



IMMANUEL CHURCH, HIGHTERS HEATH
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**Sunday 1st January
 2017 - Naming of Christ**

Welcome to Immanuel - If you are new, you are especially welcome. If you have time, please join us for a cup of tea or coffee after the service.

Services today

10.00 am Holy Communion
 Our service starts with Carol No. 8
 and continues in the Christmas service book

8	See amid the winters snow
10	Hark, the herald angels sing
2	In the bleak mid winter
9	The holly and the ivy

Set Readings for today: Numbers 6.22-end
 Galatians 4.4-7
 Gospel: Luke 2.15-21

Services next Sunday 8 January 2017
 8.00 am Holy Communion
 10.00 am Holy Communion
 Set readings: Isaiah 42. 1-9
 Acts 10. 34-43
 Gospel: Matthew 3. 13-end

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.

Prayer for the week

God's love is for all,
 His love has no boundaries, knows no restrictions,
 His love is for each one of us, available at any time,
 His loving arms are all around us,
 His love has no ending.
 Amen.

Thought for the week

May the peace and love of the Lord be with us all.

Covenant Prayer

All

I am no longer my own but yours.
 Put me to what you will,
 rank me with whom you will;
 put me to doing,
 put me to suffering;
 let me be employed by you or laid aside by you,
 exalted for you, or brought low for you;
 let me be full, let me be empty,
 let me have all things, let me have nothing;
 I freely and wholeheartedly yield all things to your
 pleasure and disposal.
 And now, glorious and blessed God,
 Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
 you are mine and I am yours.
 So be it.
 And the covenant now made on earth,
 Let it be ratified in heaven. Amen.

Refreshments: Please join us for a cup of tea or coffee in the church hall after this service. Everyone is welcome.



Please read the notice on page 2 which tells you about the new rota if you would like to help with this important part of our church life.



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

Holy Communion

Several months ago we changed where we receive holy communion. This was to enable everyone to be able to access communion without having to negotiate going up the step.

I promised this would be reviewed in January.

On January 22nd after the 10.00 service there will be a short meeting in church to give people the opportunity to share their experiences and to discuss where we go from here. Revd Rebecca

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.



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.

Thank You to everyone at Immanuel Church who sent us Christmas cards and gifts. We wish you all a peaceful and blessed New Year. Revd Rebecca and Brian.

Many thanks for your good wishes, cards and gifts over the Christmas period. I hope you all had a good Christmas and are looking forward to whatever 2017 brings. God's blessing be with you and those whom you love. With much love, Revd Helen.

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.

Soup-a-Wednesday at Maypole Methodist Church, Sladepool Farm Road.

11.30am - 1.15pm Wednesday 4th January
 Soup and bread with a dessert for £1.50 plus a donation. Nett proceeds (nearly all the takings) go to a variety of charities over the year. All welcome.



Men's breakfast

Saturday 14th January. Meet in the church car park at 8.15am. Good food. Good company.



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