting the "toys" and meeting with Jesus. They have the beautiful figures to recreate the story and some books to read for the night. They also have a handmade crocheted star to hang on their tree to remember the experience by. AND, because this is 2022, we have an original Follow the Star story for them to

watch on Youtube so they can access it any time after they have hosted.

This is the link

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RhR0Xz1qI Q

Please feel free to have a watch and make the viewing figures look good!

Please feel free to sign up, pass the word around and pray for this handcrafted piece of evangelism! Thank you, Rose

COP 27 is over and whilst our leaders don't seem to be able to make many practical changes, we here at KCBC are all set to do our bit. The cost of living crisis is biting but we can ease one little burden. Repetitive strain injury is a real danger, but we can almost entirely remove the need for ibuprofen.

# Introducing... The Great KCBC Christmas Card!

Rather than us all exchanging little bits of card, the option is available to sign one large card, *from* all of us *to* all of us. If you wish to put the money you are saving into a pot, there will be one and we will send the money to CAP Teignbridge. There is no obligation though and really we just want everyone to have the chance to wish each other the very happiest of Christmasses and remind each other of the joy in this season of light in the darkness and the wonder of God among us here on earth.

## Message from June

Could you help KCBC by housing the church photocopier.

It's not used very much now but David and Rose sometimes need it. It is quite large as it stands on its own base which houses paper etc. If you think you can help please contact June or David. Thank you

# THANK YOU



To all those who created the twenty shoeboxes and donated other items of clothing, food and money to CREE. David took our donations which as you can see filled his car, to the warehouse on Monday.



We intend have regular collections of clothes and humanitarian aid throughout the year. I will keep you updated here in the newsletter and on our KCBC at home Facebook group. Thanks again. Sarah

#### CAP CHRISTMAS HAMPERS



Christians Against Poverty will be providing Christmas Hampers again this year across Teignbridge for clients and their families. If you would like to contribute towards this, during this

unprecedented Cost of Living Crisis, please give using the details below. Thank you so much for your support. Tim Wigley - Debt Centre Manager, CAP Teignbridge.

CAP TEIGNBRIDGE CIC

Acc No 65892554 Sort Code 08-92-99

Ref: HAMPERS & your name

Cheques should be made payable to CAP Teignbridge CIC and sent to: Tim Wigley - CAP Teignbridge, Hope Church, Swift Road, Dawlish, EX7 0FS.



Thank you Heidi for this lovely painting of an Advent Wreath

Today is the second Sunday in Advent.

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 second candle "CANDLE OF PREPARATION" means His light and preparation. Preparation means to 'get ready'. "Help us to be ready to welcome YOU, O GOD!"

"As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet: A voice of one calling in the wilderness, 'Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him. Every valley shall be filled in, every mountain and hill made low. The crooked roads shall become straight, the rough ways smooth. "And all people will see God's salvation." Luke 3:4-6



# Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing" 1 Thess. 5:11



We need to encourage each other. Do you have a Bible verse, poem, passage or song or any of the following? Something you are thankful for. Something that has made you laugh. If you have found something online that would be a good resource for us, please share. If you don't feel comfortable sharing in "person" this may be the way for you to encourage others.

#### Sarah

#### How to join the Sunday Service via Zoom'.

- 1. Go onto the internet and type kcbchurch.org.uk
- 2. On the Home Page in the top right-hand corner is a green bar and on it is written "online service" with an arrow.
- 3. Click on the green bar/arrow and you'll go straight to the video.
- 4. Either press play or it will automatically start playing

