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8<sup>th</sup> December 2019  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Advent  
10:30am The Revd Julia Wiktorska  
Holy Communion  
Holy Habit ( Making more Disciples) 2

## Prayer

Almighty God,  
purify our  
hearts and  
minds, that  
when your Son  
Jesus Christ

comes again as  
judge and  
saviour we may  
be ready to  
receive him,  
who is our Lord  
and our God.  
Amen

Hymns: (StF) 169 173 231 706 verse 2 398 167

Scripture: Luke 1:57-66 (GNB NT page 74)

Benedictus (Luke 1:68-79), Methodist Worship  
Book page 119

◆ Church stewards on duty today  
Merline Grizzle and Anne Dennison



## V isitors

We welcome all visitors today and ask them to sign the visitors' book which is on the table in the Welcome Area. All are welcome to stay for a cup of coffee or tea after the service.

## Circuit Prayers



We are asked to pray for Goffs Oak Methodist Church and their minister the Revd Alan Combes. Churches Together in Southgate, Oakwood and Cockfosters Have asked us to pray for the Welsh Presbyterian Church.



### **All-age Nativity Gift Service**

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December, 10.30am**

Come dressed as an angel, shepherd or wise 'man' and join in our Pop-up Nativity.

Bring a gift for the Falconer Children's Home;  
details elsewhere in the newsheet.

Retiring Collection for the Falconer Trust.

## **FUTURE OF SOUTHGATE - LOOKING FORWARD**

Throughout October 2019 we have given thanks for and celebrated our 90 years as a church in this community. Our preachers also encouraged and challenged us to look ahead so let's not lose momentum. Let's think and pray and talk together not only about the present but also about our future.

What are your 'Hopes', 'Dreams' or 'Wishes' for this church in this community in the next 5 years? How can we make this happen?

At the back of church, you'll find LOOKING FORWARD cards on the table. Please add your thoughts and ideas to the display board. Be bold and adventurous. The colour felt tips may help!



Let's get thinking/praying/responding ... LET'S LOOK FORWARD TO THE FUTURE OF SOUTHGATE.

***Church stewards and Julia.***

## **CANDLELIT CAROL SERVICE CHOIR - CALLING ALL SINGERS!**

Roddy is gather-

ing singers to sing two or three pieces at the Candlelit Carol Service on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 4.00pm.

## DIY All-age Nativity - WE NEED YOU!

Ever wanted to be a shepherd, angel or wise man? Well, now is your chance. Don't let your age hold you back. The Nativity Gift Service on Sunday 16th December at 10:30am will be a spontaneous Nativity and there are no speaking parts. If you want to be an angel, wear a tinsel headdress; wings are optional! If you want to be a shepherd, wear a tea towel; plain dressing gown optional!



If you want to be a wise man or king, wear a crown (paper will do) and bring a gift; colourful rich clothing optional!

## *Christmas appeal for Whitechapel Mission.*

For some years now, we have put the Whitechapel Box in the Welcome Area for the Christmas period and throughout January, for any contributions you are able to make for some of the very poorest people in London. Everyday the Mission serves a hot breakfast and provides facilities for guests to have showers. However, they do need help.

There is a great need for breakfast cereals, porridge oats, baked beans, tin tomatoes, tea or sugar, and for shower gel, soap, shampoo, disposable razors and shaving foam.

We hope you will feel able to help again this year. Your kindness will

## THE FALCONER CHILDREN'S HOME

For many years our Church has supported the Falconer Children's Home and orphanage in Kabulamena, a small village in Zambia, by sending practical gifts and money to the Falconer Trust. The home was founded by a remarkable woman, Lilius Falconer, in 1947 and in the 50 years up to her death in 1998, she saved over 600 babies. No child was ever refused admission and the welcome sign in front of the Home still says, "Who so shall receive one such little child in My name, receives me."

Donations will be gratefully received during the Nativity Gift Service on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December, but you can bring your gifts to Church any time up to the end of January. There is also a retiring collection for the Falconer Trust at this service.

### *The items most needed are as follows:*

**Food for babies:** baby milk powder (all ages from birth); rusks, baby food (tins please, *not jars*), powdered baby food eg Milupa, Aptamil/Cow and Gate

**Food for children:** powdered milk, porridge, Weetabix, tinned meat and fish, baked beans (*preferably with a ring-pull top*), powdered soup, pasta and rice

**Clothing** for all ages, *but no heavy coats*, knitted hats, scarves, gloves, knitted/crocheted blankets, fabric for making clothes

**Toiletries:** soap, toothbrushes and toothpaste, baby bath, baby shampoo, nappies (Terry or disposable)

**Stationery:** pens, pencils, crayons (preferably not felt tips), paper, notebooks, rulers, pencil sharpeners etc.

We do hope we can send a bumper collection to the Falconer Trust and thank you all for your support.

# Angels

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## Bringing Great News

*A workshop  
involving  
discussion and  
sharing, craft  
and play reading  
and poetry*



*Making sense of angels is a delight but also a challenge. Perhaps we aren't meant to make sense of them? As Christmas approaches we look at angels: Angels in the Bible, angels in art and literature and angels that may have come close to us.*

*with the Revd Eileen Turner  
Adult Educator and  
PSALM Associate*

*and Ann Morisy  
Community Theologian and  
PSALM Associate*

**Monday 16 December 2019 11am - 3pm**

**Venue: St Pancras Church House, 1 Lancing Street, NW1 1NA**

Coffee etc at 10.30am, prompt start at 11am. Please bring a packed lunch but drinks will be provided.

Cost £10 (£8 for PSALM members). To book your place return a booking slip to:

PSALM, St Pancras Church, Euston Road, London, NW1 2BA

Or email your details to: psalm@stpancraschurch.org, or leave a message on 020 7388 1461

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Please book a place for me on the 'Angels' workshop  
(please photocopy additional forms for others who may wish to attend)

Name .....

Address .....

Tel ..... Email .....

I enclose cash/a cheque for ..... (£8 for members of PSALM, £10 for non-members)

Please make cheques payable to St Pancras PSALM

# Activities this week

<b>Monday</b>	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Table Tennis Club</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30pm	Girls Brigade
<b>Wednesday</b>	9:30am	Toddlers Group
	2.30pm	Table Tennis Club
	2:30pm	Wednesday Club Carol Service & Mince Pies
	5:00pm	Rainbows
	6:30pm	Brownies
	7:30pm	Guides
<b>Thursday</b>	10.00am	Coffee Morning
	2:00pm	Tea Dance
	7:30pm	Faith Studies
	8:00pm	Badminton
<b>Saturday</b>	10:00	Coffee Morning
<b>Sunday</b>	10:30am	Sunday Club

**Ordnance Road** invite members of the Circuit  
to an **Advent Concert and Tea**  
on **Saturday 14th December, 3.00-5.00pm.**

Come and enjoy some festive entertainment, tea and  
Christmas stalls.

**The flowers today  
have been given by  
Mary Chinbuah**



**Service Next Sunday**  
**10:30am The Revd Julia Wiktorska**  
**Nativity Gift Service (All-age Worship)**  
**6:00pm Ecumenical Taizé Service**  
**at St. Andrew's Southgate**  
**Music rehearsal 5:00pm**