



WOODLANDS EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Blenheim Drive Allestree www.woodlandschurch.org.uk

A very warm welcome to our services today.

****Motto for 2019 - Matthew 6:21****

Jesus said: For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Sunday 1st December 2019 A.D.

- 10.30am** **All age praise, prayer, communion & Bible teaching**
Mission Focus: The living and active word
Bill Thomas, Gideons UK
GIG & Impact in their groups
****Church picnic after the service****
- 4.00pm** **Woodlands PM**
Sayings of Jesus: I am the gate
John 10:1-10 (p.1076) – Mark Loweth
- 7.00pm** **Prayer focus evening**
Oli Ward

Visiting? Please do take a moment to give us a record of your visit by filling in one of the “Welcome Cards” which can be found on the tables as you came in.

If you are thinking about regularly worshipping with us, do take a WELCOME PACK, giving more details about ourselves and our activities – see one of the Stewards.

Stewards can help you find your way around our building if you need assistance.

Toy bags are available to borrow from the sideboard in the front foyer if you feel your children would appreciate them during the service.

Children & Young People have their own groups part way through the morning service. Crèche facilities are available.

▶ **Full time Pastors:**

Tim Gunn (01332) 556484, Warrick Martin (01332) 804714 & Oli Ward (01332) 554739
Youth & Children’s worker: Beth Arnold 07519 526769

Please be praying - this week at Woodlands – in the church & community

Monday	2 nd	9-11.15am Acorns; Tim Gunn speaking at Walton Evangelical Seniors lunch; 7.30pm Acorns Christmas party prep at church (upstairs); 7.30pm Youth leaders social (downstairs)
Tuesday	3 rd	Oaks at Carsington Water for their Christmas meal; 7.30pm GIG; 8.15pm prayer meeting for Kosovo at church (downstairs)
Wednesday	4 th	9-11.15am Acorns; 7-9pm Church family prayer meeting
Thursday	5 th	9.30-11am Ladies Bible study; Pm Elders meeting
Friday	6 th	10.30am-1.30pm OHeap fire maintenance at church; 7.30pm Pudding Club craft evening
Saturday	7 th	9am-3.30pm Safe families event at church (upstairs – Carly Rosier)
Sunday	8 th	9.30am Prayer – all welcome (now in the room upstairs behind the office) 10.30am All age praise, prayer & Bible teaching Unspeakable joy! Romans 5:1-11 (p.1132) – Tim Gunn GIG & Impact in their groups **The children & young people will be served refreshments in their time together each week** 1-2.30pm Christmas Orchestra/choir practice 4.00pm Woodlands PM The prophets Christmas present: He will come to save Isaiah 35:1-10 (p.720) – Warrick Martin 7.00pm Praise, prayer, communion & Bible teaching 'This generation will not pass away' Mark 13:30 (p.1019) – Steve Adam

<u>Responsibilities</u>	<u>1/12/19</u>	<u>8/12/19</u>
SEEDS	Suzy P, Amy & Rachel	Charlotte, John, Amy & Esther B
Welcome Team:	Philippa	Tim & Jane
Stewards:	Trevor & Ros	Mona & Sarah J
Stewards pm:	Tim G	
Duty elder:	Jon/George	Tim/Oli
Chairs:	Andy, Josh & Pete	Steve, Graham & Dave L
Refreshments (morning only):	Sue W, Jacky, Don & Ruth	Philippa, Ros J, Christine, Sue D & Anna
Flowers:	Jo S	Jeanette

Events

Prayer for Kosovo: We will be meeting at Woodlands church on Tuesday 3rd December at 8:15pm to pray for God's work in Kosovo (meet downstairs as GIG will be upstairs). You would be welcome to come and join us. Please contact Craig Johnson/Claire Brown for further details.

Special prayer times: As we race towards the General Election and Christmas, the need for devoted, focused prayer is of the utmost importance. This Sunday at 7.00pm and on Wednesday 4th from 7.00pm to 9.00pm, we will have the opportunity to cry out to God for our church and our nation. Please don't see these times as 'optional extras' but as essential moments in the work of God's kingdom.

Administrator: Colette Patterson (01332) 551336, email office@woodlandschurch.org.uk
www.woodlandschurch.org.uk

Term time office hours: Monday 9.30-12.30, Tuesday 9.30-14.00 and Friday 10-13.30

Pudding club is holding a "Craft Evening" for ladies on Friday 6th December at 7.30pm at the church building. £6 tickets will be available after Sunday morning services from Philippa Gunn or Esther Watson & from the church office. Please come and bring a friend. During the evening there will be a short reflection on a Christmas theme.

Information

Advent book: Nobody needs to remind us how busy this time of year can be. Focusing deliberately on the 'reason for the season', with time and without distraction, can be very difficult. So to help us through the weeks leading up to Christmas, we are offering a book to everyone with a short reading for each day of Advent - "Radiant dawn" by Tom Parsons. It looks closely at the story of Jesus' birth from the opening chapters of Luke's account of his life. Please take a book from the table at the back and enjoy using it! The books only cost the church £1 each. If you are able to cover that cost, please put the money in the offering boxes as you come into the main building.

Saltmine Theatre Company Presents: Rapunzel!

When: Thursday 5th December. Time: 6:30pm (doors open 6pm).

Where: Reach Derby, The Riverside Centre, Pride Park, Derby, DE24 8HY.

Tickets: Adult: £8, Concession: £5, Family Ticket: £25 (Up to 2 adults and 4 children).

Booking: <https://www.derbylive.co.uk/whats-on/rapunzel-christmas-pantomime>

Telephone: 01332 255800.

Pudding Club: We need some help in collecting materials to be used at the craft evening on Friday 6th December. Can you help? We need: jam jars (no lids), wool oddments, old paperback books and tea cups and saucers. Please talk to Philippa Gunn or leave what you can in the box at the back of church. Thank you 😊

Woodlands Church are hosting the **Safe Families training** on the 7th December from 9.30am - 3.30pm. If anyone would like to get involved and become a volunteer they can come speak to Carly Rosier.

4 Front Theatre, a Christian Theatre company are coming to Broadway Baptist (DE22 1BP) on Monday 9th December at 6pm. The show is called 'Back in time for Christmas'. It is for all ages, no need to book, donations are welcome but no fixed ticket price.

Christmas offering: As in previous years, we will take up a special 'Christmas offering' for the works of Derby City Mission and Tearfund. This will take place on Sunday 15th December in both congregations. Please give generously as we 'remember the poor' at this time of the year.

Calling all musicians... Would you like to be involved in serving the church this Christmas in the church Carol service orchestra? Or would you like to sing in the choir? The Carol service is on Sunday 22nd December at 7pm. If you are interested please email Jonda to let him know what part you play/sing (and the key of the instrument if applicable!). There will be rehearsals on the Sunday lunchtime/early afternoons of 8th, 15th & 22nd December. Many thanks – Jonda Hill.

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Allestree Churches Together events – there is a leaflet in the foyer with more details on but here is a snapshot:

- From 1st December Churches Together #Follow the Star Nativity Trail – Can you find the Stars around Park Farm shops? Collect your free trail leaflet from Allestree Post office and the library.
- Joint Churches Advent Prayer stations at Holy Family Church on Monday 2nd December at 7.30pm.
- Joint Churches Together Carols at Park Farm on Saturday 14th December at 11am (outside Birds Bakers) followed by refreshments at St John's church.

Church family news

Pray for street pastors: Some from our church family are street pastors with Derby City Mission. Please can you pray specifically for the following when they are on their night shift duty:

- Friday 29th November – Trevor Jackson
- Saturday 7th December – Chrissy Hill
- Saturday 21st December – Karin Cooper

Please pray that Jesus, the 'Light of the World' can be seen in the street pastors by those they meet as they walk around Derby city centre. Pray for boldness and courage and for team unity.

Annual Leave (all dates inclusive)

Warrick Martin – Monday 2nd December

Oli Ward – Thursday 5th December – Saturday 7th December

Help needed: There is a rota to bring Eleanor Hall to Church on Sunday evenings, and it would be great if we could add some new people who would be willing to serve in this way. You could offer as little as 1 Sunday per 4 months, or more if you were able. Could you e-mail or phone Malcolm Brown if you can help, as soon as possible, please, as the new rota is being prepared. Thank you.

Communion service: We use non-alcoholic wine and gluten free bread in our communion services.

Hearing Aid users: The church is fitted with an induction loop and hearing aid users should switch to the 'T' setting to benefit.

Large-print song books: Large-print word copies of "Songs of Fellowship" are available on request from the door stewards if you have any difficulty reading from the screen.

Church Notice Sheet: Items for the next notice sheet must be passed to Colette Patterson by Wednesday evening. Details can be left in her pigeonhole, you can ring the office (01332 551336) where there is an answer phone or email: office@woodlandchurch.org.uk.

Giving to Woodlands: If you would like to make a money gift on a Sunday to Woodlands, there are collection boxes fixed to the walls as you come into the Church Hall. For regular giving please speak to Sue Smith, the church treasurer or there are forms in the main foyer for you to fill in and return.

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