

Morning Worship Sunday 4th December 2016

Second Sunday in Advent - Peace

Led by Megan Bedford and Monica Sturgess

Advent Wreath *Megan*

Advent 2 ***Peace - White***

Isaiah 40: 1 - 11

We light the candle of Hope

Light the first candle.

God will judge between the nations,

and will settle disputes for many peoples.

We light this candle to remember God's promise of peace. We can know peace if we turn away from sin and accept God's forgiveness. The world can know peace if we love and forgive each other.

Light the second candle

Let us pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace

in company with all those who call on the Lord.

Hymn 168: Come, Lord Jesus, come (*Verses 1,2 extra verse & 5*)

Ground our hope in you;

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In this world of ours

Gathering Prayer *Megan*

Prayer

Hymn 165: Advent candles tell their story

Reading: Isaiah 11: 1 - 10

Time of Prayer

Hymn 185: Sing we the King who is coming to reign

Message

Readings: Matthew 3: 1 – 12

 Romans 15: 4 - 13

Hymn 183: Praise to the God who clears the way

Message

Hymn 405: Great is the darkness that covers the earth

Time of Prayer

Offertory

Hymn 712: Put peace into each other's hands

Blessing

Notices for the coming week

Sun 4th 6.30 Blue Christmas Service, in Walsingham, led by Revd Lesley Moseley

Tues 6th 10.30 Pause for Prayer, in Walsingham, all are welcome to join in
2.30 Women's Fellowship, at Park Road Baptist Church

Weds 7th 10.30 In Lindisfarne, Circuit Intercessions Service
1.00pm At the Cathedral, W@1 'Revelation' – Exhibition: Laodicea; Revelation
3:14-22, The Rev'd Dr Bill Goodman, Continuing Ministerial Development Officer,
Diocese of Lincoln

Sat 10th 10.15 – 11.45 Morning Coffee, in Walsingham
11.30 In Cathedral Square, Christmas Alive event
12.30 – 2.30 Food Bank open, in Walsingham

Sun 11th 10.30 Morning Worship, led by Monica Sturgess

Further Notices

Blue Christmas Service

This evening's Blue Christmas service is an opportunity to spend a little time reflecting together about the sad memories, the challenges of life and to give ourselves chance to recognise that sometimes Christmas isn't easy or joyful. Join us at 6.30 for a short and reflective service. Take the opportunity to invite recently bereaved people and others who are struggling. Then come along to support them.

Concert of Sound and Light

On Friday December 16th, starting at 7.30pm, Christ the Carpenter Church (Central Avenue, Dogsthorpe) will be presenting an evening of music from shows, marches and Christmas songs by Richard J Hutchinson. Admission is free, though there will be a collection in aid of the Peterborough Winter Night Shelter.

Christmas Alive in the Cathedral Square

Next Saturday, December 10th from 11.30 to 1.30pm. Many activities are planned, but Jonathon Greenwood would like more carol singers please! Also, if anyone can help in inflating balloons, carrying materials to the Cathedral Square, etc, please join him at Park Road Baptist Church from 10.00am.

Green Backyard Christmas Fair

This is afternoon, from 12noon to 4pm. Free entry, with about 40 stalls, mainly selling locally sourced and ethical products.

Peterborough Opera presents Carols Old and New

A selection of solos and choral music, on Sunday 11th December at 3pm at St John the Baptist Church, Peterborough. Free entry, with a retiring collection. Meet in the Cathedral square beforehand for some community carol singing.

Toy Service

We will be holding our toy service on Sunday December 11th at 10.30, and would like donations of presents for children in hospital. Presents must be brand new as sick children can pick up infections from second hand toys. Also, please wrap the presents and mark (say, on a post it note) whether it's for a boy or girl and the age range.

Hope for Peterborough

At Peterborough Cathedral, there will be a New Year's Eve Concert on December 31st from 6.30pm to 8.00pm. Celebrating hope and love in churches across the city, this will be an evening of thanksgiving, renewing vision, prayer and encouragement. All are welcome

Hope Into Action Conference – March 2017

On 31st March next year Hope Into Action are hosting a conference on enabling Churches to house the homeless and refugees. A day of informative talks, interactive seminars, networking, inspirational testimonies and tenant awards. Looking at many aspects of churches housing the homeless and refugees. For more information and details on how you can save on the ticket price by booking before the end of the year please contact Carole on info@hopeintoaction.org.uk

Christmas Movie Evening

Whittlesey Queen St Church are holding a movie evening for 15-25 year olds. It will be held in their Church, on Saturday 17th December at 7.00pm. They will be watching The Santa Clause on the big screen at Church and will provide refreshments free of charge.

The Organs of Westgate Church

As part of sorting out the Westgate Church archives, we have come across several copies of "The Organs of Westgate Church", a booklet written by Ron Edwards. If anyone would like a copy of this, please let Sarah know.