Regular church activities - Dates for your diary

CONNECT (Maureen Jones) **Monday December 7** Meet at 10.30 in Britty Woods car park (GU10 1JJ - Passing Cutmill Pond on right Car park is on the left opposite a house.) We will take a ***3 mile easy walk at Charleshill***. Lunch will be at 1pm at The Pavilion Cafe (GU8 6LB)

Monday December 21 ***Bring and Share Christmas Lunch*** 12.30pm at 'Elmfield' Tuesley Lane.

FUSION children's group (School years 3 – 6) **CURRENTLY NOT ACTIVE** Wednesdays during school term 5:30pm - 6:45pm (See Trinity Trust website for details)
FUSE – 7.30 – 8.30pm (School years 6 +) F4 or Library After Evening service last Sunday of the month

ART Space Meeting once a month usually on the first Saturday of the month. We meet from 9.30 am – mid day. Feel free to join us at any time during the morning. Bring any materials you would like to work with. Next ART space **Saturday December 5th**

COFFEE STOP – Once a month usually on the first Saturday of the month. The foyer area is open for anyone to drop by for a hot drink & slice of cake raising money for local charities. 10am – mid day. Next Coffee Stop **Saturday December 5th**

Board Games Afternoon at the church 2.00 – 4.00pm. (Sally Pollard) Monthly on the first Friday of the month. Next Board games afternoon on **Friday 4th December**

Short Mat Bowls Friday evenings 7.00 - 10.00pm **(Sept – April)**

SENIOR MOMENTS - (Eric Jarman) 2.30pm alternating Wednesdays at the Church. ***ALL ARE VERY WELCOME.*** **Nov 25th** Dec 9th.

MEN'S group – **Men's breakfast** at Wetherspoons 8.30am **12th Dec**. For more details please contact **Ian Taylor** – iantaylor2206@outlook.com

Men's walk – last Friday of the month. Next walk **Friday27th November** Contact **Mike Richardson** - mobile 0765-290-8543 email mickydickson1945@gmail.com

Knitting group – **Alternate weeks to Friendship Lunch on a Thursday** in the church hall 10 - 12.00pm Next session – **3rd Dec** (Contact Michele Taylor)

PRAYER - *Please join us to pray before the service at 9:35 am in the Oasis room upstairs each Sunday.*
3rd Wed - 10 am **Prayer Meeting** in the library. 3rd Wed will now also include the **Mission team prayer meeting** in the library to pray for those in the mission field. ***(No Prayer meeting in August or December)***

GODALMING BAPTIST CHURCH

A people who relate to God, together and to the world

Sunday 29th November News Sheet

ADVENT



Leading: Peter
Reading: John 20: 1-18 read by Carol
Prayers: Led by Babs
Sermon: Jack – Jesus

If you are visiting for the first time, we offer you a very warm welcome to our church

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GBC Postbox is now in reception for cards within the fellowship. Donations in lieu of stamps much appreciated towards the vital ministry of Trinity Trust. Christmas cards will be sorted on **Friday 11th December** for distribution on **Sunday 13th December** (to give 2 Sundays for collection before Christmas)

Upcoming dates to put in your diary

Saturday 28th Nov - Churches Together Prayer Breakfast at Godalming United Church 8.30 - 10.00am

Weds 2nd Dec - Songs of Praise Service 2.00pm at GBC followed by refreshments. Do come and bring a friend

Friday 4th December- **Games Afternoon** 2.00 - 4.00pm. Do come and enjoy a light-hearted afternoon of boardgames- Quiddler, Scrabble, RummiKub, Upwords and bingo!

Friday 4th Dec - Movie Night at GBC 7.00pm

Saturday 5th Dec - Coffee Stop 10.00am-12.00 Noon *supporting Phyliss Tuckwell Hospice in memory of Catherine* - delicious homemade cakes and tea/ coffee to enjoy - no charge but all donations much appreciated towards The Phyliss Tuckwell Hospice

Saturday 5th December - Art Space from 9.30am - 12.00 Noon. Do come and enjoy a relaxed morning of arts and crafts

Sunday 6th December-Toys for Merton Christian Care. Donations of new toys would be very much appreciated for those families who are finding Christmas a challenging time. Flyers in reception give a list of items needed - thank you!

Prayers for Advent

Advent is not simply remembering a Baby born in Bethlehem. It is the celebration of the coming of God into our World, recognising his presence among us now, and anticipating the day when Jesus comes again.

The first Candle of Advent is Hope also known as the Candle of Prophecy.

A shout shall come out from the stock of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots.
The spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him,
The spirit of wisdom and understanding,
The spirit of counsel and might,
The spirit of knowledge and
The fear of the Lord.

We thank you Lord, that you, the root of Jesse has come, fulfilling the promises of old, and you will come again. Until that day we wait in Hope and expectation. Thank you, that you, who started a good work in us will bring it to completion. May our hearts be ready, our lamps filled with oil, as we wait in joyful Hope.

Amen

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