

Notices: January 10th

New Lockdown

Although communal worship can still take place during this third lockdown, we have taken the difficult decision to pause communal worship. A letter setting out this decision in more detail can be found on the church website. Funerals will still be able to take place in church, with a maximum of 30 people attending. The church will be open for private prayer at weekends only, owing to the electrical work taking place during the week. We sincerely hope to resume communal worship, even in a limited way, in time for Lent and Easter, and we will keep the situation under review over the coming weeks. Please do get in touch with Laura or the churchwardens if you have any questions or concerns about this.

Electrical Works

Let there be light! We are pleased that the first phase of our building project will begin on Monday 11th January, and we look forward to new lighting, a new sound system, and interior redecoration. Please note that there will be no access to the church building during the week, and anyone with a church key who needs to arrange access must contact the site manager (via the parish office). Please pray for the contractors and all involved with our building project as we begin this first phase, and plan for the next.

Children's Society: Please donate!

We had fun at our small, outdoor Christingle services, which took place in all weather conditions! It was wonderful to welcome children and families to Holy Trinity and to worship together safely. Thank you so much to all who came, and all who assisted—especially Rachel and Mary who prepared the Christingle kits, and Felicity for providing a wonderful visual aid and guiding the development of our Forest Church services. The oranges were kindly donated by Waitrose and Partners.

We always take a collection for the Children's Society, but this year we were unable to take a cash collection, and asked people to donate online instead. This has led to a

smaller amount of money being raised so far, and it would be so good to raise more if possible. If you are able to make an online donation, please go to [our donations page](#) which will enable you to [donate directly to the Children's Society](#).

Morning Prayer: Weekly on Mondays at 9am

A chance to pause for prayer at the beginning of the week. The focus for prayer will be the psalms, which offer ancient wisdom for contemporary times.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86782891843?pwd=S25BN0E3QUF6aXk5cHBETktaRmhldz09>

Meeting ID: 867 8289 1843

Passcode: 309879

Prayers for Hope and Healing

A fortnightly time of silent prayer for hope and healing of our world, with an opening reflection leading to a time of silence. The next meeting is Thursday 21st January.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86007797102?pwd=S2FoNmVORKx6VHZZa3INyXJuUWhaZz09>

Meeting ID: 860 0779 7102

Passcode: 603291

Covid-19 Study

Dr Merlin Wilcox, a member of our congregation and researcher at the University of Southampton, is running an online study on Covid-19, which is looking for volunteers: *Help beat Covid-19! Whether you have had COVID or not, you can help researchers understand how to beat the virus by completing a survey run by the University of Southampton. You could win one of 62 vouchers (£5 to £500). See www.rtocovid19.com for more details.*