

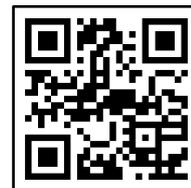
# Church Matters

21 – 27 December 2025

**Christ Church** Dunstable   
bringing the hope of Christ from the heart of Dunstable

## Welcome to Christ Church Dunstable!

We're delighted you're here and trust you feel at home amongst us. If you are new here, we would love to get to know you better. Please visit [ccd.church/welcome](http://ccd.church/welcome) or use the QR code to provide your contact details.



## OUR SUNDAY SERVICES



<b>Morning Services 9:15am &amp; 11:15am</b>	<b>Carols by Candlelight Service 6:15pm</b>
<b>A Look into Zechariah's Song</b> Luke 1:67-80 Phil Hammersley	<b>A Look into the Joy Christ Brings</b> Luke 2:8-12 Gareth Mitchell
Go to <a href="http://ccd.church/live">ccd.church/live</a> to view the 11:15am and the 6:15pm services.	

## CHILDREN'S & YOUTH WORK

	Crèche facilities for under 2's are available in the Church Hall
	<b>2-4's in the Church Hall (beneath the auditorium)</b> Christmas Story: the Shepherds (Luke 2:8-20) <b>Big Idea:</b> Jesus came to rescue all people.
	<b>4-7's in the Lounge (Church Office) &amp; 8-11's in The Way</b> God's Gift to Simeon (Luke 2:21-35) <b>Big Idea:</b> Jesus is the one who allows us to see how we can be in God's family.
	<b>Nano is for 11-14's</b> Enjoying the Service
	<b>Frontline is for 14-18's</b> No meeting tonight

## THIS WEEK

Mon 22		<b>Tiddlers &amp; Toddlers:</b> on Christmas break <b>English Classes:</b> on Christmas break
Tue 23	2:30 – 4:30pm	<b>Art:</b> on Christmas Break <b>Foodbank:</b> in The Way
Wed 24	4:15 – 5:00pm	<i>Please note that The Way Coffee House will close at 3pm and will re-open on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> January at 8:30am.</i> <b>Children's Christmas Eve Carol Service:</b> (see below for more details) in the Church Building
Thur 25	10:15am	<b>Christmas Day All-Age Service:</b> in the Church Building
Fri 26		<b>Boxing Day Bank Holiday</b> <i>Please note, there is no Foodbank today.</i>

## NEXT SUNDAY – 28 December

Please join us for our **Morning Services at 9:15 and 11:15am**, when **Phil Hammersley** will be continuing our Christmas series from the book of Luke.

### **Praise and Testimony Service – Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> December 6:15pm**

We will have an evening of Praise and Testimony at the 6:15pm service on 28<sup>th</sup> December. If you would like to share during the evening, **please speak to Gareth Mitchell, Phil Hammersley or Steve Neal**. The expectation is that the service will finish by 7:30pm so please do prioritise this special evening as we hear testimonies of God's goodness to us as individuals and as a church during 2025.

### **Children's Christmas Eve Carol Service – 4.15pm**

We are looking forward to seeing you at 4.15pm on Christmas Eve for our special service which is for the whole family. **The children are very welcome to come dressed as an angel or a shepherd if they would like to!**



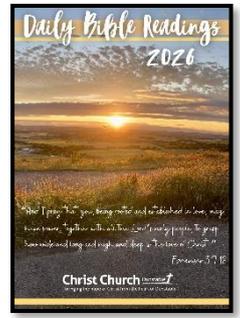
### **Christmas Day Service – 10.15am**

On Christmas Day, we have **one service at 10.15am** and would love to see you there! We would encourage you to arrive in plenty of time so you can be seated comfortably in the main auditorium. The Welcome Team will be directing you to seats and may ask you to move along to ensure rows are filled up. If you have accessibility requirements, the Welcome Team will be able to assist you.

## **2026 Daily Bible Readings**

Details of the plan for 2026 was shared during the services this morning. The Daily Bible Reading booklets are available in the Foyer.

An electronic copy of the 2026 Daily Bible Reading booklet will also be available at [ccd.church/dbr](http://ccd.church/dbr) from 1<sup>st</sup> January. The 2025 booklet is currently on this link.



## **Church Diary**

Paper copies of the Church Diary for January to August 2026 are available in the church foyer. The electronic diary can be found at [ccd.church/diary](http://ccd.church/diary)

## **Christmas Offering**

Our Christmas collection this year will be split three ways between Christian Prison Resourcing, Delhi Bible Institute's 'Loving the Poorest' project and Wycliffe Bible Translators' work in a war-torn country in Africa. Details have been shared during recent morning services.

The church bank details are- Sort Code: 40-52-40, Account Number: 00037278. Please use the reference: *Christmas*.

You can also donate by cash, cheque and contactless payment any time between now and **Monday 5th January**.

## **The Way Coffee House Christmas Opening Hours**

The Way will close on Christmas Eve at 3pm and will re-open on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> January at 8.30am.

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