

## connect

There are lots of ways that you can keep in touch and be part of our Church family

If you are visiting us today or are new to the church, please allow us to keep in contact with you by filling in one of our **Get Connected** cards. You'll find them in the plastic holder on the display stand at the back.

New people are joining the Immanuel Church Family all the time and that's exciting. There are many ways you can get involved in our life and work, make new friends, and use your gifts and talents. Do talk to Steve or Sarah for more information.

more ways to get involved...

See Our Notice Boards!

### **TODAY, 11 December**

Our Winter Wonderland will be located in the Chapel. Please bring friends and make people aware of the new location. All the usual festive activities. More information from Carol Grove on 01243 771124

### **Carols By Candlelight**

Sunday 18 December at 6.30pm with dance, video, traditional carols, reading and the New Community Rock Choir

**Forward Date: Our Church New Year Party.**

**Book the date: Saturday 14 January 6.30 - 8.30**

For more information about how you can be part of Immanuel Church, contact our Ministers, Revd Steve & Sarah Flashman on 01243 539129  
Email: [steve@immanuelchichester.org.uk](mailto:steve@immanuelchichester.org.uk)  
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[www.graylingwellchapel.org.uk](http://www.graylingwellchapel.org.uk)



### **Welcome to Immanuel Church in Graylingwell Chapel.**

As we prepare to celebrate the day when God broke into time and space in the Person of Jesus Christ in the most unexpected way, we want to offer you a warm welcome and extend our hospitality through the special events we have planned over Christmas—starting today!

**Winter Wonderland takes place right here in the Chapel this afternoon between 4 and 6pm with activities and entertainment for the whole family.** Father Christmas will be making an appearance in his Grotto, Nigel and his friends will sing some rock 'n roll for us and the New Community Rock Choir will be in action. All this plus games and lots of food! This is a great opportunity to bring friends.

Today we welcome Ali Thompson from Options who will be telling us some of the challenges and demands of the work here in Chichester. **We are mindful that the Christmas season can be a difficult time for many people for one reason or another. Perhaps missing loved ones, living alone, feeling abandoned and unloved.** Let's be aware of those people in our own community and do all we can to share what we have.

## what's on

### Sunday 11 December

8.30 Holy Communion

**10.00 Informal Worship**  
Ali Thompson from Options will be interviewed during the service

**4-6 pm CHRISTMAS WINTER WONDERLAND IN THE CHAPEL**

**Great opportunity to bring friends**

### Mondays 10-11.30

Conker Club - Parents and Toddlers at St Michael's Hall Summersdale Road.

### Tuesday 13 November

12-1 Prayer Meeting— Chapel  
7pm New Community Rock Choir

### Wednesdays 7.30-9pm

Deeper Group for Year 7  
Upwards Term-tide only

### Life Groups

Meet at various times during the week. More details from Sarah Flashman (539129)

### Sunday 18 December

8.30 Holy Communion

10.00 Informal Worship

4th Sunday In Advent

Preacher: Sarah Flashman

### **6.30pm**

**Carols By Candlelight**

With traditional carols & readings, video clips, dance and the New Community Rock Choir followed by mulled wine and mince pies



## News & Views

If you have items you'd like included in this section please email Janet on: [janethorsman9@gmail.com](mailto:janethorsman9@gmail.com) OR phone her on: 01243 789602 **(Before Thursday please)**

**Christmas Tree for Life** Lifecentre is having to dip into reserves to fund counselling sessions. so they are repeating the Lifecentre Christmas Tree Appeal. In the church is an empty Christmas tree, with a box of decorations beneath it. Beside it is a 'wish list' (also attached) with costs of Lifecentre's work. We are asked to put donations in an envelope, and then to pick a decoration and put it on the tree. The more donations, the better the tree looks!

**Prayer for Israel** (a Prayer and Bible day) Saturday, 21 January, 10am-4pm at St Pancras Church, Chichester. Guest speaker Derek Rous (Director of PFI). Free admission (offering will be taken). Details from Siew Ping Crane 07870 106694

**Dick Lake** We sadly heard on Wednesday morning that Dick had lost his battle with leukaemia. "Thank you for your phonecalls, emails and cards. We would like to invite you to celebrate the life of Richard 'Dick' Lake. The funeral will be at 2pm, Tuesday 20 December at St Mary's Church, East Lavant, followed by burial in the churchyard, and then at Lavant Memorial Hall for "champagne and chocolate éclairs". We would love to see you there if you can make it. Family are providing flowers for the coffin; Dad has asked that those wishing to make donations do so via Reynolds Funeral Directors (01243 773311) for Cruse Bereavement Care or World Vision. Love Joanna, on behalf of Anne, Tim and Tim"

**Send a Cow Christmas Catalogues** are at the back of the chapel or online. Make your Christmas ethical and valuable for years to come. After using the catalogue please "pass it on" to someone else. Your gifts will go on multiplying.

**Chichester City Angels** The first volunteers take to the streets weekly from 10pm—1am on Fridays from 16 December. For details about joining the street team, the prayer team or the financial helpers, see Marion Hitchins (776736) or [marionhitchins@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:marionhitchins@yahoo.co.uk) Please pray for this important work.

**Christmas hampers for families in need** There are boxes at the back of church until Tuesday 13 December for your donations.

**Mince pies time** We will again be giving free hot drinks and mince pies to late night shoppers in North Street on Thursday 15 and 22 December from 6-8pm outside St Olav's bookshop. See Phil Baker with offers of food or help. If you can't get there on the night, drop things off at the Bakers' house (The Kemps, The Drive, Chichester) or, if absolutely necessary, Phil will collect.

## DIARY DATES

[www.immanuelchichester.org.uk/docs/Chapel\\_Diary.html](http://www.immanuelchichester.org.uk/docs/Chapel_Diary.html)

**All are warmly welcome at these listed events.**

### December

15 Thursday God@work Faith in the City 1.10-1.50 Cathedral cloisters  
15 Thursday Mince pies, North Street 6-8pm  
17 Saturday Handel's Messiah Cathedral, 7.30pm Tickets £  
18 Sunday Carols by candlelight 6.30pm  
19 Monday Carol service at Augusta Court 3.30  
22 Thursday Mince pies, North Street 6-8pm

**January** 14 Saturday Church New Year Party 6.30-8.30

**To book the Chapel** please contact Sally Morgan on 01243 781662 or [diary@immanuelchichester.org.uk](mailto:diary@immanuelchichester.org.uk)

**PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN NEED:** If you would like the church family to pray, please send first names to Janet Horsman for inclusion on this newsheet.

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A new local group of **Stop the Traffik** (ACT) is being set up by Revelation Church. People Trafficking is surprisingly a particular problem in Bognor, Emsworth and Tangmere, because of easy access to London, local ports and airports! Anyone interested in getting involved check the website ([www.stophetraffik.org](http://www.stophetraffik.org)) or contact Dan Slatter at Rev's (01243 531898)

## Contact Numbers

**Ministers:** Revd Steve and Sarah Flashman 539129  
(Day off Saturday & Friday evening after 5.00pm)

**Children, Youth and Student Minister:** Rachel Wheeler 07884 245903  
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### Church leaders:

**Mission & Social Action:** Phil Baker 533784 & Carol Grove 771124  
**Pastoral Care:** Annette Lawrance-Owen 780196 & Roy Twaites 785133

**Discipleship & Training:** Sarah Flashman and Simon Dyson 778130

**Children & Youth:** Rachel Wheeler

**Treasurer:** David Grove 771124

**We now have a church calendar recording all events at Immanuel.**

[www.graylingwellchapel.com/events.htm](http://www.graylingwellchapel.com/events.htm) or

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