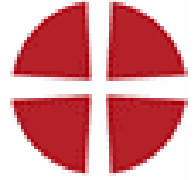




## **Heaton Moor United Church**

The United Reform and Methodist Church  
working together in partnership



**WE WELCOME** anyone with us for the first time today. Please make yourself known and please sign the Visitors Book. There is coffee after each morning service, please stay for a drink and a chat.

### **Newsletter and Diary for 2<sup>nd</sup> December**

<b>Sun 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>10:45</b>	<b>All age and Communion with S Shillito</b> <b>Duty: Sharon and Peter</b>
	<b>18.30</b>	<b>Loving Remembrance Service</b> <b>Followed by Mince Pies &amp; Coffee</b> <b>Duty: Arnold</b>
<b>Tues 4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>19.30</b>	<b>Mission Women in Britain Service</b>
<b>Wed 5<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>19.00</b>	<b>Leadership Meeting (Worship Area)</b>
<b>Thur 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>20:00</b>	<b>Scottish Dancing</b>
<b>Fri 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9.00</b>	<b>Moor than Breakfast</b>
	<b>10.30</b>	<b>Bouncing Babies</b>
	<b>13.30</b>	<b>Dementia Friends</b>
<b>Sun 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10:45</b>	<b>Toy Service with R. Patta</b> <b>Duty Bob and Arnold</b>
	<b>15.00</b>	<b>Voices in Accord Concert</b>
	<b>16.00</b>	<b>Christingle Service at St Pauls</b>

HEATON MOOR UNITED CHURCH  
ADVENT 1 DECEMBER 2<sup>ND</sup> 2018

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Call to Worship

HYMN R&S 386

I will enter his gates

PRAYERS

HYMN R&S 138

Come thou long expected Jesus

The Nativity story

BIBLE READING

45, 56

Luke Ch 1 v 26-28, 31-32, 36,38-

Talk 1

HYMN R&S 139

The angel Gabriel from heaven

came

TALK 2

HYMN R&S 740

Tell out my soul

TALK 3

PRAYERS

Thanks & Intercessions from

MWB page 121

OFFERTORY

HYMN R&S 441

Be known to us in breaking bread

COMMUNION

HYMN R&S 141

Make way, make way

BLESSING

## Journeying God

You revealed yourself to us through Christ on the move,  
Christ in the manger, Christ fleeing to Egypt,  
Christ travelling across the Holy Land to fulfil his ministry.

As we prepare to celebrate this gift of God made flesh,  
By wrapping presents, writing cards, decorating trees and  
preparing feasts,

Move us to prepare for your second coming

By remembering the people who have been forgotten

By turning to the people who have been ignored

And by inviting the people who have been left uninvited.

May we always find you in the least expected places:

At the borders, in temporary accommodation, in the de-  
tention centre,

And lying in a stable. Amen.

**The Advent Payers are being taken from Joint Public Issues Team  
of the Baptist Union, the Church of Scotland, the Methodist Church  
and the United Reformed Church**



Can you please start bring your items for the Christmas Fair from Monday please.

Christmas Fair  
Heaton Moor United Church  
8<sup>th</sup> December 2018  
10am to 1.30pm

Do you know what you are doing at the Fair ? If not see Linda or Dawn .Thank you



### **Christmas Post Box**

**This will be in operation on Sundays :  
2nd and 9th December for collection on the 16th De-  
cember.**

**Please only send cards to people who attend church .**

**NO deliveries will be made.**

**THIS IS THE LAST YEAR FOR THIS SERVICE .**







**December 2<sup>nd</sup>      10.45 S.Shillito      All Age and Communion**  
**18.30 Loving Remembrance Service**  
**Mince Pies and drinks afterwards**

**December 9<sup>th</sup>      10.45 R. Patta      Toy Service**  
**16.00 Christingle Service at St Pauls**  
**Heaton Moor Road**

**December 16<sup>th</sup>      10.00 G. Adams      Super Sunday**  
**10.45 G .Adams      Nativity**

**December 23<sup>rd</sup>      10.45      Carols and Readings**

**December 24<sup>th</sup>      23.30 R.Patta      St Johns Edgley**

**December 25<sup>th</sup>      10.30 R.Patta      Christmas Day**



Please hold the persons affected by the notices below in your prayers , thank you .

I will not forget you, I have carved you on the palm of my hand .

Isaiah 49;15

Betty Hickman's funeral will be on 12th December, this will be a Thanksgiving service at 3.15pm . The family would like people to join them afterwards for refreshments in the hall.

Joyce Scott's funeral will take place on the 10th December. There will be a family service at the crematorium. Followed by a Thanksgiving Service at church at 2.30.

*Notice From Ian Coverdale:*

*I am delighted to announce a successful ministerial stationing round this year.*

*Rev Cathy Bird has been invited to come to the new Stockport United Circuit as circuit superintendent and has accepted. She will have the pastoral care of the Hazel Grove, Dialstone Lane and Windlehurst churches. We look forward to her joining us from 1st September next year and she looks forward to working with us.*

*Cathy is an experienced minister with two dozen years as a Methodist minister, until now all in London circuits, and has been a circuit superintendent for the last ten years.*

This a letter from Christian Aid , please read .

Dear Friends,

This Christmas, Christian Aid's 'Be a peacemaker' appeal invites individuals, churches and community groups to stand with the people on the frontline of peace-making. In our materials, we showcase partners who are protecting vulnerable communities, reducing violence and restoring fragile people who have had traumatic experiences of conflict. They're 'creating pockets of peace that bring hope to seemingly hopeless situations'.

Christian Aid's advocacy work tackling violence and building peace complements this appeal by (in part) challenging the UK Government's role in peacebuilding across the world. On 10<sup>th</sup> December we will launch a report outlining Christian Aid's policy positions and will challenge the UK Government's defense strategy (eg stop selling arms), call for greater diplomacy and a focus on development (eg through greater and more effective spending on peacebuilding).

This report will be supported by a campaign to the Foreign Secretary calling on them to be a peacemaker, in the first instance, by suspending UK arms sales to Saudi Arabia immediately and working with all parties to cease hostilities in Yemen. The report and campaign will be launched by our Chair, Dr. Rowan Williams at a prominent London location linked to peace (possibly by the Cenotaph.)

**We will be sending giant Christmas cards (depicting the peace dove) to the Foreign Secretary with the wording below. We need you to help us to get these signed by members of your congregations and other people in your network during advent. Once the card has been signed, we will take a picture of it with a congregation/church leader or small group along with the number of people who have signed them, and any messages from church leadership. We will then turn these photos, numbers and quotes into a photo-book that Rowan Williams will send to the Foreign Secretary by 20<sup>th</sup> December. We won't be sending the cards themselves to government because we wasted a lot of time trying to convince Government offices to receive our giant cards in 2016 (and in the end they didn't take them.)**

**Dear Foreign Secretary**

Christmas time has never been more dangerous for the people of Yemen, with half the population on the brink of famine due to the fighting. Yet the UK is selling arms to the Saudi-led coalition carrying out indiscriminate attacks on civilians.

**We call on you to be a peacemaker.**

Please suspend UK arms sales to Saudi Arabia immediately and work with all parties to cease hostilities and allow humanitarian access to those most in need. Please will you also review the UK's spending on peacebuilding.

Wishing you a peaceful Christmas,

Jean James will be in Church on the 9th with the card to be signed .

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**IF YOU HEAR THE FIRE ALARM**

- Evacuate the building using your nearest exit and assemble on the lawn.
- Remain calm – walk don't run
- DO NOT use the lift
- DO NOT stop to collect belongings
- DO NOT turn back or try to re-enter the building

**If you have difficulty using the stairs, stay where you are and assistance will be provided.**