



PEWS NEWS

**Sunday 11th December
(Third Sunday of Advent)**

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Services

**Sunday 11th December
(3rd Sunday of Advent)**

8am - Holy Communion (BCP)
Celebrant: Revd. Michael Bigg
10am - Nativity Service
Leader: Revd. Michael Bigg
6pm - Evening Prayer (BCP)
Preacher: Revd. Michael Bigg

Tuesday 13th December

9am - Morning Prayer (Said)
3.45pm - Choir Church

Wednesday 14th December

9am - Morning Prayer (online)
2pm - Abbeyfield Holy Communion
Leader: Revd. Michael Bigg

Thursday 15th December

9am - Morning Prayer (Said) (online)
9pm - Compline (Said) (online)

**Sunday 18th December
(4th Sunday of Advent)**

10am - Holy Communion
Preacher: Revd. Michael Bigg
10am - St Andrew's 4 Kids
7pm - Carol Service

Notices

Following the recent Bible Sunday, and taking up its mission, we're considering running "**The Bible Course**", developed by the Bible Society. It aims to encourage people to explore the Bible, to be more confident and comfortable in reading, studying and talking about it, and to see how it remains relevant to life in the 21st century. The provisional plan is to run the course during the Epiphany period, after Christmas and before Lent, as a preparation for Easter. The eight sessions will be held in person for up to 10 people. If there's sufficient interest, we can repeat it shortly after. Sample session 1 for free at <https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/explore-the-bible/the-bible-course/personal-edition/overview/>. There'll be a small charge for the materials. Please express your interest to Dugald Wilson (llm@girton.church) or Michael (rector@girton.church).

Mitten Tree Project 2022 Please bring newly-knitted or purchased socks, gloves, hats and scarves (adult or child sizes) to hang on the tree in church, any time up to 17th December. Items will be donated to Jimmy's for people experiencing homelessness in Cambridge, and GrowKids Cambridge for families facing hardship.

With Christmas around the corner, **Cambridge City Foodbank** urgently needs tinned ham, tinned salmon, long-life fruit juice, Christmas sweets (small/medium), Christmas puddings (small/medium), Yule Logs/Christmas Cakes, savoury snacks, mince pies, jams and spreads, instant coffee

(small jars), tinned pasta, rice, instant noodles, and packets of biscuits. There are collection boxes/trays at the back of church - many thanks for your kind donations for people in need in our city this Christmas.

Receiving Communion All are welcome to receive Communion here. We share wine from a common cup, but understand that not everyone will be comfortable with this. If you don't wish to receive the wine (or have a cough or cold) then simply return to your pew after receiving the bread. Intinction (dipping) of your wafer into the cup is not permitted.

This week, church family members listed for **general prayer** are Peter Jefferies, Malini Jesudason, Rosemary Jones, Mary Kaloo, and Jenny Knights.

Weekly Readings

Mon 12 Isaiah 49.14-25; Ps 40

1 Thessalonians 5.1-11

Tue 13 Isaiah 50; Ps 70, 74

1 Thessalonians 5.12-end

Wed 14 Isaiah 51.1-8; Ps 75, 96

2 Thessalonians 1

Thu 15 Isaiah 51.9-16; Ps 76, 97

2 Thessalonians 2

Fri 16 Isaiah 51.17-end; Ps 77, 98

2 Thessalonians 3

Sat 17 Isaiah 52.1-12; Ps 71

Jude

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(4th Sunday of Advent)**

am Isaiah 7.10-16; Ps 80.1-8, 18-20*

Romans 1.1-7; Matthew 1.18-25

pm 1 Samuel 1.1-20; Ps 113 [126]

Revelation 22.6-21; Luke 1.39-45