

19th December 2021



St Georges Church

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This week will be our Gift Service for Afghan Refugees.



For your thoughts & prayers.

- For Denise as she organises the Gift service this Sunday.
- For Oren as he undergoes extensive cancer treatments.
- Giving thanks for those who take on the responsibility of Welcomers, technology operators and refreshment makers, each Sunday morning.
- That those who live alone will enjoy the company of others and not feel lonely.

Sunday 19th December - Gift Service – in aid of Afghan Refugees. Don't forget to buy an age-appropriate gift for our Gift Service. Gifts should be marked for the appropriate age group – by sex and by age – please also leave presents for adults. All presents can be left under the tree....

Weekly Wednesday Prayer meeting. Wednesday 15th of Dec was the last prayer meeting of 2021 - Online prayer will resume in the second week of January 2022.

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

This Week...

19th December - Denise – **Gift Service** in aid of **Afghan Refugees.**

Church Services to come.

24th December 6PM - 9 Lessons & Carols. **Candlelit service**

25th December 10AM - Christmas Day – **Bryan Cox.**

26th December – **NO SERVICE.**

2ND January 2022 – **Jim Wignall** – First Service of the New Year!!

9th January 2022 – Caryl Horscroft – **Guest speaker David Alpin.**

Click on or copy, the link below into your web browser to go to our **Online Sunday Services.**
<https://zoom.us/j/5181132409>

Stay in touch with us via our webpage. www.st-georges-urc-hemel.org.uk

Or the Church's Facebook page.
<https://www.facebook.com/St-Georges-Church-HH-687803111369184/>

Other Online Resources...

Online URC Services - Access the devotions here:
bit.ly/URCdevotions or
subscribe here:
bit.ly/URCDDsubscribe
These are short links, but they will take you to the website.

Chaulden Junior School. As you know we had to cancel the Carol Service that was due to take place on Tuesday the 14th. The school have asked Andrew to create a Christmas message for the Children. This has been posted on YouTube and you can view that by clicking on this link ; <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U2gVedJYDlo> it features Andrew's friend Tommy.

I received the following from the school: Thank you so much for organising the fantastic **Christingle celebration** today. The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves, and it was wonderful to hear them singing and enjoying being in church.

Here is the link for our website. Hopefully, we will be able to get the Christingle news and photos uploaded in the next day or two.

<https://www.chauldenjm.herts.sch.uk/stream/news/full/1/-/>

AFC Christingle Feedback. We also had some very positive feedback on the Christingle service. So, thank you to all those that took part and helped to organise it.

Email from Free Church Choirs. Every two years they organise a Festival of Church Music. Due to the pandemic, the October 2021 festival was postponed and is now scheduled for **the 21st May next year, in Lichfield Cathedral.** This is an invitation to either sing in the choir or be part of the congregation. There will be local rehearsals. Many denominations will take part.

To register interest and order music, contact their treasurer, **Adrian Prisk** on aprisk@doctors.org.uk or call 01908 605815

Christmas Services at St George's Church. Here are the services that are taking place at St George's in the run up to Christmas.

19th Dec:	Gift Service for Afghan Refugees
24th Dec at 6 p.m.	Candlelit service - 9 Lessons & Carols
25th Dec: 10 a.m.	Christmas Day Service
26th Dec.	No Service
2nd January 2022	First Service of the year, will be led by Jim

Contacts & Information

Pastoral Care: Please contact either **Josephine** or **Denise** via the office number **01442 212320**. Leave a message and they will call you back.

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Hall Hire – Contact the admin office - 01442 212320.

Lifts Co-Ordinator – denise.chennell@coolemail.co.uk - 07808 442215.

Please send newsletter items to – stgeorgesurc@gmail.com

Website - www.st-georges-urc-hemel.org.uk

The church website has details of events, services, & recordings. The member's area includes lots of other information. Please contact the office for the member's password. Articles for the website send to stgeorgesurc@gmail.com

Reminder. When not in organised group sessions, children should be supervised by parents/carers at all times whilst on the premises.

Junior Church - (Term-Time)
Sunday mornings 10.30 am.

- Cell Group 14+
- 7up – Year 7 (11+)
- Junior Church (5+)
- Creche
- Child Friendly services during Half-Term.

Pilots - (Term-Time) Thursday -
Meet in the church hall.

- **Deckhands** - Key Stage 1 - Years 1 & 2 (17:45 - 19:00)
- **Adventurers** - Key Stage 2 - Years 3-6 (17:45-19:00)

Toddler Group - (Term-Time)
Thursday mornings 10-11.45 am -
Please see Carol Edgeworth for details.

Homegroups - Monday to Thursdays - See noticeboards for details.

Wednesday Welcome - (Term time) Open to all. 10.15 am to 11.30 am Speakers, Activities & Fellowship.

- **12th January** – Welcome Back
- **19th January** - Denise Chennells
- **26th January** – MacMillan Coffee Morning

Editor's Note: To all members of Wednesday Welcome a very Happy Christmas and New Year. **See you all in 2022.**

Prayer chain - Please speak to Josephine Sam.

Prayer Meeting - Wednesdays 7pm to 7.30 – meet online via Zoom - <https://zoom.us/j/96361611856>