Minister: Revd Lucy Brierley

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



## Third Sunday in Advent 14<sup>th</sup> December 2025 4.00pm

# Service of Carols and Readings 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.

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**Welcome & Notices** 

**Opening Words** 

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**Carol -** Once In Royal David's City (R&S 167) *Congregation* to join in from verse 2

Reading - Isaiah 9 v 2-7 read by John Mason

**Prayers & The Lord's Prayer** 

Carol - Hark The Herald (R&S 159)

Reading - Luke 1 v 26-38 read by Michelle Elphick

Carol - Silent Night (R&S 147)

Reading - Luke 2 v 1-7 read by John Sinclair

Reading - 'God is with us' read by Vivien Gerhold & Jewel Addo

Singing Group - Adore

Reading - Luke 2 v 8-20 read by Jacob Addo

Carol - While Shepherds Watched (R&S 155)

#### **Reflection and Prayers**

Carol - O Little Town Of Bethlehem (R&S 145)

Reading - John 1 v1-14 read by James Gemmell

Carol - O Come All Ye Faithful (R&S 160)

**Blessing** 

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Everyone is invited to stay for tea in the Forum and Chapel area after the Service.

Today there is an opportunity to give to the Christian Aid Christmas Appeal (this will run until Sunday 4th January)

This is focussing on the Democratic Republic of Congo which has been repeatedly devastated by centuries of violence, leaving homes destroyed, livelihoods lost and families displaced leaving 27 million people in urgent need of food.

Christian Aid is working with trusted local partners to deliver a financial assistance programme, which offers immediate emergency aid to families who've fled their homes - supporting mothers to protect their children from hunger, malnutrition, disease and pain.

There are several different ways to donate:

- 1. The Dona card machine in the Forum
- 2. Via the Church website www.wokingurc.org.uk (more directly by using this QR code)
- 3. By using one of the envelopes for cash or cheques in the Forum
- 4. By sending a cheque (payable to Woking URC but write 'Christian Aid' on the back) to the Church or directly to the Church Treasurer
- 5. Paying directly to the Church's bank account (details on 'Giving to the Church' section on the website)



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You are invited to share in the following Services as we continue through Advent to Christmas Day:

#### Wednesday 17th December -

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10.30 am - Toddler Friendly Short Service

**7.30 pm -** Christmas Praise - contemporary celebration with music led by the band

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#### **Sunday 21st December -**

10.30 am - Christmas Festival Nativity Service

#### Christmas Eve, Wednesday 24th December -

**3.30 pm -** Crib Service starting outside with the arrival of Mary on a donkey, followed by refreshments.

Normal parking charges apply at Heathside.

No restrictions in most side roads, except White Rose Lane.

**11 pm -** 'Midnight' Communion Service by candlelight, with refreshments beforehand.

Normal parking charges apply at Heathside, but no restrictions in side roads.

#### **Christmas Day, Thursday 25th December -**

**10 am -** All age Celebration Service.

Free parking all day at Heathside.