# CHURCH UPDATES News Sheet 23rd November 2025



WEBSITE ALERT!! You will not want to miss the amazing information that is NOW on our church website about all our Christmas services and events. Please do check them out and point others to them if you can!

#### **NOVEMBER SERVICES**

23<sup>rd</sup> **9.00am** Holy Communion – *Moses Intercedes for Israel* – Ex. 33:12-34:10

**10.30am** Morning Worship – As above

30<sup>th</sup> **ADVENT Sunday** 

**9.00am** Holy Communion – *God's Dwelling Place* – Ex. 40:1-38

**10.30am** Morning Worship – As above

Included in our Advent Services (above) we will be receiving donations, as in previous years, towards the Great Notts Christmas Toy Appeal. PLEASE BRING THEM UNWRAPPED.



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If you are able to donate gifts the organisers would be very grateful as they anticipate the need to be much greater this year. For ages and ideas please following the link <a href="https://www.greatnottschristmastoyappeal.com">www.greatnottschristmastoyappeal.com</a> which gives an update on last year's donations and where you can find information about the items they would welcome this year. A bank account, for anyone who finds it easier to make a monetary donation, has been set up by them which is Lloyds Bank, The Great Notts Christmas Toy Appeal, Sort code: 30-99-50, Account No. 46621862.



**Prayer Ministry** is available between 10.00 & 10.30am and at the end of the 10.30am service. The team is identifiable with badges. If you need help in finding someone, please ask a warden or a welcomer on the door.

**COLLABORATE** and **CTiS** will be having a shared stall at The Christmas Shopping Night on Thursday 27th November 2025, 16.00 - 20.00 and they will also be running a Nativity Shop Window Trail in the weeks surrounding it. Please save this date. We very much hope that you will attend to give support in sharing our Christmas hope with our community.

**ACTIVATE WEEKEND** A number of women will again be going on the Activate weekend next year, 27th February to 1st March, at a lovely hotel in Daventry. There is still some space left, though it will soon fill up as it's the Diamond Jubilee, celebrating 60 years of women sharing faith and being encouraged. It's always a great blend of teaching, fellowship, worship and relaxation. If you'd like to know more, speak to Suzanne Dent, Julie Barker, Caro May or click the following link <a href="https://www.activateyourlife.org.uk/2026-diamond-jubilee-weekend-away/">https://www.activateyourlife.org.uk/2026-diamond-jubilee-weekend-away/</a>



A very big thank you Graham & Christine's Home Group for organizing the refreshments for the Quiz Night which was well received, and to all those who came and enjoyed a great evening of fun and fellowship. For those who were unable to attend there is still opportunity to donate by clicking on the QR code and making the donation online (preferably) but we can



also accept money in envelopes on or before 30<sup>th</sup> November labelled Tearfund Big Quiz. From the Saturday evening, including Gift Aid, the total was just under £650. Many thanks to all who contributed. The money will be sent on 4<sup>th</sup> December.



An invitation from **CORNERSTONE CHURCH** in Nottingham. They are putting on an event **WEST END HAS FAITH** on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November at 7.00pm. There will be a mix of Christmas classics and musical theatre hits, a great evening to kick off the Christmas season. Booking tickets can be via their website which are £12 and include festive refreshments.

We really loved having them perform back in April 2024, and those who

came had a great time. Why not use this as an opportunity to invite some friends or colleagues? West End Has Faith say "As Christians we love to share our faith and love of musical theatre to explain why we believe in Jesus."

Cornerstone Church, 90 Castle Blvd, Nottingham NG7 1FP

## TRINITY CHRISTMAS SERVICES

On **Sunday 7**<sup>th</sup> **December at 3pm** we are planning to have a gentle, reflective service for those who may find this Christmas season difficult. Whether you are grieving the loss of a loved one or simply seeking a quiet space for remembrance, you are warmly invited to join us.

During the service, there will be an opportunity to light a candle and write in a Book of Remembrance. Come as you are, and find comfort in the light that shines even in the darkest of times.



#### **Carol Service**

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December 4.00pm Followed by Mince Pies & Hot Chocolate

# **Christmas Eve**

Scratch Nativity 4.00pm Midnight in Bethlehem Communion 9.30pm – 10.30pm

## **Christmas Day**

One Church Celebration 10.00am followed by a short Communion for those who wish to stay.

## CHURCHES TOGETHER IN SOUTHWELL - new Youth Group in Southwell - INVITATION TO A MEETING

Thank you to those who have expressed an interest in helping to run a new Youth Group in Southwell under the Churches Together initiative.

There will be an <u>informal gathering at the Hearty Goodfellow at 7.30 on Tuesday, 2nd December</u>. The purpose is to discuss the best way to set up and run the project, and we would welcome anyone to attend who might be willing to be involved.

Attendance at this meeting **does not** commit anyone to helping, as it is merely to discuss the best way forward. Please feel free to attend even if you have not previously expressed an interest. No training in youth work or previous experience is required, just enthusiasm to help with God's work in Southwell.

I hope to see as many there as possible. Tammy

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