



Bethel News December 2021

Morning Services at 11am

5 December	Christening	Mrs M Mancktelow
12 December	Memory Tree, Gift Service & Communion	Mrs M Mancktelow
19 December	Carol service	The Deacons

There will not be a morning service on 26 December.

We look forward to seeing you again on Sunday 2 January at 11am

The Church Parade service on 9 January will be led for us by Mrs Sheila Potipher and will include the re-dedication of our Brigade Companies

Gift service on Sunday 12 December

This year we will be supporting two charities – Care4Christmas on Sheppey and the Bus Shelter in Sittingbourne. They are both delighted that we have decided to support them and really value your support and also of course your prayer support, Care4Christmas would welcome gifts for all ages, from babies to adults. They would especially appreciate gifts for teenage boys and men. You are welcome to wrap these, if you want, but please label them with the person they are suitable for – man, lady, girl or boy (with the age). The Bus Shelter, is a Charity which supports homeless people in Swale, and are based at Phoenix House in Sittingbourne. They would welcome donations of toiletries, gloves, hats, socks as well as mince pies etc. There is no need to wrap your gifts as the organisers need to see what they have and distribute them as needed.

Please remember to save any used postage stamps from your post and give them to Denise who will send them on to the RNIB for their fundraising.

Christmas at Minster Bethel

Saturday 4 December	Brigade Christmas Fayre from 10am
Sunday 19 December	Carols by Candlelight at 6.30pm
Christmas Eve	Midnight Communion at 11.45pm
Christmas Day	Celebration Service at 10am

Dates for your diary:

Saturday 18 December – Churches Together in Sheppey will be singing carols in Sheerness Town Centre (where the Clock Tower should be) between 11am and 11.45

Please pray for:

- For any in our fellowship who are unwell – that they may receive the treatment they need. We think especially of those who are unable to join us at Bethel. For those who have lost loved ones and so will find Christmas a difficult time.
- For our young people and those who lead them. We pray that as Christmas approaches they will all enjoy the preparations. and will remember the true reason for the season.
- For our Island, thinking especially of those who are struggling financially. May the Sheppey Support Bus and the Food Banks continue to be able to help the neediest in our community. For Care4Christmas and the Bus Shelter Project.
- For Nado, the young girl we support in Togo.
- We give thanks for Nigel, serving in Grenada, may he continue to get to know the local people well and that his church will benefit from his ministry.
- For our country, for wisdom for those in authority.
- For the world situation especially those living with war and violence.
- Lastly for ourselves, that we continue to grow in faith and in knowledge of the Lord Jesus and draw ever closer to our Lord and Saviour.



