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30 th November 2025				
10.30 am	Morning Service Advent Sunday	Preacher	Rev'd David Ashby	
		Music	Alison & Mary	
		Multimedia	Robert Godden	
		Flowers		
		Steward	Heather Brown	
		Assistant	Sue Truby	

Church Diary Week Commencing 30 th November 2025		
Tuesday	Rejoice 2.30 pm	
Tuesday	Prayer and Bible Study 7.45 pm Zoom Link Below	
Wednesday	Babes and Tots 10.30 am — 12 pm	
Saturday	Christmas Fair 2.00 pm — 4.00 pm	

Sunday 7 th December 2025					
10.30 am	Morning Service	Preacher	Stephen Clay		
		Music	Alison & Mary		
		Multimedia	Robert Godden		
		Flowers	Sandra Fogwill		
		Steward	Matt Rowell		
		Assistant	Mike Bader		

<u>Prayer List on weekly notices</u> If you have asked for a name to be added to the prayer list, please can you remember to let me know when it is appropriate to take it off.

Christmas Fair

Saturday 29th November 2pm to 4pm. Donations for the raffle and tombola would be appreciated. At the Christmas Fair on 29th November, Sandhurst Camera Club will be having a display of their photos in the church. Please do come through and have a browse. Also, do come and join us for mince pies and a drink as well as seeing the home made cakes, gifts, games in support of the church.

Sandhurst Churches Together Events

Turning on of the Christmas Lights in Sandhurst

At 6pm on Saturday 29th November at the Community Centre.

Carol Singing at the Village Inn

Monday 7th December from 7pm joining the Baptist Church singing carols.

Christmas Singing at The Meadows

on Wednesday 17th December from 4pm.

Come and sing with the churches and/or help give out information

BIRD IN HAND CHRISTMAS MEAL - 21ST DECEMBER

Last chance to join us! Keg is going to pay the deposits and menu choices on to the restaurant on Monday 1st December. If you haven't given your deposit or menu choice to Keg, please do this on Sunday. If you haven't put your name down to go -- no problem either email Keg or see her on Sunday! Have your £5 deposit and menu choice at the ready! (Keg will have the menu choice with her, or just see the November newsletter)

CHRISTMAS CARD AND RETIRING COLLECTION DONATIONS

If you would like to send one card to the congregation rather than to everyone, please ask the Welcoming Steward to pin it to the noticeboard. You may like to make a donation and if so there is a decorated Christmas box in the vestibule. After the Carol Service these will then be handed out.

Our Carol Service will be on a Sunday and therefore an offering will be taken and dedicated as usual. However after the service there will be a retiring collection, the basket on the hatch during refreshments.

All donations for the cards and retiring collection will be sent to Action for Children, which is a charity that we support as a church.

<u>Weekly Notices</u> Items for the next week's notices should be sent to <u>notices@sandhurstyateleymethodist.org.uk</u> by Friday 12 noon

Monthly Newsletter items for Feb edition should be with Sue Truby by 18th Jan

Zoom Link for Prayer and Bible Study Join Zoom Meeting

 $\underline{\text{https://zoom.us/j/2799549300?pwd=YjVCazFHR0NwZE500EhaRzhMdm13UT09}} \ \textbf{Meeting ID} : 279\ 954$

9300 **Passcode**: 3v25BE

Hymns and Readings 30 th November 2025			
STF	102	For the Beaty of the Earth	
STF	169	Come thou long expected Jesus	
STF	180	O Come O come Immanuel	
STF	548	Blessed assurance Jesus is mine	
STF	550	Forth in thy name O lord I go	
Psalm 8: 3 – 9			
Matthew 24: 36 – 44			

5@5 Praying together for Sandhurst 5pm on Thursday 11th December 2025

If you can, please pause and pray for 5 minutes at this time.

The festive season is a time for rejoicing, but it can be a time of strain, stress, and excess. Let us pray that the good news proclaimed by the angels will be heard again and that the message of 'peace on earth' will touch individuals, families and nations.



We might also pray for

- our churches' activities and witness
- those who serve others during the festive season
- those for whom this a difficult time of the year
- peace in place of strife.

Luke 2: 17-18

When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them.

Holy Jesus, in being born as one of us; in sharing the experiences of life with us; in being obedient to our Father's will, you showed us how much God loves the world. Let the light of your love shine in our hearts. Enlighten those in darkness. May your love be born in many lives at this time. Amen