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Welcome to the Churches of St Paul's with All Saints' Willian



*We wish you a warm welcome.
If you are new here do make yourself known to one of the clergy team, we'd love to chat with you after the service - either during coffee in the church hall or at the back of church.*

Sunday 9th December 2018

St Paul's 8.30am

Holy Communion
Led by Rev Jeni McQuaid.
Speaker Rev Jeni McQuaid.

St Paul's 10.00am

Family Communion
Led Mr Martin Hannon.
Speaker Rev Jeni McQuaid.

All Saints' 11.00am

Parish Communion
Led by Mr Tony Glenn.
Speaker Canon John Parsons.

*Readings for All Saints' & St Paul's - Philippians 1:3-11 & Luke 3:1-6
Pages 1178 & 1029*

Prayer for today:

Almighty God, purify our hearts and minds, that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as judge and saviour we may be ready to receive him, who is our Lord and our God. Amen.

Please pray for...

Jeannette Jackson, Michele Parker, Jill & John Eve, Chris Jenkins, Dee Ford, Jeff Garner, Mary Smith, Andrew Middleton, Mark Field, Rodney, Caroline, Richard Joyanah, Julie and George Gorst and Monnay.

Home groups

There are home groups meeting on every weekday, where we can come together to share our lives and Christian experience, learn from the Bible, pray together and have fun. Details of who to contact are at the back of the church and on our website:

<https://stpaulslethworth.co.uk/welcome/small-groups/>

This week:

Wednesday 12 December:

- Service of Holy Communion: 8.30am in St Paul's Church
- Mothers' Union Advent Service: 1.30pm (NB time) in St Paul's Church. Everyone welcome. Seasonal refreshments follow the service.
- JAM: 4.30pm in St Paul's Church.
- JSD: 6.30pm in St Paul's Church.

Saturday 15 December:

- Carol Service: 11.00am outside Jackman's Community Centre. Organised by Kings Community church who would welcome any support.

Sunday 16 December:

- Service of Holy Communion: 8.30am at St Paul's Church.
- Family Communion: 10.00am at St Paul's Church
- Parish Communion: 11.00am at All Saints' Church.
- Carol Service: 4.00pm at All Saints' Church.
- Carol Service: 6.30pm at St Paul's Church.

Next week: commencing 17 December:

Wednesday 19 December:

- Service of Holy Communion: 8.30am in St Paul's Church.
- Wild Wednesday: 4.30-6pm, in St Paul's Church Hall. Family fun, craft, story, ending with a meal. £1 per person, sign up by 9am Tues 18 December.
- Creative Space: 4.30pm in St Paul's Upper Church Hall.
- JSD: 6.30pm in St Paul's Church.
- Christmas Compline with carols: 8.00pm at All Saints' Church

Sunday 23 December:

- Service of Holy Communion: 8.30am at St Paul's Church.
- Family Communion: 10.00am at St Paul's Church.
- Morning Prayer: 11.00am at All Saints' Church.

For more events see the December Events list in the back of each church.

Thank you:

Foodbank: Letchworth Churches Together collected an amazing 9.9 tonnes from Harvest activities.

Poppy Appeal: St Paul's collection raised £51.12 for their appeal.

Advent Candle Prayer: Second Sunday of Advent – The prophets

We light this candle for all God's prophets, confronting justice and restoring the dream of a world of freedom and peace..

God, as we wait for your promise, Give light, give hope.

What's happening soon...

Mince pies and mulled wine donations please: There will be a box in the porch for the next few weeks for any donations of biscuits, mulled wine and mince pies for us to offer as refreshments after the carol services. Thank you!

Recycled Christmas Cards: made by Jan Hensman now on sale at All Saints'.

B&B to Bethlehem: Our travelling nativity will be moving from house to house over advent to meet as many people as possible. Please sign yourselves up at the back of St. Paul's. If you have any questions please speak to Claire H.

Christmas Card distribution – we urgently need volunteers to deliver to the last 4 remaining routes. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered – it's fabulous that we have only 4 still to allocate but we really do what to reach the whole parish. Please contact Brian Evans or Maureen Phillips if you can help.

Lifts to Church – We currently have 4 volunteers offering lifts to St Paul's on a rota basis, but we really need another 4. If you feel that you could do this, please contact Nigel Carrick or one of the church wardens.

Drivers needed for Luncheon Club: from January 2019. This involves transporting 2 people to the church hall and then returning them home, one Monday a month. Please contact Julie Goodwyn 686929 or jeremy.goodwyn@ntlworld.com.

The Flower Guild will decorate the Church on Saturday 15th December at 9.30.a.m. Gifts of greenery would be appreciated. Contact Christine on 672432.

Christmas Flowers: there will be a plate at the back of All Saints' for donations for flowers to decorate the church for Christmas.

Children and Families Worker post – Sadly for St Paul's, Claire's departure is fast approaching. An 'advanced notice' of the vacancy has gone out in Children's Ministry News this week and it will be advertised widely from 18th December, with a closing date of 18th Jan and interviews on 30th Jan. PCC has decided to make this a full time post, given the workload and to make the post more attractive. Please pray for this process and please also feel free to tell anyone you know who may be interested. All information will be on our website from 17th Dec.

PRAYING TOGETHER

"Prepare the way for the Lord" ..(Is. 40:3 & John 1:23.) Lord, in this Advent time we ask that by your Holy Spirit You will use our prayers and worship to prepare our hearts for the coming of Your son, Jesus Christ.

Open our hearts to receive Your love, we pray.....

