



Notices for Sunday 5th January 2025

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Sunday Worship

5th Jan 10:30am – Rev James Bamber – Christingle
12th Jan 10:30am – Rev James Bamber – Covenant
19th Jan 10:30am – David Ward
26th Jan 10:30am – Rev Pam Siddall

Most services are also accessible via Zoom link: <https://zoom.us/j/172859764>
Zoom for any who are unable to attend in person. Meeting ID: 172 859 764
Dial-in number: 0203 481 5240

All are invited to join us for worship each Sunday, in person or on Zoom.

Prayer Breakfast. Our Covenant service on Sunday 12th January will be preceded by a prayer breakfast, to which all are invited. Please come along any time from 9am to share breakfast, which will be followed by a short time of prayer, finishing at 10am, in time for the service.

Royal British Legion Quiz. As in previous years, we have been invited to send a team to the RBL quiz night, which will take place at Sawtry Club, starting at 7:30pm on Friday 21st February. Please speak to a member of the leadership team if you would like to join in.

Spring Harvest. As in previous years, a group from our church is planning to attend Spring Harvest in Skegness, from Monday 7th to Friday 11th April. If you would like to join the group, you can come for the whole week or just drop in for a day. Please speak to Matt if you would like to know more.

REST. The next REST will take place at Sawtry Social Club on Thursday 6th February, starting at 7:30pm. All are invited, so please take a flyer (or two) and bring along a friend or neighbour whom you think might be interested. Speak to Matt for more details.

Car parking. A number-plate recognition system and payment terminal is now in operation in the Greystones car park. Thanks to the generosity of the landlords, free parking is still available for anyone attending Sunday worship, but you will need to send your car registration, make and model to Matt in advance, so that it can be added to an exemption list (for Sundays only). Alternatively, you can simply pay for your parking at the machine, following the instructions displayed.

This Week's Bible Readings

Jeremiah 31:7-14

Psalm 147:12-20

Ephesians 1:3-14

John 1:1-18

Please use these readings in your personal devotions this week.

Monday Friendship Group. The next session will be on 6th January 2025, 2:00-3:15pm, here at the church. All are welcome. For more information, please contact Margaret on 07794 607985.

Boardgames Café. Our next boardgames session will take place on Friday 17th January, starting at 7:30pm. All welcome – bring a friend.

Monday Night at Greystones. Come along for fellowship and discussion around life, the Bible and Jesus. Please feel free to drop in as often or as little as you wish. A warm welcome is always guaranteed. The session starts at 8pm, or come at 7pm if you would like to order food first.

Community Café. First Saturday of every month, 12-3pm, Sawtry WI Hall. All are invited to come along for a meal and a chat. No charge for food. Board games, magazines, activities and play area with toys and free Wi-Fi.

Saturday Coffee Morning. All are invited to drop in any Saturday between 9:30 and 11:00am for a warm welcome, tea or coffee and a toasted morning snack. As well as raising funds for the church, it's a great place to come with a friend for a catch-up, or just to see some familiar faces from our wider community.

Please remember in your prayers this week:

- The ongoing situations in **Ukraine** and the troubled places of the world
- Our friends in the **Buckden** congregation
- **Ali** (Martin's sister)
- **Emily & David Ogden**
- **Jo Anderton**
- **Al Hibbins**
- **Thelma Baker**
- **Tom** (Debbie's friend)

If you have any items for the prayer list, please call 01487 830345 or email notices@sawtrymethodist.org.uk. Please note that the prayer list has been 'reset' for the new year, so let us know about anyone who should be on the list for the coming year.

Quote of the Week

"Give your hands to serve and your hearts to love."

Mother Teresa (1910-1997)