Prayers

- For church members who are unwell and/or who no longer attend.
- For the Lunch Club and all who attend
- For Amy, Ben and their families
- For Ena and family
- · For open doors/opportunities to serve/help our community
- For Merkel, Cyrilene and family
- For the knife and violent crime in the UK peace on our streets
- For Brexit and the UK Government
- For those facing serious illness
- For those Ukraine and Russian
- For the protests in Paris

For families who will struggle with the pressures of Christmas

- Give thanks for our healing
- Give thanks for provisions
- Give thanks for love

Today's Service

Bible Reading

Matthew 1:18-25

- Songs
 - You are my anchor
 - . I love You, Lord
 - In the bleak mid-winter
 - ❖ O little town of Bethlehem
 - We have a Saviour

A story for LIFE and <u>not</u> just CHRISTMAS Season of Advent

'To be FAITHFUL'

In our series for ADVENT were going to be reflecting on –

As we look at the nativity story in more detail over the period of advent, we will be looking at the characters in the story. This week will be reflecting on Joseph and faithfulness.

To be faithful is a difficult in a society where unfaithfulness seems to be the way to act. How do we remain and be faithful to a God who is at work in every situation of our lives and is asking us to act in faithfulness to Him and each other?

"Most men will proclaim each his own goodness, but who can find a faithful man?" – Proverbs 20:6

Reflection Points

Consider the following scripture verses this week as you reflect on FAITHFULNESS

- Proverbs 20:6
- 1 Samuel 12:24
- Luke 16:10
- Hebrews 10:23
- 2 Chronicles 19:9

Notices

Sunday 9th December 2018

- Next Lunch club will be on 17 December 2018
- Please continue to support our emergency food parcel cupboard by bringing in some things off the list in the foyer when you can
- Church Prayer Meeting Every Sunday Evening 6.30pm 7.30pm
- Gathering for prayer every Sunday Morning 9.45-10.15AM
- Next Deacons Meeting 9 December 2018 TODAY
- Carol Service Friday 21 December 2018 at 6.30PM
- Church Christmas Lunch 16 December 2018 after the service
- Christmas Day Service 10AM

The church has a number of things to get involved with such as the sound desk, serving communion, leading prayer and making tea and coffee - let us know if feel able to get involved in some way

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Jesus, Emmanuel here with us
Tell all the world
We have a Saviour
We have a Saviour
We are no longer lost
'Cause He has come down for us
We have a Saviour
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His love will reign forever His love will reign forever His love will reign forever X2

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Prayer for the Week

Father,

Father, may our lives be marked by faithfulness and integrity. These character traits are not developed over a short period of time, but rather over one's lifetime.

Help us not to become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. For some of us that harvest will not come until we meet with You.

So help us not to give up, if we don't see it here, for the great and eternal harvest is yet to come.

Remembering that truth helps us to be more committed to remaining faithful to the very end. May it be said of us; He is a faithful man or she is a faithful woman. All glory be to God.

In Jesus name

AMEN

Prayer adapted from: https://adailyprayer.wordpress.com/tag/faithfulness/

Notes
"For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder .And His name will be called Wonderful, Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." Isaiah 9:6

Theme Song

We have a Saviour

A child has been given, The King of our freedom Sing for the light has come This is Christmas

Come and adore Him And bring gifts before Him Joy to the world Worship the Son This is Christmas

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Sing with angels And lift up your voices Join in the song of hope This is Christmas