

## December Ministry

- Sunday 4th:** 10:30 a.m. service followed by Communion  
4:00pm Worship & Discussion in the vestry  
Both led by Ian Middlemist
- Sunday 11th:** 10:30 a.m. service led by Norman Rees  
4:00pm Worship & Discussion in the vestry  
Led by Ian Middlemist
- Wednesday 14th:** 7:30 p.m. United Carol Service at Hill Park Baptist Church. Message given by Gareth Edwards
- Saturday 17th:** 5p.m Christmas 'Songs of Praise' - raising funds for Refugees in Lebanon through Tearfund
- Sunday 18th:** 10:30 a.m. service led by Gerald Tait  
No 4 p.m. service.  
6 p.m. Carol Service at Hill Park
- Sunday 25th:** 9:30 a.m. Christmas Morning Service  
Led by Gareth Edwards- No 4 p.m. service.
- Sunday 1st Jan:** 9:30 a.m. service led by Ian Middlemist  
No 4.p.m service

### **Bible Study & Prayer meeting**

**Every Thursday (except 29th) at 7:30pm**

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And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people." Luke 2:10



# DECEMBER 2016

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For unto you is born this day in the city of  
David a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord.

Luke 2:11

Join us Christmas Day @ 9:30am to  
celebrate the birth of our Saviour  
Christmas Songs of Praise  
17th December @ 5pm



Prepare your heart for Christmas  
At the centre of Christmas is the heart of God

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As the season of Christmas begins, each of us should be ready to open up our hearts to once again receive the witness that Christ was born as Saviour of the world, that He lives, and because of Him, we live again a new life.

We remember that God left the splendour and comfort of his heavenly home with the intention to rescue us through the greatest act of love. His birth brought great joy to the world. Wise men, Shepherds and angels all shared in the excitement of knowing about this great event. They knew this was no ordinary baby. Jesus, as a baby, represents the start of the journey, one which ends in His painful death on a cross, but also one in which we are rescued from sin, pain and eternal separation from our heavenly Father.

The prophets had told of His coming hundreds of years before. The star stopped over Bethlehem just to mark the way for those who were looking for this special child.

Invite Jesus into your heart once again; the joy and peace you will receive will last all year as you look to God for all your needs to be met.

What can I give him, poor as I am?  
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;  
If I were a Wise Man, I would do my part;  
Yet what I can I give him: give my heart.

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CHRISTMAS IS THE CELEBRATION OF THE BIRTH OF JESUS, THE SAVIOUR OF MANKIND

**Christmas**  
**Song of Praise**  
**Saturday 17th December @ 5pm**  
Support us as we raise money for Syrian Refugees  
through a freewill offering to 'Tearfund'.  
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“Christmas is a time to celebrate as families and communities. For Christmas the season marks the birth of Jesus. As the iconic carol Silent Night proclaims, ‘Christ the Saviour is born.’

We look forward to singing our favourite carols and celebrating 200 years of the nation’s favourite carol ‘Silent Night’ at our Christmas Songs of Praise. Many people find stepping into places of worship daunting, but the comfort of knowing the traditional carols provides a great opportunity to invite friends and family along. Come along and join us. There is a free booklet for everyone filled with the words of the carols we will sing, interesting facts, information about the carols, Syrian refugees and the charities supporting these nationwide events. It is a great way to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas.

Jesus knew what it was like to be a refugee. His early childhood will resonate with many Christians around the world this Christmas. The UN recently announced that the number of people living as refugees has exceeded 50 million for the first time since the Second World War. Many of these are Christian fleeing persecution.

There will be a freewill offering during the service for Syrian refugees. Join us for delicious refreshments after the service.

For more information look at our Facebook page:  
[www.facebook.com/PenuelBaptistChapel](http://www.facebook.com/PenuelBaptistChapel).

**A gift of £5 could help contribute towards a parcel of supplies for a family in need this Christmas. Text PEACE to 70660 to bring practical help and comfort this Christmas.**