

CHRIST CHURCH ABINGDON

1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - SUNDAY 29TH NOVEMBER 2026

Sunday

09:30am Morning Worship at Northcourt Road – The Prophet who Warns, Isaiah 1:1-20, Reuben Coulter
Click here for a YouTube link for the 9:30am service

10:00am Morning Worship at Long Furlong – The Promised King, Isaiah 9:2-7, Robin Emmanuel

11:20am Morning Worship at Northcourt Road – The Prophet who Warns, Isaiah 1:1-20, Reuben Coulter

6.30pm Evening Worship at Northcourt Road – The Lord who will Return, Mark 13:24-37, Mark Ahmed

The Dents' adventures with Mercy Ships - Redefining 'Active Retired', Andy and Gabrielle will share in all NCR Services about their experiences and plans. Hear more over tea @3pm on Wednesday 9th December in the Church.

This Week

Thursday Fellowship

This week we welcome Pam McKellen as our speaker. She will be finishing this term's series on 'Moses - Friend of God' and speaking on 'The death of Moses - examining his legacy' from Deuteronomy 34:1-12 All are welcome to join us 10.30am in The Barn.

Events

Childrens' Christmas Party Drop Off

On 6th December, the young people will be running a fabYULEus, festive fun afternoon for children ages 5 to 11. This will be from 2 to 4pm in the Barn. Tickets are to help raise money for the Youth Weekend Away. Games, craft and snacks provided. More details and booking here.

Service of Loss

Our annual Service of Loss will be held on Sunday December 6th at 3pm in the church. A gentle service of reflection for us to remember those people in our lives who have died over recent months and years. There will be a short reflection given by Rev Ros Steel and opportunity to light a candle in your loved one's memory. Followed by refreshments and a chance to share with others in similar situations. All are welcome.

SHAPE – Discover your Ministry

God has shaped you to serve him. But how do you discover what part God wants you to play? SHAPE describes aspects of life that make you the person you are – Spiritual Gifts, Heart, Ability, Personality, Experiences. Monday 7thDecember, 7:30pm, in the Church Lounge (note this is a change of date to that in the term card). See Keith Dunnett or Robin Emmanuel for details. Book here.

Thank you and Save the Date

Thank you to everyone who bought cakes and crafts over the past two weeks and those who donated also. Thanks to your generosity we have raised £831! So thank you. Our next fundraiser will be a Quiz Night on 16th January and we would love you to come and be part of a team!

Christmas Services and Events

Beer and Carols – 9th Dec @ The Spread Eagle (7:30-9:00pm)

Join us for a free evening of live carols! Bring friends and family, buy a beverage at the bar and let's get carolling!

Church in Abingdon Carols in the Market Place – 12th Dec, (10am)

Celebrate the Christmas story by singing Carols in Abingdon Market Place with churches in Abingdon. We welcome musicians to come and join us.

Community Carols– 13th Dec, @ LF School (4pm)

Dress warm for an outdoor sing along with some classic Christmas songs, Ho-Ho-Hot chocolates & scrumptious seasonal snacks.

Carol Services – 20th Dec @ NCR

3pm A slightly shorter carol service, including carols, interactive readings as well as some creative elements. Perfect for families!

5pm & 7pm Carol services with traditional readings and carols as well as some creative elements. The 5pm will also be livestreamed.

All carol services will be followed by refreshments in the Barn.

Christingles– 24th Dec

10:30am Singing Circle + Christingle @ LF School - Seasonal songs & festive fun for pre-schoolers, siblings and their grown-ups.

3pm @LF School, 3pm & 4:30pm @NCR - Join us for one of our annual Christingle services. A fun service for all the family focusing on the true meaning of Christmas!

Midnight Communion – 24th Dec @ NCR (11pm)

A reflective communion service beginning Christmas day focused on Christ.

BCP Communion – 25th Dec @ NCR (8am)

A more traditional BCP communion service on Christmas morning.

Christmas Family Services – 25th Dec @ LF (10am) and @NCR (10:30am)

Come together with church family to celebrate Christmas morning with prayer, praise and worship!

All our services are free to attend but booking is required for Carol and Christingle Services due to limits on capacity. **Click here to book.**

Ministries & News

Request for Cakes

If you have a passion for cake baking and serving God then I have just the job for you! On Sun Dec 6th we are holding our annual Service of Loss and we like to serve refreshments afterwards. If you could make a cake or traybake please let me know and I will gladly say 'Yes please'! sue.quantick@cca.uk.net

Creative Table Co-ordinator 6:30pm Service

Do you have a heart for connecting with God through creative expression? At the 6.30pm service we are looking for someone to join and coordinate the wonderful team of people who host our creative table. This would involve overseeing the rota and supporting with hosting once a month.

Sunday Driving

Thanks to our appeal, one new driver has volunteered; two more are needed for 11:20am church services. Could you bring up to three people once a month? Please speak to Roland Knight. This official role serves vulnerable adults: volunteers must obtain a DBS and be safely recruited.

Caring for Creation – Eco Tip

Our church uses green energy suppliers for gas and electricity - Could you switch your household energy supplier to get a green tariff? eg to Good Energy, Octopus, Ecotricity or 100Green.

Foodbank

Thank you for supporting the Foodbank. Our current needs are: tinned ham, UHT whole milk, fruit squash, sunflower oil, deodorant, washing up liquid. And do sign up to easyfundraising: Then, whenever you buy from Tesco, Waitrose, Amazon and lots of others, they give us a small donation.

Richard Pannett

Richard Pannett's memorial service will be at NCR on Tuesday 9th December at 11:30am. Please be praying for Jacqui and the family.

Please Pray for Those Who are Unwell

Joan Aspley, Pamela Carter, Eileen Jeffries, Gill Privett, Denise (Vicky Russell's neighbour), Antonia Conlon, Doris Purbrick