

Dear God, I pray that you will bless me and my church. Send people into our fellowship,  
and protect us all. In Jesus' name. Amen

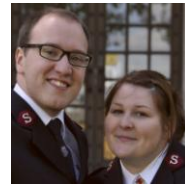
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Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2018

'Christ Centred Living'

Matthew 2:1-12



## Happy New Year & welcome to worship...

So the 'Twelve Days of Christmas' have officially come and gone.

Are your decorations down? In theory they should be by now, and the Christmas tree packed away (or thrown out!) for another year (For what it's worth ours are...mostly because they never really made it out of the box this year!).

Yesterday (6<sup>th</sup> January) in the Church Calendar was a special day which marked the end of the Christmas season and if you're the kind of person who wishes it could be Christmas every day then today might be just for you as we extend the season slightly by celebrating the Feast of the Epiphany today! (Albeit a day late...but then again, without Sat Nav's the wise men may have been a day or two late too!)

Over the past weeks we have celebrated the season of advent and we have looked forward to the promise of the coming of Christ. On Christmas Day, we celebrated all that the fulfilment of that promise. But, what are we going to do with that promise? What are we going to do about the born baby? Today, that's our question as we look to the visit of the Magi. What difference does finding Christ make to our lives? How is Christ's coming going to impact you and those around you in the coming year? Let's see!

God bless you

Berri

**As there was no newsletter last week some of you may not yet have heard the good news... CONGRATULATIONS to Michelle Gallagher and Anthony on their engagement!**



The gift of flowers greatly enhances our worship environment. There is a new flower list on the notice board please book your dates.

### Prayer Requests

**Audrey Allen**- whose sister died over the Christmas period and whose funeral Audrey needs to arrange.

**Pauline Ashley** who is unwell and back in hospital and **June Anslow's** son-in-law needs our prayers please.

**Anne Carroll** has been unwell over the Christmas period but is showing signs of getting better.

### This Week:

Mon & Tue- Toddlers

Weds- CAMEO

Fri- NO YOUTH GROUP- Due to Youth Band Rehearsal.

### Future dates:-

**Next Sunday:** Vision and Commitment Sunday lead by Callum: 'Living as Disciples: Every day, in everything, everywhere'

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> January:** Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Meeting at Hythe URC Church at 6:30pm. Please support this if you are able.

FUTURE DATES – SEE OVER...

In the Local Area...

**The International Staff Band** of The Salvation Army is visiting Sittingbourne Corps on 27/28 January. Saturday evening is a festival at Sittingbourne Baptist Church at 7:00pm. Tickets (£10) available from Paul Newman on 07938630121 or [p\\_newman517@aol.com](mailto:p_newman517@aol.com) . Sunday worship is at 10am and 3:00pm.

**The International Staff Songsters** of The Salvation Army are visiting Chatham Corps on 17/18 March. Saturday afternoon at 4:00pm there is a vocal workshop to which all ticket holders to the evening festival are invited (spaces must be booked). The Saturday evening festival at the hall is priced at £8 adults (u12s free). Sunday worship is at 10am and 4:00pm.

**Save the date...**

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2018 - Visit of the South East Divisional Youth Band and the South East Fellowship Band to Hythe.**