

## **!News from the Pews!**

Joan Cox is selling **CORD Christmas cards**. Call 01536 760150 for more info.



**Sunday Refreshments!** In order to continue serving tea and coffee after the services, we urgently need some more helpers to be on the rota. You don't need to be a skilled barista to help - in fact it would be wonderful to have some families on the rota. If you can help please contact Hannah asap!



### **Thank You**

A huge thank you to all those who helped make the Christmas Tree Festival such a success – many folk spent many days making it all happen before, during and after the event! Thank you. And to those who made food produce, covered a stall, did kitchen duty or any one of the other numerous jobs involved, thank you too. It's wonderful to see so many people from our church and community working together, and it was fantastic being able to welcome so many people through our doors. Many good conversations were had, and needless to say the trees were an amazing testimony to the gift of creativity God has placed within us. Hannah.



**Winter Glory Women's Conference.** Encouraging and equipping Christian women. Held on 25<sup>th</sup> January. £18 per person. Please book with Jean Wardle (762558) by 15<sup>th</sup> December!



### **Reverse Advent Calendar**

Step 1 - Find a box and decorate it

Step 2 - For each day of advent place something in the box and give thanks for it

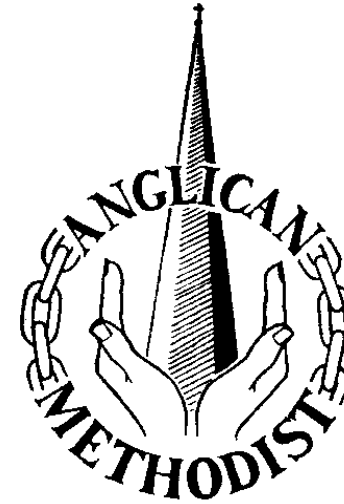
Step 3 - On 23<sup>rd</sup> or 24<sup>th</sup> Dec, bring your box to church where it will then be donated to local charities. Please pick up a pack from the back of church giving full details.



**Hand held crosses** will be on sale at the back of the church for £4 each. The crosses have been hand-crafted and very kindly donated to the band to help raise funds for new equipment.



If you haven't already, please return your **stewardship campaign** envelopes to church as soon as possible. If you haven't got an envelope, please see Hannah.



---

# St Giles Church

---

## Desborough

*A community rooted in Christ, sharing God's love  
with all people*

# WELCOME

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2018



## This Week at St Giles.....

<b>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December</b>	8.30 am 10.00 am 6.00 pm 6.00 pm	Holy Communion Toy Service & Parade Healing Service Link Up & Engage
<b>Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December</b>	9.00 am 12.15 pm 7.30 pm	A Team Monthly Lunch Bell ringing
<b>Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December</b>	9.15 am 7.30 pm	Morning Prayer Band Practice
<b>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December</b>	10.00 am	Holy Communion
<b>Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December</b>	9.15 am 2.00 pm	Church Family Prayer Meeting Tiny Tots
<b>Coming Next Sunday.....</b>	8.30 am 10.00 am 12.30 pm 6.00 pm	Holy Communion All Age Nativity Church family Sunday Lunch Link Up & Escape

## Coming Soon.....

### Church Family Sunday Lunch

Sunday 16th December at 12.30 pm  
£5 in advance from Wendy Steel or Barbara Walker



### All Age Nativity

Dig those costumes out, dust off your halo's, it's time for this year's nativity!  
Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 10 am



### Lights for Loved One's

The church will be OPEN all day (10 am - 6 pm) on **Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> December**. If you or anyone you know would like to drop in to light a candle in memory of a loved one or enjoy some peace and quiet, we'd love to see you. Seasonal refreshments will be served!

## Get in touch.....

*Rector*

**Rev Hannah Jeffery**

Email: revhj@outlook.com

Phone: 01536 506299

*Assistant Priest*

**Rev Neil Clarke**

Email: revnclarke@aol.com

Phone: 01536 760667

*Methodist Circuit SuperIntendent*

**Rev Martin Swan**

Email: martin.chelseafan1@gmail.com

*Wardens & Stewards*

Pauline Clarke 01536 760667

Steve Burt 01536 506778

Ann Window 01536 761329

Peter Shuker 01536 763255

*Administrator*

Wendy East

Phone: 01536 506299 (Tues am)

*Safeguarding officer*

Pauline Clarke 01536 760667

*Notices:* notices.stgilesdesborough@gmail.com

### Christmas Care Home Dates

Fri 21st Dec. 11am Carols @ Marlow House

Fri 21st Dec. 2pm Carols @ Beech Close

### Prayer at St Giles

Our next monthly prayer meeting will be on:  
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December, 9.15 am in the church  
Do come and join in this vitally important work of our church.

The next Circuit prayer meeting will be on 18<sup>th</sup> December at Central Methodist church at 7.30 pm and will be a bible study.

### Choir Practice

Interested in singing in this year's Carols by Candlelight choir?  
Practices will be held in church at 11.30 am on:  
Sunday December 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>.