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WEEKLY UPDATE 30th November 2025

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Worship.

We welcome Robert Keen to lead our service today, the first Sunday in Advent. As usual there will be coffee, tea and biscuits served in the Hall at the end of the service. We hope that as many people as possible will stay for this time of fellowship and conversation.

Next Sunday, 7th, December, Rev David Willie will be leading our worship.

On 14th December our Minister, Rev Jonathan Haigh, is planned to lead our Advent Communion service.

Our Carol Service will be on Sunday 21st December at 10-30 a.m.

This week's Activities.

Monday 1st December 10-30 Bible Study led by Rev David Hunter at Peter and Ann

Smith's home.

Tuesday 2nd December 14-00 to 16-00 Memory Café organised by Age UK Sheffield and

supported by volunteers from the church, meets in the Hall

Wednesday 3rd December 10-30 – 13-00 Our Welcoming Space will be open in the hall. There

will be tea, coffee and biscuits available plus a light lunch, as well as opportunities to play board games, read newspapers or just chat

to new or longstanding friends.

Thursday 4th December 10-30 The Mid-Week Communion Service, normally held at Christ

Church, will be in our church this week as there is another event on

at Christ Church. Everyone is welcome to come along to this

service.

Saturday 6th December 10-30 to 12-30 Coffee Morning in the Hall organised by the

Tuesday Ladies Group. This is the opportunity to bring your gifts of a toy, book or game for a child at Christmas. These need to be new items and can be for children of all ages. Please bring them, unwrapped. All gifts will be distributed by the Salvation Army.

Grace Food Bank

The latest good news from the Food Bank is that they are "cautiously optimistic" that they will have a home for another year from next January/February.

Thank you to those of you who already support the Food Bank with regular donations but if anyone would like to support their Christmas Wishlist, please bring items to Church on Sunday November 30th or Sunday December 7th. The Food Bank need all Christmas items by December 11th.

The Christmas Wishlist includes Christmas biscuits, Selection boxes, chocolates, chocolate coins, Christmas puddings, and anything Festive, edible, and non-alcoholic.

Deliveries to the Food Bank for Christmas items will be on **Mondays 1st and 8th December** and our usual food donations on **Monday 15th December**.

Tuesday Ladies Group.

Our next next meeting, which will be on Tuesday December 9th at 2.30pm, will be our Christmas Celebration. We will be entertained by "The Bus Pass Buskers" who play skiffle, country and western as well as a touch of the blues on guitars, double bass, banjo, washboard and spoons! We will also be having a bring and share festive tea. Sounds like fun! Why not come and join us. Visitors are always welcome. Admission £4.

Christmas Tree Festival at Millhouses Methodist Church.

Our friends at Millhouses Methodist Church, (on the corner of Abbeydale Road South and Millhouses Lane), have organised another Christmas Tree Festival. The opening times are

Sunday 30th November (Launch Event) 4pm to 5pm Saturday 6th December 2-30pm to 5-00pm Sunday 7th December 2-30pm to 5-00pm Saturday 13th December 9-30am to 12 noon Sunday 14th December 2-30pm to 5-00pm Saturday 20th December 2-30pm to 5-00pm Sunday 21st December 2-30pm to 5-00pm Christmas Eve 2-30 pm to 5-00pm

Free hot fruit punch and mince pies will be available Admission is free, but any donations will be shared between church funds and St Luke's Hospice.

There are also 2 special events during the Christmas Festival:

Thursday 18th December – 7-00pm to 9-00pm "Simply Christmas" a "drop-in" evening to come and spend some time in peace and quiet. An opportunity to reflect and pray away from the busyness and fuss of typical Christmas celebrations.

Friday 19th December - 7-30 pm Community Carol Service with the Sheaf Valley Singers.

Rev Claude Kimpinde.

Claude is a Minister in the Sheffield Circuit (Carterknowle, Firth Park, Victoria Stafford Road) and we learned this week that his daughter, Praise, aged 22, had taken her own life. She was living and working in Paris, having just completed her MA, and instead of celebrating her graduation, the family will now gather together for her funeral.

The Circuit wants to show our support and love by paying for Praise's funeral as well as travel expenses for Claude and the two younger children, Joy and Gift, living here in Sheffield. Elim, the oldest son and Mireille, Claude's wife, both live and work in Paris.

We are asked to join in prayer for Claude and his family: that God's comfort and hope envelop them in their grief, and that they know themselves held in the power of love we believe to be shown to us all in Jesus Christ.

If anyone wishes to contribute to the funeral expenses, please speak to Jackie Bailey, who has more details.