



Sunday 5th December 2021 St Peter's Pedmore

Notices

Services at St. Peter's

Sunday 5th December

9.00am Holy Communion - *Malachi 3:1-4 and Luke 3:1-6*

10.30am Morning Worship - *Malachi 3:1-4 and Luke 3:1-6*

3.30pm Messy Church Christingle

Wednesday 8th December - 10am Mid-Week Communion at St Peter's

Sunday 12th December

9.00 am Holy Communion - *Zephaniah 3:14-end and Luke 3:7-18*

10.30 am Morning Worship - *Zephaniah 3:14-end and Luke 3:7-18*

Wednesday 15th December - 10am Mid-Week Communion at St Andrew's

Sunday 19th December

9.00 am Holy Communion

10.30 am Morning Worship with Christmas in mind

5.00 pm Carols by Candlelight *A family friendly service for all ages*

7.00 pm Carols by Candlelight *A traditional service*

Wednesday 22nd December

10am Mid-Week Communion at St Peter's

6.30pm Carols by Torchlight in the Churchyard

Christmas Eve 24th December

4.00pm All age Crib Service

11.30pm Midnight Communion

Christmas Day 25th December

10.00am Christmas for All: including a celebration of Communion – children please bring a toy to show us.

Sunday 26th December

10.00am Morning Worship



Carols by Torchlight

In the churchyard

Wednesday 22nd December 6.30pm

All ages welcome – please bring a torch

Mulled Wine: Mince Pies: Squash



Café: 0-100! – Every Tuesday afternoon in the St. Peter's Centre



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Your continued support is greatly appreciated. Donations can be left in church or the porch at 128 Ham Lane (or phone 01562 720393 to arrange collection). To make a donation of money, send cheques by post to: **Black Country Foodbank, Albion Street, Brierley Hill, DY5 3EE** or see www.blackcountryfoodbank.org.uk

Carol Singers Needed

- To sing in the Foley Arms on the evening of 15th December (please contact Pauline Rollason – tel. 01562 883783).
- To sing outside the houses of those who are shielding on the evening of 20th December (please contact David Nichol tel. 01562 229470).
- To sing in the churchyard – Carols by Torchlight – 6.30pm Weds 22nd December

St Peter's Christmas Trail



A 1.5km Treasure Trail for all the family, starting from St Peter's Church, with a prize for every participant

18th – 23rd December 2021

The trail booklet can be downloaded at www.stpeterspedmore.org

The trail starts and ends at St Peter's Church. The route takes in a small part of Pedmore Lane, St Peter's Rd, Swindell Road, a small part of Compton Road, Lightwoods Road and Lychgate Avenue. It involves only crossing Pedmore Lane and a few side roads. It is 1.5km in length.

Follow the stars along the route and you will journey through the Christmas Story and discover our new born King. As you follow the stars you will be asked questions which you can answer by looking at the pictures and reading the story. Younger children can spot the colours of the sheep hidden on each post!

You will need **a pen** and, if journeying when dark, **a torch**.

Copies will be in a box in the lychgate and can also be downloaded.

Christmas Appeal 2021

Instead of sending cards to the Church Family, why not write a message on a bauble and hang it on our Christmas Tree at the back of Church and give a donation towards **Giving Hands** a local charity operating in Brierly Hill.

Worship for Sunday 5th December 2021

Welcome and Notices

Call to Worship

Loving God, we have come to worship you.

**All: Help us to pray to you in faith,
to sing your praise with gratitude,
and to listen to your word with eagerness;
through Christ our Lord.**

Amen.

Be with us, Spirit of God;

All: nothing can separate us from your love.

Breathe on us, breath of God;

All: fill us with your saving power.

Speak in us, wisdom of God;

All: bring strength, healing and peace.

The Lord is here.

All: His Spirit is with us.

Song

The light of Christ

Has come into the world

The light of Christ

Has come into the world

All men must be born again

To see the Kingdom of God

The water and the Spirit bring

New life in God's love

The light of Christ...

God gave up His only Son
Out of love for the world
So that all men who
Believe in Him will live forever

The light of Christ...

The light of God has come to us
So that we might have salvation;
From the darkness of our sins
We walk into glory with Christ Jesus

The light of Christ...

Saying sorry to God

When the Lord comes, he will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness, and will disclose the purposes of the heart.

Therefore in the light of Christ let us confess our sins.

Heavenly Father,

you call us to repent of our sins:

soften our proud and stubborn hearts.

Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus,

you declared the forgiveness of God:

teach us to forgive one another.

Christ, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

Holy Spirit,

you search our hearts and show us the truth:

direct us in your way of righteousness.

Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

May the Father of all mercies cleanse *us* from *our* sins, and restore *us* in his image to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Song

Purify my heart,

Let me be as gold and precious silver.

Purify my heart,

Let me be as gold, pure gold.

Refiner's fire,

My heart's one desire

Is to be... holy;

Set apart for You, Lord.

I choose to be... holy;

Set apart for You, my Master,

Ready to do Your will.

Purify my heart,

Cleanse me from within

And make me holy.

Purify my heart,

Cleanse me from my sin, deep within.

Refiner's fire,

My heart's one desire

Is to be... holy;

Set apart for You, Lord.

I choose to be... holy;

Set apart for You, my Master,

Ready to do Your will.

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Bible Readings

Malachi Chapter 3: verses 1 - 4

Luke Chapter 3: verses 1 - 6

Talk

What we believe

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,

**All: maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,

All: God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

All: Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

**All: For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

**All: he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the
Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

All: the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

All: With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified.

He has spoken through the prophets.

All: We believe in one holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**All: We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.**

Amen.

Song

How lovely on the mountains are the feet of Him

Who brings good news, good news

Proclaiming peace, announcing news of happiness

Our God reigns, our God reigns
Our God reigns, our God reigns

You watchmen lift your voices joyfully as one
Shout for your King, your King
See eye to eye the Lord restoring Zion
Your God reigns, your God reigns!
Your God reigns, your God reigns

Waste places of Jerusalem break forth with joy
We are redeemed, redeemed
The Lord has saved and comforted His people
Your God reigns, your God reigns!
Your God reigns, your God reigns

Ends of the earth, see the salvation of your God
Jesus is Lord, is Lord
Before the nations He has bared His holy arm
Your God reigns, your God reigns!
Your God reigns, your God reigns

Prayers

The Collect

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

The Lord's Prayer

**All: Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory
are yours now and for ever.
Amen.**

Song

The splendour of the King

Clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice
All the earth rejoice

He wraps Himself in light
And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice
Trembles at His voice

How great is our God
Sing with me
How great is our God
And all will see
How great, how great is our God

Age to age He stands
And time is in His hands
Beginning and the end
Beginning and the end

The Godhead Three in One
Father, Spirit, Son
The Lion and the Lamb
The Lion and the Lamb

How great is our God
Sing with me
How great is our God
And all will see
How great, how great is our God

Name above all names
Worthy of our praise

My heart will sing
How great is our God

How great is our God
Sing with me
How great is our God
And all will see
How great, how great is our God

Closing prayers

The Lord is my light and my salvation.
All: The Lord is my light and my salvation.

The Lord is the strength of my life.
All: The Lord is my light and my salvation.

Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit.
All: The Lord is my light and my salvation.

Father in heaven,
who sent your Son to redeem the world
and will send him again to be our judge:
give us grace so to imitate him
in the humility and purity of his first coming
that, when he comes again,
we may be ready to greet him
with joyful love and firm faith;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you, scatter the darkness
from before your path, and make you ready to meet him when he
comes in glory; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the
Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
All: In the name of Christ. Amen.