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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

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Part of The Billericay & Little Burstead Team Ministry

Nine Readings & Carols



Sunday 16 December 2018

at 7.00 pm

Emmanuel Church, Billericay



We give you a very warm welcome to Emmanuel Church this evening for our Community Carol Service of Nine Readings and Carols. We especially welcome those members of our community who are reading the Bible passages which tell the Christmas story. We are grateful to our Musicians for leading our worship this evening.

Once our Carol Service has been introduced, the service will continue unannounced. Please stand to sing the carols, when the lights will be switched on, and sit for the Bible readings and other items.

Please don't feel as though you have to rush away at the end of our service, we give you a warm invitation to stay behind and share with us in a glass of Sherry and a Mince Pie. We also give you, and your families, an invitation to join with us for some of our other Christmas services - further details can be found on pages 6.

We hope you enjoy your time with us and that it helps you prepare for the Christmas season.


May God grant you the light of Christmas, which is faith. The warmth of Christmas, which is love. The radiance of Christmas, which is purity. The righteousness of Christmas, which is justice. The belief in Christmas, which is truth. The all of Christmas, which is Christ.



Revd Paul A. Carr (Team Rector)

Offerings from our Christmas services will be shared between the following organisations, both of whom are working with vulnerable children:

Operation Christmas Child Distributing shoeboxes in Eastern Europe & Africa
Philippine Community Fund Supporting children in Asia through social enterprise



Takes place on the **FIRST** Saturday
of every month from 8.30 to 10.00 am @

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**Digging
DEEPER**

Join us every **THIRD SUNDAY** at 12.15 pm in
Emmanuel church hall as we 'Dig Deeper' into
a Theological subject together. Refreshments
will be served, but be sure to bring your lunch
with you.

For more information, see Stephen Greenfield.

Wednesday 19 December

Lunchtime Carol Service

12.30 pm

at Saint Mary Magdalen
The Church in the High Street

A service designed with busy shoppers and sales staff in mind - although everyone is invited! Guaranteed to last 45 mins. Share in a festive buffet lunch before, or after, you enjoy your favourite Carols.

Sunday 23 December

Family 'Pop Up' Nativity

10.00 am

A 'spontaneous' Family Nativity for children of all ages.
Organised chaos at times, but always great fun!

Christmas Eve

Christingle Service

4.00 pm

An opportunity for the whole family to spend time together before the excitement of Christmas night.
This service always has a lovely atmosphere.

Communion by Candlelight

11.15 pm

After the busyness of a hectic festive season, enjoy the quiet of the first Communion of Christmas.
(Followed by Sherry and Mince Pies)

Christmas Day

Family Communion

10.00 am

A relaxed and fun Christmas celebration for family members of all ages. Be sure to bring a Christmas present with you to 'show and tell!'

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Welcome & Introduction

Revd Paul A. Carr
Team Rector

Carol

BCS12: O Come All Ye Faithful (3 verses only)

Kings College Bidding Prayer

Alan Morgan
Churchwarden, Emmanuel Church

The Lord's Prayer

All

Our Father, who art in Heaven,
Hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
Forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
But deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,
Forever and ever. AMEN.

Duet

'O Come, O Come Emmanuel'

Robert Coe & James Hide

Reading 1

Genesis 3:8-14

The Fall

Paul Donley
President, Billericay 41 Club

Reading 2

Genesis 22:1-19

The Promise To Abraham

Les Sheppard
President, Rotary Club of Billericay

Carol

BCS19: Once In Royal David's City

Reading 3 Isaiah 9:2, 6&7	The Prophecy Of The Messiah's Birth Simon Taylor, Officer Commanding 2393 Squadron (Billericay) Royal Air Force Air Cadets
Reading 4 Isaiah 11:1-9	The Prophecy Of The Messiah's Kingdom Of Peace Cllr, Jim Devlin Chairman, Billericay Town Council
Reading 5 Isaiah 60:1-6, 19	The Coming Of The Glory Of The Lord Julie Nye Leader, 2nd Chantry Guides.
Carol	BCS11: Joy To The World
Reading 6 Luke 2:1-7	The Birth Of Jesus Matthew De Grove Scout Leader, 8 th Billericay Scout Troop
Reading 7 Luke 2:8-16	The Shepherds Go To the Manger Cllr Danny Lawrence BEM Deputy Mayor, Basildon Borough Council
Carol	BCS5: The First Nowell
Reading 8 Matthew 2:1-11	The Magi Are Led By The Star To Jesus Phil Norton Billericay Street Pastors
Reading 9 John 1:1-14	The Word Of Life Merrill Knight Mother's Union Branch Leader
Carol	BCS13: Silent Night
Talk	'Tired Of Waiting' Revd Paul A. Carr Team Rector

Solo **O Little Town Of Bethlehem**
Richard Shipton

Prayers
Canon Shirley Jeffery
Emmanuel Church

Response

Leader: Maranatha:
All **Amen. Come Lord Jesus.**

All At the end of our prayers we all say:
**Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake
of your son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. AMEN.**

Carol **BCS10: Hark! The Herald Angels Sing**
(An offering will be taken during this carol - see page 2)

Offertory Prayer

Closing Prayer

All God our Father, whose Word has come among us
In the Holy Child of Bethlehem:
May the light of faith illumine our hearts
And shine in our words and deeds
This Christmas season;
Through him who is Christ the Lord. AMEN.

Blessing
Revd Paul A. Carr: Team Rector, Emmanuel Church