

Minister: Revd Lucy Brierley

Whoever you are and wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome.

Sunday 21st December 2025, 10.30am

Fourth Sunday in Advent All-Age Nativity Service

led by the Revd Lucy Brierley

This Service, broadcast live from the Church can be found via the Church's website - www.wokingurc.org.uk our YouTube Channel or via our Facebook page. There is an archive of service recordings, including this one, on our website which can be viewed at home. If you would like some help to access any of them please email - office@wokingurc.org.uk or telephone us on 01483 763078. If you would like a recording of this Service, and any other, they are available in various formats by request. Please contact the Church Office.

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ORDER OF SERVICE

The Church is fitted with a loop system. The words of hymns and songs, and Bible readings etc are displayed on the screen. Bibles and hymn books in standard and large print are also available from the Welcomers. As the Service is live streamed you (and / or your family) could be on camera as efforts are made to help those watching at home to feel a part of the worshipping congregation in the Church. If you have any concerns regarding this, please speak to an Elder or Welcomer.

Welcome and Notices

Call to Worship

Hymns - Heaven Invites You To A Party

Come And Join The Celebration (R&S 166)

Lighting of the Advent Candles

Hymn - See Him Lying In A Bed Of Straw (R&S 155)

The Nativity

Hymn - Away In A Manger (R&S 146)

Children's Singing Group - Child In A Manger Born

Youth Reflection Including Youth Song 'Light Of The World' & Prayer

Time

Hymn - The Virgin Mary Had A Baby Boy

Blessing

NEWS AND FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Christian Aid Christmas Appeal. You may donate until Sunday 4th January. Make payment by using the card machine or using one of the envelopes for cash or cheques in the Forum or via the Church website - click on Donate. For easy access this QR code will take you there.



You are invited to stay for **refreshments after the Service**. They will be served in the Forum and in the Sanctuary. Please do stay if you can to enjoy a time to meet and talk with each other.

Heathside Car Park. Free Sunday morning parking (*up until 1pm*) for those attending this Church. Please key in your registration number on a device in the Forum in the Church *before the Service* each time you are here. The barrier will rise to let you out of the car park because your number will be recognised. If the device indicates 'number not recognised' please write your details on the sheet next to the devices and press the HELP button as you reach the car park barrier. Your number will have been notified.

If you would like to donate to the work of the Church this can be done either here at Church or from home. The Dona device in the Forum may be used for contactless donations and there is an offering bag underneath it for anyone wishing to make a cash donation. For one-off gifts, there is a direct link to the Dona online page from the "Donate" button at the top the home page of the Church's website or just scan the QR code above & Select 'Donations-church Funds'.

Prayer requests. There is a box in the Forum with a pile of blue cards in front which you are invited to use to request prayers particularly on a Thursday morning or at other appropriate times at the Church.

Would you like to make a donation for flowers on a particular Sunday? May be an anniversary, special birthday or remembering someone. There is a sign-up sheet in the Forum to offer a date in 2026. Someone else will arrange them for you.

Please save franked stamps from your Christmas post envelopes and packages and bring them to the Church where there is a box in the Forum. They will go to a new charity this year as the previous one no longer accepts them.

Collection point for food and other items for the York Road Project and Your Sanctuary open every Sunday. The following items would particularly be appreciated: Sugar sachets, coffee sachets, jars of coffee, tea; pasta, rice; squash (orange or blackcurrant), bottled or cans of water; pot noodles; fresh fruit and vegetables; individually wrapped biscuits or other snacks, individual chocolate bars, tinned goods; boxer shorts (new) - men's small and medium. Your Sanctuary would particularly be grateful for pasta, rice, pasta sauces, jam, peanut butter and marmalade. Tuna, squash, baked beans, ketchup, mayonnaise, and tinned meats.

Expenses claims for remainder of 2025. Please submit to Church Treasurer by 31st December if possible but no later than 10th January.

WEEKLY	CALENDAR
TODAY	5.00 pm Youth Group at Wintershall Nativity
MONDAY	
TUESDAY	
WEDNESDAY CHRISTMAS EVE	3.30 pm Crib Service beginning outside with the arrival of Mary on a donkey. Refreshments afterwards. Car parking charges apply in Heathside but unrestricted parking in side roads at this time, except White Rose Lane (or elsewhere if there are cycle lanes.) 11.00 pm Communion Service. Refreshments before from 1030 pm.
	Car parking charges apply in Heathside but no restrictions in side roads, including White Rose Lane.
THURSDAY CHRISTMAS DAY	10.00 am Family Service for all ages. Refreshments afterwards. Free parking all day in Heathside - no need to key in your registration number at the Church.
FRIDAY	
SATURDAY	
NEXT SUNDAY	10.30 am Morning Worship led by John Sinclair. Collection point for food and other items for the York Road Project and Your Sanctuary open every Sunday. Please see list on previous page.
UPCOMING	New Year's Day - Thursday 1 st January at 11.00 am Reflection and Prayers for the world and the new year led by John Sinclair Thursday 8 th January at 12.45 pm - next Lunch & Talk - Bagpipes for all - John Sinclair. Sign-up sheet in the Forum. Sunday 11 th January at 4.00 pm - Remembering Service - an opportunity to remember and give thanks for the lives of those who have died recently or longer ago.

The Forum (except for Services) and the Church Office will close at 1 pm on Tuesday 23^{rd} December and re-open at 9 am on Monday 5^{th} January. The Minister and the Church Staff will all be taking some leave for periods during this time and their email response and answerphone message will indicate.

The email - offfice@wokingurc.org.uk - will be monitored at intervals and please contact your Elder or Pastoral Assistant if needed.

Please take this paper home with you for reference and to use the information on this page and the previous one about meetings and events in your prayers this week.