



# Chandler's Ford Methodist Church

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**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

**10:30 am Midweek Service** – Dr Mike Wood

1 pm Lunchtime Communion at Canada Common  
Reflections on Incarnation: The Reality

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**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December**

1:30 pm Dovetail Group in Meeting Room 1  
The gifts of the Magi – Myrrh

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**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December**

10 am – 3 pm Christmas Tree Festival at St. Andrew's, Eastleigh

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**Advent Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December**

**9:30 am Breakfast Church** – Ellie Carter

10:30 am Breakfast Team serving coffee (also after the Service)

**11 am Sunday Worship Gift Service** – Rev Ruth Fry

Flowers today given by **Diana Hanley and family** in thankful and loving memory of her parents **Reg and Grace Burns**, formerly of St. James Road Methodist Church, Southampton

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**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December**

2:30 pm Women's Fellowship in the Dovetail Centre – Carol Service

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**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December**

**10:30 am Midweek Service** – Rev Bob Kitching

The Midweek and Sunday Worship Services are available live on *Zoom*  
See the weekly email for joining details

**Dovetail Café** Monday to Friday 9:30 am (Saturday 10 am) – 12 noon

The **December/January** edition of *The Link* is now available here:

<https://www.cfmethoDist.church/currentlink.php>

This Sunday, 3rd December, we are marking the retirement at Christmas of **Shaun Fletcher** as our Property Manager, and we thank him for all his years of service. We have benefited hugely from his wide experience and expertise in keeping our premises in good order.

**Gill Hillier**, the manager of our preschool, retires at the end of this term. We will recognise Gill's sterling service of over thirty years during our 11am Service on **3rd December**. Anyone who has had a closer association with **Peter Pan** as a member of staff, committee member, parent or even as a child, is invited to celebrate with Gill on 15<sup>th</sup> December from 3 – 5 pm in the Dovetail Centre. If you would care to contribute to a gift for Gill from the Church, please pay directly into the Church account ref: *Gill's retirement* or pass to a committee member.

This year the Church is supporting the **Christmas SCRATCH appeal**. Can you help provide presents to over 2,700 children and young people across Hampshire? They are asking for **New Toys and Gifts** for up to 17-year-olds, unwrapped (wrapping paper and Sellotape welcomed). You can also get details and donate gifts via Amazon on their website: <https://www.scratchcharity.co.uk/>. Gifts can be brought to our **Gift Service** on **Sunday 3rd December** or can be dropped off in the Dovetail Café until 4th December.

**Property Manager/Maintenance Officer** – Part-time:15 hours per week, working pattern subject to negotiation £12–14 per hour. An interesting and varied role, maintaining and improving the premises widely used by the Church and community.

- Day to day property management, repairs, and decoration
- Work with Centre Manager and Caretaker to prepare rooms for internal and external users, including equipment needs
- Achieve best value in procurement of goods and services
- Cover for Caretaker when needed
- Develop a good working knowledge of the heating system and its controls

Application deadline: 6<sup>th</sup> December. Interview in the week beginning 11<sup>th</sup> December. For more details, please contact the Church Centre Manager [katrina@cfmethodist.church](mailto:katrina@cfmethodist.church) (023 8026 0128).

The Joint Churches Together in Wellow (JCTW) are delighted to invite you to the **Christmas Carol Service** on **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December** at 2:30 pm. at Venue is **Wellow Village Hall**, SO51 6BR. The Hand in Hand puppeteers will be entertaining us with their amazing puppets. Rev Kate Cambridge will briefly talk about Christmas. Refreshments will be provided by St Margaret's Church Family. All ages welcome.

This year there will be two **Advent Meditations** on **Wednesdays 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> December** at 8 pm in the Church Prayer Corner. They will be based on material produced by the Methodist Church entitled "Out of the Ordinary". A chance to take some time out for some quiet reflection with readings, prayers and silence. Seemingly ordinary birth becomes God's out of the ordinary world saving event.

**Churches Together Carol Singing** on **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December**. This will take place in Waitrose again this year, from 6 – 7 pm. It will be indoors so no need to stand out in the cold! Please come and support the singing and help us to bring a bit of festive joy.

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## Staff Team

**Rev Ruth Fry** ruth.fry@methodist.org.uk (01962 882 828)  
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**Jane Padley** cfmc\_jane@hotmail.co.uk (023 8026 6180)  
Pastoral Assistant – day off Monday

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**Keith Cole** Caretaker

**Shaun Fletcher** (07979 504 714) Property Manager

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Church Centre Manager

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For activities for **Children & Young People**,  
see CFMC Youth and Children's Work on Facebook  
For Boys' and Girls' Brigades, for weekly adult activities  
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