



Peasedown St John Methodist Church



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Christmas Services 2023

Please join us whenever you can to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ

Sunday 10th December

10:30am Morning Worship & The Harbour

2:30pm Village Carol Service @ Peasedown Primary School

Sunday 17th December

10:30am Family Carols including The Harbour Nativity Play

6pm Carols by Candlelight

Christmas Eve

10:30am Morning Worship & The Harbour

4:30pm Crib Service

11:30pm Midnight Communion

Christmas Day

10:30am Christmas Day Celebration

New Year's Eve

10:30am Morning Worship & The Harbour



Festive Fiesta – The Meeting Place – Saturday 9th December, 7:30pm

Our worship band will be leading an evening of live music and carols at The Meeting Place from 7:30pm onwards on Saturday 9th December. Soft drinks, coffee, mince pies and cakes will be available to buy, hot food will also be available from the Riders Rest Cafe and Trattoria food van.

Village Carol Service – Peasedown Primary School – Sunday 10th December, 2:30pm

Come and join the Radstock and MSN Silver Band and children from the school for our annual village carol service, followed by tea, coffee and mince pies (which have kindly been donated by Tesco). If you are able to help serve the refreshments, then please see Linda.

Mendip Male Voice Choir – St John’s Church – Saturday 16th December, 7:30pm

Tickets cost £10 and are available online at <https://stisgroup.churchsuite.com/events/82in3zfa>. Anna has some paper tickets for those who don't have internet access. Anna is looking for volunteers to provide mince pies.

Bags of Joy for Rwanda

Annie Trembling from Southdown Methodist Church will be going to Rwanda in the spring to work with a Methodist Church there. Instead of the traditional shoebox collection, we thought it would be a nice idea to provide small fabric bags filled with gifts for the children there. If you would like to include a knitted heart in your bag, Karen has knitting patterns. Also, if anyone can make fabric bags, then please see Karen, as she has patterns for those too! If you are unable to make a cloth bag there will be bags available for you to take and fill. Filled bags can be brought to church during the Advent period. These items can be put in the bags:

Small toys for boy/girl, pencils and colouring pencils, sharpeners, erasers, notebooks, small colouring books, toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, flannel.

Julian House Appeal

As in previous years we will be accepting items for our local charity supporting homeless men and women. There will be a list of much needed items and a collecting basket in the vestibule.

Giant Christmas Card in aid of Action for Children

We will again be supporting this charity by having a giant Christmas Card on which greetings can be sent to the church family in place of individual cards and a donation made to Action for Children.

Somer Valley Food Bank

As we prepare to celebrate the birth of our saviour, please spare a thought for those who are in need this Christmas. Jesus was born in a stable without any of the luxuries of modern life so, if you can, please add one of the following items to your shopping trolley and pop it in the collecting basket in the lobby.

Milk powder, sponge and other puddings, pasta sauce, fruit juice, corned beef, meat pies, ketchup, brown sauce, chocolate, savoury snacks, adult tooth brushes, shower gel, shaving gel/foam and washing up sponges.

Strictly Worship – Saturday 6th January, 7pm

The band will be welcoming in the New Year with an evening of contemporary worship on Saturday 6th January from 7pm. This is an uplifting evening of modern worship songs. If you haven't been before, then please come and join in.

Church Family Party – Saturday 13th January, 2pm

We will be holding a Church Family Party on Saturday 13th January. There will be games followed by an afternoon tea. All are welcome to come and join in some fun and fellowship to start the new year.

Christmas Fayre – Thank You

Thank you to everyone who helped, donated items to sell and, most of all, came along to support our Christmas Fayre last Saturday. An amazing total of **£653.17** was raised, which will go towards the work of God in this church.

Next Notices

Please let Nick have anything for the next notices by **Thursday 4th January 2024**

Diary Dates			
Sunday 10th December 10:30 Morning Worship & Harbour 14:30 Village Carols @ Primary School	Sunday 17th December 10:30 Family Carols 18:00 Carols by Candlelight	Christmas Eve 10:30 Morning Worship & Harbour 16:30 Crib Service 23:30 Midnight Communion	New Year's Eve 10:30 Morning Worship & Harbour
Monday 11th December 19:30 House Group 19:30 Christian Living Small Group 20:00 Monday Evening Bible Study	Monday 18th December 19:30 House Group	Christmas Day 10:30 Christmas Day Celebration	New Year's Day No events
Tuesday 12th December 19:30 Bible Study @ 20 Underleaf Way	Tuesday 18th December No events	Boxing Day No events	Tuesday 2nd January No events
Wednesday 13th December 10:00 Seeds Baby & Toddler Group	Wednesday 20th December No events	Wednesday 27th December No events	Wednesday 3rd January No events
Thursday 14th December 11:00 Meet the Neighbours 14:00 Bible Study @ Church 18:00 Lighthouse	Thursday 21st December 11:00 Meet the Neighbours	Thursday 28th December 11:00 Meet the Neighbours	Thursday 4th January 11:00 Meet the Neighbours
Friday 15th December 10:30 Prayer Walk 12:00 Foodbank	Friday 22nd December 10:30 Prayer Walk 12:00 Foodbank	Friday 29th December 10:30 Prayer Walk 12:00 Foodbank	Friday 5th January 10:30 Prayer Walk 12:00 Foodbank
Saturday 16th December 10:00 Street Communion 19:30 Mendip Male Voice Choir St John's Church	Saturday 23rd December No events	Saturday 30th December No events	Saturday 6th January 19:00 Strictly Worship

Next Services

Date	10 th December 10:30am	17 th December 10:30am	17 th December 6pm	Christmas Eve 10:30am	Christmas Eve 4:30pm	Christmas Eve 11:30pm	Christmas Day 10:30am	New Year's Eve 10:30am
Notes	Advent 2 Communion	Advent 3	Carol Service	Advent 4			Christmas Day Celebration	
Preacher	Rev David Winstanley	Family Carols	Rev Ian Souter	Rev Simon Topping	Crib Service	Christmas Communion	Rev David Winstanley	Rev David Winstanley
Harbour	Julie Winstanley	-	-	Karen Smith	-	-	-	Julie Winstanley
Steward	Anna Sims	Katie Chun	Ali Williams	Francis Day	Ali Williams	Elaine Hillier	Francis Day	Katie Chun
Tech	Nick Martin & Ian Sims	Ian Sims & Ali Wright	Nick Martin	Nick Martin	-	-	Nick Martin	Nick Martin & Ian Sims
Keyboard	Ruth Reeve	Jackie Cross	Jackie Cross	Jackie Cross	-	Jackie Cross		-
Pre-Worship Songs	Jim Midgley	Jackie Cross	-	Karen Smith	-	-	-	Jill Souter
Flowers	Lucy Day	Christmas Flowers	Christmas Flowers	Christmas Flowers	Christmas Flowers	Christmas Flowers	Christmas Flowers	Pam Turner
Welcomers	Linda Day & Derek Button	Val Cooper & Anne Button	Linda Day & Fliss Taylor	Ann & Rob Dunford	-	-	Fliss Taylor	Derek Button & Val Humphries
Counters	Ian Souter & Fliss Taylor	Derek Button & Francis Day	Linda Day & Karen Smith	Julie Winstanley & Clare Midgley	-	-	Linda Day & Sarah Lewis	Anna Sims & Jill Souter