

## 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.**

***'For to us a child is born, to us a son is given,  
and the government will be on his shoulders.***

***And he will be called  
Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.!'***

Isaiah 9:6

## Today...

**Sunday 22 December - Fourth Sunday of Advent | Love**

11.00am: Morning Worship - Embracing Humility: 9 Lessons & Carols  
Chris Brockway & Kay Boulton

(The next notice sheet will be available on Sunday 05 January 2025)

## 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](http://www.youtube.com/c/ChristchurchBaptistChurch)

### **Wednesday 25 December - Advent Focus | Christ**

10.30am: All-Age Christmas Day Celebration

### **Sunday 29 December**

#### **ONLY ONE SERVICE**

11.00am: Morning Worship - Embracing Humility  
'Humility Experienced' (Philippians 2:12-18 & Luke 2:25-40)  
Graham Stevens

## Happy New Year!

### **Sunday 05 January**

9.15am: Morning Communion Service  
Stand Strong (1 Corinthians 16:13-14) Chris Brockway  
11.00am: Morning Communion Service (as 9.15am)

## 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](http://www.christchurchbaptist.org.uk/giving). If you are a visitor with us today, please do not feel any obligation to give.



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***‘In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind.  
The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.’***

John 1:4-5

**All-Age Christmas Day Celebration** - We will once again be gathering on Christmas Day for a short (45 minute) all-age celebration service! You are warmly invited to join us. The service will also be live streamed. It's become something of a tradition at CBC to wear a Christmas jumper and to bring a small gift to open during the service! Join in the fun if you like.

**Songs Of Praise** - There will be **NO** Songs of Praise in January. The next Songs of Praise mid-week service will be on Tuesday 04 February. We look forward to welcoming all those who can make in February.

**Next Linkup Café** - You are warmly invited to come along to the next Linkup on Thursday 09 January, 10am-12noon. Pop in for a coffee or join in the activities. We would love to see you!

**Message From Christchurch Foodbank+** - Thank you so much, community donations have been overwhelming and so humbling. Our community shines so brightly (following a break in and items being stolen from their storage unit). We are in need of Hot dogs, meatballs, jelly, crisps and tinned fruit. Please keep giving if you are able to.

**Sunday 29 December** - There will only be **one service** on at 11am on Sunday 29 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.

**Advance Notice** - Our church's '**Week Of Prayer**' will be from Sunday 12 January to Sunday 19 January 2025. There will be opportunities to pray at various times and in different ways. More details in the New Year.

**Prayer Requests** - If you would like to request prayer at any time, please email details to [prayer@christchurchbaptist.org.uk](mailto:prayer@christchurchbaptist.org.uk) or complete the online form on our website [www.christchurchbaptist.org.uk/prayer-requests/](http://www.christchurchbaptist.org.uk/prayer-requests/).

***‘Therefore, my dear friends, as you have always obeyed - not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence - continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfil his good purpose.’***

Philippians 2:12-13

## More news...

### Praise God:

- ✎ That He is love, and this love is not a love of scarcity but a lavish, all-consuming love. Demonstrated by sending His Son into this world as a baby, Immanuel, God with us, and by Jesus' death on a cross for us.
- ✎ For family and friends. Pray for all those who are mourning the loss of loved ones or are alone this Christmas. Pray they would know God's comfort and strength.
- ✎ 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 Debs & Malc Marshall and their helpers as they prepare and delivery all the Christmas Lunches to the homes of so many that will be on their own and unable to cook themselves a proper Christmas meal.
- ✎ For Mark Colman who after 19 years of faithful service to the CBC family has given notice that he will be concluding his employed role with us on Friday 17 January so that he can pursue full-time working hours. Please pray that Mark will know God's peace and direction at this time.
- ✎ 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.

***“Sovereign Lord, as you have promised, you may now dismiss your servant in peace. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of all nations: a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of your people Israel.”***

Luke 2:29-32

## 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

## Creation Care Challenge...



If your pot of yoghurt is near its use-by date, mix it up with some fruit, chuck it in a tub and freeze: instant frozen yoghurt dessert.