



WOODLANDS EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Blenheim Drive Allestree www.woodlandschurch.org.uk

A very warm welcome to our services today.

Sunday 16th December 2018 A.D.

- 10.30am** **All age praise, prayer & Bible teaching**
The radiance of God's glory
Hebrews 1:1-3 (p.1201) - Tim Gunn
GIG/Impact in their groups & MIX at the Deli.
Impact at Portway Juniors
- 4.00pm** **Children's carol service**
Warrick Martin

No Woodlands PM or evening service

Visiting? Please do take a moment to give us a record of your visit by filling in one of the "Welcome Cards" which can be found on the tables as you came in.

If you are thinking about regularly worshipping with us, do take a WELCOME PACK, giving more details about ourselves and our activities – see one of the Stewards.

Stewards can help you find your way around our building if you need assistance.

Toy bags are available to borrow from the sideboard in the front foyer if you feel your children would appreciate them during the service.

Children & Young People have their own groups part way through the morning service. Crèche facilities are available.

▶ **Full time Pastors:**

Tim Gunn (01332) 556484 & Warrick Martin (01332) 804714

Youth & Young adult worker: Thiago Holanda

thiago.holanda@woodlandschurch.org.uk

Please be praying - this week at Woodlands – in the church & community

Monday	17 th	Am Acorns; 5.30-7pm External hire (Beavers)
Tuesday	18 th	10am Oaks; aft WI upstairs; 7.30pm GIG
Wednesday	19 th	Am Acorns
Thursday	20 th	9.30am Ladies Bible study (Philippa's group); 10.30am Portway Juniors assembly; pm Elders meeting
Friday	21 st	Am Acorns; 7pm choir rehearsal
Saturday	22 nd	12-2.30pm Senior Citizen's lunch
Sunday	23 rd	<p>9.00am Family nativity Breakfast & service There is no additional morning service. This service is for all ☺</p> <p>4.00pm No Woodlands PM</p> <p>7.00pm Carols by candlelight Led by Warrick Martin</p>

<u>Responsibilities</u>	<u>16/12/18</u>	<u>23/12/18</u>
SEEDS	Esther, Amy & Dave S	Lucie, Chrissy & Charlotte
Welcome Team:	Ian & Dawn	George & Mona
Stewards:	David & George T	Greg & Behrouz
Stewards pm:	4pm Children's carol service	7pm Carols by candlelight
Duty elder:	Warrick	Tim Gunn
Chairs:	Trevor, Rich L & Jon	Kevin & Sue
Refreshments:	Heather, Sue W, Kate, Don & Shirley	Colleen, Jane, Carole W & Chrissy
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Flowers:	Christmas decorations	Christmas decorations

Events

The Woodlands Senior Citizen's Christmas Dinner is next Saturday 22nd December from 12 noon to 2.30pm. Please be praying for this event – around 40 people have signed up to come.

Family Nativity breakfast & service: This will take place next Sunday 23rd December. The event will start at 9am. All children and adults are invited to dress up if they wish. **There will be no additional morning service.** Thank you.

'Pudding Club' does a Ladies New Year Breakfast – *Advance notice*

On Saturday 12th January all ladies at Woodlands are invited to a New Year Breakfast, 8.30am – 10am in the church building. This will be a time to share fellowship and, for any who would like to, to share testimony of how God has been/is working in their lives at the moment. After Christmas there will be sign-up sheets at the back of church for this event. A donation of £3 would be welcome on the day to cover costs. Please do put the date in your new diaries and if you would like to share testimony during the morning please speak to Philippa Gunn or email her. Thank you.

Administrator: Colette Patterson (01332) 551336, email office@woodlandschurch.org.uk
www.woodlandschurch.org.uk

Term time office hours: Monday 9.30-12.30, Tuesday 9.30-14.00 and Friday 10-13.30

Information

Christmas offering: As was mentioned at the AGM last Wednesday, there will be an offering this Sunday 16th December, in aid of Tearfund and Derby City Mission. This is our normal Christmas offering focusing on the poor and marginalised. It does come rather soon after our autumn gift day which was much later this year. However, we know that many like to give financially at Christmas and so we wanted to go ahead as planned and 'remember the poor'! Do come prepared to give generously this Sunday as we focus on the one who gave all for us.

Bookstall: After the morning service this Sunday 16th December the bookstall from the church weekend will be available. Most of the books are either £1 or £2 – great stocking fillers! The specialist books from the weekend will also be available. Lucie Stacey will be running the bookstall.

Desserts for the Senior Citizen's Christmas lunch: We need approximately 12 volunteers to make and bring desserts for the Christmas lunch (22nd December). Each dessert needs to serve 10 people (e.g trifle, chocolate gateaux, pavlova/lemon meringue pie, fresh fruit salad). Philip Batten is co-ordinating this so please contact him so he can make sure we have a good variety. Thank you ☺.

ACORNS refreshment helpers: We need more volunteers for the drinks rota at Acorns, especially on a Wednesday or Friday morning. It is 3 or 4 times in a 4 month period. Please speak to Philippa Gunn or Colette Patterson for further information or if you can help with this.

Church family news

New church directory and GDPR compliance: We need you to check your details in the directory and for you to sign to say you are happy for your details to be in the directory and for us to contact you with emails and updates. There is a cover sheet explaining more about this and this will also be emailed out. One adult can sign the directory on behalf of your family. If you would like any details removing or adding then now is the time to do so. If you don't sign this document then unfortunately, we may need to remove you from the directory. If you are new to the church in the last year and you have not been added to this list then please add your details at the end and sign. The plan is to have the new directory out by the end of January but we need your help in order to do this so that we are GDPR compliant going forward ☺
Thank you.

Autumn gift day: Praise the Lord! The total amount given including gift aid was £9521.30! This money is now being distributed to our mission partners.

Thank you from Grace Church, Hilton: We have received a message of thanks after sending some of the gift day monies on. Grace church wanted to pass on their thanks to us for supporting them with the financial gift. They really appreciate it and it means they can continue on in the gospel work in Hilton without being limited by financial concerns. They wanted to pass on their thanks to the whole church for our partnership in the gospel with them.

Annual leave – all dates inclusive:

Warrick Martin & Tim Gunn will be on leave from Wednesday 26th December – Tuesday 1st January.

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Baby news: Congratulations to Nathan, Anna and Samuel on the safe arrival of Eden Rose D'Oyley. She was born on the 21st November, weighing 7lb 3oz. All are doing well. Praise God.

Lifts on Sunday evenings: A group of us take Eleanor Hall to church on Sunday evenings, and it would be great if you felt this was something that you could do. If you can offer one or two evenings a term, please contact Malcolm Brown as soon as possible.

Two weekly notice sheet (23rd & 30th December): Next Sunday's (23rd) notice sheet will cover two weeks with it being the Christmas break. Please can all items be passed to Colette Patterson by Wednesday 19th December. Thank you ☺.

QUOTE, UNQUOTE: "The Son of God became man to enable men to become the sons of God."
~ C S Lewis in Mere Christianity

Communion service: We use non-alcoholic wine and gluten free bread in our communion services.

Hearing Aid users: The church is fitted with an induction loop and hearing aid users should switch to the 'T' setting to benefit.

Large-print song books: Large-print word copies of "Songs of Fellowship" are available on request from the door stewards if you have any difficulty reading from the screen.

<p>Church Notice Sheet: Items for the next notice sheet must be passed to Colette Patterson by Wednesday evening. Details can be left in her pigeonhole, ring her on 01332 987957 or you can ring the office, 551336, where there is an answer phone or email: office@woodlandschurch.org.uk.</p> <p>Giving to Woodlands: If you would like to make a gift on a Sunday to Woodlands, there are collection boxes fixed to the walls as you come into the Church Hall. For regular giving please speak to Sue Smith, the church treasurer.</p>
