



IMMANUEL CHURCH, HIGHTERS HEATH
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**Sunday 25th December
 2016 - Christmas Day**

Welcome to Immanuel
 If you are new, you are especially welcome.

Services today

10.00 am Holy Communion
 Our service starts with Carol No. 19
 and continues in the Christmas service book

19	Once in Royal David's city
7	While Shepherds watched their flocks by night
6	Away in a manger
12	O come, all ye faithful

Set Readings for today: Isaiah 52. 7-10
 Hebrews 1.1-4
 Gospel: Luke 2:1-20

Services next Sunday 1 January 2017
 10.00 am Holy Communion
 Set readings: Numbers 6.22-end
 Galatians 4.4-7
 Gospel: Luke 2.15-21

Children's Corner

If you have small children, and they get a bit restless, please feel free to go with them and enjoy the children's corner at the back of church.



Toilets are in the church hall which is next to the car park.

Our Team:

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This week

Please note there is no 9.30am service on Wednesday. The next midweek service will be at 9.30am on Wednesday 11th January 2017.

Advent Wreath

The response to the prayer for lighting the advent wreath is:

ALL "Lord Jesus Christ, light of the world, be with us on our journey through Advent, that we may know you better. Amen."

Prayer for the week

God grant you the light of Christmas morning,
 which is faith;
 the warmth of Christmas,
 which is love;
 the righteousness of Christmas,
 which is justice;
 the belief in Christmas,
 which is truth;
 the all of Christmas,
 which is Christ?

Thought for the week

Only remember that He came to save us all



Joy to the World , the Lord is come!
 Let earth receive her King.

On this special day, when we celebrate the birth of Jesus, we remember that a child is born for us, a son is given - with joy we greet Him.

A Very Happy Christmas to you all and a peaceful New Year.



If you have access to the internet go to our [Facebook](#) page to see some lovely photographs of our young people who took part in the Nativity last Sunday.



Please pray for those who are ill:

- Rosemary Firth
- Adam
- Mark Shulz
- John Higgins
- Nigel Swinford
- Olive Carson
- Malcolm Summerhayes
- The Hough Family
- Aiden Sahota
- Elaine Summerhayes
- Freda Traylor
- Joseph Lockington
- Edna McFadyen
- Norma Billington
- Wendy Kirby
- Winston Hall
- Richard and Wendy Harding
- David Grimley
- Keith Waudby
- Sandra Wood
- Tony Martin
- Philip Armstrong
- Paul Spencer
- Danielle
- Wendy Rawlings

Names on the pew sheet are continually prayed for. Alongside these prayers; everyone on the sick list, is prayed for on the first Wednesday of the month at the 9.30 am Holy Communion Service. Reverend Rebecca.

Christmas Raffle

Many thanks to everyone who supported our Christmas Raffle by giving money for the hamper, or donating prizes. The response was excellent and resulted in the sum of £195.50 being raised for church funds. A list of prize winners is available in church.



Tea and Coffee tin

The contents of the tin have been emptied and counted. It contained £143.64 which will form part of our fund raising for this year. Thank you all for your support.

Refreshments

Please note that there are NO REFRESHMENTS after today's service.

Donations for flowers

The new calendar for 2017 is now on the table at the back of the Church.

PLEASE CONSIDER REMEMBERING THE BIRTHDAY OR ANNIVERSARY OF SOMEONE SPECIAL TO YOU BY MAKING A CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS A FLORAL DISPLAY.



Just fill in the appropriate date on the calendar and make a donation in the envelopes provided.

Thank you. Barbara Rose.

Tea and Coffee Rota

The new tea and coffee rota for the first part of 2017 is ready. PLEASE SIGN TO HELP.



Two people are needed each Sunday to set up the mugs, ensure the water heater is switched on at the appropriate time, serve the refreshments after the service and then wash up. It is a very pleasant task - no previous experience is necessary.

If you have not helped before, there are a lot of people who can show you what to do and an explanation is also printed on the reverse side of the rota calendar. Sharing tea/coffee and fellowship after the service is an important part of our church life. It offers an opportunity to meet with everyone, including visitors to our church and ensuring they are made to feel welcome.

Please consider helping with this. Thank you.

Gifts to The Anawim Project

Dear All

Thank you for your generous gifts for the families at Anawim. I delivered the toys and gifts last Week and the staff were a bit overwhelmed by your generosity.

They asked me to pass on their sincere thanks.
Revd Rebecca

Church Grounds

The border alongside the church nearest to the church hall has now been cleared.

The intention is to replace the border with turf so as to form part of the existing lawn. This will be done in the New Year. Tidying up this area will then allow more time to be spent on the borders in front of church.



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Making a donation to our Church is simple. You can text your gift by texting MAYP83 followed by the amount you want to donate to 70070.