



CALDICOT METHODIST CHURCH

Monthly Notices – December 2025



Our Minister: Rev. Bethany Willers

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Pastoral Letter

Dear Friends,

I'm going to tell you a little secret...I have already put my Christmas tree up! (I'm writing this in mid-November.) I just felt the need for some extra early joy this year, and I especially appreciate the pretty lights when it gets dark before 5:00.

As I shared last month, this year we will be exploring the Methodist Church theme for the year which is "Gifted." It is a reminder both of the gift that Jesus Christ is to us, and the gift that each of us can be to the world, just as God created us. We will explore this theme in each of our Sunday worship services leading up to Christmas.

Additionally, if you are struggling this season, or just want some extra time to reflect with quieter hymns and candlelight, I invite you to our service which will be held on **Saturday 13 December at 3:00pm**. We call this a "Light in Our Darkness" service, while other places might call it a "Blue Christmas." Either way, it is a service where we take time to acknowledge that even in a season of joy, there will be feelings of loss and sadness, too.

When Christmas Eve arrives, we will hold a candlelight, carols and communion service on **Wednesday 24 December at 11:15pm**. This is my favourite service of the whole year! At exactly midnight we ring the chimes of Christmas Day and sing "Joy to the World" to welcome the Christ child.

On Christmas Day, we will hold a service on **Thursday 25 December at 10:00am**. Everyone is invited to come celebrate!

The full worship schedule is overleaf, and I hope to see you all there!

Blessings, Bethany

We welcome all who worship with us

Sunday mornings @ 10:00 in the church and available on Zoom
For further details or to request the Zoom link, please contact Jack Healey or Gareth Edwards at caldicotmc@gmail.com

Please join us for worship throughout this season:

- 30 November 10:00 - Advent 1
- 7 December 10:00 - Advent 2 + Christingle
- 13 December 3:00PM - Light in Our Darkness - a service for anyone struggling this season
 - 14 December 10:00 - Advent 3
 - 21 December 10:00 - Advent 4 + Carol Service
- 24 December 11:15PM - Christmas Eve with Carols, Candlelight and Communion
 - 25 December 10:00 - Christmas Day
 - 28 December 10:00

Other Diary Dates:

- Saturday 29th November – Switch on of Town Christmas Lights – Church open from 3.30 for refreshments and music
- 4th and 18th December – 2:00 - Friends and Neighbours
- Thursday 11th December at 7pm – Recharge Café Church - at Portskewett Church Hall
- **COFFEE MORNINGS:** Every Tuesday & Friday 9:30am (except Boxing Day, 30th December and 2nd January)

Thank yous

- The Christmas Fayre raised a magnificent £600.25 for Church Funds. Thanks to all who were involved and contributed.
- The Church would like to thank the Wilsher and Chapman families and everyone who gave gifts on the occasion of Wilf's 100th birthday. The sum of £520 for Church Funds was received.
- A big thank you to everyone who filled a shoebox or donated to the Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child. I put together 8 boxes using the items and money that were donated and we sent off 21 all together. These boxes will bring a lot of joy to children who may receive nothing else this Christmas.

Thanks, Carrie

To submit notices for January: Please contact Lin/Jack Healey by 19th December