



IMMANUEL CHURCH, HIGHTERS HEATH
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Sunday 31st December 2017
 1st Sunday of Christmas

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.

Today 10.00 am - Morning Prayer

Our service starts with hymn 243 and continues in the service book.

243	Go tell it on the mountain
634	The Angel Gabriel
776	Away in a Manger
148	Ding Dong, Merrily on high!

Prayer for the week

Our Saviour and Friend,
 As this New Year commences,
 May we see you with refreshed eyes,
 May we hear you with refreshed hearing,
 Let us hear more clearly that still, small voice,
 That voice which guides us, if we let it,
 Be with us throughout this coming year,
 Walk with us, be with us, guide us.
 Amen.

Thought for the week

Believe that Love can build a pathway to peace.

Prayer for Immanuel Church

Heavenly Father
 We are the family of Immanuel.
 We pray for all our family members both young and old and help us to use every opportunity to care for each other,
 May we always welcome newcomers and strangers into our Church and may your limitless love shine out in all we strive to do.
 Help us to remember that you are Immanuel – God with Us. Amen

Set Readings for today:

10.00 am - Morning Prayer
 Isaiah 61: 10 - 62.3
 Galatians 4: 4 - 7
 Gospel: Luke 2: 15 - 21

Services next Sunday 7th January
 10.00 am Holy Communion

Set Readings:
 Isaiah 60: 1– 6
 Ephesians 3: 1 - 12
 Gospel: Matthew 2: 1 - 12

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.



Junior Church restarts on Sunday 7th January 2018.

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

PCC Meeting

The next PCC meeting will take place on Tuesday 9th January 2018 at 7.15pm in the Lady Chapel.

Short + Sweet

There will be no Short + Sweet service in January.

The next date is Tuesday 6th February 2018 at 2.00pm.



Thank you to everyone who helped with our Christmas Services this year, including our Junior Church for the Nativity.

Thanks also to our flower arrangers who once again decorated the church with Christmas decorations and provided beautiful arrangements.



Please pray for those who are ill:

Rosemary Firth
Adam
Mark Shulz
John Higgins
Nigel Swinford
Malcolm Summerhayes
The Hough Family
Aiden Sahota
Freda Traylor
Joseph Lockington
Norma Billington
Wendy Kirby
Winston Hall
David Grimley
Danielle
Wendy Rawlings
Pat Burrage
Joshie
Annel Martin
Lynne Jones
Carol Jervis
Margaret Russon
Mary Sparkes
Florence Jackson

O Lord my God, I called to you for help and you healed me.
Psalm 30:2

DONATIONS FOR FLOWERS 2018

Please consider remembering the birthday or anniversary of someone special to you by making a contribution towards a floral display.

The new Calendar is on the table at the back for you to fill in your dates



Foodbank

I took the food into Foodbank in the run up to Christmas when the Foodbank was very busy. 29.3 Kg, was enough for 69 meals.



Many thanks and blessings to all who have contributed.

Michael

Tea and Coffee rota

The new tea and coffee rota commencing 7th January 2018 is on the table at the back of church. Please have a look at the dates and see when you are able to help and sign your name. If you have not helped before, please give it a try and put your name down. Sharing refreshments and fellowship is an important part of what we do. Can you help please?



Contact details for our Reader

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Refreshments:

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



Please see our notice elsewhere in this pew sheet about helping with the tea and coffee after the service each week.

Raffle

The raffle raised £212. Thank you to everyone who donated prizes, bought tickets or helped organise the raffle. Your efforts are very much appreciate. The proceeds will go to church funds.

Notices for the pew sheet should be emailed to: Immanuelpewsheet@outlook.com or telephone Christine Johnson: 07970 854013.

The deadline for notices to be included in the pew sheet is 5.00 pm on the Thursday prior to the Sunday.



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.