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

Church Diary Week Commencing 7th December 2025		
Tuesday	Prayer and Bible Study 7.45 pm Zoom Link Below	
Wednesday	Babes and Tots 10.30 am — 12 pm	

Sunday 14 th December 2025				
10.30 am	Morning Service Holy Communion	Preacher	Rev'd Sharon Gardner	
		Music	Alison & Mary	
		Multimedia	Robert Godden	
		Flowers		
		Steward	Sandra Wooledge	
		Assistant	Margaret Hunt	

<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.

Church Fair

We are pleased to announce that we raised £907 for Church funds. Many thanks to everyone involved especially Marion for the cake and card stall.

Sandhurst Churches Together Events

Carol Singing at the Village Inn

Monday 8th December from 7pm joining the Baptist Church singing carols.

Christmas Singing at The Meadows

Wednesday 17th December from 4pm.

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

<u>Christmas Service at Fourways Residential Home, Sandhurst (about 4 doors up from the church)</u>

Do join us to bring the folk a bit of Christmas cheer on Wednesday 10th December at 2.30pm to 3.00pm!

Crowthorne Methodist Church Coffee and Carols

Wednesday 10th December 2025 at 7.30 pm. £5 per ticket payable on the night in support of the Cowshed. Please reach out to Karen Glossop (Keg) if you need a lift.

BIRD IN HAND CHRISTMAS MEAL - 21ST DECEMBER

Last chance to join us! Karen Glossop (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 Karen Glossop (Keg), please do this on Sunday. If you haven't put your name down to go -- no problem either email Karen Glossop (Keg) or see her on Sunday! Have your £5 deposit and menu choice at the ready! (Karen Glossop (Keg) will have the menu choice and it is also in 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 notices@sandhurstyateleymethodist.org.uk 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

https://zoom.us/j/2799549300?pwd=YjVCazFHR0NwZE50OEhaRzhMdm13UT09 Meeting ID: 279 954 9300 Passcode: 3v25B

Hymns and Readings 30 th November 2025			
STF	83	Praise my soul, the King of heaven	
STF	544	As the deer pants for the water'	
STF	562	O God, what offering shall I give	
STF	487	You shall go out with joy	
STF	545	Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart	
Isaiah 55:1 - 13			

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