



WEEKLY NEWS SHEET

SUNDAY SERVICE – 14th DECEMBER 2025 – ADVENT 3

10.30 a.m. Morning Worship
Theme: The Coming of Light
Readings: Luke 1:26–38

SUNDAY MORNING PRAYERS

We are gathering for prayer every Sunday morning at 10am for 15 minutes to pray for the service, the church and urgent needs. Please come along.

Following the service, there is also the opportunity to meet for prayer with members of the prayer ministry team in the Prayer room (first room on right when going in the direction of the back hall). It is a confidential and relaxed time over a cup of coffee.

SEATING ARRANGEMENTS

The two back rows on the right hand side of the church are reserved for those who are clinically vulnerable.

TESTIMONIES

We would really love to hear what God is doing in your life and prayers that are answered. If you have anything you wish to share with the congregation, please speak to Darren or Melanie before or after the service.

CHURCH DIARY – WEEK COMMENCING 15.12.25.

Thursday 18 th December	2.00 pm	Thermal Thursday
Thursday 18 th December	7.00 pm	Table Tennis

CAROL SINGERS

The Angel has invited us to sing carols on **Friday, 19th December at 7 p.m.** Come and join in.

JOIN US THIS CHRISTMAS

Sunday 21st December

10.30 am 'Make and Do' Nativity Service
3.00 pm 'Lights of Love' Service
6.00 pm Carols & Readings by Candlelight

Christmas Eve – Wednesday 24th December

5.00 pm Christingle service

Christmas Day – Thursday 25th December

10.30 am Christmas Celebration

Leaflets are available, to hand to friends & family, with more information.

HIGH TEA : LOW CHURCH

Please join us on **Saturday 3rd January 2026** when we will hear from the Mahon family who are missionaries with BMS in Peru. It's a time to enjoy each other's company around a wonderful High Tea at 4.30 p.m. which includes sandwiches, cakes and cream teas, followed by Low Church at 5.30 p.m. with some great hymns/songs. Please don't forget to invite your family and friends.

MINCE PIES

We would like to be able to offer mince pies along with our usual after service teas and coffees at our services on the 21st December and the Christingle service on the 24th December. Donations of mince pies, bought or home-made, would be appreciated.

CHRISTMAS CARDS ETC.

Please check the pigeonholes outside the Church office for your Christmas cards etc.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for Jenny and team as they take a service at Parley Place on 19th December.

Please pray as a group from our church have the privilege of carol singing at The Angel Inn on Friday 19th December, that we may be a witness to the folk there who may not sing carols anywhere else this Christmas.

Please pray for all the Christmas services planned - that folk may come and hear the good news of Jesus and that Darren and Mel would be encouraged and inspired.

Please pray for any of our fellowship in hospital at this time and for Les as he is in a care home in Weymouth.

PRAYERS FOR THE PERSECUTED CHURCH

O Lord, we pray for Your children in Eritrea, who suffer arbitrary arrest and imprisonment for their faith. Thank You that these believers – who are arrested without charge or trial, and are beaten, starved, tortured and forced into labour – still have not forgotten You. Please stay with them, giving them strength and comfort in these horrible conditions. Change the hearts of the authorities, God, so that these brothers and sisters of ours will be released and live without fear. We ask this in the Name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

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Items for the Weekly News Sheet should be sent to Angela Jameson via email angelacjameson@aol.com **no later than Thursday midday.**

GIVING

If you are considering giving a donation to the Church, below are the Church bank details:

Account Name: United Church Ferndown

Sort Code: 40-52-40

Account Number: 00010899

CAF Bank Ltd

Cheques should be made payable to United Church Ferndown.

During the Sunday service, we will be taking up an offering, cash and cheques can be placed in the offering bag as it is passed around. If you are able to gift aid your giving please contact Angela Jameson on 07754 534533 or via email treasurer@ferndown.church

Ministers: Rev. Darren Pike & Rev. Melanie Pike (Day Off: Monday)

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