

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS



Advent Devotional 2019

Readings, reflections and prayers for the Advent Season

The countdown to Christmas will soon be under way.

I have great pleasure in commending this year's Circuit Advent devotional booklet to you.

For each day there is a Bible reading, a reflection upon it and a prayer.

By using this booklet throughout Advent, may we all find an oasis of quiet in which we can find time for God as we prepare for the coming of His son once more.

Keith

Printed copies of this Advent Devotional without the bible reading text are available at Wantage, Grove and Childrey Churches. The leaflet including the Bible texts is available on the Church websites as a downloadable file <Advent devotional 2019 with readings.pdf>. To open the document, click on the pdf icon — the booklet is downloadable so that you can either print it out or read it on your electronic device.

Advent reflection and study

Keith will be leading a weekly Advent study/meditation/reflection for the first three weeks of Advent under the title “Advent – holding the Christ light”. There will be both morning and evening options lasting around an hour or so. This will be a mix of silence, music, prayers and a reflection on a Bible passage

Week 1 - **Advent – Holding the Christ light for the world**

Monday 2nd December at 7:30 pm at Wantage Methodist church or

Tuesday 3rd December at 10:00 am at Grove Methodist Church

Week 2 - **Advent - Holding the Christ light for our nation**

Monday 9th December at 7:30 pm at Wantage Methodist church or

Tuesday 10th December at 10:00 am at Grove Methodist Church

Week 3 - **Advent - Holding the Christ light for one another**

Monday 16th December at 7:30 pm at Wantage Methodist church or

Tuesday 17th December at 10:00 am at Grove Methodist Church

Everyone is very welcome to come and along and join in.

Scratch Nativity at Wantage 15th December at 10:30am

On this, the third Sunday of December, Kids@church will be joining with our morning congregation for an all-age interactive, “scratch” nativity led by Keith. We invite you, should you wish, to come along to the service dressed as your favourite nativity character!

We will also be blessing our knitted Christmas angels during the service, before they are taken into our local care homes and set loose in our town.

THE CROWN SINGERS PRESENT
**MUSIC AND
READINGS
FOR ADVENT**

Saturday 30th November, 7.30pm

All Saints' Church, Marcham

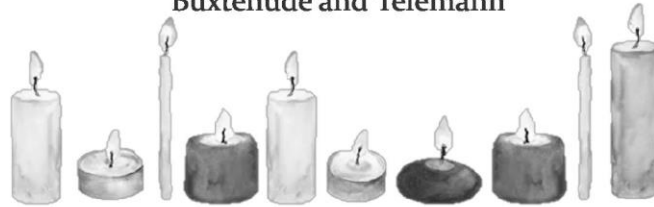
Tickets £10, refreshments provided

Musical Director - Paul Hedley

Ashford Baroque

Featuring seasonal music by

Buxtehude and Telemann



Tickets available from Vale and Downland Museum, Wantage, or on the door

**PILGRIMS'
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CHRISTMAS FAYRE

9:30 AM to 11:30 AM

Saturday 7th December 2019

**Framland Pilgrim Home, Naldertown,
Wantage, OXON. OX12 9DL**

**Cakes Cards Christmas Hampers
Crafts Gifts Choir Refreshments**

**All proceeds in aid of the Framland Pilgrim Home
Registered Charity Number 242266**



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Christmas Tree Festival

at

Wantage Methodist Church

Raising funds for

Wantage and Grove STREET PASTORS

Come and see the Christmas Trees in the Chapel and Hall

6th December 6-9pm - Dickensian Evening

+ refreshments and stalls

7pm - Caritas Children's Choir will be singing

7th December 10am-12 noon - Coffee Morning

8th December 10.30am - Morning Worship

We hope Christmas and the New Year
will bring you many blessings.



Special Christmas Services

Wantage Methodist Church

15 th December	10:30 am All Age 'Scratch Nativity' Service
22 nd December	6:00 pm Carol Service
24 th December	11:30 pm Midnight Communion
25 th December	9:30 am Christmas Morning all-age celebration

Grove Methodist Church

22 nd December	6:30 pm Carol Service
24 th December	8:00 pm Holy Communion for Christmas Eve
25 th December	10:45 am Christmas Morning all-age celebration

Childrey

8 th December	4:00 pm United Christingle Service at St Mary's
22 nd December	3:00 pm United Carol Service at St Mary's

Covenant Services for 2020

Keith will be leading the annual covenant and re-dedication of pastoral visitors as below:

Wantage Methodist Church	Sunday 5 th January at 10:30 am
Grove Methodist Church	Sunday 19 th January at 10:45 am
Childrey Methodist Church	Sunday 26 th January at 11:00 am with St. Mary's & followed by lunch