

# IMMANUEL CHURCH, HIGHTERS HEATH

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4<sup>th</sup> January, 2015 - EPIPHANY

Today's Service 10am

## WELCOME TO IMMANUEL

### The Epiphany of Our Lord

**10am Parish Communion** will begin with hymn **552** and continue with the Epiphany Service book

## HYMNS

**552** - O worship the Lord in the  
beauty of holiness

**259** - Hail to the Lord's anointed

**729** - What child is this

**589** - See him lying on a bed of straw

Communion - **951** - You are the centre

**Set Readings** Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:1-12; Matthew 2:1-12

**NEXT SUNDAY** 11th January  
Baptism of Christ

10am Parish Communion

**Set Readings** Genesis 1:1-5; Acts 19:1-7; Mark 1:4-11

## **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, next to the car park.

**Refreshments:** Come and have a cuppa with us in the church hall after this service.  
**All welcome!**

## **THIS WEEK**

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 9.30am Holy Communion** Immanuel Lady Chapel

## **Covenant Prayer:**

I am no longer my own but yours.  
Your will, not mine, be done in all things,  
Where ever you may place me,  
in all that I do

and in all that I may endure;

where there is work for me

and where there is none;

when I am in trouble

and when I am at peace.

Your will be done.

When I am valued and when I am disregarded;

when I find fulfilment and when it is lacking;

when I have all things, and when I have

nothing.

I willingly offer all I have and am to serve you,

as and where you choose.

Glorious and blessed God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,

You are mine and I am yours.

May it be so for ever.

Let this covenant made now on earth be fulfilled in heaven. Amen.

## **Prayer for the week**

Lord,

Through the guidance of a Star

You reveal the Saviour Christ,

Who is here for all

The light and life of the world

The love which is everlasting

Amen.

## **Thought for the week**

The greatest gift of all is now amongst us

## **Prayer for Immanuel Church**

Heavenly Father, we pray for the community of Highters Heath and thank you for the opportunities you have given us to reach out into it.

Inspire us by your Holy Spirit as a worshipping community to encourage and find ways of bringing more people into your church.

May all who come through the door, discover a life of peace and joy through worshipping you.

Amen

There is no Totstime or Junior Church until after the Christmas holidays.

Please take this sheet home with you

**Please Pray for  
those who are ill**

Joseph Lockington  
Edna McFadyen  
Kirsty Lowe  
Terry Chetland  
Aidan Sahota  
George and Molly Moody  
Hilary Astley  
Josh(age5)  
Bob and Norma Billington  
Alf Traylor  
Wendy Kirby  
Winston Hall  
Richard and Wendy Harding

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 Holy Communion Service. Once those prayers have been offered, I will take all the names off the list, so we can begin again. However, if there are some people on the list who need to be there longer, then can folk please let Lynne know and she will put their names back on. Revd. Rebecca

**Pray for Peace**

Please hold in prayer all places in our world where there is violence and war especially in Syria and pray for a peace between Palestine and Israel

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Revd Helen Glithero Curate  
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**NOTICES**

Thank you to everyone who sent us Christmas cards and gave us gifts. Brian and I wish you all a very Happy and Peaceful New Year. Revd Rebecca and Brian.

**Sandra's Licensing as a Reader**

Please sign the list at the back of church if you are coming to the Cathedral on Saturday 17th January 11.00 for Sandra's licensing as a Reader. Everyone is welcome. If you can't make the actual service please come along to the buffet afterwards in our church hall at 2pm. So we have an idea of numbers, please sign the list. Hold Sandra and Ian in your prayers for this very important day. Thank you Revd Rebecca.

**Shared Celebration Meal**

Following Sandra's licensing at the Cathedral on Saturday 17th January there is a shared celebration meal for all. There are lists at the back of church with suggestions of cold food and if you feel you can contribute to this meal please sign the list. We would also be grateful for bottles of wine. All contributions would be required on 17th between 9 and 10am in the Narthex. Many thanks Val.

**Our Mission Statement**

Please read this and pray about it. It's quite a challenge! Immanuel means 'God with us.' To live this, we encourage and nurture those of all ages and race who seek with us the opportunity to hear and understand the Good News of forgiveness that Jesus brings, through worship and fellowship. Above all, Immanuel is where love for God and for our neighbour can be found.

**Boarded Up Doors**

We all owe a very big thank you to Richard and Christine for replacing the chip wood and decorating the doors of the church which face the car park. They have both been quietly working on the job over the last few weeks and the doors now look fantastic! Thank you Christine and Richard.

**Tea and Coffee 2015**

The list showing dates for the helping with tea and coffee for 2015 is now on the table at the back of church. A reminder that we need 2 people each Sunday to set up the mugs, jugs and teapots before the service and then after the service, serve the drinks and wash up. You don't have to bring anything, as provisions, including milk are provided. It was lovely that in 2014 so many people volunteered to help. The task has been made very easy following the installation of the water heater. If you haven't helped before and want to know what to do, have a word with Barbara Poulton. Instructions are also on the reverse of the notice with the 2015 dates.

Joining together after the service is a very important part of what we do. Having an opportunity to chat with other people - both those we know and those who are new. Please look at the dates and see where you are able to help. Thank you. Christine

**Flower donations 2015**

Please let me know as soon as possible if you **DO NOT** wish to have your name carried forward onto the 2015 Flower Donations list. Also let me know if you want to change a date/add a date.

Please be aware that donations made in Lent and Advent, when traditionally there are no flowers in Church, will be put towards the flowers for Easter Day or Christmas Day. Barbara Rose

**Please can all notices that are to be included in the pew sheet be sent to Lynne by 5pm on a Thursday,**

Notices for the pew sheet contact Lynne [lynneannewil19@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:lynneannewil19@yahoo.co.uk) or Telephone Ian: 0121 474 4731 Please visit our website <http://www.immanuelhightersheath.com>