

St. George's Church

Newsletter Sunday 2nd December 18



We give you a warm welcome to church, we hope you are blessed as we praise and give thanks to God.

This morning we thank Gill Griffin for bringing us God's word and Nicky Flynn for leading us in worship.

If you would like to receive prayer after the service, please speak to a member of the prayer team who will be at the back of the church. Words to the songs, hymns and bible readings are projected onto the screen during the service, however, if you would like a hymn book or bible please speak to a **welcomer**, who this week are **Dave and Stella Greenwood**.

Today is a Communion Service and as such the Fellowship Fund collection will be taken. To discuss the Fund in confidence please speak to Angela Such.

Please join us in the hall for refreshments after the service.

Duty Elder

Dave Greenwood

Adeyfield Elder

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Preaching Next Sunday

Angela Such

Youth Groups

Children and young people are welcome to join their groups in the hall at about 11am. Please ensure the leaders know of any relevant health or allergy information.

Getting to know you...

1. Name: Linda York
2. Employment/studies/retired: Principal administrator for a geotechnical and environmental consultancy. Special Constable with Herts Constabulary.
3. Family: Married to Kevin for 27 years. Two grown up boys, Stephen 26 (he's married to Katie and they live in Hemel) and Andrew 23 (he lives in London).
4. Pets: many over the years including snakes, rats, tarantula spider, horses, cats. Currently have two cats – Logan (big softy) and Stella (little diva) – they love sitting on their own chair at our homegroup on Mondays.
5. How long have you been coming to St George's? Lost count, must be about 12 years.
6. What encouraged you to first come to St George's? Was looking for a vibrant family church that Stephen would enjoy as a young teen. I was first welcomed through the door with a lovely big hug from Karen.
7. Favourite meal: Steak and broccoli or cabbage
8. Favourite activities: Going out to dinner with Kevin. Taking my car to shows and car meets, going to the theatre. Cinema.
9. Favourite place to visit: Wales (Snowdonia), Santa pod raceway, America,
10. Anything else you would like to tell us? No, come and talk to me if you want to know more! Or invite yourself to dinner, we like entertaining.

**“Making mature and active disciples of Jesus Christ,
who worship God and show God's love inside and outside the church.”**

Thank you lunch - There are still spaces available and thanks to Adeyfield Free, who are providing the lunch, there is NO charge for the St Georges attendees. If you would like to attend, please sign up on the sheet at the back of church or let Julie in the office know, no later than Sunday 9th December and also advise of any dietary requirements / allergies.

Mince Pies – Please bring in donations of home-made or shop bought mince pies to be served from the 16th December, these can be left in the kitchen. Many thanks.

Navigators (who are a quiet bunch) are looking to do a travelling meal before Christmas and we are looking for people to host a course each at their homes for approx 10 people.

Starter (soup?), Main course (not necessarily Christmas dinner - could be burger/chips or something like that? Dessert course and last of all a Christmas games and sweets/ last soft drink. Could be in the church hall? We do have a vegetarian to cater for as well.

If you are willing and able on a Thursday before Christmas, please let Kevin and Linda York know.

Readers for Nine Lessons and Carols Service - If you would like to do a reading at the 9 lessons and carols service on the 23rd December 10:30am, please speak to Nicky Flynn on 07748 965405 or nicky@flynnfamily.uk

Help needed for refreshments at special event – Saturday 15th December 2-4pm

Expressions Dance Academy are holding a Nativity Afternoon here at St. George's and are in need of helpers as refreshments will be served during the afternoon. If you can help, please see Angela Such.

Gift Service 16th December - For our Gift Service this year you are invited to bring a Christmas gift for someone in need. This year we will be supporting Alternatives Watford Pregnancy Crisis & Support Centre. Gifts which will be given to mums-to-be who are in financial need or living in challenging situations via the Baby Box Project. To find out more about the charity see www.alternativeswatford.co.uk or pick up a leaflet from the back of church. Please bring your gift to the service on 16th December. Thank you.

Suggested gifts

Nappies (Newborn/Size 1)

Baby Blanket

Baby Toy or Teddy

Baby Towel

Top n Tail Bowl

Baby Clothes (0-3 months)

Baby Toiletries

Pack of Bibs or Muslins

Carol Singing - We are singing Carols at Hemel Station to raise money for Rennie Grove Hospice care as we have done in previous years, 7th Dec. 5-7pm, please let Penny Crosswell know if you can make it.

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Church Website Please visit the Website www.st-georges-urc-hemel.org.uk to keep up to date with events, services and recordings. The member's area includes up to date rotas and information. Please contact Julie in the office or Dave Southwood if you require member's password. If you have any content or articles for the website, please send to Dave Southwood webdesigner@st-georges-urc-hemel.org.uk

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