

NOVEMBER 2022

SUN 6th 10.30am Worship led by Roy Wharton, from The King's Church Staines.

SUN 13th 10.30 REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY. Worship led by the Minister, Rev Stephen Lewis. Holy Communion

11.00 Hampton Hill Act of Remembrance St. James.

12.00 Hampton Community Act of Remembrance.

SUN 20th 10.30 SHOEBOX SUNDAY & LUNCH

Worship led by Louise Bland, The King's Church Staines.

FRI 25th 5.30 CHRISTMAS PARADE & FAYRE.

SUN 27th Worship led by The Minister Rev Stephen Lewis.

DECEMBER

THURS 1st 8.00 COMMUNITY CHOIR CONCERT

SAT 3rd 7.30pm CHRISTMAS CRACKER CONCERT FOR SHOOTING STAR CHILDREN'S HOSPICES.

SUN 4th 10.30 Worship led by Rev Antony Ball.

SUN 11th 10.30 Worship led by the Minister Rev Stephen Lewis including Holy Communion.

SUN 18TH 10.30 Worship led by Paul Murphy, United Church Egham.

6.30pm CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT.

SAT 24th. 11.30pm. **Midnight Christmas Communion** led by the Minister, Rev Stephen Lewis

SUN 25th. 10.30 am **CHRISTMAS DAY CELEBRATION** led by the Minister, Rev Stephen Lewis,

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES.. OPEN TO ALL. JUST COME.

Sunday worship 10.30am. Informal weekly service, refreshments served.

Place to Play

every Tuesday in term time

from September 6th 09.00 - 11.00

for toddlers parents and carers

All welcome. Donation £3.00 a family.

Tuesday; weekday prayer

Every Tuesday 12.45 - 1.15 pm.

Bereavement Café,

Tea 'n chat, games, Scrabble tables:

EVERY Tuesday afternoon

1.30 to 3.30. Open to all.

Community Choir:

Come and sing for fun.

Thursdays in term time

from 7.30 - 9.30pm.

New members always welcome .

Reading the Psalms

Each Friday from 10.00 - 11.00 am

All welcome.

Coffee and Company

Every Saturday from 10.00 - 12.00

Open House; a chance to meet and chat.

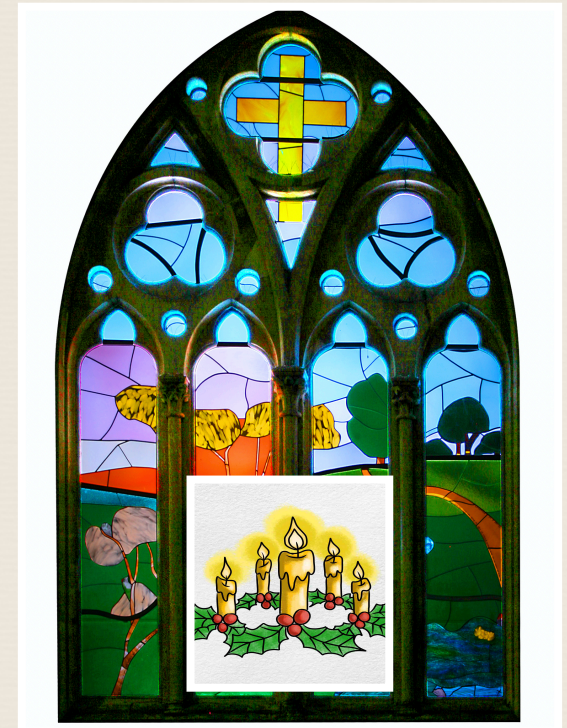
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HAMPTON HILL UNITED REFORMED CHURCH.



**Newsletter and Calendar
November & December 2022.**

**Let's bring hope, peace, kindness,
the gift of time to our neighbours.**

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SAMARITAN'S PURSE - SHOEBOX SUNDAY

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD. 20th November 10.30 am

Samaritan's Purse is an international charity that supports families and particularly children in the severest need. We are invited to fill a shoebox with appropriate items for a boy or girl. The charity arranges delivery to children for whom this will be their sole Christmas gift. Local people, friends and neighbours use this opportunity to support a child. Donations are always welcome; items recommended include toy cars, skipping rope, toothbrushes, colouring and picture books. Donate what you can. Thank you. This year the gifts collected in Hampton will be given to children in Eastern Europe facing war and homelessness. To take part either pop into the church for a leaflet or go online to. shoebonline.org.uk



Dear Friends, 2022 will be remembered for good and ill: the Platinum Jubilee, our Queen's death, a new King, war in Ukraine, inflation, relentless climate change.

The state funeral of our late Queen Elizabeth, marked long years of service and a life guided by her Christian faith. Nations came together to grieve but also gave thanks for her legacy.

As we approach the season of Advent, the time of preparation for Christmas, we remember that we will celebrate the birth of the 'King of Kings', God come to be with us in flesh and blood. In these times of turmoil, we see hope in the birth of a child, in a simple stable, a child born to parents who were made to travel to register in a census.

There is hope in the rejoicing among poor shepherds, and in the wise men, foreigners, drawn to the Christ child. In the background there is a murderous King Herod. God comes into all the mess and muddle of the world. For us, Christmas gives the hope we see in a new life, but also the hope that God is with us even when the worst things happen. The bad things don't magically go away. The baby Jesus grows up, full of grace and truth, but the story heads to Holy Week and the cross. God walks with us through the sorrows of this world, and shows us that we can live in a different and kinder and more generous way, despite of everything, because of Jesus, our 'Prince of Peace' and 'King of Kings'.

Peace and blessing, through Advent
and this Christmas. Stephen.

NOVEMBER 25th. Hampton Hill High Street Parade is back. The Christmas lights go on. At the Church the familiar children's stalls, BBQ, hotdogs and mulled wine will all be available. Homemade cakes, local honey, gifts and refreshments will run alongside traditional carols sung with joy. This is the place where local and international charities are represented and supported by neighbours. Would you like to have an 'art or craft' stall? Do ask. With the return of this wonderful community event we are seeking help please both in preparing and running the stalls. Put **the 25th November evening** in your diary and expect a traffic free joyful start to this year's celebrations. If you would or could be involved just send a note to info@hamptonhillurc.org.uk.

DECEMBER 3rd 7.30pm CHRISTMAS CRACKER CONCERT in aid of Shooting Star Children's Hospices. Come and have an amazing evening of Christmas music and song. IN HARMONY is an ensemble of truly amazing musicians. From the well known songs to their own compositions all set the scene for a fabulous family time together, concern for others and support. **Tickets available on the door.**

