

New Horizons

DECEMBER 2021

JANUARY 2022



THE CORNERSTONE



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WORSHIP AND ACTION

Sunday 10.30 am **Morning Worship** and Junior Church.
Holy Communion is celebrated during Worship on the 4th Sunday

FAIRTRADE Coffee and tea is served after Morning Worship

Please stay to talk with each other in an informal atmosphere.

Tues 10.00 am **Time of prayer** together for, the Fellowship, those with special needs, our neighbours, and the world-wide Christian Family. All are welcome to join with us.

Church Meetings are generally held in alternate months on the third Thursday at 7.30 pm. The dates and times will be published in this magazine and announced in Church.

Mon 7.30 pm Digging Deeper
(2nd and 4th Monday of each month)

Tues 10.00 am Tea and Coffee in the Foyer
11.30 am The Tuesday Rendezvous
(1st and 3rd Tuesdays or as announced)

Wed 9.30 am The Cornerstone Toddlers during Term Time

Thurs 6.00 pm Beaver Scouts and Cub Scouts
7.45-9.15 Scouts

Thurs 7.30 pm Elders' Meeting (1st Thursday)

Fridays 5.00 - 6.30pm Messy Church (1st Friday in the month)
5.00 - 6.30pm Pilots (every other Friday)
7.00 - 9.00pm Youth Club

We do offer Christian Marriage, Baptisms and Funerals so please talk to the Secretary or any Elder if you feel that we can help.

Little Turtles Pre-School meets on Monday to Friday from 9.00 am during term time. Please contact the Church Secretary for details.



Letter to the Fellowship

God's Gift for Us all

Have you ever attended a party or programme where you felt you didn't really want to come but for others you had to come?

Around Christmas time, we frequently see the sign that says, "Jesus Is **The** Reason For The Season." When we look at our frenzied, commercialized world around Christmas, it is sometimes difficult to focus on the real reason for the season. However, when we focus on Jesus at Christmas – or any other time – our lives become so much more meaningful and abundant.

Jesus came into a world over 2000 years ago full of confusion, death, loneliness, fear, addictions, hatred, alienation, strife and greed. This world has not changed much in 2000 years. The gospel of Jesus Christ still comes as a light in the darkness. The darkness of the world cannot overcome the light of Jesus Christ.

Jesus came as a weak, tiny baby. He did not come as a powerful worldly king. God's only son entered life in the most humble of circumstances. For Mary and Joseph, there was no hospitality. They were homeless. They were not welcomed. They were rejected. The Messiah of Israel was born in poverty. Jesus was laid in a manger, a feeding trough. Ironically, this beloved child became the food for the whole world. He became the most hospitable, the most welcoming and the most accepting being who ever lived.

One thing is certain, the baby Jesus was loved. As he was laid in the manger, he was wrapped in swaddling clothes. What a wonderful image of love that is. His parents were not about to neglect him in any way.

The baby Jesus came as a gift from God the Father. He came to share our human nature. He came to live and die as one of us. Jesus became like us, so that we might become more like God. Man will live forever more because of Christmas day.

The Lord knows that we are all alone and isolated at many points in our lives. Jesus came because he desires a loving, merciful relationship with each one of us. He wants us to be in fellowship with one another. At some point in the future, God has a great and wonderful party planned for us in heaven.

The baby Jesus came that all people might be drawn from the world into the goodness and mercy of God. We have a God who humbled himself so that we can learn the true nature of love. We have a God that offers each of us hospitality and a welcoming heart. We have a God who especially loves the lowest and the weakest. We have a God who is so courageous that he sacrificed his own son for you and me. Jesus showed throughout his life that we matter greatly to God.

God still comes to us much like the baby Jesus. He tells us we are his beloved children. God's voice resounds from all directions. God says to us, "You are my beloved." When God speaks and acts, it is accomplished.

As Christmas approaches, we will all find ourselves cleaning, decorating, and preparing our homes, and of course, we should be doing that. It is an important part of hospitality, whether in anticipation of family and friends or even for strangers. It is equally important then, that we remember to spend Advent preparing our hearts to receive Christ, our friend, our brother, and most importantly, the Almighty God.

Wishing you all a very happy and Blessed Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

**Sohail, Machrina,
Shameer, Abneer, Shaleem and Asha**

Covid 19 : You will all be aware that case numbers are increasing and we should all play our part in preventing the spread. Please consider staying at home if you have any cold or flu-like symptoms; do sanitise your hands on entering the building; try to keep your distance when conversing with others, and/or consider wearing a face mask.

Thank You.

If you are not ready or able to return to in-person worship, our services continue to be streamed to our YouTube Channel https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCmZ8TMU6-Grmmgl4p87_puQ

Prayers for our Fellowship and those we know

Prayers can be for joy and sorrow, health and sickness, good news and bad in addition to those for our own needs and guidance.



Please pray for all of our fellowship in these worrying times. If you are unable to attend our worship on the church premises, you can follow our services or other URC churches online.

We keep in our thoughts any of our fellowship who are unwell, in hospital, undergoing surgery/treatment or having tests. We pray for their return to good health.

Please remember in your prayers the families of Ann Crowhurst and Andy Anderson, whose Christmas celebrations will not be the same this year after the passing of their loved one. Give them and any others who are struggling at this time of year peace of spirit and the knowledge that God hears all of their prayers.

Father, hear our prayers

Amen

What does it mean to you? OMG

How often do we see OMG said or written these days? For those who wonder what it means, it is the shorthand for “Oh My God”, but why do people use that or say it in full? Is it an exclamation of horror, shock, amazement or surprise?

But what about us as Christians? An expression of wonder, praise, thanks, a plea or prayer for help, or perhaps even for the reasons in the first paragraph?

Will you be brave and remember to remind anyone who uses **OMG**. that you are pleased that they have the GOD that we worship?

SECRETARY'S NOTEBOOK



It seems incredible to be saying 2021 is drawing to a close but here we are! Plans for our Advent and Christmas services are well under way and we hope we will be able to proceed uninterrupted by lockdowns or other restrictions.

Michael mentioned last month that the post box would be available for your Christmas cards this year, and in order to be as safe as possible there will have to be a few observances;

- Use the box only for cards to people you know will be in church 12th or 19th December
- The box will be emptied sometime after the morning services on 5th and 12th December and contents sorted by one or two people wearing sterile gloves; the box will be removed after the second sorting.
- You should not add directly to the sorted cards
- Cards may be collected from the tables from 12th December; to ensure no overcrowding nor more than two people should approach a table at the same time
- Tables will be taken down before Christmas Eve to accommodate the Christingle Service

As some of you know, I have had issues with my 'blueyonder' email account, which are proving difficult to get resolved. You can now reach me on ruthdixon474@gmail.com and you will receive communications from that address. Please update your address books!

I spent the early part of the last week of November at High Leigh conference centre, for the URC's Assembly Executive. Information from that meeting that affects local churches will be shared over the coming months. This was my last meeting in six years as the Synod Representative and I will miss being at the heart of the decision-making process.

Church meeting on 25th November appointed Elizabeth Helm as Church Treasurer, replacing Ann Thorp who has served us so well.

We do thank Ann for her dedication, and Elizabeth for assuming this responsibility.

We still have need of someone to take charge of the website, updating it with news and events. Please have a word with me if you think this is something you can do.

Ruth Dixon

Ruth is currently isolating after testing positive for COVID and our thoughts and prayers are with her. Perhaps let her rest for a while if you can. I am sure she will be in touch if she needs to be!

Once a man was asked.

“What did you gain by regularly praying to God?”

The man replied,

“Nothing.....but let me tell you what I lost:

Anger, greed, insecurity and fear.”

Sometimes, the answer to our prayers is not gaining but losing; which ultimately is the gain.

Would you believe it?

- I've just received an email telling me I've won £1000 for being able to read maps backwards..... I thought “nah, that's spam”
- Just finished reading an excellent book called “Fights on a Narrowboat” by R G Bargee.
- I was an accountant from the age of 22 to 30 before I was sacked for no apparent reason..... What an absolute waste of 14 years!
- I found out today that I had got into the Guinness Book of Records for the largest ever number of items hung on a washing line. It was a lot to take in.
- I answered my front door and there was a 6ft beetle standing there, he punched me in the face and called me fat. Apparently there's a nasty bug going around.



Andy Anderson's family would like to thank all the members and friends at The Cornerstone for their touching wishes following the death of 'Andy' on the 3rd October. The Church and his faith was such a big part of his life. Your thoughts seemed to always include one of these three things:-

He made you feel special, the fact that he was a gentleman of faith and his big voice that was so much of who he was.

Thank you to Sohail for the Committal at the Crematorium and to those that attended his 'Celebration of Life' Service at the Cornerstone or online.

We will miss him dearly but know he is safe in the arms of his Saviour.

Linda, Gillian, Betty and families



I have a second hand De'Vilbiss Triwalker, with instruction leaflet, available. I am happy to gift to anyone who would find it helps their mobility. The walker folds down and goes into a car boot with ease.

Any donation to Church Funds would be gratefully received.

Linda Mead



Advent

Are you tuned into the rhythm and movement of God around you? Some people probably find it very difficult to “tune in”. The great prophet Isaiah knew human nature well when he said that people, “hear and hear again, but do not understand; see and see again, but do not perceive.”

The process of growth in the spiritual life can be slow and difficult, and sometimes we may feel that we are not getting anywhere. But we must try to hang on to the key spiritual principle that if we persevere in our faith then we allow the power of God in, which can then get working within us, even if we don't feel it.

Sometimes, we will be surprised how God does get working, and be even more surprised how, through us, God will touch the lives of others and we won't even realise it - that's what's so amazing about it all!

As we go on through Advent, we are rejoicing because we are beginning to contemplate, ever more deeply, the coming of our Lord among us - “they shall see the glory of the Lord, the splendour of our God”.

Your greetings this Christmas.



The good news is that our post box is back this year!

You can do it the traditional way by card via Royal Mail.

Or see the personal greetings that follow.

Your Christmas greetings.



Ruth and Frank Dixon send greetings and best wishes for Christmas and 2022.

Pat and Eric Garrard send their greetings and good wishes to all.

Roy and Trixie Davis send you their greetings for Christmas and their best wishes for the New Year.

Stella Yates sends you her greetings for a blessed Christmas and prays that The New Year brings God's Peace to the whole world



Nigel and Val Mead send Christmas greetings to you all and wish you a very happy and healthy 2022.



Val & Geoff Hayman wish all our Fellowship Friends a very happy and healthy Christmas and many Blessings for 2022.

Paul Drage sends you his good wishes for Christmas and 2022.

Linda and Mike Mead send Christmas greetings to you all.

Glynis Conway sends Season's Greetings to you all and warm wishes for a good 2022.



David and Maureen Stone would like to wish all our friends at The Cornerstone a very and Happy, Healthy and Joyous Christmas and a Peaceful New Year.

Dear Friends, with our love and best wishes for a safe and Happy Christmas and New Year. Mary & Clive.

Happy Christmas, with love from Pat Goodhew

Christmas blessings to you all, with love from Anne and Shawn Clarke.

Joan Harvey sends her greetings to you all and misses those who can't be with us.



Janet and Les Gooding send their love and greetings. They have been so pleased to join in our services on line and will think of all their friends in The Cornerstone this Christmas and pray for a peaceful New Year. They also add their grateful thanks for being sent New Horizons every month.

Monica and Vincent Aloï send their good wishes at this special time.

Roger and Wendy Brett would like to wish you all a Christ filled Christmas. We give thanks for all that we still have in our lives and what God has in store for us next.

Alan and Carole Cornwall send you all their Christmas greetings.



Brenda and Michael Wardle send good wishes and greetings to all.

As always, our treasurer will be pleased if you feel able to make a donation to church funds as the result of any savings you might make in postage and cards.

From the younger part of our Church at The Cornerstone

The children, young people and staff of all our youth organisations would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

From the Editors

We send you our greetings and good wishes for a very Blessed Christmas as we adapt to what is becoming the new normal.

Without you all, there would not be much point in preparing the magazine, so we thank you for reading it. However, our special thanks must go to those who let us have their news, their thoughts, their prayers and their stories. Please keep them coming in 2022.

Christmas will soon give way to Easter and then the coming of the Holy Spirit. We need to be ready to refresh ourselves and our fellowship here once again. Our Blessings to you all.

Anne and Michael



The Wise Men

In the gospel stories where we hear of the birth and infancy of Jesus, some “Wise Men” who have made a long journey “from the east” are among the key players.

It is worth reminding ourselves just how challenging journeys in those days must have been. There were no means of modern transport, and yet we know that people migrated from one continent to another. Beasts of burden, like camels and donkeys, carrying not only the travellers but their belongings, made long journeys possible, yet the risks associated with such journeys must have been enormous. The “wise men” obviously thought that Jesus was worth taking the risk for.

Would you take risks for Jesus and for love? After all, that’s what faith is, it’s a risk. You never know where it will take you and how it might impact your life.

CHURCH FLOWERS

Our thanks to all who have offered to provide flowers in the church during the next twelve months and, as a result, the rota is again appearing in the magazine. If you would like to



provide flowers, do take a look at the Notice Board and just add your name to any date that is vacant. If you are not able to do this, contact either of us and we can help you out.

We shall continue to do the special floral arrangements for the Easter and Harvest festivals, but are always grateful for contributions towards the cost of buying the flowers.

Many thanks to everyone for their generosity in the past and it has been a joy to see some lovely flowers now that we are able to be fully open for worship.

Val Mead and Joan Harvey



I renewed my car insurance over the phone this morning. I was about to hang up and the lady asked if I had a pet.

I said, "Yes, I have a dog."
She said, "Would you like to insure him too."
I said, "No thank you, he can't drive."



I accidentally swallowed some Scrabble tiles and now I'm experiencing constant vowel movements.

The next trip to the bathroom could spell disaster!

Faith-Filled Life
Part 4: Where do I fit?

So far in this series we have looked at why we are here, what the Bible offers us and began thinking about what mission is and how we are involved in it. Last month we also considered who we are in relation to God.

The aim of this article, **Where do I fit?**, is to consider what living a Godly life involves, think a bit about discipleship, and look further at mission and how these ideas relate to our local community.

How we live matters. Our relationship with Jesus should make Christians stand out as 'different' within our communities.

Would you know a Christian if you met them in the street? Do you think of certain qualities and the way a person might live when you think about being a Christian?

Do you think people can identify you as Christian by the way you act?

As well as considering how we live our lives, it's also worthwhile to think about *why* we are living them the way we do.

If you have a moment, read John 21 v 15-19 in your Bible. We see a conversation Jesus has with Peter, when the latter receives instructions from Jesus to 'Feed my lambs', 'Tend my sheep' and to 'Feed my sheep'.

Peter was given a mission - a purpose. He was instructed to go forth and nurture the early church, the 'flock' who needed tending after Jesus had ascended and left them.

It has become common for churches, to use the term 'mission statement' when referring to their core purpose or values. The word 'mission' comes from a Latin word meaning 'sent'. Missionaries therefore are people sent by the church to spread the good news of God revealed in Jesus to those who have not yet heard it.

But this is only part of the story. In recent decades Christian Leaders have begun to emphasise that mission is an activity that God does,

as well as Christians. It is much more that God is always acting in the world, and for the world, and that we should seek to join in more actively with what God is doing.

Throughout the Bible, and throughout history, God sends what is needed in order to catch people's attention. The Anglican Church has developed five 'marks of mission' which have been widely adopted as an understanding of what contemporary mission is about.

Some churches abbreviate the five marks to five words:

TELL - TEACH - TEND - TRANSFORM - TREASURE.

The five marks of mission are as follows:

1. To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom
2. To teach, baptise and nurture new believers
3. To respond to human need by loving service
4. To seek to transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and to pursue peace and reconciliation
5. To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth

Mission is God's work in the world, and for the world. We can understand a missional church is one that sends its members out into their community trusting that God will use them as needed. A missional disciple is a follower of Jesus who consciously makes friends and connections beyond their church so that God can use them however God wishes.

Let's pray that God can raise up both the Cornerstone, and ourselves as individuals, for his Mission.

Lastly, as always I invite you to think about where you have seen God in the past month. Were there any opportunities he gave you to tell, teach, tend transform or treasure?

Keep an eye out in the month ahead for His influence. We may not know His plan, but there will definitely be a place where you fit into it!

Peter's Piece

Ending and Beginning



Another year ends, a new one begins. A good number of us have been here many times before! To some extent this is the season of resolutions that this annual event brings. It certainly is, if nothing else, a call to reflect as we are reminded, as if we needed to be, of our mortality, the passing of time, and our aging.

King David in one of his reflections, Psalm 144:3 says of humans - *They are like a breath; their days are like a fleeting shadow.* Job (the oldest book in the Bible, possibly 1,000 years before David!) 7:7. says - *Remember, O God, that my life is but a breath;* If we consider the millions of years time span that the age of our planet is, then truly our lives are very brief!

I know when I married, old age seemed an impossible time away, it stretched into the distant future and would take for ever to reach. As I have gone, day by day, through my life, although many important events occurred, marriage, children, moving home, changing jobs, deaths in the family of members ahead of me, the end still seemed no nearer! Even early retirement did not seem to register just how quickly life was slipping by. *What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes.* James 4:14. James letter is practical Christianity, not, as suggested by Martin Luther, an epistle of straw, but that our faith in Jesus should indeed control all that we say, do and think.

Job through his trials and in his converse with his 'friends' over the suffering of the innocent is led to see that length of his days, and ours, are in God's hands - *as long as I have life within me, the breath of God in my nostrils,* Job 27:3. It's God himself who determines the length of our life.

As with Job, none of us know exactly how long we shall live; each day is a gift from God, and should be lived as such acknowledging and lived *doing all to the glory of God.* 1 Corinthians 10:31.

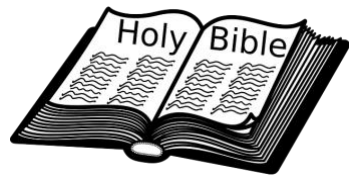
So, as we stand on the threshold of another new year let us thank God for the life he has graciously given us, not just our physical existence but for eternal life that we can also enjoy by faith in Jesus his Son and the work he accomplished by his death on the cross *that we may have life and have it to the full.* John 10:10 - *I give them eternal life and they shall never perish.* v.28

Yes, as the marker of the passing years, comes and goes and before we know it will have swiftly passed into history, let us pause and think, is our life safe in the hands of Jesus. Should God, in this next year deem our physical life to have run its course, when it ends may we *not perish but have eternal life.* For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3;16.

As 2022 begins may each of us rejoice in that assurance.

Digging Deeper.

We will be continuing this series 'Knowing Jesus in the Old Testament' and will take us up to Easter 2022.



13 December: Jesus declared the Son of God.

Christmas break

19 January: Jesus' Life and Ministry Part 1- Who He came to Save

24 January: Jesus' Life and Ministry Part 2- His Parables and Teaching

ALL are welcome to join us in meeting on Zoom, avoiding the risk of cross infection,

Please ring in if you can't find the code to join in.

Peter Hunt

Revised Common Lectionary - December 2021 and into 2022

Third Sunday of Advent - December 12, 2021

Zephaniah 3:14-20

Isaiah 12:2-6

Philippians 4:4-7

Luke 3:7-18

Fourth Sunday of Advent - December 19, 2021

Micah 5:2-5a

Psalm 80 1-7

Hebrews 10:5-10

Luke 1:39-45, (46-55)

Sunday December 26, 2021

1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26

Psalm 148

Colossians 3:12-17

Luke 2:41-52

Sunday January 2, 2022

Jeremiah 31:7-14

Psalm 147:12-20

Ephesians 1:3-14

John 1:(1-9), 10-18

Sunday January 9, 2022

Isaiah 43:1-7

Psalm 29

Acts 8:14-17

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Sunday January 16, 2022

Isaiah 62:1-5

Psalm 36:5-10

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

John 2:1-11

Sunday January 23, 2022

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Psalm 19

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Luke 4:14-21

Sunday January 30, 2022

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Psalm 71:1-6

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Luke 4:21-30

Sunday February 6, 2022

Isaiah 6:1-8, (9-13)

Psalm 138

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Luke 5:1-11



The Next Issue of New Horizons for February 2022

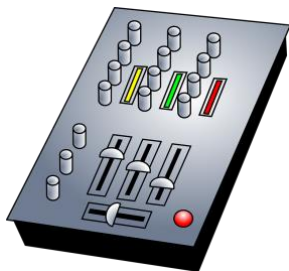
We always welcome contributions from our readers, whether they are from The Cornerstone or anywhere around the world. Please let us have your personal stories, recollections, inspiring thoughts from biblical or other sources, acts of kindness both given and received, encouragement to mission; really anything that you have found interesting.

We are certain that you will have something to tell us about what happened to you over Christmas and the New Year. Any disasters with the turkey? Any unusual or exciting presents?

Hopefully, lots of stories of blessings received, and given, at this special time.

The next issue will be published on Sunday **6th February** and we shall be pleased to receive any contributions for this issue by **9 a.m. on Thursday 27th January**.

Thank you
Anne and Michael



Data Protection Notice:

If you are in church for worship and do not wish to be seen on the Internet, please ask at the AV Desk to be directed to a seat not covered by the camera.

**When asked if my cup is
half-full or half empty,
my only response is
that I am thankful I have a cup**

Church Flowers

<u>Dec</u>	5 th	Zoy & Peter Hunt
	12 th	-
	19 th	Stella Duboux
	26 th	Ruth & Frank

2022

<u>Jan</u>	2 nd	-
	9 th	Joan Harvey
	16 th	-
	23 rd	-
	30 th	-



If you would like to supply flowers for the vacant dates above,
please contact Val or Joan.

See list on Notice Board for other available dates during 2022

**If speaking to plants
helps them to grow,
imagine what speaking
to humans can do**

Christmas Services

(depending on Covid restrictions at that time)

Sun	19 th	5.00pm	Carol Service	
Fri	24 th	3.30pm	Christmas Eve - Christingle	Ruth & Mary
Sat	25 th	10.30am	Christmas Celebration	Our Minister
Sun	26 th	10.30am	Boxing Day - Meet the Nativity (Film and discussion)	Our Minister

No toy service - We will be having a collection later next year as there are a number of organisations of varying sorts at Christmas and something later is much more appreciated.

SERVICES AND MEETINGS AT THE CORNERSTONE

December

Thu	2 nd	7.30pm	Elders' Meeting	
Fri	3 rd	5pm	Messy Church	
Sun	5 th	10.30am	Morning Worship	Roger Brett
Mon	6 th	7.30pm	Digging Deeper	See footnote
Sun	12 th	10.30am	Youth & Children, Church Parade:	
				Our Minister & Staff
Mon	13 th	7.30pm	Digging Deeper	See footnote
Sun	19 th	10.30am	Morning Worship (HC)	John Amos (Clive)
Sun	19 th	5.00pm	Carol Service	
Fri	24 th	3.30pm	Christingle Service	Ruth & Mary
Sat	25 th	10.30am	Christmas Day Worship	Our Minister
Sun	26 th	10.30am	"Meet the Nativity" - Film & discussion	

January 2022

Sun	2 nd	10.30am	Morning Worship	Roger Brett
Thu	6 th	7.30pm	Elders' & M&M meeting	
Fri	7 th	5pm	Messy Church	
Sun	9 th	10.30am	Morning Worship	Our Minister
Mon	10 th	7.30pm	Digging Deeper	
Fri	14 th	5.00pm	Pilots meeting	
Sun	16 th	10.30am	Morning Worship	Ruth Dixon
Mon	19 th	7.30pm	Digging Deeper	
Sun	23 rd	10.30am	Morning Worship (HC)	
			Ordination & Induction of Elders	Our Minister
Mon	24 th	7.30pm	Digging Deeper	
Sun	30 th	10.30am	Morning Worship	Ruth Dixon

February

Thu	3 rd	7.30pm	Elders' meeting	
Fri	4 th	5pm	Messy Church	
Sun	6 th	10.30am	Morning Worship	John Amos
Sun	13 th	10.30am	Morning Worship	Our Minister
Mon	14 th	7.30pm	Digging Deeper	

Footnote Please be aware that these dates may change.

Sunday Coffee/Tea Rota

Dec 5th Stella Duboux and Val Hayman
 12th Anne Clarke and Val Mead
 19th Carole and Alan Cornwall
 26th Help yourself

2022

Jan 2nd Linda and Mike Mead
 9th Anne Clarke and Val Mead
 16th Stella Duboux and Val Hayman
 23rd Machrina Ejaz and Sandra Russ
 30th Carole and Alan Cornwall

Feb 6th Linda and Mike Mead
 13th Anne Clarke and Val Mead



Tuesday mornings "Drop in"

Dec 7th Stella Duboux
 14th Wendy Brett and Val Mead
 21st Carole and Alan Cornwall

2022

 4th Stella Duboux
 11th Wendy Brett and Val Mead
 18th Carole and Alan Cornwall
 25th Carol Smith and Pat Pates



Feb 1st Stella Duboux

**In a society that has you
counting money, pounds,
calories and steps, be a
rebel and count your
Blessings instead**

Thinking Beyond Sunday and Beyond the Building
A Church Calendar for 2022 - January to June.

6th January - Epiphany

23rd January - Lyndsey Brown from Synod Leading Worship

24th January - Creative Story Telling via Synod Office

27th January - Church Meeting

27th January - Church Treasurers catch up via Synod Office

28th to 30th January - Youth Assembly Whitemoor Lakes, Staffs.

31st January - Creative Prayer via Synod Office

9th March - Area Partnership Meeting @ Christ Church Rayleigh

14th - 18th March - Power of Prayer via Synod Office

19th March - Synod Meeting @ Lion Walk Colchester

24th March - Retired Ministers and Widows Luncheon

24th March - Church Meeting

14th April - Maundy Thursday Evening Worship

15th April - Good Friday morning Service

17th April - Easter Sunday Service

26th May - Church Meeting

2nd to 5th June - Jubilee holiday

Synod events can be booked at - training@urceastern.org.uk

Sometime, we will also be holding a working party to get the cleaning and mending up to speed and, possibly on another date, the full annual clean of the main kitchen will take place.

All sort of goodies to look forward to.

WHO'S WHO?

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