



### Monthly Prayer Evening

Wed 6<sup>th</sup> Dec 7.45pm – 9.15pm  
(drinks from 7.30pm)

Worship and prayer with a focus on Christmas outreach and events.



### Family Craft & Carols

Sat 9<sup>th</sup> Dec, 10am - 11.30am

Christmas arts & crafts, with carols, food and fun. Aimed at 11s & under. Includes short all-age talk.

### Needs at Christmas

**Argos Vouchers for Families** – Like last year we’re raising money to help local families in need recommended to us by the Health Visitors Team. To donate, go to: [my.give.net/kingschristmas2017](http://my.give.net/kingschristmas2017) or put a gift in the giving box on Sundays marked “Christmas Appeal”. Ends Monday 11th Dec

**Food Bank Basket** – Donations are split between Malling and Landport Food Banks and are especially appreciated at Christmas Time. Particular needs: tins (meat, stew, veg, fruit, pasta), pasta sauce, tea, toiletries, UHT milk, Christmas items. Landport FB serves 32 households currently.

### Other Dates & Information

- Sun 17<sup>th</sup> Dec      10am 'Turn up & Join in' Nativity Service  
7.30pm Carol Service with speaker Paul Feesey
- Sun 24<sup>th</sup> Dec      NO MEETING
- Christmas Day    10am Christmas Day Family Service (1 hour)
- Sun 31<sup>st</sup> Dec      10am Normal Sunday Worship

Find out more about these events on ChurchSuite or through the Office.

# CONNECT SHEET

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December

## CONNECT WITH THE MESSAGE

### The Joy of Christmas

Luke 1:39-56

1) What gives you the most joy at Christmas?



Read Luke 1:39-56

2) What did you feel God was saying to you through Al's message from this Bible passage?

3) What prompted Mary's song of joy and praise?

4) How/when have you ever felt encouraged by other Christians to refocus on Jesus and find your joy in him?  
How could you encourage others in a similar way?

5) What are some of the different things which Mary praises God for which relate to him as our Saviour? Spend some time praising him for saving you.

6) Which phrases does Mary use about those God helps and those he does not?

7) How might God be leading you towards greater humility towards him and his Word?

8) What steps could you take this Christmas to make sure that finding joy in God and celebrating Jesus are at the centre?

**Read Colossians 1:27-29**

9) How does it strike you to be reminded that Jesus lives in you through the Spirit? What difference does this make or could this make to you?

10) Pray for a deeper joy in God, greater humility and hunger for him, and that the life of Jesus in you would overflow to those around you.

## CONNECT IN PRAYER

### Family Craft & Carols

- Pray for regulars to return and for new people to come this year.
- Pray for a fantastic atmosphere, loads of fun and for people of all ages to begin to grasp something of the good news of Jesus this Christmas.
- Pray for Harriet and the team preparing for this event and all the different aspects: craft, food, carols, talk, set-up and welcome.

### Late Night Shopping

- Pray for the smooth running of our stall and for our carol singers.
- Pray for good conversations & for those receiving our Christmas invites.
- Pray for Sussex Search & Rescue: all LNS is raising money for them

### King's Friends

- Thank God for the opportunity we have to start a befriending scheme in partnership with Linking Lives UK. Pray for John Paisley running it.
- Pray we would make a difference in the lives of many lonely or isolated people, show them God's love and be able to introduce them to Jesus.

## CONNECT WITH CHURCH LIFE



### Lewes Late Night Shopping

**Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> December**

**6pm to 8.30pm by Cliffe Bridge**

Stop by our stall to get in the Christmas mood and enjoy some mulled wine, chestnuts and carols as we help a great local charity: Sussex Search & Rescue

### King's Friends Training Evening

**Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> Dec, 6.45pm - 9pm**

We're excited to be launching a new befriending scheme to help lonely and isolated local people. Could you commit to regularly visit someone in the local area? Find out more from John Paisley and come to the training.

