



# The Church that meets at Bethel



## Activities & Prayer Diary 4th - 11th December 2022

Sunday	4	10.30am	A Service of Nine Lessons and Carols <a href="https://youtu.be/kX6bvWmVVKs">https://youtu.be/kX6bvWmVVKs</a>
		1.30pm	Christening: <i>Tula Esme Adria Jones</i>
		6.00pm	Remembrance Carol Service <a href="https://youtu.be/20PLGIsoy0M">https://youtu.be/20PLGIsoy0M</a>
Monday	5	8.30am	Little Lambs Pre-School, incl. Kids & Bids
		9.30am	Knit & Natter
		12.30pm	Little Lambs Pre-School
		1.00pm	BIBO
Tuesday	6	8.30am	Little Lambs Pre-School
		12.30pm	Little Lambs Pre-School
Wednesday	7	8.30am	Little Lambs Pre-School
		12.30pm	Little Lambs Pre-School
		12.30pm	Cornerstone Christmas Party
Thursday	8	8.30am	Little Lambs Pre-School
		12.30pm	Little Lambs Pre-School
		4.00pm	Prayer Meeting
Friday	9	8.30am	Little Lambs Nativity Service
		7.00pm	Friday Night Icebreakers
Saturday	10	10.00am	One Way - Breakfast with Santa
Sunday	11	10.30am	Morning Service - <i>followed by Pathfinders &amp; Icebreakers trip to Bodenham Nativity Trail</i>
		6.00pm	Evening Service

# Prayers, Notes and News

## FOR YOUR PRAYERS

- Sadly, Joan Furnell, one of our long-term Cornerstone ladies, died last week. Her funeral service is here at Bethel on Tuesday 20th December 10.45am, followed by committal at Stourbridge Crematorium at 11.40am. Please pray for the Lord to be close to Sheila and her family at this time.
- Thank you for all your prayers for Jane. The next oncology review is on 20th January.
- Please continue to hold Jacq in your prayers. We still need Jesus' healing touch on her life for all the left-behind, post-cancer, post-radiotherapy treatment damage. Jacq struggles on each and every day - please ask Jesus the Healer to help her.
- Please continue to hold Joyce and Roy in your prayers. Roy is still having treatment for yet another infection, but hopefully, we are making good headway with this. Great news for Joyce at the endocrinologist. All the levels about which the doctor was so worried have returned to normal! She is now taking iron tablets to see if that helps with the exhaustion and awaits a GP appointment to talk through the next steps to help her. Please pray for healing for them both, and for God's extra strength for Joyce. Thank you.
- Please continue to hold John in your prayers as he waits for his next round of chemotherapy tablets. The last scan results showed no growth at all in the cancer. So, thank you Lord, and please continue to pray for a cancer-free John.
- Please pray for James, Freida's son who is having on-going treatment for MS. Please ask the Lord to reach out and touch him and pray for her other son Neil too and also for Freida at this difficult time. Thank you.

- Please continue to hold Beryl's daughter Julie in your prayers. The severe arthritis, and a flare up with the fibromyalgia, is causing her to be in a lot of pain. Please pray for God to make a way for her to a much better quality of life, and keep Beryl in your prayers at this difficult time, as Beryl too is in constant pain with her arthritis. Thank you.
- Please continue to pray for Ann Mason (Kim Nicholls' mom) who is currently taking medication to fight breast cancer. Pray for the Lord to heal her please, and for Kim as she walks with her mom through these days. Pray too for Ian Watson (same family) who also needs our prayers for healing.
- Would you please keep in your prayers all of our Sunday and Cornerstone bids - Sadie is in temporary respite care at the moment, struggling to walk, but is really hoping to be home soon if only a care package can be set up for her.

**We are also really short of help at Cornerstone - Wednesdays from 12.30 - 2.30pm. If you can help, that would be wonderful. Thank you. Jx**

**Could this be you???**

- Please pray for our Little Lambs staff, children and parents and for all our children and young people at nursery/school/college/university, that they would remain protected by and close to the Lord.
- Please keep in your prayers Bethel Treasures Heaven Scent and all the staff including the unit staff, as they serve the community with the Little Shop of Hope. Anyone wishing to volunteer a little time helping out at Bethel Treasures, please, just come forward!

***Volunteers aren't paid.  
Not because they are worthless, but  
because they are priceless.***

## Pray for Ukraine



Please pray for the people of Ukraine. Thank God for the courage and bravery of the Ukrainians who are living in dreadful times. Pray that the Lord of Hosts would continue to hold

them, protect them and keep them as they push back and are re-gaining ground. We pray for this aggression against Ukraine to end.

## Christmas Fayre

The amount raised at our Christmas Fayre currently stands at a magnificent **£13,118.00**

If anyone donated items to the fayre that we can claim the tax back on, please let us know the value so that we can make the claim fairly soon.

## Opportunity

Part-time walker needed to assist with adult with autism, working with 1 other. No experience needed but must be very patient. Walking and hiking in all weathers including visits to National Trust locations. To start in January. If interested please call Andy Kelley on 07791 869437

## 12 Days of Giving

Benefact Group are giving away £120,000 to 120 charities over 12 days in the lead up to Christmas. If you can, would you please nominate Bethel to receive one of their £1000 gifts? Our charity number is 1001260 and the link is at <https://movementforgood.com> - their last draw is on 16th December. Thank you.

## Prayer and Flower Calendars 2023

The Prayer & Fasting Calendar and the Flower Calendar for 2023 are now available to sign up for the dates that you would like to take. They are coming around on boards this morning, so please make sure you get to see them if you have specific dates in mind for next year.

## WHAT'S ON AT BETHEL

### Bethel Choral Society

Following the years of no singing due to COVID, the Choral Society are back in action on Thursday 15th December 7.30pm. The cantata is "Night of Miracles" with a special rendition of "My Lord has come" to end the evening. If you like choral music, you'll love the evening. All welcome, free entry, offering taken for the children of Bethlehem.

### Dates for your Diary

- Fri 9 Dec - am - Little Lambs Nativity Service
  - Sat 10 Dec - 10am-1pm - One Way Breakfast with Santa
  - Sun 11 Dec - After church - Pathfinders and Icebreakers trip to Bodenham Nativity Trail (bring a packed lunch to eat before we go!)
  - Thu 15 Dec - 7.30pm - Night of Miracles - Choral Society
  - Fri 16 Dec 5.00pm Pathfinders Nativity Dress Rehearsal
  - Sat 17 Dec - 4-7pm - Pathfinders Christmas Party and final Nativity Rehearsal
  - Sun 18 Dec - 10.30am Nativity Service
  - Fri 23 Dec - 6.00pm - Outdoor Cinema - family Christmas movie
  - Sat 24 Dec - 12noon Carols with Santa 11.30pm Worship the New-born King
  - Sun 25 Dec - 10.30am - Christmas Morning Celebration
- (THIS SERVICE WILL BE STREAMED, NOT LIVE)**
- Sun 1st Jan - No Services
  - Sun 8th Jan - 10.30am & 6.00pm Covenant Services



# BETHEL'S VISION:

To turn the lost into the found & the faithless into the faithful

<b>Rota</b> <i>Please remember if you are unable to make your 'duty' to contact one of the other people on the rota to arrange to swap</i>	<b>This Week</b> <b>4 Dec</b>	<b>Next Week</b> <b>11 Dec</b>
Sunday door welcome	Jane & Clare	Jo Rowan
Flowers arranged by	All Arrangers	All Arrangers
Sunday coffee/tea	Chris & Gemma	Jane & Clare
Sunday morning Vacuuming	Hayley Marrison	Jacqui Wilson

<b>PRAYER AND FASTING ROTA</b>		
Sun	4	Jane Hart
Mon	5	Jo Rowan
Tue	6	Ann Holbeach
Wed	7	Beryl Hill
Thu	8	Margaret Cartwright
Fri	9	Hayley Marrison
Sat	10	Shelley Cartwright
Sun	11	Jane Hart



*The flowers in church this week  
have been provided by*

*Joyce & Roy Barratt in thanks for  
their lovely grandchildren and now  
great-grandbabies too*

