

Blandford Methodist Church: Sunday 15th December

Good afternoon and welcome to our Carol Service where we hope you will enjoy singing some favourite carols. After the service, please join us in the hall for refreshments.



Dates for your diary:		
Sunday 22 nd December	10.45 am	Morning Worship led by Mr Colin Besant
Tuesday 24 th December	9.15 pm	Christmas Eve Service at Colehill Methodist
Wednesday 25 th December	10.00 am	Christmas Day Service at Blandford Methodist led by Mrs Joyce Wild
Sunday 29 th December	10.45 am	Morning Worship led by Reverend Deborah Cornish
Sunday 5 th January	10.45 am	Covenant Service with Holy Communion led by Reverend Dr Mark Kimber followed by simple lunch
Sunday 12 th January	10.45 am	Morning Worship led by Mr Brian Skelley
Sunday 19 th January	10.45 am	Morning Worship led by Mr Colin Besant
Sunday 26 th January	10.45 am	Morning Worship led by Mrs Joyce Wild

Colehill Methodist: **Every Monday**, 11.00 am to 12.00 noon(ish), Bible Study, coffee, prayers and plenty of chat. All welcome.

Bible in a year: $15^{th} - 21^{st}$ December: Amos 1 – Micah 5 and Revelation 6 – 12

Meet Reverend Dr Mark Kimber: Most Fridays Mark will be available in the Okeford Room from 10.00 am to 11.00 am for anyone who wishes to have a chat with him. However, on the third Friday of each month there will be a session entitled **'Meeting with Mark'** to which you are cordially invited. **NOTE: there will be no meeting with Mark on Friday 20th December.**

Christmas Day lunch: Once again, the church is offering a lunch for those who find themselves on their own on Christmas Day. The cost is £6.00 per head and is to be paid when booking your place. You can book by ringing 07817 505543 or speaking with Joyce or David at Church/Lunch Club. Closing date for booking 13th December. *Joyce Wild*

Christmas Cards: The church Christmas card and the box to place your donations in will be available in the Narthex from Sunday 8th December. All money given in lieu of Christmas cards will be donated to our two chosen charities, The Louis Ross Foundation and Zane. *Joyce Wild*

Covenant Service: Following our Covenant Service on Sunday 5th January, we will be holding a simple lunch in the church hall and you are all invited. It will be an easy lunch of soup, bread roll, cheese, cake and tea and coffee. There will be no cost for the lunch, but any donations on the day will be gratefully received. If you can join us for lunch, please sign the form in the Narthex by Sunday 29th December.

A Methodist Way of Life:

As individuals and as a Church we have been following the themes of "A Methodist Way of Life". The series to date can now be found on our Circuit website at <u>www.candwmc.org.uk</u>. Having opened the website select "Churches", then "Blandford" then scroll down till you find "A Methodist Way Of Life". Click on the link to find how it all started at Blandford in June at "06 Noticed". Then the themes begin in September with "09 Worship". I will continue to keep this web page updated as we all go through the whole series.

John Cornish

Crowe Hill Methodist: **Blue Christmas.** 2.00 pm - 3.00 pm, Thursday 19th December 2024 An act of worship, offering peace and healing for all those who find this season of the year difficult, perhaps due to bereavement, illness, loneliness, depression, stress, financial worries, debt, or seasonal winter blues. We sing gentle and thoughtful carols, pray, listen to readings, spend time in silence. Worship will be led by Reverend Mike Shrubsole. ALL WELCOME - free and open to all A simple bread and soup lunch is offered from 1.00 pm onwards for anyone who would like to arrive early

Blandford Foodbank is urgently in need of (updated 12.12.24) – Coffee and rice, but will also welcome any other donations of food or household goods.

For those able to support the Foodbank with items, a box has been placed in the Narthex as a collection point. John Cornish

Prayer: Please can we remember to uphold in prayer those members of our congregation we know are ill or suffering in some way. If you know of anyone who would like prayer and be mentioned by name in The Link, please let me know (having obtained their permission first to mention them by name).

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