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SERVICE NOTES

4th January 2026

Epiphany Sunday

Today's Communion service will be led by

Wilfred Rhodes

HYMNS

608	Speak, Lord, in the Stillness
65	Brightest and Best of the Sons of the Morning
420	Like a Candle Flame
723	We Come as Guests Invited
R&S654	We Turn to You O God of Every Nation

READINGS

NT	Revelations 21:1-5, 22-25
NT	Matthew 3:1-3, 13-17

DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday: Heavenly Father, on this first Sunday of the New Year let us give thanks for some things that never change, such as Your love, mercy, and faithfulness. Pray that we may be used to bring about changes for the better in our troubled world.

Monday: Lord, bless all who strive for peace, irrespective of creeds and cultures, having no other agenda than to see communities live together in harmony.

Tuesday: Loving God, we bring before you the many families struggling with life at present through illness, mounting debt and anxiety. May we be present when needed, showing your love.

Wednesday: Give thanks for the Hallelujah moments experienced - meeting a long-lost friend, having a prayer answered, witnessing a magical moment. For these and all Hallelujah moments, we thank you, Gracious God.

Thursday: Lord, you taught your disciples not to worry about the future. Give me

the power of your Spirit that I may remain positive throughout all that I experience in my daily life.

Friday: Heavenly Father, we give thanks for the many blessings received through the gifts given to others. We think especially at this time of mounting pressure on our NHS and pray for all seeking to provide a service.

Saturday: Almighty God, at the start of a new year show me how I can become more open, more faithful and more trusting in you and not be distracted by lesser things.

FAMILY PRAYERS

This week we particularly pray for:

Verna & Ray Elliott,
Cath Findlay, and
Margaret Gardner



NOTICES

FLOWERS

Happy 2026! New lists are up on the wall outside the flower room inviting you to sign up to donate or arrange flowers. Flowers are a valuable contribution towards our Sunday worship and a great blessing to those who receive them afterwards.

PLEASE consider giving flowers and or helping to share them out after morning worship.

If you give your receipt for any flowers you buy to Matthew Smith (Church Treasurer) he will reimburse you with their cost.

Your help would be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions please speak to **Hilary Redman** (01903 260568 or 07763 083111).

BREAKFAST

We will be serving church breakfast on Sunday 11th between 9:45 and 10:20. Please feel free to arrive a few minutes early to enjoy a hot drink and a roll. Maybe even bring a friend!

The Outreach Team



BIBLE QUOTE

“Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing!”

Isaiah 43:18-19 (NIV)



NOTICES

Please do not forget to submit your notices for inclusion to Welcome. There is usually space!

Ryan Thomas



DIARY & MISC

UPCOMING SERVICES

Sun 11 th	Stuart Dew (with Church Breakfast)
Sun 18 th	Rev Richard Brunton (Living Hope)
Wed 21 st	Praise Service (19:00)
Sun 25 th	Tina Twaites

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK...

Mon 5 th	14:00–16:00	Coffee & Cake (Sanctuary)
Tue 6 th	09:30–11:15	Table Tennis (Main Hall)
Wed 7 th	19:00	Bible Study (Sanctuary)
Fri 9 th	09:30–11:15	Table Tennis (Main Hall)

...AND LATER

Mon 12 th	09:30	Mini Fishes
Tue 13 th	14:15–16:00	Tuesday Fellowship (see below)
Wed 14 th	19:00	Bible Study

TUESDAY FELLOWSHIP

Tuesday Fellowship meets for the first time this year on January 13th at 14.15. We have a very special afternoon! **Roly's Rogues**, a group of Ukulele players, will be playing for us. Everyone is welcome! **Wilfred Rhodes**

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