

**Salisbury Methodist Church**  
**Notices for two weeks – December 22nd & 29th 2024**

**Sunday 22nd December Advent 4**

10.30 a.m. Streamed Nativity service led by Mrs Fi Waddingham  
6.00 p.m. Carol service led by Revd Dr Mark Cheetham  
Followed with drinks and mince pies in the hall.

**Monday 23rd**

5.30 – 7.30 The Listening Place

**Tuesday 24th Christmas Eve**

4.00 p.m. Christingle service  
11.15 p.m. Christmas Eve Communion led by Revd Dr Mark Cheetham

**Wednesday 25th Christmas Day**

10.00 a.m. Family service led by Revd Dr Mark Cheetham

**Sunday 29th December**

10.30 a.m. Section service at Bemerton MC led by Revd Dr Mark Cheetham

**Monday 30th December**

5.30 – 7.30 The Listening Place

**Thursday 2nd January**

2.30 p.m. CAMEO will meet in the Hall - All are welcome

**Saturday 4th January**

10.00 -12.00 The Listening Place  
10.00 – 12.00 Coffee Bar & The Food Bank

**Sunday 5th January**

10.30 a.m. Covenant service led by Revd Dr Mark Cheetham

***The church building will be closed after the Christmas Day service  
until Monday, 29th December and on January 1st.***

***Items for inclusion in the next Sunday's notices should be sent to  
notices@salisburymethodist.org.uk by the preceding Friday.***

**Action for Children-** A huge thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of the Belletones/Carol Singing event at Waitrose last Sunday. The magnificent sum of £318.70 was raised, while also bringing joy to many!

**Funeral arrangements for Brian Mould:** on Tuesday 7th January the service at 12.00 noon at the Crematorium is for family only, but all are welcome to the church service at SMC at 1.00 pm. Refreshments will be served in the Hall after the service.

**Church Communal Christmas Card.** An estimated 1 billion Christmas cards end up in landfill every year. If you want to send Christmas greetings to the church family without adding to this figure, our communal Christmas card will be available in the foyer for the remaining Sundays of Advent. Louise Hartgill has provided a beautiful picture of an African mother and child for our card this year, reminding us that Christ came for everyone the world over. You are invited to write your message alongside the picture or on one of the separate sheets.

**Every Saturday 5pm – 5.30pm – a silent vigil for Peace in Gaza** – all denominations all faiths, and all those of good will – welcome. Outside Salisbury Library.

**This year, Christmas Is Not Your Birthday is an organ appeal.**

**The Target is £37,600**

The SMC organ is a beautiful instrument and an integral part of SMC's worship experience. The last major piece of work carried out on the organ was more than 30 years ago. To extend its life for the next 30 years, it needs some work. Through recognising that 'Christmas Is Not Your Birthday' we invite you to consider responding to the sacrifice, and service of God coming amongst us as Jesus, God's own Son, in a particular way.

**Please consider buying at least one less present and donate that money to the organ fund.** Donations can be made in person, to a church steward, or using the donations box (please clearly label your gift CINYB) or online (Salisbury Methodist Church—08-92-99, 65592317).

Please Gift Aid my donation, signed by.....

Thank you for reading this. Rev Dr Mark Cheetham.

**Weather permitting we are proposing a church walk** in the New Forest on New Year's Day - approximately 3 miles, meeting at Turf Hill car park (1 mile from Woodfalls Chapel) at 10.30 and finishing, for those who wish, at Woodfalls Inn in time for lunch or whatever. Boots or sturdy shoes strongly recommended. Names of those interested should be given to Barbara Hickman as soon as possible: thehick@btinternet.com. Will those going and with a car please indicate if they can give a lift and for how many for we want to include as many as possible of new comers to SMC and Salisbury and without a car.