

Bible readings for today's services

11.00am

Ecclesiastes 4: 9-12 (*page 568*)

1 Corinthians 12: 14-21 (*page 165*)

6.30pm

Psalms 138: 1-5 (*page 534*)

Colossians 3: 12-17 (*page 191*)

Luke 17: 11-19 (*page 77*)



Lunch today

After this morning's united service with Cambridge Yeolim Church, tea and coffee will be served as usual – but it will be brought into the church so that the hall can be set up for lunch. We hope folk will then stay to continue fellowship over lunch, where there will be a variety of different types of food, including English and Korean (the latter proved popular among the Castle Street members last year!). But don't worry if you haven't brought anything to share, as there is always plenty to go round.



"Table Talk"

This coming Wednesday should have been the last Table Talk of this term, but, due to several of those who come along being elsewhere, it has been cancelled. Table Talk will restart after term has begun in January (watch for the announcement), probably on Tuesday evenings (because we host CCHP on Wednesdays during December, January, February and March).



Come and Sing for Christian Aid in Cambridge – next Saturday

Following last year's success, local Christian Aid supporters are repeating their Carol Singing Event in the Grand Arcade – next Saturday afternoon (1st December) from 1.30pm until 3.30pm. Whether you enjoy singing or could just chat to people about the work of Christian Aid, you would be very welcome. For more information, please contact Pamela Richardson at Christian Aid (e-mail: *prichardson at christian-aid dot org*) or Frances Klein (telephone number on printed notice sheet).



Church at Castle Carol Singing at Eddington – Tue 11th Dec

Meet at 6pm outside the Traveller's Rest (Beefeater) on Huntingdon Road to sing around the Christmas tree in the main square in Eddington.

A Cracking Christmas Quiz Night, Sat 8th Dec at Castle Street

A date for your diary – on Saturday 8th December (two weeks' time) we shall be hosting a family-friendly quiz night with prizes to be won, food to enjoy together, fun to be had, and also raising money for a worthy cause. Full details to follow, but if you'd like to help in any way, please speak to Kirk (e-mail: [kzirk1989 at icloud dot com](mailto:kzirk1989@icloud.com)).



St. Giles' Christmas Tree Festival and associated events

The annual Christmas Tree Festival at St. Giles' Church begins next weekend. The grand opening by Cllr. Jamie Dalzell takes place at 6pm on Friday (30th November), when the trees and their decorators will be blessed. There will be music by Quadriga, plus mulled wine, soft drinks and mince pies. The Christmas tree festival then continues until Sunday 9th December, with the church open from 10.30am to 4pm on weekdays and Saturday 8th December.

On Saturday 1st December there will be a Christmas Mini-market, starting at 11am and going through until 4.30pm, while there is also a Scandinavian Advent Wreath Binding workshop from 2pm to 4.30pm (cost £12 per wreath, plus £2 for candlesticks, with profits going to the Namuncha Schools Project in Kenya). The Advent Carol Service takes place on Sunday 2nd December at 3pm – a choral service with congregational carols and a programme of pieces performed by Cantores. Then on Thursday 6th December you can enjoy "Tea among the trees" between 2pm and 4pm. The finale is a Christingle service on Saturday 8th December, starting at 2pm and followed by a children's Christmas party with a visit from Father Christmas.



Orwell Christmas Tree Festival, Sat 8th and Sun 9th Dec

The eighteenth Christmas Tree Festival at Orwell Methodist Church takes place on Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th December, with the church open from 12 noon until 6pm on the Saturday and from 2.30pm until 6pm on the Sunday. On the Sunday there will also be carol singing and mince pies round the fire from 4pm. There will also be a cake and gift stall, and soup, rolls, toasted sandwiches and drinks.

JMA Christmas Bazaar and Coffee Morning at Royston, Sat 1st Dec

Coffee and mince pies, Christmas stationery and gifts cakes, mega book stall, toys, jigsaws, toiletries, games, bric-a-brac and more! Admission is free. Proceeds will support schools, churches, orphanages and hospitals in developing countries and projects in Britain.



Histon Methodist Church Christmas Market, Sat 1st Dec, 10am to 2pm

Stalls including home-made cakes and jams / pickles, handicrafts and many others. Refreshments, including light lunches.



Christmas Jazz Piano Concert at St. Augustine's, Sun 9th Dec, 2pm

Take a glass of mulled wine and a bite to eat, and listen to an hour of jazz piano arrangements of traditional Christmas carols played by Colin Hazel.



Christmas Ceilidh, Fri 14th Dec, 8pm at Emmanuel URC

Hannes Whittingham is organising Christmas Ceilidh for the Against Malaria Foundation, to be held at the former Emmanuel United Reformed Church in Trumpington Street. There will be live music from the fabulous Cambridge University Ceilidh Band, mince pies and festive cheer. The dances are simple and traditional, with instructions called from the front – no experience or partner is required, and everyone is welcome! If anyone is planning to go, it would be helpful if anyone on Facebook could sign up at <https://bit.ly/2SadFUu>.



“A Good Advent”

We're all thinking about Christmas, but what about Advent? Want to turn your smart phone into your spiritual Advent calendar? Use the free “A good Advent” app from SPCK for a daily picture, Bible text, reflection and action points. A free leaflet is also available. Visit <https://bit.ly/2r0QXCU>.

Please contact **Brian Carter** if you have any items for inclusion on next Sunday's notice sheet, ideally by Friday evening.

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