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# CHURCH NEWS

Kingston United Reformed Church

December 2024 - January 2025



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Charity No. 1131880

*Edited by Sue Shaw*

## WORSHIP & EVENTS DIARY

*A warm invitation is given to all who read this magazine to come and share in our services and activities, both in the building and on Zoom*

### **Sunday Services:**

**10.00 – Worship** – also live-streamed (with Communion first Sunday monthly)

**11.30 – All Age Worship** (with Communion on the last Sunday monthly)

**17.00 – Reflective Worship** (with Communion on the third Sunday monthly)

On the **second Sunday** of each month a **combined service at 10.30** replaces the 10.00 and 11.30 services

**14.00 – Messy Church** (monthly, but Sundays vary) e-mail Sally Butler – youth@kingstonurc.org

**Tea and Coffee** are served between the 10.00 and 11.30 services and before the 10.30 service on the second Sunday

During the 10.00, 10.30 and 11.30 services there are **activities for children** of all ages.

### **Weekly Activities:**

#### **Monday:**

10.00 Jolly Toddlers (except Bank Hols)

10.00 Prayers on Zoom

12.30 Community Lunch (except Bank Hols)

#### **Tuesday:**

10.00 Prayers on Zoom

#### **Wednesday:**

10.00 Tots' Praise

10.00 Prayers on Zoom

#### **Thursday:**

10.00 Prayers on Zoom

20.00 The Thursday Club on Zoom

#### **Friday:**

10.00 Prayers on Zoom

#### **Saturday:**

10.00 Prayers on Zoom

#### **Monthly:**

**1st Tuesday** 19.30 Elders' Meeting

**2nd Sunday** 11.30 Church Meeting

**3rd Saturday** 14.00 Crafternoon

**The Sanctuary** is open for private prayer, with access via the Foyer.

**Our Foyer** is normally open every weekday and Saturday from 11.00 until 14.00 for coffee and tea.

**A Problem or Concern?** There is sometimes a listener available in the Foyer; if not, please speak to the coffee server or contact Lesley Charlton.

The following are the **anticipated** diaries for December and early January, but please see the e-mailed Weekly Notices for the most up to date information and for details of Daily Zoom Prayers .

## DECEMBER 2024

Sunday, 1st	10.00 Worship & Communion – also live-streamed 11.30 All Age Worship 17.00 Reflective Worship
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup>	09.00 Women's Breakfast
Sunday, 8 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 Gift Service 17.00 Reflective Service
Sunday, 15 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 Gift Service – also live streamed 10.30 Korean language service at New Malden URC 11.30 Interactive Service 17.00 Reflective Worship
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Curry Night Out – all welcome
Sunday, 22 <sup>nd</sup>	10.00 Worship – also live-streamed 11.30 Coffee and Carols 17.00 Carols by Candlelight Service
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Christmas Eve</b> 10.00 Worship – also live-streamed 16.00 Christingle 11.30pm Christmas Eve Holy Communion
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Christmas Day</b> 10.00 All Age Worship
Sunday, 29 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 Worship – also live-streamed 11.30 All Age Worship & Communion 17.00 Reflective Worship
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup>	11.30pm Watchnight Service in New Malden URC

## JANUARY

Sunday, 5th	10.00 Worship – also live-streamed 11.30 All Age Worship 17.00 Reflective Worship
Sunday 12th	10.00 Worship & Communion – also live-streamed 11.30 All Age Worship 17.00 Reflective Worship

For Jolly Toddlers, Messy Church, Tots Praise and the Nature Walk, please contact Sally Butler, e-mail: [youth@kingstonurc.org](mailto:youth@kingstonurc.org)

Vaughan James will be editor for February's Church News.  
Articles and Photos to [vaughanrijames@gmail.com](mailto:vaughanrijames@gmail.com) please by  
Friday 10 January 2025.

## LETTER FROM LESLEY



Jesus said you have to pick up your cross and follow me. Surely then there is nothing in Christianity that would be about happiness if it is all about cross carrying? It's all suffering and slog. Nothing attractive in that.

Except.....

1. You cannot be happy. You can have moments of happiness. Further you can do certain things on purpose to bring up your general level of happiness Perpetual happiness is only available to the mentally ill and the drugged.

2. There is a massive difference between pleasure and gratification

Gratification is what happens when we do something that demands some effort from us. Pleasure is quick, and easy. It does not involve effort or development. It is gratifying to play the piano but it has involved loads of work. There is no pleasure in hours of practice. Its pleasurable to consume a drink but more gratifying to go out with people for an evening. That requires making arrangements. Travelling from your house. Going somewhere that is not 100% convenient for you because it suits your friend Archie. Real friendships and close family relationships involve tough conversations at various times.

Jesus said you have to pick up your cross and follow me.

Sadly, he did not say, you have to grab a bag of crisps/sweets and turn on your screen, ignore your family and chill.

However, the mysterious, magic truth is that the path that Jesus offers is actually the one that leads to a happier life in the way that the telly/crisp plan does not. We give ourselves and we get a full life in return. Are we always happy? No. Are we happier because we follow him? Yes lots.

Yours

*Lesley*

## CHURCH SECRETARY'S CHAT



I write this soon after our Big Day In/Out. It was good to spend extended time in the church, sharing a wholesome lunch (thank you Ray and He Jung), seeing children delighted by the upturned swans on our walk by the river, and having good conversations about our faith and community. One highlight for me was that we could and did include people who attended through zoom. A big thank you to all of you who helped to make it happen, from discussion leaders, cake bakers to tidy uppers.

Sometimes I like to remind myself that this church, known more commonly now as KURC, has been here for over 350 years and that each one of us is a part of that long story. In whatever way we participate we have an impact on sharing the message of Christian love, peace and justice.

As advent approaches, we have already sent off our shoe boxes filled with gifts for people we will never meet who live in eastern Europe. We have remembered those who have died fighting for their country in wars and prayed for peace to come. We have also remembered those who we have loved who have died and still cherish. Over the season we will support the work of Christian Aid that exists to create a world where everyone can live a full life, free from poverty.

And so, we wait, as we should for Christmas to arrive. May your waiting go well and may your Christmas season be uplifting for you, your family and friends.

*Cathy*

## Pastoral News

Out of care for people's  
privacy,  
names are not included  
in the Pastoral News  
section of the  
online Church News

### A PRAYER

Caring God, embrace and strengthen all who are recently bereaved and grieving the loss of their loved ones. We pray for our troubled world. We pray for peace and hope, for the many affected by natural disasters and for others in areas of unrest and conflict, poverty and food crisis. We pray for your provision, peace and protection.

AMEN



## ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS CARD 2024 - PROCEEDS to CHRISTIAN AID

We are again putting together an Alternative Christmas card, where you send me a Greeting and make a donation to Christian Aid. We shall then assemble all these into a special Christmas card to our URC friends and associates.

All monies received are going to the Christian Aid Christmas Appeal. To support their ongoing work with the poor and refugees from conflict and famine, so they can buy food and lifesaving supplies.

### Your Greeting

Please send me your personal greeting via email, text message, photo or pass me a hand written one which I will scan. **Be creative** then I will incorporate it into our card. You can also leave the greeting with Catherine or Georgi in the office, marked for my attention.

### Your Donation

You can give me a CHEQUE made payable to Christian Aid, give me CASH or alternatively make an ELECTRONIC DONATION via our donation machine in the church. In reference put in CA ACard (for Christian Aid Alternative Card). OR your Donation can be made via the CHURCH's BANK ACCOUNT. Sort Code: 20-46-73. ACCOUNT No.: 60921289 and in the reference state CA ACard.

### When?

I need to have your greeting to me by **SUNDAY DECEMBER 8TH 2024** after which the card shall be assembled to include our Christmas Service schedule. Can you also let me know if you want to receive the Card via email, in electronic format, or if you want a traditional paper copy. Many thanks.

**Ray Charlton** Christian Aid Rep. for KURC Tel: 07785220369 or [ray.charlton@outlook.com](mailto:ray.charlton@outlook.com)

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## Sally's Stories

### Toilet Twinning

At our Crafternoon in October, a group of 11-12 year olds made poo emoji cakes!! How disgusting you will say! Why?!

We showed a short film explaining what toilet twinning is and then held a quiz that included questions about the history of the toilet and facts about poor sanitation and water supplies in needy communities across the world. Then we attempted to make the cakes. They tasted nice but didn't quite look like the picture here...!!



However, the girls learned that many people today do not have access to clean water or a proper toilet. The money they brought plus money from our Eco-group budget has paid for a toilet here at Kingston URC to be twinned with a toilet in Malawi.

The girls decided to twin with a village in Malawi as they learned about poverty there at school.

You can twin your own toilet at home for £60 anytime. National Toilet Twinning Day is 19 November each year.

On the next page is a picture of our certificate showing the toilet we are twinned with in Malawi. This certificate is on the door of one of our ladies toilets on the Ground Floor.

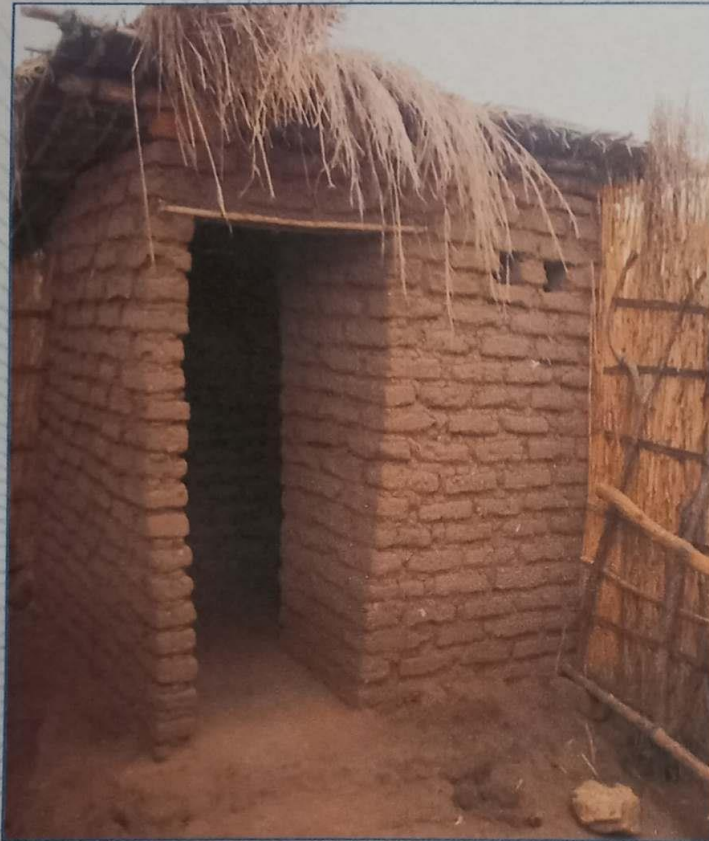
We would like to twin ALL of our toilets at some stage so donations would be gratefully received. This is another (small) step towards the Silver Eco Award too!

*Sally Butler*

Children, Youth & Families Worker



THIS TOILET HAS BEEN  
**TWINNED**  
Kingston United Reformed Church



WITH A LATRINE IN  
**MALAWI**

Latitude: -13.7869, Longitude: 34.408987  
Kambwiri, Salima



SCAN ME  
to learn more



1 in 4 people around the world don't have a loo.  
By supporting Toilet Twinning you are helping to flush away poverty.  
Tearfund is a Registered Charity Number 265464 (England and Wales) and Number SC037624 (Scotland).

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## Latest Church Meeting

**Here is a brief summary of the matters discussed at the November Church Meeting held on Sunday 10 November.**

*Minutes of the meeting are available but these are the key points:*

1. The church accounts for the financial year 2023/24 were presented and approved by the meeting. If you would like a copy or have any questions, please contact our Treasurer Christine Chippendale (contact details on the back page).
2. Elders' lists of church members/friends have now been finalised.
3. Details of Christmas services will be available in due course.
4. 2024 Visit to the seaside: there was a discussion about whether we should have one in 2025 as there are challenges regarding filling all the seats on the coach and covering costs. The general consensus was that yes, we should continue to arrange something.
5. Southern Synod has agreed an additional grant to cover the increased cost resulting from the lowest tenderer for the new window works pulling out. This means we do not need to use quite so much of our reserves. We are grateful to Southern Synod. We do not yet have a date when the work will start.
6. There is to be a regular weekly half hour service at 13.30 on Wednesdays.
7. A pastoral update was provided.
8. Street Pastors Kingston need more volunteers willing to act as Prayer Pastors during their night time patrols. The teams use KURC as their base and Prayer Pastors support by prayer and by providing refreshments. This need not mean a regular monthly commitment although that would also be welcome. People could offer to be Prayer Pastors just once or twice a year. For further information do speak to either Sue Shaw, Ray Charlton or Teresa James.

**Linda Austen**

## Food for thought

*Leadership is not about being the best. It is about making everyone **else better**.*

*Someone, somewhere, is depending on **you** to do what God has called you to do.*

*Don't ask God to guide your footsteps ....if you are not **willing** to move your feet.*



## ***THE MAYOR'S SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS PARTY***

**120 tickets are available free to senior citizens  
who live within the Royal Borough of Kingston upon  
Thames.**

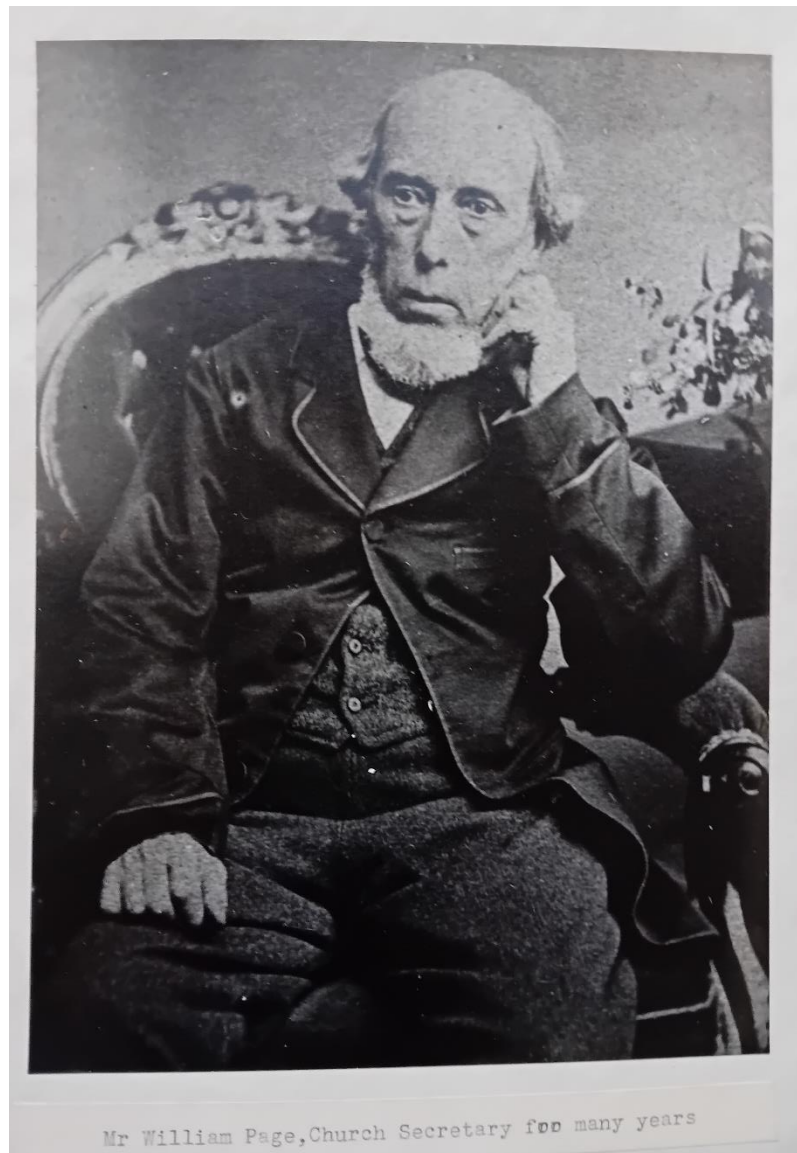
***On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December 3 -5pm at the Guildhall***

Please apply for your ticket in writing to: The Mayor's Office, Room 75,  
Guildhall, High Street, Kingston KT1 1EU or call: 020 8547 5030 leaving  
your name & full address or via email to: [mayors.office@kingston.gov.uk](mailto:mayors.office@kingston.gov.uk)

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## Archive of the Month

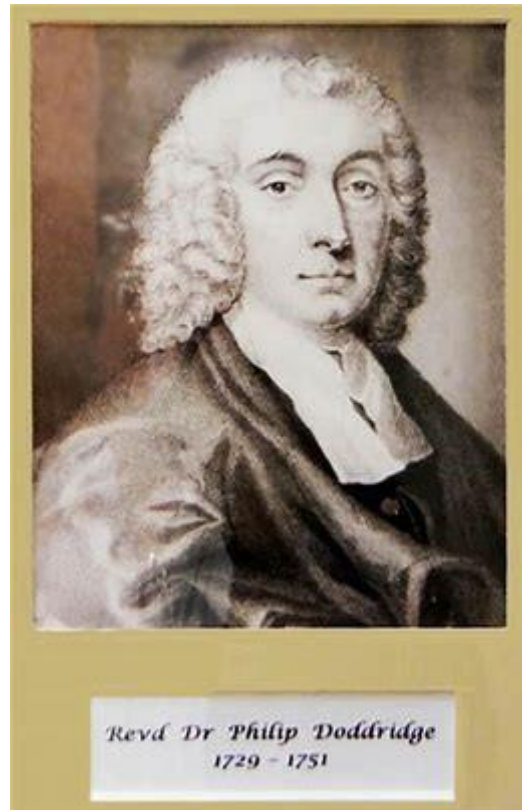


**This is a photograph of our church secretary in 1875. His name is William Page and he was secretary for twenty years in the 1870s and 1880s. His father and mother, John and Kezia, joined the church in 1816, and William and his wife joined in 1852. Apparently, William Page would sit during each service in a large ornate chair beneath the central pulpit, facing the congregation. It was his duty to read notices and announce the hymns, the first verse of which he always read through.**

**Philip Doddridge DD**

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On a recent holiday in Lisbon we walked through the English cemetery and by chance came upon the grave of Rev Philip Doddridge DD (1702-51). Together with Isaac Watts he was one of the pillars of 18<sup>th</sup> century Nonconformity and one of our greatest hymnwriters (eight of his hymns are in *Rejoice and Sing*).



Doddridge had connections with Kingston. Like Richard Mayo, the vicar of Kingston, John was ejected from his post in 1662 for refusing to conform to Church of England practices. At the age of ten Philip Doddridge began to attend Kingston Grammar where his master was Rev Daniel Mayo (1672-1733), the younger son of Richard Mayo. Daniel was later a minister of our church. Philip recalled the 'excellent instructions' he received from Daniel Mayo when 'under his ministerial care'.

Philip moved to Northamptonshire where he founded a 'Dissenting Academy' for training nonconformist ministers and became famous for his theological teaching and biblical commentaries. Isaac Watts, John Wesley, Charles Spurgeon and William Wilberforce all acknowledged their debt to Doddridge's teaching. The URC in Northampton where Philip was minister for 22 years is now known as the Doddridge Memorial Church, situated in Doddridge Street.

Perhaps Philip Doddridge's best known hymn is 'Hark the glad sound! The Saviour comes'. The choir plans to sing this at the Carols by Candlelight service.

**John Fisher**

## VOLUNTEER TRUSTEES WANTED



*We are coming to the end of the 25<sup>th</sup> year of our existence as a charity and we are looking forward to 2025 and how we can develop our services.*

*Our work with those facing either unplanned pregnancy or pregnancy loss continues unabated and we are also developing our work offering sex education in local schools and delivering a course for women in Bronzefield Prison. The needs for our services are greater than ever and one of our biggest challenges is to reduce the waiting list for our listening service, for those facing unplanned pregnancy or pregnancy loss, which currently hovers around the 30 mark.*

*We would like to recruit at least two more trustees and I am writing to ask if this is something you would consider looking into.*

*We are a small friendly team of trustees and we work to ensure that the employed team under the Centre Director deliver our charitable objectives and to ensure that the charity is well managed and governed.*

*What I can say is that it is enjoyable and rewarding being a trustee. We welcome applicants who have previously been a trustee, people who would like to become a trustee and also people who have either work experience in some of the areas where we require some particular experience, or have lived experience of some of the issues our clients are going through.*

*As a charity largely serving women, we would like to increase female representation on our board and also, we would particularly welcome anyone with experience in Finance, Fundraising, NHS maternity background or HR.*

*I would be very happy to meet informally or chat on the phone if you want to have an initial and exploratory conversation.*

*Michael Parker  
Chair of Trustees SEEN  
Email; [mikeparker40@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:mikeparker40@hotmail.co.uk)  
Tel; 07775896063*

## FLOWERS FOR DECEMBER



<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Maggie and John Arnold</b>
<b>8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Christmas Workshop and Glyn</b>
<b>15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>free</b>
<b>22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>free</b>
<b>29<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>free</b>

**Please contact Janine Goddard if you'd like to contribute.**

This  
Christmas.  
End a quarrel  
Seek out a forgotten  
friend. Dismiss suspicion  
and replace it with trust.  
Write a love letter. Share some  
treasure. Give a soft answer. Keep  
A promise. Find the time. Forgo a grudge.  
Forgive an enemy. Listen. Apologise if you  
were wrong. Try to understand. Examine your  
demands on others. Think first of someone else.  
Be kind, be gentle. Appreciate. Laugh a little. Laugh  
a little more. Express your gratitude. Gladden the heart of a  
child. Welcome a stranger. Take pleasure in the beauty and the  
Wonder of Earth  
Speak your love.  
Speak it again.  
Speak it yet  
Once again.

## Margaret and John Davies



Margaret and John Davies have died. We are very fortunate when it comes to reflecting on Margaret because at 90 she wrote her life story. She spoke of how she had enjoyed her life. Margaret was born in Buckhaven, Scotland, the middle child of five children, with good, kind, caring parents. School days were happy days and she enjoyed learning new things. The family moved to Wales when she was nine. She enjoyed Latin, English and art and eventually went to Teacher Training College.

Margaret's first job was teaching in Birmingham. It was her first time away from home. She taught six year olds, coping with fifty in her class. True, the children sat in their places most of the



day and they were lovely children. But it was wartime with blackouts and ration books.

Then she saw an advert for a teaching vacancy in Prescott, Lancashire – to teach art and crafts in a senior girls school where she spent five happy years.

By this time her parents had retired to Herne Bay in Kent in 1951. Margaret moved to live with them teaching primary school and then decided to become Matron in a local boy's preparatory school. Her sister Patty met and married Islwyn Davies, an English teacher, who lived in at the school with his son John, by then a second year Oxford University student.

Margaret went off to the States which she thoroughly enjoyed and had many adventures and taught a class of eight year olds. On returning she taught in Kent until she retired in 1979. By this time John was a commercial and residential property solicitor.

Margaret was a busy member of Herne Bay URC as leader of the youth group, had a bible class of several teenagers and sang in the choir. Margaret lovingly cared for her parents till their deaths.

Her life all changed when she married John. She had known John since he was 17. They married in 1979 at United Reformed Church Kingston, when he was 42 years old and Margaret 56 years old. They lived in Surbiton and not long after bought a house in Beechwood Close

They settled very happily together and enjoyed many happy holidays in Europe and America. Margaret and John were deeply involved in KURC. Her roles in the church were as Elder, she had a pastoral group, she was in charge of the flower rota, and Leader of the Women's Fellowship on a Wednesday afternoon. Margaret was also a diligent church neighbour for the Lovelace area and one member particularly remembers that Margaret kept in touch for six years, even though she had temporarily moved away.

John was involved in the counting of money and banking team. John was good company and made this tedious task fun with his dry observations, insight and wit on whatever issue was news of the day.

Margaret was also a keen and knowledgeable gardener. John was much less so, although he could sometimes be persuaded to mow the lawn! She was also a good artist and enjoyed embroidery.

John often enthused about fast cars, enjoying his trips for treats from Harrods and checking out the best shops to buy chocolates in London. John used his legal experience to help friends and neighbours with local planning issues.

They maintained a wide circle of friends, with Margaret keeping in regular touch with teaching friends she met whilst in America.

John was vice chairman of the Surbiton Recorded Music Society and was instrumental in arranging a backstage tour for members of Glyndebourne in 1996. He loved classical music, was a Member at Glyndebourne, and a regular visitor to the Royal Opera House productions. John Davis, was tremendously generous with his tickets to Covent Garden. Loads of people benefitted from his generosity.

Having no children of their own they were always interested in the activities of their wider family, and loved family get togethers. John and Margaret were a very devoted couple. In many ways although she was physically older than him psychologically she was more youthful than he was. Computers and smart phones passed John by.

Once Margaret could no longer live at home she moved into a residential home where Christina cared for her so devotedly. John visited most days. Until he moved in himself. Even in the last phase of life when they were so physically incapacitated their wit would shine through with a quip. Margaret still relished the touch of any child who came near although to the rest of us she complained about our cold hands.

Margaret would say ‘My life on earth has been happy. I hope I will be able to be a blessing to others somehow, when my spirit leaves my body on my death’.

There is something right about them dying so close in time and having their funeral services together. They were both committed to a Christian path.

## **MEET OUR NEW NEIGHBOUR**



### **Coming soon to a Church Near You.....**

**We are going to restart our Mid-week Lunchtime services. They will be weekly beginning on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December and all future Wednesdays (except Christmas Day and New Years Day). They will take place in the sanctuary and last for half an hour beginning at 1.30pm.**

**People will be welcome to use the coffee bar beforehand. We're hoping this timing will suit people unable to attend on Sundays and those who are passing by, working locally or foyer regulars. Please spread the word and come if you can.**

## Women's breakfasts - past (Saturday 16 November) .....



..... and future (Saturday 21 December)



PLEASE JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL  
MOMENT IN GOD'S PRESENCE

# WOMEN'S

## Christmas Breakfast

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DECEMBER **21st** AT 9AM

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**TO BOOK: SALLY 07807 348326**

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CHURCH, MAYO HALL, EDEN STREET,  
KINGSTON, KT1 1HZ



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## DECEMBER 2024

### HOPE AT ADVENT

#### 1 Watching and waiting

Sunday 1 December (Advent Sunday) Isaiah 40:1-5  
Monday 2 December Psalm 130:1-8  
Tuesday 3 December Isaiah 25:6-9  
Wednesday 4 December Isaiah 40:25-31  
Thursday 5 December Romans 13:11-13  
Friday 6 December 1 Corinthians 1:4-9  
Saturday 7 December Matthew 25:1-13

#### 2 Prophets looking ahead

Sunday 8 December Micah 5:2-5  
Monday 9 December Isaiah 11:1-9  
Tuesday 10 December Isaiah 35:1-10  
Wednesday 11 December Isaiah 61:1-3  
Thursday 12 December Zephaniah 3:14-20  
Friday 13 December Jeremiah 31:31-34  
Saturday 14 December Psalm 85:8-13

#### 3 John the Baptist

Sunday 15 December Luke 1:5-17  
Monday 16 December Luke 1:18-24  
Tuesday 17 December Luke 1:57-66  
Wednesday 18 December Luke 1:67-80  
Thursday 19 December Luke 3:9-14  
Friday 20 December Matthew 11:2-15  
Saturday 21 December Acts 19:1-7

### CHRISTMAS WITH LUKE

#### 1 Mary's gift to the world

Sunday 22 December Luke 1:26-38  
Monday 23 December Luke 1:39-45  
Tuesday 24 December Luke 1:46-56  
Wednesday 25 December (Christmas Day) Luke 2:1-7  
Thursday 26 December Luke 2:8-14  
Friday 27 December Luke 2:15-21  
Saturday 28 December Luke 2:22-35

**2 Luke continues the Christmas story**

Sunday 29 December Luke 2:36-40  
 Monday 30 December Luke 2:41-52  
 Tuesday 31 December Hebrews 2:5-11

**JANUARY 2025****PROMISES AND RESOLUTIONS****1 Bad promises**

Wednesday 1 January 1 Samuel 14:24-30  
 Thursday 2 January Daniel 5:13-30  
 Friday 3 January Genesis 40  
 Saturday 4 January Judges 11:29-40

**2 Good promises**

Sunday 5 January Ruth 1:6-18  
 Monday 6 January (Epiphany) 1 Samuel 20:12-17  
 Tuesday 7 January 2 Samuel 9  
 Wednesday 8 January 1 Kings 5:1-12  
 Thursday 9 January Daniel 1:8-16  
 Friday 10 January Genesis 9:8-17  
 Saturday 11 January 2 Corinthians 1:16-20

**READINGS FROM COLOSSIANS (1)**

Sunday 12 January Colossians 1:1-8  
 Monday 13 January Colossians 1:9-14  
 Tuesday 14 January Colossians 1:15-20  
 Wednesday 15 January Colossians 1:21-23  
 Thursday 16 January Colossians 1:24-29  
 Friday 17 January Colossians 2:1-7  
 Saturday 18 January Colossians 2:8-15

**READINGS FROM COLOSSIANS (2)**

Sunday 19 January Colossians 2:16-23  
 Monday 20 January Colossians 3:1-4  
 Tuesday 21 January Colossians 3:5-11  
 Wednesday 22 January Colossians 3:12-17  
 Thursday 23 January Colossians 3:18 – 4:1  
 Friday 24 January Colossians 4:2-6  
 Saturday 25 January Colossians 4:7-18

**SHEEP AND SHEPHERDS**

Sunday 26 January 2 Samuel 12:1-6  
 Monday 27 January Leviticus 8:18-29  
 Tuesday 28 January Genesis 29:1-10  
 Wednesday 29 January 1 Samuel 25:2-8  
 Thursday 30 January Psalm 78:70-72  
 Friday 31 January Micah 2:12-16

**These readings are enhanced by thoughtful reflections. See [www.ibraglobal.org](http://www.ibraglobal.org)**

## Kingston United Reformed Church – Information

We invite all who read this magazine to come and share in our services and activities

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### How to contribute to Church News:

Contributions on matters of reflection and opinion as well as reports of activities are welcome.

Copy for **Church News** must reach the editor by the second Friday of the month.

**The copy deadline for the next (i.e February) edition is Friday, 10 January 2025**

**Editor: Vaughan James; email [vaughanrjames@gmail.com](mailto:vaughanrjames@gmail.com)**

### FINANCIAL DONATIONS to KURC can be made in a number of ways:

Complete one of the forms at the back of the church to set up standing order payments.

Make regular cash gifts at the Sunday services. By using the offertory envelopes, you allow the church to reclaim Gift Aid.

You can also pay directly into our bank account: sort code 20-46-73, account number 60921289 and quote Kingston United Reformed Church Charity.

*Kingston United Reformed Church is a member of the **Local Ecumenical Project** in Kingston Town Centre with its partner, **All Saints Parish Church** in the Market Place.*

*The town centre ministers meet regularly.*

*We are a part of **Churches Together in Kingston**.*

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