



**Bamford Chapel
& Norden URC**



November 2018

BAMFORD CHAPEL & NORDEN URC

MISSION/VISION STATEMENT



Worship

In our devotion we will come together to express our joy, love and thanks through worship.

We shall share our praise and dedicate it to God.

Ministry

Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit we will show compassion and love by understanding, supporting and meeting the spiritual, the physical and the emotional needs of others.

Evangelism

We are called as Christians to share the good news; living as examples of Christ in our everyday lives we can spread the word and love of Jesus.

Discipleship

We as a church have a responsibility as Christians to encourage people to know God and to enable them to develop their relationship with Him through prayer, discussion, study and learning.

Fellowship

We welcome to our church family those who want to belong. We show our love for others by sharing acts of fellowship in God's name.



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Thursday 1 st November	1.30 pm - 2.30 pm	Vision Prayer Meeting (open to all) In Church
Thursday 1 st November	7.30 pm	Elders' Meeting
Friday 2 nd November	7.30 pm - 8.30 pm	Vision Prayer Meeting (open to all) In Church
Sunday 4 th November	10.30 am	Family Worship with Communion Led by Revd Richard Bradley
	6.30 pm	Formal Evening Worship Led by David Watson
Monday 5 th November	7.30 pm	Focus on Prayer Meeting In the God Squad room
Remembrance Sunday 11 th November	10.30 am	Remembrance Parade Service Led by Revd Richard Bradley
	12 noon - 1.00 pm	Church Membership Discussion Group (1 of 2) See page 7
	6.30 pm	Informal Evening Worship Led by Anne Fitton
Monday 12 th November	7.30 pm - 8.45 pm	Prayer Walk (meet in the God Squad Room)
Tuesday 13 th November	8.00 pm	Tuesday Home Group (in the Manse)
Sunday 18 th November	10.30 am	Family Worship Led by Revd Richard Bradley
	12 noon	Church Meeting
	6.30 pm	Formal Evening Worship with Communion Led by Revd Richard Bradley

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Thursday 22 nd November	10.00 am - 11.00 am	Prayer Walk (meet in Church)
	7.30 pm	Finance Meeting
Sunday 25 th November Toy Service	10.30 am	Family Worship Led by Margaret Ogden
	6.30 pm	Informal Evening Worship Led by Revd Richard Bradley
Monday 26 th November	7.30 pm	Focus on Prayer Meeting In the God Squad Room
Tuesday 27 th November	8.00 pm	Tuesday Home Group (in the Manse)
Thursday 29 th November		Bury College Meal (Fundraiser for the Project)

Toy Sunday Service

On Sunday morning the 25th November we will be collecting toys for children who may not get any toys this Christmas. Please can I encourage us all to look through the toys we have or consider purchasing a present, so that children may have something to open this Christmas?



Thanks, Richard

Weekday Opportunities for Learning & Sharing Fellowship

- Monday:** 9.00 am Monday Maintenance Gang
(who do work in or around the building)
10.00 am Pastoral Meeting
1.30 pm Bridge Club
7.30 pm Focus on Prayer (God Squad Room)
8.00 pm Monday Night Home Group
- Tuesday:** 9.00 – 11.00 am Toddlers' Group
1.30 – 4.00 pm Indoor Bowls (Upstairs Hall)
From 6.00 pm Rainbows, Brownies, Guides
- Wednesday:** 12 noon Luncheon Club
6.30 pm Boys' Brigade & Girls' Association
7.30 pm Home Group 'Exploring the Bible'
- Thursday:** 10.00 am Community Coffee Morning
- Friday:** 6.00 pm onwards Beavers, Cubs and Scouts
- Sunday:** 7.30 pm God Squad (for Teenagers)

Fortnightly & Monthly Opportunities

- Tuesday:** **Stillness & Sharing** **6th & 20th November**
2.15 pm in the Lounge
- Home Group** **13th & 27th November**
8.00 pm (In the Manse)
- Thursday:** **Ladies Fellowship** **8th November**
7.45 pm Belarus Boxes (see page 16)
- Heritage Group** **15th November**
7.00 pm (3rd Thursday in the month)
- Saturday:** **Ian Newman Community Film Club**
6.30 pm refreshments **17th November** (see page 24)
7.00 pm film Admission £3.00

Further information on the **weekly notice sheet** or visit the website
at www.bcnchurch.org.uk or speak to an Elder.

Message from the Manse

Andrew Roberts in his book “Holy Habits” says this:

“Prayer is one of the major themes of both Luke’s Gospel and Acts. It is no surprise to see Luke presenting prayer as one of the hallmarks of the first Christian communities. In the immediate aftermath of the Pentecost events the focus is on spontaneous, unstructured prayer in either native or unlearned languages (or tongues).⁽⁴⁾ The disciples are on fire. The praying is spontaneous, passionate, energetic and noisy. Prayer is celebratory, visionary, confident and expectant. Such times of prayer are a gift to be treasured.” ^(a)

“Holy Habits” is one of the URC’s recommended books for the discussions happening nationally under the “Walking the Way: Living the life of Jesus today” initiative and the Synod initiative of “Missional Discipleship.” Both of these initiatives are inviting and encouraging us to think about our faith journey and how we can be mission orientated in the lives we lead as individual believers and together as the church.



I hope you will agree with me that prayer is a fundamental part of us being the mission-minded Christians that God calls us to be. Being mission-minded is nothing new. From the very birth of the Church in Acts 2 we read of believers coming together to share resources, worship and pray together.

Following on from my “message from the manse” in the October edition of the church magazine I want to continue the same theme for the November magazine too. The November magazine will be available the day before the first of our five “Vision prayer gatherings” when I hope many of the church family will attend. These meetings will be opportunities for us to take time together to discern the mind of Christ.

A fundamental part of the structure of the URC is the meeting together at various councils of the church to listen for the voice of God and to

discern the mind of Christ. When we call ministers, we do so in one of those councils which is the Church Meeting. The URC doesn't allow proxy voting or postal votes because we believe it is in meeting together, prayerfully, that the church meeting discerns God's will. I believe strongly that that principle should be adopted for many aspects of the church's life. And so my hope is that what is shared at those prayer gatherings, as we listen for God's voice, will direct our next steps in mission. But for that to happen we need to come together to take time in God's presence and to seek God's voice. I know for some such meetings are difficult and for some of us we will feel out of our comfort zone. I hope the focus of these meetings will be listening as opposed to speaking. It has been said by many people that prayer is conversation with God. Conversation, as we know, is speaking and listening. I don't know about you but I find the 'listening' part of prayer the more difficult of the two!

As Andrew Roberts in "Holy Habits" says "Prayer is celebratory, visionary, confident and expectant." (page 152) We will gather in faith to celebrate God's goodness, seeking His vision so may we come with confidence and expectancy that God will speak to us as we meet in His presence.

God Bless, Richard

⁽⁴⁾ Acts 2:4 (this endnote is in the book)

^(a) Andrew Roberts, "Holy Habits", Malcolm downing Publishing Ltd., London, page 152.



Advanced Notice of Services in December.....

As ever December is a busy month! Below is a table containing the December Services for 2018. Please put these in your diary.

Date	Start time	Service
2nd December	10.30 am	Morning Communion
	6.30 pm	Formal Evening Communion Service
9th December	10.30 am	Morning Worship
	6.30 pm	Thanksgiving Service for the lives of those who have died
16th December	10.30 am	Morning Worship
	3.30 pm	Christingle Service
	6.30 pm	Food For Thought Drama
23rd December	10.30 am	Nativity Service*
	6.30 pm	Carol Service
24th December	11.30 pm	Midnight Communion Service
25th December	10.00 am	Christmas Morning Service
30th December	10.30 am	Morning Worship (All Age)
		No Evening Service

**Family Tea taking place before this (time to be confirmed)*

Signs found outside churches:

No God – No Peace. Know God – Know Peace.

Searching for a new look? Have your faith lifted here!

Outside one church is a picture of two hands holding stone tablets on which the Ten Commandments are inscribed. A headline reads:

'For fast relief, take two tablets.'

Church Membership

If you are not currently a Church member and would like to hear more about what it means to be a Church member you are invited to attend two meetings after worship. **The first meeting is at 12 noon until 1pm on Sunday 11th November and the second meeting is at 12 noon until 1pm on Sunday 2nd December.** After both meetings you will then be able to think about taking the next step of being a church member. For more information speak to Richard and/or come along to the two meetings. There is no expectation that after coming to the meetings you will become a church member.

Thanks, Richard

Sunday Morning Transport



Every five weeks, one of five people brings two valued members of our congregation to morning worship.

More drivers are needed. Please give prayerful consideration to helping with this act of caring. You may be approached in the next few weeks with the question “would you be prepared to help?”

The two passengers live in the Bamford area and are collected about 10.00am.

Headstones



*The rows of headstones silent stand
Their message clear, though mute;
That we, in Britain's peaceful land
Must silently salute.*

*Our peace was bought at dreadful price
Through rain and fear and mud -
World conflict fought not once but twice
So twice the cost in blood.*

*Each headstone bears a single name
A single husband, son,
Who, when the call to duty came
They did what must be done.*

*So, think upon those rows of stones
Be silent, still as they
Remind us of those silent homes
From when they went away.*

*Yes, spare a while to think of them
It's just two minutes' time;
And say aloud, just once again
That well-remembered rhyme:*

*They grow not old as we grow old,
Nor do the years condemn;
But as the days and nights unfold,
We will remember them.*

by Nigel Beeton

Something Happened 7th November 1989

East Germany

1989 was the year the Berlin Wall came Down and 10 East European nations were released from communist rule. Historians will cite many reasons for this change.



However one factor is often overlooked; a prayer meeting in Leipzig.

For 40 years the church in East Germany had been seeking to be good citizens while praying for better things. They had cared for the poor and met every Monday to pray and worship. Since 1982 Pastor Christian Fuehrer had been gathering a few dozen people in his church to pray. Seven years later, four churches were holding prayer meetings and the numbers began to grow, attracting ordinary citizens. After the meetings candlelit peace marches through the city took place.

The media in the West picked it up and the communist authorities debated how they could stamp it out. The Secret Police issued death threats and roughed up some of the marches. But the crowds kept coming. Eventually as many as 50,000 came.

On 9th October 1989 police & army units moved into Leipzig. People feared a massacre. But the march went ahead. 70,000 people marched. The following Monday 120,000 marched and a week later, 500,000 were on the streets. By November one million people marched in East Berlin!!

Then something amazing happened; people started crossing to West Berlin and the police stood by without a shot being fired. The Berlin Wall and all it symbolised had crumbled.

(Taken from a small book of 7 days readings called "try praying") Look out for the booklet on the Prayer Table.

International Day of Peace Flag Raising Ceremony



On Friday 21st September, a group of people assembled outside Rochdale Town Hall to mark the International Day of Peace by raising the flag.

The ceremony was also to commemorate the work of the late John Farrington, latterly known as Katsoulieri, who instigated the Peace Parade in 2006-2009/10 along with Steve Cooke, who spoke movingly after the flag raising, as did the Mayor. Remarkably, on a day when the rain was exceptionally heavy, the flag raising was carried out during a dry spell.

I didn't know John Farrington personally, but I believe he was a local man whose son, Gabriel attended St Michael's School. Following on from the ceremony, in the afternoon there was a Peace march, starting at the Blue Mosque, Durham Street, and finishing at St Chad's Parish Church. It is hoped that this will become an annual event.

As is usually the case, there were very few people attending the morning's event; perhaps it had not been publicised enough. Let's hope that next year more people will attend.

Angela Smith

Christmas Fayre

The Christmas Fayre this year is on **Saturday 8 December from 10.30 until 2.00**. Please keep the date clear in order to come along and enjoy the fellowship or to help in the kitchen or run a stall, even if just for an hour. A list will be going up shortly where volunteers can sign up.



Before that we would like you to think about anything which you may be able to donate to the various stalls. Below is a list of the stalls which we are hoping to run and the items which we would like. We will leave some boxes in the coffee area for you to leave your donations.

If you have any different ideas for the Fayre please let one of us know, we would love to hear them!

- ◆ Small unwrapped presents worth about £1 for a Surprise Parcels stall
- ◆ Bottles for a bottle stall
- ◆ Homemade produce for “Debbie’s Deli”
- ◆ Tombola prizes
- ◆ Anything “Christmassy” for a Christmas stall
- ◆ Scarves, jewellery, handbags etc for our “Accessorise” stall
- ◆ Second hand books and DVD’s
- ◆ Junior Church are organising a Jar Tombola with jars containing Christmas prizes
- ◆ We would appreciate contributions for the hamper raffle – a list will be pinned up.



I hope we haven’t forgotten anything!

Thank you for your help, Gillian and Julie

Midday Concerts



Our season opened on 9th October with another outstanding performance by the Munch Manship Jazz Trio. The pianist on this occasion was David Bintley, for many years Director of Music at the Oldham Coliseum Theatre and at this time of year very busy preparing for the theatre's annual and much admired pantomime. We are incredibly lucky to have a group as talented as this come to Bamford. An audience of 72 were clearly delighted at what they heard – and saw, because these three musicians perform with immense and obvious delight! Our catering team had managed to prepare almost exactly the amount of food demanded, though a substantial minority of our patrons come just for the concert at 1 p.m.

In November we welcome back another familiar friend, the talented professional pianist Jonathan Ellis.



Living as he does close to the RNCM, where he trained some years ago, he manages to meet some of the outstanding young performers emerging from the College each year. He is going to introduce to us on the 13th November a cellist, Isabel Williamson, whom we have not met before. He promises me we will not be disappointed! I shall be surprised if Jonathan does not include one or two piano solos in the programme.

Many of our October audience were newcomers and have promised to return. One or two of our faithful regulars were unable to be with us, so we are hopeful that we may expect really substantial numbers for the rest of the season. Might you, dear reader, be one of us?

Walter Brisk

Bamford Chapel & Norden URC

Presents

13th November

Music at Lunchtime

1.00 - 2.00 pm



**Isabel Williamson (Cello) with
Jonathan Ellis (Piano)**

Concert Admission £4.00

**Lunch items priced individually
are available from 12.15 pm**



St Vincent de Paul Society
(England & Wales)



Bamford Chapel & Norden
United Reformed Church

3rd October 2018

Dear Friends

HEYWOOD'S OWN FOOD BANK RUN BY THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Once again I am writing to thank you for helping us by donating the food received at your Harvest Festival to be distributed at our Food Bank

This will really help us in our efforts to support the many disadvantaged families in our town and please be assured we do not take your help for granted.

We are now busy making preparations for our Christmas Project when once again we anticipate helping well over one hundred local families with Christmas Fayre and toys for their children

Thanks again for your support

Very Sincerely

Mrs Tom Haynes
Secretary
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People are like tea bags - you have to put them in hot water before you know how strong they are.



A great big
THANK YOU

*I would like to
say a big thank
you to every-
one who sup-*

*ported me with donations or by coming to the Coffee
Morning in aid of the Abandoned Ba-
bies Home in Belarus. The total raised
was £1070*

Thank you, Carol Hartley



Church Flowers



*Donations for flowers placed in church
in October were received from:*

*Pamela Harrington
Irene Lucas remembering her parents'
wedding*

Morag Travis for her Mum & Dad's 64th Anniversary

Yummy Honey

*Honey is far more likely to do you good than antibiotics if you have
a cold and cough this autumn. That is the recent new guidance
from the NHS. Research has found that honey significantly reduces
the frequency and severity of coughs.*

*The National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) and
Public Health England (PHE) are urging us to buy 'self-care'
products such as honey, herbal remedies and cough medicines
instead of asking our doctors for antibiotics. Only if coughs get
very bad and prolonged, or if you feel really unwell and breathless
should you consider antibiotics.*

Ladies' Fellowship Games Night – Thursday 11th October

Storm Callum was forecast!

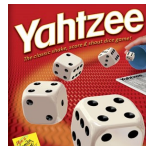


Many of our members had other commitments so we knew our numbers were down but still 19 gathered for a fun evening. We were delighted that Cath Atkinson was able to join us.

There was an amazing array of games to choose from but the favourites used on the various tables were:



Dominoes (the double 9 set), Yahtzee, Snakes & Ladders, Connect 4 (Cath won each time with a crafty diagonal!!) and Shut the Box.



And of course – two sessions of Bingo!! Lesley Hynes made a great Bingo Caller! Thanks to everyone for a jolly good evening.

Up & Coming Events

Next month we will be preparing our Christmas Boxes for Belarus, which Carol Hartley ensures are delivered to the appropriate people. This year we are filling our boxes (decorated with Christmas paper) for teenage girls, approx. 15 years old. We went home with a box and a contents ideas list – see below;



Soap, Facecloth, Toothbrush, Toothpaste, Hat, Gloves, Mittens, Knickers, Pens, Pencils, Sharpener, Notebooks, Ruler, Eraser, Geometry Set, Sweets (not chocolate), Bobbles, Hair Clips, Small Hairbrush, Comb, Toy Animal, Small Teddy, Tennis Ball, Necklace, Bracelet (Cheap)

A Seaside Spiritual Home



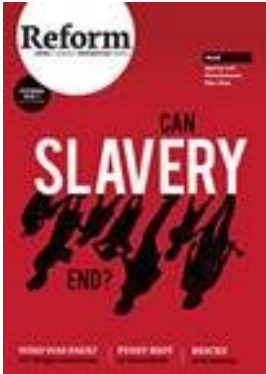
During visits to our caravan at Whitby, Sheila and myself attend Flowergate URC. It's a caring church with such a warm welcome and a friendly, dedicated and faithful congregation that make you feel at home the moment you enter.

If you're in the Whitby area please take the opportunity to share worship with them, as some of our own congregation have already done.

We are also most grateful to our friends at Flowergate for their kind contribution to our current project fund regarding the Drumbeat Children's Foundation in Uganda.

Sheila and Steve Lawley

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With best wishes,

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*Thank you for the
welcome*

Joyce Harding wants to express her deep gratitude for the warmth of the welcome she has received on her arrival at Pegasus Court.

The decision to move from her long-time home in Maghull on Merseyside was not taken lightly. Her husband died over 4 years ago and she continued to live happily in her bungalow until last September when she had to face serious surgery on one leg. Walter, Glenda and their family were concerned as she became increasingly immobile, but any decision to move house had to be hers alone. At her wish, she came to look at apartments in Rochdale and found one that really pleased her, and she decided that the time had come to move.

Greeting cards from so many of you, and many flowers, are tangible evidence of your concern for her, and have cheered her immensely.

She has been touched by the friendship of all at Bamford Chapel and Norden URC, and not least by being able to join the Luncheon Club. Glenda and Walter are much relieved that Joyce now lives close by and can join them regularly in our church lives.

Psalm 139 - God knows you better than you know yourself

Yuri Gagarin, the first man in space in 1961, reportedly said *'I looked and looked but I didn't see God.'* Psalm 139 sees things from a very different perspective, in which God can be found everywhere in the universe.

God is all Knowing: 'You have searched me, Lord, and you know me.' (v1). God knows my thoughts, habits, moods, words and choices, including the things done in secret. He knows me better than I know myself, and yet still loves me, despite my faults and failings! *'Such knowledge is too wonderful for me.'* (6).

God is all present: 'Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence?' (v7). In whatever circumstances we face, God is present with us, especially in the dark and difficult times. If we know the path to God, we can find it in the dark!

God is all powerful: 'For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well.' (v13,14). Both the vastness of the universe and the wonder of the growing embryo in the womb speak of the power of the creator God. We can trust Him because He knows our beginning and end and everything in-between: *'all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.'* (16).

How do we respond to what this psalm says? Are we prepared to constantly expose our inner life to God and consistently yield our whole life to Him? *'Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.'* (v23/4).



Revd Paul Hardingham



ANNUAL BROWNIES COFFEE EVENING

in aid of

Chapel Project 2018

Drumbeat Children's Foundation Farm Project

TUESDAY 27TH NOVEMBER

FROM 6.00PM – 7.30PM

£1 entrance [children free]

which includes cup of tea/coffee and cake

- ♥ Games for all to join in with
- ♥ Bring and buy stall
- ♥ Raffle

Everyone welcome; please bring along Grannies, Granddads, Aunties, Uncles, Cousins, Sisters, Brothers, Friends to enjoy a FUN EVENING/PARENTS EVENING raising funds to help buy land for the Drumbeat Children's Foundation Farm Project in Uganda.



**3rd ROCHDALE
(BAMFORD CHAPEL)
BROWNIES
HELP NEEDED**

We have a fantastic Brownie Pack which usually has the maximum number of girls. Girls move up from Bamford Chapel Rainbows when they reach 7 years of age and girls join from elsewhere if we have vacancies.

There are 3 leaders who have nearly 100 years of guiding experience between them! Unfortunately, Barbara, Gillian and Lyn are reaching (or have reached!) 60 years of age and cannot carry on forever!

We are looking for potential new leaders who can work with us for some time and eventually take over. In this way the Brownie Pack will continue without interruption.

Previous guiding experience is not essential. This is a very rewarding volunteering position.

Please contact Barbara on 01706 356862 if you are interested. Thank you.



THE IAN NEWMAN COMMUNITY FILM CLUB

at Bamford Chapel and Norden URC,
Norden Road, Rochdale. OL11 5PQ

6.30pm refreshments : 7.00pm film
every third Saturday in the month
£3 admission [refreshments included]

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### Saturday 17th November

*1969 Western starring Paul Newman  
and Robert Redford*

**“BUTCH CASSIDY AND THE SUNDANCE KID” PG**

*No Film in December*

**CINEMA  
FOR ALL**

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## THE IAN NEWMAN COMMUNITY FILM CLUB at Bamford Chapel and Norden URC

A borrowing library of DVDs is currently being planned by the team running the film club. This is to help with funding the screening of each film which, as most of you will know, is almost £100 per film.

A number of people have mentioned they were unable to attend a particular film being shown so the idea came to the team about loaning the DVD of that film. Owing to copyright we are unable to charge for this service but obviously, welcome donations.

Lesley Sutton and John Fitton will be in charge of this following morning worship, at coffee mornings and on film nights commencing in January 2019.

A list of all available DVDs will be compiled. If you have ANY you would like to donate to the club, please see Lesley or John who will also help answer any questions about this new scheme.

***DVDs will be on loan for a maximum of two weeks.***



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**THE IAN NEWMAN  
COMMUNITY FILM CLUB  
at Bamford Chapel & Norden URC,**

**Refreshments at 6.30pm, film starts at 7.00pm**

**19<sup>th</sup> January 2019: "PADDINGTON 2" PG** A 2017 live-action animated comedy film, directed by Paul King. Based on the stories of the character Paddington Bear, created by Michael Bond, it is the sequel to the 2014 film Paddington. The film stars Ben Whishaw as the voice of Paddington, with Hugh Bonneville, Sally Hawkins, Brendan Gleeson, Julie Walters, Jim Broadbent, Peter Capaldi, and Hugh Grant *Family film*

**16<sup>th</sup> February: "DARKEST HOUR" PG** A 2017 war drama film directed by Joe Wright and written by Anthony McCarten. It stars Gary Oldman as Winston Churchill, and is an account of his early days as Prime Minister, as Nazi Germany's Wehrmacht swept across Western Europe, threatening to defeat the United Kingdom during World War II. The German advance leads to friction at the highest levels of government between those who would make a peace treaty with Adolf Hitler, and Churchill, who refused. The film also stars Kristin Scott Thomas, Lily James, Ben Mendelsohn, Stephen Dillane, and Ronald Pickup.

**16<sup>th</sup> March: "MAMMA MIA, HERE WE GO AGAIN" PG (2018)**  
In 1979 young Donna, Tanya and Rosie graduate from Oxford University - leaving Donna free to embark on a series of adventures throughout Europe. On her journeys, she makes the acquaintances of Harry, Bill and Sam - the latter whom she falls in love with, but he's also the man who breaks her heart. In the present day, Donna's pregnant daughter, Sophie, dreams of renovating a taverna while reuniting with her mother's old friends and boyfriends on the Greek island of Kalokairi.

**20<sup>th</sup> April: "THE CHILDREN ACT" 12 (2018)** In the midst of a

marital crisis, a High Court Judge must decide if she should order a life-saving blood transfusion for a teen with cancer, despite his family's refusal to accept medical treatment for religious reasons. Written by Ian McEwan, directed by Richard Eyre, starring Emma Thompson and Stanley Tucci.

**18<sup>th</sup> May: "THE BFG" PG (2016)** Based on Roald Dahl's 1982 fantasy adventure. An orphaned little girl befriends a benevolent giant who takes her to Giant Country where they attempt to stop the man-eating giants that are invading the human world. Starring Mark Rylance, Ruby Barnhill and Penelope Wilton.

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*In readiness for Christmas, here is some fun  
to get you in the mood to celebrate the Good News*

## **CHRISTMAS ELF AND SAFETY**



Any persons planning to dash through the snow in a one horse open sleigh, riding over the fields and laughing all the way are advised that a Risk Assessment will be required addressing the safety of an open sleigh for members of the public.


This assessment must also consider whether it is appropriate to use only one horse for such a venture, particularly where there are multiple passengers.

Please note that permission must also be obtained in writing from landowners before their fields may be entered.

To avoid offending those not participating in celebrations, we would request that laughter is moderate only and not loud enough to be considered a noise nuisance.




# Children's Page




**Remember** the words Jesus said:  
"It is more blessed to give  
than to receive."  
Colossians 3:25

**Remember**  
all the  
commandments  
of the Lord  
and obey them  
*Colossians 3:25*

Jesus took bread,  
gave thanks,  
broke it and said,  
"This is my body  
which I am giving  
for you, do this to  
**remember me.**"  
*Luke 22:19*




Jesus said:  
"No one can have  
greater love than  
to give his life for  
his friends."  
*John 15:13*



**Remember to keep**  
the Sabbath day Holy  
*Exodus 20:8*



**Remember** what you are taught,  
and listen carefully to words  
of knowledge.  
*Proverbs 23:12*



 Cut out, colour and keep  
these cards to help  
you to remember  
God's words to us.

## **BAMFORD CHAPEL & NORDEN URC MAGAZINE**

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