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Sunday 15 December 2024

## **Welcome...**

Joining us for the first time...? You are very welcome!

During the 11am service our children & young people will enjoy time together with their leaders. Please collect your children from the downstairs of the Christian Centre at the end of the service.

'Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.'

Philippians 2:9-11

# Today....

Sunday 15 December - Third Sunday of Advent | Peace

9.15am: Morning Worship - Embracing Humility

'Humility Exalted' (Philippians 2:9-11 & Luke 1:50-55) Kay Boulton

Refreshments will be served in the church foyer between the services

11.00am: Morning Worship (as 9.15am)

7.00pm: Beer & Carols at Arcado Lounge







## Next week...

**Live Streaming** - If you can't join us in-person, we'll be live streaming the 11am service on our YouTube Channel: www.youtube.com/c/ChristchurchBaptistChurch

Monday 16 December

7.00am: Advent | Start The Week With Prayer

12.45pm: Deeper - Bible Study For Mums

**Wednesday 18 December** 

10.30am: Living with Loss Christmas Coffee Morning

**Thursday 19 December** 10.00am: Linkup Café

Friday 20 December

7.00am: Advent | End The Week With Prayer

5.00pm: All-Age Carol Service (With Christingles)

7.00pm: Carols By Candlelight

Sunday 22 December - Fourth Sunday of Advent | Love

**ONLY ONE SERVICE** 

11.00am: Morning Worship - Embracing Humility: 9 Lessons & Carols

Chris Brockway & Kay Boulton

### More news....

Giving To The Work Of Our Church - If you would like to give a cash offering for the work of God's Church, please place it in the box on the stage, in the foyer or use the offering bags which will be circulated during our opening worship. We also have two contactless giving points which you can use. For more information about giving to the work of Christchurch Baptist Church please visit our website where you can also download Standing Order and Gift Aid forms: www.christchurchbaptist.org.uk/giving. If you are a visitor with us today, please do not feel any obligation to give.



Scan the QR code to give online via ChurchSuite

### More news....

**Birthday Celebrations!** - A very Happy Birthday to Zach Scivier who celebrates his 9<sup>th</sup> birthday today (15 December). Also Happy Birthday to Damien Chambers who turn 50 on Wednesday 18 December.

**Beer & Carols At Arcado Lounge -** TONIGHT (Sunday 15 December) is our popular community event on 7pm-9.30pm. Please do come along if you can and join our worship group in singing some carols & sharing the true meaning of Christmas to all those gathered.

**Christmas** - Visit our website <u>www.christchurchbaptist.org.uk/christmas/</u> for information on all our upcoming Christmas services.

**Living with Loss Christmas Coffee Morning** - This Christmas coffee morning is on Wednesday 18 December at 10:30am in the Christian Centre. You are really warmly invited to come along if you are living with loss and chat over some yummy mince pies. Also, during the morning we will take a few moments out of the busyness of the Christmas season to be still and allow God to meet with us, recognising that Christmas can be a difficult time for those who are living with loss. For more details contact Kay Boulton <a href="mailto:kay@christchurchbaptist.org.uk">kay@christchurchbaptist.org.uk</a>.

**Message From Christchurch Foodbank+** - What a week, lots of Reverse Advent boxes being dropped off, thank you, what a blessing these will be to the families referred to us this Christmas. Building our stock ready for the school holiday top up bags and in need of tinned fruit, custard, pasta sauce jars, UHT milk cartons and tinned meat meals/pies.

**Sunday 22 December** - There will only be **one service** on at 11am on Sunday 22 December. Youth & Children's ministry will be happening during this service, but please can they go straight to the Christian Centre or Youth Room for 11am.

**Old Stamps For New Works!** - As all your Christmas cards come in the post, please don't forget to save the used postage stamps from them. Cut (don't tear) them from the envelope, leaving a small margin and put them in the basket in the foyer by the welcome desk.

**Car Parking Reminder** - Please remember that the builders have now taken control of the car parks, and a fence is up surrounding 51. There are still the car parking options documents available at the welcome desk that will hopefully help those needing to find alternative parking.

'He has filled the hungry with good things but has sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, remembering to be merciful to Abraham and his descendants forever, just as he promised our ancestors.'

#### More news....

#### **Praise God:**

- That He alone is worthy of all our praise and worship. Pray that in all that happens in the next couple of weeks that we don't forget to spend time with the Prince of Peace who has come into the world.
- For the work of the Christchurch Foodbank+ and others throughout the country. Please pray for them at this very busy time as they help those in need over the Christmas and New Year period. Please pray for health, energy and compassion.

#### **Please Pray:**

- For Kay Boulton as she shares God's Word with us this morning.
- For the children, youth and their leaders as they enjoy time with each other and explore more of God today.
- For Louis Scott who is in hospital and is very unwell at the moment.
- For all those who struggle with loneliness, which can be even more noticeable and painful at this time of year.
- For the persecuted believers who must celebrate Christmas in secret.
- For our overseas mission partners as they serve God around the world. **Dave & Michele Mahon & family** working in Peru with BMS World Mission, **H** who is serving God in Asia, **Smile Charity Uganda** Alex Gift Ngabonziza and family, **Esther Boulton** working with Ekisa Ministries (Uganda) and **Stephanie Darling** at the Evangelical Bible College in Malawi.

**Prayer Requests** - If you would like to request prayer at any time, please email details to prayer@christchurchbaptist.org.uk or complete the online form on our website <a href="www.christchurchbaptist.org.uk/prayer-requests/">www.christchurchbaptist.org.uk/prayer-requests/</a>.

## **Staff team...**

Rev Chris Brockway (Team Leader)

Rev Kay Boulton (Minister)

Jackie McGregor (0-18s Ministry Lead)

Julie Dynan (Administration)

Mark Coleman (Caretaker)

Church Office is closed on Wednesdays



Showering uses less hot water, & therefore, less energy, than bathing.

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