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Prayer pointers over Christmas

Sunday 26th December

Christians in the Community; Boston Borough Council; Fire/Ambulance/Police services; Centrepont; Prison ministry; RoadHoG.

Mission Focus: Tearfund

Sunday 2nd January

Church Outreach: Discipleship Courses; Social Activities; Welcome Team; Trinity Centre; Trinity Tots; Trinity Café ; Mission.

Mission Focus: YWAM & The Wrights

Date for your diary.....

The craft club will be meeting on Tuesday 11th January in the church lounge.

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Boston

*'Loving Jesus
Serving others'*

Worship Together Christmas Services 2021

4.00pm Christmas Eve Crib Service

11.30pm Christmas Eve Midnight Communion

10.30am Christmas Day Worship and Grow

10.30am Boxing Day Said Communion

Sunday 2nd January Epiphany

10.30am Worship and Grow

4.00pm Communion Together in church only

LIVE in Church and STREAMED online

Join us in church or on YouTube

**For unto
us a child
is born...**

ISAIAH 9:6



Christmas Eve Midnight Communion 11.30pm

Prayer for the day: Eternal God, in the stillness of this night you sent your almighty Word to pierce the world's darkness with the light of salvation: give to the earth the peace that we long for and fill our hearts with the joy of heaven through our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen

Readings: Matthew 1:18-25 and John 1:1-14

Thought: Lis Ward Matthew's account of the birth of Jesus is a very matter of fact description of the greatest journey ever—God's Son sent to earth to become man—the King of King and Lord of all coming as a baby. A baby whose name Jesus reflects his purpose: a rescuer, a saviour, come to set all people free from sin and death, to bring light into the darkness of the world that had forgotten God its creator.

We are all on a journey of life, and if we choose that journey can be a journey towards Jesus, who through his first coming offers us the chance to enter into a relationship with God. The journey to Jesus then becomes a journey with Jesus as Immanuel, God with us, walks beside us through all the days of our life and forever more.

Christmas Day Worship and Grow 10.30am

Prayer for the day:

People of God, sing and shout! Tell the good news of peace on earth.
Lord, bring us today into Christ's peace.

All God's people *shout! Amen!*

Angels dance and the bright star shines. All creation bows to the Lord of all.
Lord, bring us today into Christ's light.

All God's people *shout! Amen!*

Jesus, one with us, yet born to save, he will show us the way to God.

Lord, bring us today into Christ's love.

People of God, *sing and shout!*

Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

Readings: Luke 2: 1-7 and Luke 2: 8-20

Thought: Ian Ward Christmas Surprises. Christmas is full of surprises. We get the card from the long-lost friend or the thoughtful present from a neighbour. Children get excited and surprised at their filled stockings. Even ancient Auntie Edna turning up for Christmas dinner can be a bit of a surprise! But what about the real Christmas? I think there are 5 surprises of Christmas.

1. That God should send a baby to solve all that is wrong not a warrior or politician!
2. That God trusted his only son to a normal Mum and Dad not celebrities!
3. God chose an animal shelter to be Jesus' home. He embraced struggle and poverty!
4. God chose ordinary shepherds to be first to hear the news. Jesus is for everyone!
5. That the Magi gave gifts that recognise Jesus as the King who would die and be God all rolled into one!

Sunday 26th December Said Communion 10.30am

Prayer for the day: Almighty God, who wonderfully created us in your own image and yet more wonderfully restored us through your Son Jesus Christ: grant that, as he came to share in our humanity, so we may share the life of his divinity; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Reading: Luke 2:21-35

Thought: Lis Ward Today's reading describes the next part of the Christmas story. The shepherds have gone back to their fields, Mary and Joseph have wondered over the things that they have seen and heard and now have to carry out the practical actions that usually followed the birth of a first-born Jewish boy. Jesus, like any other baby, is circumcised and named. The ordinary routines remind us that he is fully human. His name—Jesus—given to him by the angel before he was conceived, reminds us that he is the one who has come to rescue God's people. As Simeon affirms this is the one through whom not only the Jews but all humanity will be saved—not only a human baby but Jesus, Immanuel, God with us.

Sunday 2nd January Worship and Grow 10.30am

Prayer for the day:

Thank you, God for all we learn through the account given to us in Matthew. Help us understand what we hear today. Thank you that you were alive and working in the passage we're looking at this morning, just as much as you're alive and working in our day-to-day lives in 2022. Help us know who You are when we worship You, and not be afraid to give you the little that we might have. Amen.

Readings: Matthew 2:1-12

Thought: Eden Prothero

In Matthew 2, we read about the Wise Men and the gifts they gave Jesus. We are told about their journey and the things they relied on in order to arrive where Jesus was. We also hear about what their attitude and disposition was when it came to them seeing Jesus face-to-face, in the flesh, and how they fully submitted and worshipped Him as King of Glory. The gifts they gave Him, of gold, frankincense and myrrh, were expensive at the time, and would have been of great use to Mary, Joseph and Jesus. They presented Jesus – gave Him – what they had received. We've all got different gifts. Okay, so they're not gold, frankincense or myrrh (I think, anyway...?), but God has graciously given us wonderful things we can use to glorify Him. We can give Him the little we've got, and He takes it and brings something incredible out of it.