



Notices for Sunday 5th December 2021

Second Sunday of Advent – Speak

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Sunday Worship

5th Dec 10:30am – Rev Dawn Colley
 3:00pm – Circuit Advent Carol Service – St Ives
12th Dec 10:30am – All Age Nativity Service
19th Dec 6:00pm – Candle-lit Carols
26th Dec – No Service

All services are also accessible via Zoom for any who are unable to attend in person.

Zoom link: <https://zoom.us/j/172859764>
Meeting ID: 172 859 764
Dial-in number: 0203 481 5240

All are invited to join us for worship at either 10:30am or 6:00pm each Sunday. For the moment, any adults attending are requested to use face coverings and no refreshments will be served after the services. If you are unable to attend for any reason, please remember that you can participate via Zoom.

Keeping Safe and Warm at Church. In line with the increase in national precautions, we will continue to require the use of hand sanitisers on entering our building and face coverings while moving around and for singing. We also need to keep the church well ventilated, so please make sure you wrap up warm.

Pop-up Christmas Cinema. At All Saints Church, Tuesday 21st December. 4pm – The Snowman and The Snowdog, with hot chocolate and popcorn. 7pm – It's a Wonderful Life, with mulled wine and mince pies. Free entrance – donations for refreshments welcome.

Candlelit Carols. All are invited to our carol service at 6:00pm on Sunday 19th December, which will be followed by seasonal refreshments. We are very happy to report that we will be joined by members of Sawtry Junior Academy choir, who will be performing and leading some of the carols. This is an "invitation" service, so please do bring along any family, friends or neighbours who might enjoy the opportunity to sing some traditional carols in the lead-up to Christmas.

Christmas Services

Sunday 12th December, 10:30am – All-age nativity service
Sunday 19th December, 6:00pm – Candle-lit carol service
Saturday 25th December, 10:00am – Christmas Day service at All Saints Church

This Week's Bible Readings

Malachi 3:1-4

Luke 1:68-79

Philippians 1:3-11

Luke 3:1-6

Please use these readings in your personal devotions this week. If you have any thoughts or insights you would like to share with others via this news sheet, please send them to notices@sawtrymethodist.org.uk

Christmas Tree Festival. All Saints' Church is holding their bi-annual Christmas Tree Festival to mark the start of Advent. The chosen Charity this year is "Over and Above", which is the North West Anglia NHS Trust Charity which covers Stamford, Peterborough, Ely and Hinchingsbrooke. The Festival will be run over two weekends; 4th/5th & 11th/12th December. It will be open 1.30pm–5.30pm at the weekends (closing at 4pm on 12th December) and 6.00pm–9.00pm on Friday 10th December. Entry is free of charge and refreshments will be available when the Church is open. Our tree is at the front of the church by the communion rail.

Advent. This week is the second Sunday in advent. As well as our own Sunday service in Sawtry, there will be a Circuit Advent carol service in St Ives, starting at 3:00pm and followed by seasonal refreshments. There is also a series of advent Bible studies on Zoom, led by members of the Circuit leadership team. <https://zoom.us/j/8375252088>. Meeting ID: 837 5259 2088. See the poster in the porch (also supplied by email) for more details and passcode.

Advent Studies

Three repeat sessions each week in Advent.

Mondays at 2:00pm

Wednesdays at 7:30pm

Fridays at 7:30pm

Please remember in your prayers this week:

- Our friends around the Circuit join us in praying for our own congregation
- **Sawtry Infant School**
- **Stephanie** (a friend of Alexis)
- **Roz Rowland**
- **Thelma Baker**
- **Louise** (Su's niece) and her mother, **Nicola**
- **Brian Rodger**
- **Maureen** (Tess's sister)
- **Laura** (Tess's daughter)
- **Ted and Pam Pepper** (All Saints)
- **Pete and Pat Ayres** (All Saints)
- **Joan & Ian Meiklejohn** (Glatton)
- **Brenda Griffiths**
- **Alicia Nicholls**
- **Donna and Jake Johnson**
- **Eleanor and Gary Kernaghan**
- **James and Clare** (Tess's niece and nephew-in-law)
- **Hannah** (Jo's niece)

If you have any items for prayer, please call 01487 830345 or send them to notices@sawtrymethodist.org.uk