

**COLLECT:** O Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare your way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen



# WELCOME TO



11<sup>th</sup> December 2016

## Prayer this week. PLEASE PRAY FOR:

### ***Those unable to join us:***

Mabel Raffe, Monica Edwards and Rene Hall.

### ***Those sick or recovering from operations:***

Reg Draper, Pat Rowland, Wendy Martindale, Poppy Milner and May Steen.

### ***Bereaved:***

Please pray for and the families of Celia Lang, Margarita Cook, Dolly Davies, Lucy Donnelly and Jenifer Simmons recently bereaved.

### ***Mission:***

[www.maf-uk.org](http://www.maf-uk.org) They provide flights for over 1500 aid, development and mission organisations - to enable them to transform lives.

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If You're new or visiting today we hope you feel at home and enjoy the service. Please visit the welcome desk at the back of church if you'd like to know more about who we are and what we do as a church. If you would like us to keep in touch with you and haven't filled in a Welcome Card yet please do so.

We have toys at the back of Church for the very young children, school age children are welcome to join the Sunday club during the 10.45 service.

## Refreshments

Please join us for tea and coffee in the parish centre after our morning services today. We would love to meet up and get to know you better.

## Prayer Ministry

Would you like prayer for something? Members of our Prayer Ministry Team are available to pray with you today if there is anything specific you need prayer for.



## SERVICES TODAY

**9.00 am – Morning Prayer – *Virgin birth, so what? Isaiah 7:10-17 & Luke 1:26-38***

**10.45 am – NATIVITY**

**6.30 pm – Holy Communion - *Joy and love Isaiah 9:2-7***



## OPEN CHURCH

Christ Church is open daily Monday to Friday 12 noon to 1.00 pm. Please make the most of this opportunity to have a place to be quiet and pray during the day.

## LIGHTHOUSE

'The Lighthouse' tea bar is open on Mondays and Tuesdays from 9.30 am to 11.30 am please drop in for a drink and snack.



## DIARY FOR THE WEEK

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December** – 8 pm Standing Committee

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December** – 2 pm Packing Hampers

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December** – 5.30 pm Delivering Hampers

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> December** – 11.00 am Carol singing at Co- Op

## SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY 18<sup>th</sup> December 2016

**9.00 am – Holy Communion** – *Shepherds - so what? Isaiah 55:1-7 & Luke 2:8-14*

**10.45 am – Family Worship** – *Shepherds - so what? Isaiah 55:1-7 & Luke 2:8-14*

**6.30 pm – Carol Service**

***Please see Newsletter for regular activities***

## CAROL SINGING AT THE CO-OP

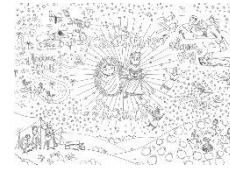
We will again be joining with Moreton Baptist Church to sing carols in the Co-op in Moreton on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> December between 11.00 and 11.45 am. If you would like to join us, please let Graham know.

**TODAY ONLY** – Last chance to purchase books from the bookstall

## HAMPER VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

Can you help us pack a Christmas hamper on Wednesday 14 December at 2pm at the parish centre? All helpers welcome. Also if you are able to help deliver the hampers we need teams of two in vehicles to deliver twenty hampers around Moreton on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> at 5.30 pm. Please let Clair Culligan know if you can help.

## THE BIG CHRISTMAS CARD



We have our Big Christmas Card at the back of Church – but this year you need not only to sign it, but also to colour it in. We hope that by Christmas Day we will have a completed full colour card at the back of church.

The money that you would have been spent on cards please donate towards a new toilet block for a school in Uganda, the cost of this is **£240**. So far we have, so far, raised **£95** towards this target.

## FOODBANK

We are short of volunteers for the Foodbank on a Tuesday evening 6/7:30. If you feel as though you could help please contact Mandy or Jane. Thank you xx

## Not such a Silent Night!

Christ Church School are holding community carol singing round the Christmas Tree on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 5.00 pm, and our music group will be leading the singing. This will be a great opportunity to share with the community at this special time of year. Everyone is welcome.



## LUCY DONNELLY

Sadly, Lucy passed away on Wednesday, the funeral will be on Friday the 23<sup>rd</sup> December at 11.15 in Church.