

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE. The service this morning will be live streamed. The camera focuses only on those taking part but the back of your head might be seen. If you wish to remain out of sight of the camera, please sit at the back of the church.

COFFEE MATES. Meet Monday, 1 January 2024 at The Two Greens, Tettenhall from 11.00am - 12noon. (Please note change of venue and time). Everybody welcome. June Sutton, tel. 07790272865.

ZOOM PRAYER MEETING will resume on Wednesday, 3 January 2024 at 9.00am. All are welcome and for further details please contact Sue.

SUNDAY SERVICES. As from next Sunday, **7 January 2024**, we are planning to hold our 10.30am Sunday morning services in the Church Hall during January and February 2024. Many members have commented favourable on the atmosphere created in the smaller space in the past. We can also be confident now that the space will be warmer than in church. Unfortunately, live-streaming of services will not be possible during this time.

NEXT SUNDAY. A communion collection will be taken after our Covenant Service on Sunday, 7 January 2024. Proceeds will be sent to The Well, which is in great need of funds at the present time. Please give generously.

SUNDAY CLUB will be back next Sunday, 7 January 2024.

CUPPA, CAKE AND CHAT. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, 10 January 2024 from 1.45 - 3.00pm in the Epworth Room. All are welcome.

EMMAUS. The next meeting of Emmaus is on Wednesday, 10 January 2024 at 2.30pm. We shall be at 5 The Manor House, Upper Green, Tettenhall discussing the lectionary readings. Everyone is welcome.

SATURDAY COFFEE MORNING. Our next coffee morning will be on 20 January 2024 from 10.30am - 12noon when we will be supporting Ukraine. Please come along and enjoy coffee and cakes.

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Worship and Fellowship

31 December 2023

First of Christmas

What's On This Week....

Monday 1 January
9.30am - 12.30pm Office Closed

Tuesday 2 January
9.30am - 12.30pm Office Closed

Wednesday 3 January
9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open
9.00am Zoom Prayer Meeting
9.15 - 11.15am WeightWatchers

Thursday 4 January
9.30am - 3.30pm Office Open
7.00 - 9.15pm St Johns Ambulance

Friday 5 January
9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open
6.30 - 9.00pm Gateway

Saturday 6 January

The Plants in Church
for December are in
Loving Memory of:
Mr Donald Rushton
Mr David Griffiths
Mr Alwin Ordidge
Mr John Felton

Collect for the Day

To ponder and pray

God of glory, who wonderfully created us in your own image and yet more wonderfully restored us in your Son Jesus Christ: grant that, as he came to share in our humanity, so we may share in the life of his divinity; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**Come and join us on
Sunday, 7 January 2024**

Second of Christmas

**10.30am Covenant Service
with Holy Communion
led by Rev Dr Paul Nzacahayo**

We Welcome You to Worship Today

If you are here for the first time, please make yourself known to those around you, or to one of the Stewards or Minister.

Our fellowship will continue after morning worship with tea and coffee served in the Coffee Bar.

**10.30am Local Arrangement Service
led by Mr Gabriel Gidi and Others**

Call to worship

Advent Candle Liturgy

*We will light all the candles on the
Advent Wreath (omitting candle 2
as has been our practice this season)*

As we begin our time together:

Christmas God, life for the world,
Emmanuel, God with us,
we have celebrated and rejoiced,
 marvelled at your gift and giving,
 now we worship you again.

**Christmas God,
we greet and meet you.**

We have dreams and we have visions,
we have yearnings and desires,
we have hopes and fears,
but in Jesus we find consolation and redemption.

**Christmas God,
we greet and meet you.**

We are young and we are old,
we are from north and south and east and west,
we are strong and we are frail,
we are well and we are ill.

**Christmas God,
we greet and meet you.**

We've heard your message in unexpected places.
We've encountered you when we were seeking and
when we were not.
We've heard you in a cacophony of voices.
Our waiting has been fulfilled.

**Christmas God,
we greet and meet you.**

**Christmas Day has passed but Christmas is not over.
Out of the ordinary has come the most extraordinary.
Out of the waiting has come the gift of life.
Out of the unexpected has come glory, redemption, and revelation.
In others we have seen you and simply pray this day, that in us,
others see you too. Amen.**



StF 231 The silent stars shine down on us

Prayers of Adoration and Confession

**STF 226 Birth brings a promise of new life awaking,
(sung to the tune of 470)**

Reading: Luke 2: 22 - 40 read by Diane Vanderdoes

Out of the ordinary - A moment with Simeon and Anna

Poem: GOOD HOPE by Benjamin Zephaniah

Questions for reflection or discussion:

In what ways do you believe that God is on the move, this
New Year?

How do you feel about that? What does that mean for
you?

Where do you wish God was on the move, but God seems
lacking?

How do you feel about that? What does that mean for
you?

STF 625 Deep in the darkness a starlight is gleaming,

Prayers of Intercession

Leader: Light of the world,

Response: BRING US YOUR PEACE

The Lords Prayer

Prayer Activity

StF 190 Angels from the realms of glory,

Blessing