
PEWS NEWS

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS at St Helen's

Advent

Advent Sunday 1st December

A Service of Holy Communion led by Revd Graham Pigott will take place at 9.30 am when the 1st candle in the Advent wreath will be lit.

The **Advent Altar Frontals** will be the purple set.

The design of this set was based upon themes that are considered during Lent & Advent: Christ coming as the Light of the World and Christ the long suffering King.

Saturday, 14th December

Decorating the church for Christmas at 10am. Please come to help.

Candlelit Carol Service will be in the evening of 15th December at 6.30pm. Members of the Grindleford community have been asked to read the lessons. Mulled wine and mince pies will be served at the end of the service. NB There will be no morning service on the 15th.

Christingle Service on Christmas Eve is for both young & old at 4pm.

Christingles, about 80, need to be made ready for the service. If you are interested in helping to make these, please let either Elaine or Lynne know. The service will be led by Mrs R Stephenson - better known as Becca who is the supervisor at Grindleford & Eyam Playgroup.



Christmas Day Service will be Family Communion at 9.30am. The Revd. Graham Pigott will lead this service.

Christmas Cards

An invitation to the Christmas services for all Grindleford residents will be distributed to each house in the village. If you are able to help with the distribution of cards please speak to Kay Beeston.

Events in November

Saturday, November 9th - Green Productions produced a concert, 'Autumn Leaves' which was well attended. The audience appreciated the varied programme. The proceeds after expenses will go the St. Helen's CRASH fund.

Sunday, November 11th the Remembrance Service with the British Legion at St. Helen's was well attended. The service in church and at the War Memorial was taken by the Revd Paul Bettison.

Services in December

Date	Services		Readings	Reader	Intercessions	Chalice
1st December	Holy Communion 9.30 am	Revd G Pigott	Rom 13:11-14 Matthew 24:36-44	Mrs J Tregenza	Mr P Hutchinson	Mr L Stout
8th December	Family Worship 9.30am	Mr R Mather	Rom 15:4-13 Matthew 3:1-12	Mr J Stephenson	Mrs W Harby	
15th December	Carol Service 6.30 pm					
22nd December	Morning Worship 9.30am	Mr J Brunskill	Rom 1:1-7 Matthew 1:18-25	Mr F Galbraith	Mr L Stout	
24th December Christmas Eve	Christingle 4.00pm	Mrs R Stephenson				
25th December Christmas Day	Holy Communion 9.30 am	Revd G Pigott	Isa 52:7-10 Luke 2:1-20	Mrs W Harby	Mrs S Pigott	Mr J Stephenson
29th December	Benefice Service 10.00am	Bamford no service at Grindleford				

Advance notice of three talks on Sunday afternoons in January

KNOWING THE MIND

12 January **Understanding mental illness**

Uganda has one of the highest levels for ignorance and stigmatisation of the mentally ill in the world. In 2013 Sheila Pigott went to Uganda with a team of eight others from different branches of the medical profession. She and a colleague taught three courses to medical staff from local hospitals and to church pastors. In this talk she describes the work, which was both challenging and encouraging.

Sheila Pigott is a counselling psychotherapist. She lives in Grindleford.

19 January **Characters in crisis**

Operas are full of powerful emotions, strained relationships and dramatic gestures. They also contain above-average numbers of characters with untreated psychiatric problems. Dr James Allen shows how opera can help health professionals understand and treat patients.

James Allen is a consultant psychiatrist who has also written widely on music. He lives in Grindleford.

26 January **The school I'd like**

In a project which began twelve years ago more than 15,000 school children responded to a competition to describe their perfect school. The entries remain one of the largest informal surveys of children's attitudes towards schooling ever conducted in this country. Dr Cathy Burke describes the project and its outcomes.

Cathy Burke is a teacher and researcher at Cambridge University. She lives in Grindleford.

All the talks begin at 2.30 and last about an hour, including discussion. Admission is free but please give generously to a retiring collection which will be shared equally between UNICEF and St Helen's roof appeal.