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## Weekly offerings

Envelopes	£357.00
Cash	£ 67.63
Banker's orders	£ 80.00
Total	£ 504.63

For further information about Weekly Envelope giving or Bankers orders: Please contact our Treasurer: Mr Michael Butler Tel 01474 362740

## News News News News News News

### Food Bank

Thank you to all who donate regularly to our Food bank. It is the season of Christmas and we are in need of mixed donations including items of soup, baked beans and pasta. Also Christmas Items and treats for Children and Adults. Thank you Eric Davis-Hub Manager.

### Aviva Community Fund.

You may remember that we asked you to vote for our application to the Aviva Community Fund for a contribution to the new laundry project. We have just found out we didn't make the final. But in recognition of the votes we did receive, we will be given a gift of £100 in the New Year towards the project. A big Thank You to all those who voted, it wasn't in vain. Robert Hardy.

### Christmas Bazaar- held last Saturday.

Raised £1,484.07. less £77.84 costs

**Total £1,406.23**

Our thanks to all stall holders and helpers for making it another successful event. Thanks Mike Butler

### Bookings Secretary for Halls and Church:

Centre Manager .Tel 01474 328249

**Weekly Notice Sheet Editor:** Bob Hawkins All items to Bob please by 12 noon on Thursday.

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# Gravesend Methodist Church & Community Centre

Your local Town  
Centre Church  
Bringing God's love  
to the heart of the  
community".

Weekly News  
Sheet  
December 3rd  
2017



**Welcome  
To our Worship and Fellowship**

If you are joining us for the first time, please make yourself at home and stay for tea or coffee which is served in the church at the end of the morning service. Here you will have the opportunity to talk to members of the congregation who will be happy to answer any questions you may have about our Sunday services and weekday activities.

## Sunday 3rd December

### 1st Sunday in Advent

**10.00am Preparation**

Singing, music, av and worship leading.

**11.00 am Time to Worship:**

**Preacher: Deacon Vic Downs.**

Readings: 1 Corinthians 1 vs. 3-9  
1 Thessalonians 3 vs. 9-13

**11.00 am EXPLORERS** (Children's Club)

**6.30pm Evening Service  
With Holy Communion.**

**Preacher: Rev. Tony Graff**

**Care Team** If you would like someone to talk to or to pray with in confidence, representatives from our Care Team are available at each service. They can be identified by their red badges.

***It would be appreciated if mobile phones are turned off or put in silent mode. Thank you.***

## Sunday 10th December

### 2nd of Advent-Toy Service

10.00am Preparation

11.00 am Time to Worship:

Preacher: Gill Gray

11.00 am **EXPLORERS** (Children's Club)

Mon 04/12	<b>"Wash off the city colours" &amp; Laundry</b>	Reception Showers Laundry	1000 1200
	<b>Tai Chi</b>	Wesley Hall	1030 1230
	<b>Sisterhood Rev. Tony Graff</b>	Jubilee Room	1415 1530
	<b>Lithuanian Language School</b>	Parlour	1700 2000
	<b>Badminton Club</b>	Wesley Hall	1930 2200
Tue 05/12	<b>Morning Coffee</b>	Jubilee Room	1000 1200
	<b>Mini meals</b>	Jubilee Room	1230 1330
	<b>Prayer Time</b>	Church	1000 1200
	<b>Sanctuary night shelter</b>	Ground floor	1830 0830
	<b>Meopham Fellowship</b>	14 Poplar Walk	1930
Wed 06/12	<b>D.I.Y</b>	Everywhere	0900
	<b>"Wash off the city colours" &amp; Laundry</b>	Reception Showers Laundry	1000 1200
	<b>Sanctuary</b>	Sanctuary Office	1000 1200
	<b>Food Bank</b>	Riverside Centre	1030 1230
	<b>Lithuanian Church Cell group.</b>	Jubilee Room	2000
Thurs 07/12	<b>Reception and Laundry</b>	Reception Laundry	1000 1400
	<b>The Thursday Group</b>	Jubilee Room	1000 1200
	<b>Encounter group</b>	Parlour	1230 1500
	<b>Women's Fellowship At No 84-The Coffee Shop at Echo Square</b>		1500
	<b>Sanctuary Night Shelter</b>	Ground Floor	1830 0830
Fri 08/12	<b>Sanctuary office</b>	Sanctuary Office	1000 1200
	<b>"Wash off the city colours" &amp; Laundry</b>	Reception Showers Laundry	1000 1200
	<b>Street Pastors Support and Prayer</b>	Jubilee Room	2200 0230
Sat 09/12	<b>Baby Ballet</b>	Wesley Hall	0900 1300
	<b>Food Bank</b>	Church	1000 1200
	<b>Coffee Morning</b>	Jubilee Rom	1000 1200
	<b>Private Party</b>	Wesley Hall	1400 1800
	<b>Street Pastors Support and Prayer</b>	Jubilee Room	2200 0230
Sunday 10/12	<b>Sanctuary Night Shelter</b>	Ground Floor	1830 0830

**Church Flowers for Christmas.**  
**We welcome donations to decorate the Church  
with flowers during Christmas.**  
**Please see Linda or Joyce.**

**Security**  
**Christmas is coming.**  
**So are pickpockets and opportunists**  
**Ladies keep your handbags zipped up at all  
times or tightly closed.**  
**Gentlemen, wallets in back pockets are a pick  
pockets heaven.**

**When with drawing monies from ATM's note  
those around you and shield your PIN no.**  
**You can go into a bank and use the ATM.**

**If you are working around the Church and Halls,  
in reception there are lockers to store your  
personal belongings.**

**Keep your mobiles safe also**

**In crowded areas keep your handbags close to  
you. Gentlemen watch your pockets.**  
**When making transactions don't get distracted.**  
**You have been warned.**  
**Keep your belongings safe.**

**Christmas Cards for the Housebound**  
Are to be found for signing on a table by the  
Christmas tree.  
These cards will give our housebound friends great  
joy that they are thought of and brighten up their  
Christmas. Thanks

**Ellenor.**  
The Ellenor is the only charity in Kent that provides  
hospice care for people of all ages – babies, children  
and adults – and their families.  
To help us to raise vital funds to support our patients  
and families, we are hosting a Festival Winter walk  
on Sunday 17th December at 10.00am at the  
beautiful Jeskyns Community Woodland.  
This is a wonderful event for the whole family  
Emma Bowles; Email:emma.bowles@ellenor.org  
Tel:01474 320 007

**Sunday 10th December 11.00am**  
**Family Toy Service.**  
**Led by Gill Gray**  
Family Toy Service and Gifts for needy families, all  
wrapped in a nice Christmas Paper.  
Also a nice pair of socks for the Homeless with a  
chocolate bar all wrapped in nice Christmas paper.  
Your gifts will be most appreciated Thank you.