

Gravesend Methodist Church & Community Centre

Weekly Newsheet

8 December 2024

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

If you are joining us for the first time, please make yourself at home and stay for tea or coffee which is served 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 8 Dec

8 Dec 10.00am Service preparation
11.00am Toy & Gift Service led by Rev
Bonni-Bell Pickard
11.00am **EXPLORERS**

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

Future Services

15 Dec 11.00am led by John Hudson-Beddows
11.00am **EXPLORERS**
22 Dec 11.00am Family Christmas Celebration
Service Led by Rev A Terrett
25 Dec 11.00am Christmas Day Family Service
Led by Rev A Terrett
29 Dec Joint service held at The Brent Methodist
Church, St Vincent's Road, Dartford.

The late Neville Tuitt.

Following the recent passing away in hospital of Neville Tuitt, his funeral arrangements are as follows:-

Funeral service - to be held in this church, 12 noon on Thursday 19 December. (Neville's coffin will be lying in the church from 11.30am)

Burial - at Thames View Crematorium 1.30pm on the same day. People attending the service at GMCCC and who want to stay, rather than go to the burial, will be given tea/coffee etc. at church.

Refreshments - All are invited to return to the church after the burial for refreshments in the Wesley Hall -please use the Community Centre entrance in Wilfred Street, DA12 2HA.

-Please will you keep Neville's family and friends in your prayers.

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Weekly Notice Sheet Editor - for the next edition is **Eric Davis.** All items for the news sheet should be with
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& DA12 2HA Charity Number:1132238 Please follow us on Facebook - just look up Gravesend Methodist
Church. Like the page, then share with others. **[The Grand** - tel 01474 320123 hello@thegrand.org.uk]

The Grand's activities are not included in this calendar of events.			
Mon 9/12	Daytime Hub	Community Centre	1000-1200
	Coffee, Cake & Conversation	Foyer	1000-1200
	Decorate church/Comm Centre	Ch/Com Cen	1000
	Piano tuning	Church & Jubilee Rm	1000
	Sisterhood	Foyer	1415-1530
	Badminton Club	Wesley Hall	1930-2200
Tue 10/12	Community Centre open	Reception	0900-1300
	SUN Group (Kent & Medway NHS - Service user Network)	Foyer	0930-1330
	Meopham Fellowship	14 Poplar Walk	1930
Wed 11/12	Daytime Hub	Community Centre	1000-1200
	Crafty coffee	Foyer	1000-1215
Thur 12/12	Community Centre open	Reception	0900-1230
Fri 13/12	Daytime Hub	Community Centre	1000-1200
	Street Pastors Support & Prayer	Jubilee Room	2130-0230
Sat 14/12	'babyballet'	Wesley Hall	0900-1300
	Foodbank	Reception	1000-1200

The Grands typical weeks events at GMCCC - the Parlour is in exclusive use as their base. * = Youth event			
Mon	Grand Active	Wesley Hall	1215-1345
	Tech Advice	Quiet Room	1230-1330
	GYG Adults singing	Foyer	1830-2030
Tues	Grand Active	Wesley Hall	1030-1200
	Mini GYGers*	Wesley Hall	1600-1700
	Youth Council*	Quiet & Counselling	1600-1800
Wed	Women's Exercise	Wesley Hall	1900-1945
	Ready, Steady, Go	Wesley Hall	1200-1300
	Yoga	Wesley Hall	1400-1500
	GYG Performers*	Wesley Hall & Foyer	1600-2130
Thur	GYG Creative*	Jubilee Room	1600-1800
	Grand Active & Additional Needs	Foyer	1030-1230
	Seniors Get Active	Wesley Hall	1030-1200
	GYG Committee & Gone wild*	Foyer	1600-1800
	GYG Dance*	Wesley Hall	1630-1830
Fri	Exercise Class	Wesley Hall	1900-1945
	English Classes	Foyer	1000-1330

Christmas Cards.

As usual the church postbox for members to exchange Christmas cards will be found near the Christmas Tree.

Please remember to check your postbox division for cards destined for you.

Some people do not send individual cards but prefer to make a donation to the charity of their choice. If you are one of these people, (Hazel and I do this), please sign and put a message on the large card near the postbox.

Happy Christmas – from your editor – Eric Davis

Christian Aid carol singing Saturday 14 Dec.

Our church's slot is 11.30 to 12noon outside Sports Direct in the St Georges Shopping Centre. Please come with your voice to help us make a good sound and brighten the day of people in the town.

Mince Pies.

We plan to give out mince pies to our guests who attend the Warm Spaces Coffee on Monday 16 and Wednesday 18 Dec. as well as to the congregation at our Family Christmas Celebration on Sunday 22 Dec. In order that we may do this, we need boxes of mince pies to be left in the foyer kitchen on Sunday next 15 Dec please.

We plan to complete decorating the church/reception for Christmas this coming Monday 9 Dec at 10.00am. See you at church then please?

Gravesham Foodbank at Christmas

If you were unable to provide "special Christmas food or toiletries" this Sunday, please will you bring them at the very latest on Sunday 15 December.

Our Foodbank remains open on Saturdays over the Christmas/New Year period so normal donations of food etc are needed too please. Thank you