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people  
to  
Jesus

# Notices

## Christmas 2018

### Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> December

**9am ~ Morning Worship**

**Rev. David Milner**

'Stories Behind Our Favourite Hymns'

**10am – 12.30pm ~ Carol Singing  
at Sainsbury's**

**3pm ~ 'The New Noisy Neighbour'  
Mr. Paul Rose & Kids Alive**

## Christmas Eve

**11.30pm ~ Midnight Communion**

**Rev. David Milner**

'The Sounds of Christmas'

*All our Communion bread is gluten-free  
and our wine is non-alcoholic*

## Christmas Day

**10am ~ Family Celebration**

**Rev. Tim Cooke**

### Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> December

**10am ~ All Together Worship**

**Mrs Carolyn Dickinson**

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**You are most welcome to worship today. Please do join us for  
tea and coffee in the hall, after Morning Worship.**

**If you would like someone to pray with you please speak with  
one of those leading the service.**

## PRAYER POINTERS

### **Prayers for Christmas**

Jesus Christ, born in a stable,  
Be with the poor and homeless  
this Christmas time.

As we pray, live and give;  
shine Your everlasting light.

Jesus Christ, born of Mary,  
Be with young mothers across the  
world this Christmas time.

As we pray, live and give;  
shine Your everlasting light.

Jesus Christ, visited by Shepherds,  
Be with all who have to work this Christmas, and those who long to  
work.

As we pray, live and give;  
shine Your everlasting light.

Jesus Christ, who became a refugee,  
Be with those who fear for their lives, and those who have left homes  
and families this Christmas.

As we pray, live and give;  
shine Your everlasting light.

Amen.

<https://engageworship.org/ideas/christmas-intercessory-prayers>



**URGENT PRAYER REQUESTS:** please call 01768 862787 or email  
admin@penrithmethodist.co.uk and we will pass on your request to all  
members of our congregation who are on email.

## **FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE**

The Circuit Office is now closed until 2<sup>nd</sup> January.



**May we take this opportunity to thank all those  
who have volunteered their time and talents  
over the last twelve months.**

**We wish you all a Blessed Christmas  
and a Happy New Year!**



### **New Service**



Encounter is all about giving time and space to encounter God. We'll have a good chunk of worship, a quick message, and plenty of time to experience and be moved by the Holy Spirit.

**First Sunday of the month, 6.30pm, starting 6th January.**

### Christmas Cards

Please check your pigeon hole for Christmas cards to be collected.

### Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> December 10am Service

#### A Band

A Band is needed for the **5th Sunday (30th December)** at 10 am. If you play an instrument or are a singer please come and join us. Meet in church at 9 am for a rehearsal beforehand.

For more information contact Helen (895603 [hbrunskill@btinternet.com](mailto:hbrunskill@btinternet.com)) or Carolyn (840049 [dickinson5@btinternet.com](mailto:dickinson5@btinternet.com))

*Please may we have volunteers to prepare and serve coffee after this service.*

**Please Note: There will be no evening service at 6.30pm.**

### Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> January

#### Covenant Service

There will be one joint service starting at **10am**.

**Preacher: Rev. Tim Cooke**

#### Sunday Lunch

after the 10am covenant service

#### **Pasta and pudding**

organised by  
Fellside House Group.

### Carol Singing at Sainsbury's **Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> December**

Please come along and sing with any of the following groups:

10am – 11am – Gillian & Friends, 11am – 12 noon – Worship Group & 12 noon – 12.30pm – Choral Group

We just need to be aware that Sainsbury's have requested groups are to be kept reasonably small and exits are not to be blocked.

#### Christmas Charities

The cash offerings from our Christmas services will be divided between:

**Child Bereavement UK (Cumbria)**  
**Action for Children**  
**World Vision**

#### Cumbria's Community Christmas

Find us at Penrith Girl Guide hut off Brentfield Way – no need to book – just pop along for some festive cheer.

**Continues up to Monday 24<sup>th</sup> December** from 5.30pm onwards.  
**Christmas Day & Boxing Day** from 10am till late.

Volunteers would also be appreciated – Please contact: 07508 740294 or email: [cumbriascommunitychristmas.wordpress.com](http://cumbriascommunitychristmas.wordpress.com)

#### Woodlands Transport

Is anyone willing to go on a rota to help provide transport for Woodlands residents to come to the 9am service each Sunday?

Please contact the Circuit Office if you can help with this.

### **WITH LOVING THANKS.**

David and Pat and family thank you all for your kind thoughts, prayers, love and support on the passing of Dad. He was well loved by all who knew him and we are grateful for the richness and fullness of his life among us. May God bless you all as we are so blessed by Him to have such a wonderful family in Jesus. With all our love.

### **Carol Cookies**

Thank you to all who supported the 'Carol Cookies' fund raising activity. Whether baker or giving a donation and sharing with family, friends or neighbours, your help had been appreciated.

The total raised over the weekend was £108.36. The money donated will be split between Eden Carers and our Youth Community Outreach Team. We were also able to share in spreading cheer in Penrith during the carol singing, giving out the biscuits to passers by.

### **N. C. H Boxes**

Please can these be given to Barbara Chambers for opening during December.

### **Date For Your Diary**

#### **Ceilidh**

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> January,  
7pm at PMC.**

Tickets will be available in the New Year.

### **Christmas Windows**

Christmas window decorations need to be removed by  
**Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> January.**

Trees can be left in the cupboard in the Crush Hall next to the sink area for Anne MacDonald to collect. Thank you.

### **Calling All Messy Rheged Volunteers**

After the success of last March, we have been invited to host another Messy church event at Rheged - what an opportunity!

Sunday 3rd February will soon be here & I'm looking for anyone DBS checked who would like to help in any way (pre-event set up/ back up team/ activity host/ welcome desk/ prayer support).

There will be a volunteer team meeting, Thursday 17th Jan at Rheged, 5.30-7pm including FREE bacon buttie! Please sign up following the link below, or speak to Sarah Hulme. Many thanks.

[https://www.eventbrite.com/e/messy-church-at-rheged-volunteer-meeting-tickets-53384427259?aff=utm\\_source%3Demail%26utm\\_medium%3Demail%26utm\\_campaign%3Dnew\\_event\\_email&utm\\_term=eventurl\\_text](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/messy-church-at-rheged-volunteer-meeting-tickets-53384427259?aff=utm_source%3Demail%26utm_medium%3Demail%26utm_campaign%3Dnew_event_email&utm_term=eventurl_text)

### **Job Opportunity at The Christian Institute**

Assistant to the in-house solicitor.  
Full time post at the headquarters in Newcastle Upon Tyne.  
Closing date: 12 noon on  
Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January.  
For details see board in hall.

## WEEKLY DIARY

### Monday 24<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> December

9.30am Monday Walk – Meet at PMC

### Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> January – New Year's Day

10am **NO SERVICE**

### Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January

7.30am Wednesday Morning Prayer Meeting – 18 Brent Road

### Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> January

### Friday 4<sup>th</sup> January

7.30am Friday Blessings – Contact Byron Hadley

### Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> January

12 noon – 5.30pm Saturday Café – Bridge

### Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> January

9am **NO SERVICE**

**10am** Covenant Service – Rev. Tim Cooke

**\*Please note time.** *Sunday Lunch to follow*

6.30pm Encounter – Mrs Sophie Hodge & Mr. Jordan Summers

### **I'm using a great website called easyfundraising to help raise money for Penrith Methodist Church - simply by shopping online.**

easyfundraising turns your everyday online shopping into FREE donations when you use easyfundraising to shop with over 3,500 retailers such as Amazon, eBay, John Lewis, Argos, NEXT and Booking.com.

Our retailers then make a small donation to say 'thank you' and easyfundraising gives those free funds to the cause.

Please register using this unique link – just search for 'Penrith Methodist Church' and click 'support us' -

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/invite/HD5740/S7B1VG/>

Plus, once you've signed up and raised £5 in donations, easyfundraising will give us an extra £5 donation.

There's no catch or hidden charges and Penrith Methodist Church will be really grateful for your donations.

Thank you, Duncan Watson.

# Sermon

## **Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> December**

**9.00am ~ 'Stories Behind Our Favourite Hymns'**

Luke 2: 1 – 20

## **Christmas Eve Midnight Communion**

**11.30pm ~ 'The Sounds of Christmas'**

Luke 2: 8 - 20

**Tea & Coffee: 9am: 3Ms; 3pm: 2 more volunteers needed**

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> December: 10am: Volunteers Needed**

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> January – 10am: Olive Jenkins & Team**

### **Welcomers**

#### **Christmas Eve**

**11.30pm:** Joan Tomkinson & Dorothy Robert

#### **Christmas Day**

**10am:** Joan Tomkinson & Dorothy Robert

#### **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> December - Team 2:**

**10am:** Bryan & Ruth Gardiner & Sue Williams

6.30pm: NO SERVICE

#### **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> January – Team 3:**

**10am:** Dorothy Robert, David Belford, Joan Tomkinson & Mary Teasdale

6.30pm: Joan Tomkinson & Mary Teasdale

### **Ministers Drop In**

**There will be no drop in over the Christmas period.**

**The next one will be on 10<sup>th</sup> January.**

**Items for the Sunday Notices to be at the Circuit Office by THURSDAY,**

**12 NOON please.** Information can be delivered by hand, left in the Circuit Office "Pigeon Hole" in Reception or sent by email to

[admin@penrithmethodist.co.uk](mailto:admin@penrithmethodist.co.uk)

**The notices are also available on our website.** Please email the Circuit Office if you wish to receive the email link which is sent each Friday.

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**If you have any pastoral concerns please contact the ministers,  
one of the above or the Church Office.**

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**Penrith Circuit Office opening hours:**

9am – 1pm, Monday to Friday

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**Tax payers can Gift Aid today's giving!**

•If you're a visitor (a very warm welcome!) – "Single Gift" envelopes are available at the end of each row in church, in reception and the Crush Hall or please ask any of the door stewards.

**Regular members please see Malcolm Teed – Tel: 758246.**