

Notices for Sunday 30 November 2025

First Sunday of Advent

Our Mission

As part of the worldwide Christian church, to preach the Christian message, provide facilities for Christian worship and to serve the needs of the community.

Welcome. We are pleased you are joining us for worship today.

10.30am Morning Worship

Led by Mr Eifron Hopper

Organist Adrienne Allen

Stewards Mike Brooke & Di Skinner
Door Stewards Marilyn & John Greenaway

Junior Church Lynda Hurrell & Marilyn Greenaway

Bible Reader Mike Brooke AV Desk Brendan Cox

Coffee Ann Thornton & Pam Preston

Lectionary for this week

Isaiah 2: 1-5 Psalm 122

Romans 13: 11-14 Matthew 24: 36-44

Churches Together in Broadstone ~ praying together this week

"Keep awake..." Matthew 24:42.

Holy God, in this advent season, we wait; hopefully and actively. Keep us awake to your presence; in the bustling busyness of this time hold us still in your embrace and keep us hopeful, that though each of us may mark this season in different ways, the beginning of this story was a baby in a manger, whose song was and is peace to all on earth. Amen.

Anniversary lunch thanks

We thank all those who, last Sunday, were involved in preparing, cooking or serving our lunch, or clearing up afterwards. It was such an enjoyable time of fellowship over a delicious meal and we all appreciate the hard work involved. As a result of your generous donations, we are able to forward approximately £265 to Routes to Roots in Poole, to help with their work amongst the homeless. Thank you for your support.

Our regular weekly events

Monday 10am -12 noon
Monday 7.30pm -9.30pm
Tuesday 8.15pm -10pm
Thursday 10am -11.30am
Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri, Sat 10am-12noon

Knit & Natter
Church Badminton Group
Church Table Tennis Group
Wendy House Toddler Group
Coffee Lounge open

Witnesses of Wonder - Responding to Christ's Arrival

An Advent Bible study course is running across the Circuit. The sessions here at our church continue on **Tuesdays at 2.30pm** on 2, 9 and 16 December, then 13 January. For dates and times of sessions at other venues or via Zoom, please see the flyer with last week's Notices or the poster on the board in the coffee lounge. All are welcome.

Family & pastoral news

We now have details of the funeral of June Neil (née Shelley) who passed away peacefully at her Maidment Court home on 15 November, aged 91. June was a very active member of this Church over many years and took on a number of roles. We pray for her family, and Norman's, at this time. The funeral will be at Long Barrow Hall, Harbour View, Lytchett Minster at 10.30am, Monday 8 December, with refreshments afterwards. All are welcome. Please contact Melanie Neil if you plan to attend, to assist in catering arrangements.

Eco-church news

The November newsletter from A Rocha (the organisation involved with ecochurch activities), which Mike receives regularly by email, has some very interesting articles this month. You might like to read it online via their website: https://mailchi.mp/arocha/november-enews-2025?e=5b6ae5162a

Christmas is a-coming!

And with it comes a rather unusual request.....

Joan Jackson needs a camel and a spider or two for the morning service on Sunday 21 December, preferably big enough to be seen from the front of the church – so no real spiders please! Please let her know if you can help.

Christmas cards to the church family

We will be using one of our noticeboards to display your Christmas cards again this year. So if you wish to write a single card to the whole church family, please look out for the basket in the coffee lounge from early December and leave your card in there. There will also be a collecting box for donations for Action for Children, in lieu of costs saved on multiple cards and postage.

Broadstone Christmas Parade Day

Saturday 6 December 10am – 3pm

Coffee Lounge open for drinks, mince pies etc. until 3pm and bacon rolls until 1pm. Also during the morning - a second-hand book stall and Messy Church activities in the Sanctuary and the Scouts will have a cake stall outside.

God Squad's Festive Evening

Sunday 7 December 6pm - 8pm in Rose Hall, The Spire

Poole Bay Circuit Youth Group invite you to their Christmas event. Mince pies, festive drinks, Christmas music and games, tombola and a present wrapping station! Please go along to support our young people if you can. No ticket or prebooking required.

Carols and Cakes in the Coffee Lounge Friday 19 December, 10am – 12 noon

Carol singing will start at about 11am. Drinks and cakes that morning will be available in return for a donation to Action for Children. Donations of cakes would be very welcome - please let Joan Jackson know if you can bring any.

Next Notices

Please contact Judith Hewins with rota swaps, news and events by 7pm on **Tuesday 2 December.**

We invite you to join us for worship on Sunday, 7 December

10.30am Morning Worship with Holy Communion

Led by Rev Gill Le Boutillier-Scott

Organist Clive Allen

Stewards Rosemary Hill & Jan Attard
Door Stewards Pauline Meakin & Shirley Jupp
Junior Church Sylvia Kingston & Audrey Hugill

Bible Reader Lynda Hurrell AV Desk Dave Rigby

Coffee Judith Hewins & Jan Davis

(Listen or read anytime)

Worship-at-home: audio & printed service

Led by Rev Sarah Knebel

Links to the audio and print versions are available on our own church website and on the Circuit website: www.poolebaymethodists.org.uk

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