



HPC Junior Church Newsletter: November 2017



Dates for your diary:

- **Sunday November 5th:** The Bishop of Edmonton will preside at a service of **Confirmation** at **11.00** am. Please pray for the seven young people and four adults who are preparing to make a public confirmation of their faith
- **Sunday November 5th: Celebrating James Sherlock.** James will be directing the choir in some of his favourite music at Evensong at 4.30 on. All are welcome to wish James well as he continues his training as a conductor in Finland. After the service there will be fizz and nibbles.
- **Saturday 18th November: Church Christmas Market.** There will be food, drink and stalls from which to purchase the perfect Christmas present, as well as Children's activities.
- **Friday 8 December: Christmas Lights Community Concert.** The Community Choir, Junior Choir and Junior Church parents' ensemble of singers will be performing an evening concert in church.



Looking ahead to Junior Church Christmas Activities

- It's that time of year again to put together **shoeboxes of gifts for Samaritan's Purse:** <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child>. The deadline for your shoeboxes is **Sunday 5 November**. For more details contact Helen Evans: hm.evans@4newsquare.com.
- Children's christmas activities include:
 - 10th December - a celebration of St Lucia during the 10.30 Eucharist
 - 17th December - a Junior Church Christmas party in the crypt during the 10.30 Eucharist
 - 24th December crib service @ 5.30pm - all children are warmly encouraged to take part - please come to the vestry at 5pm. Nativity themed fancy dress (kings, shepherds, farm animals etc) is helpful, although we have some spares.
- There will be no Junior Church Sunday groups on 24th and 31st December. We return 7th January.

Parents- come and sing or play your instrument!

If you can read music and are confident singing in parts unaccompanied in a small group (likely to be around 6-8 singers), why not join in a small ad hoc choir of junior church parents? We are planning to sing carols at the community choir concert in church on the evening of Friday 8 December and at crèche on Sunday 17 December. We will have one or two short rehearsals in advance. You can participate in either or both events as you wish. For more details contact Helen Evans hm.evans@4newsquare.com.

Junior Church Helpers Needed

Junior church relies on parent volunteers to lead or help out with groups on Sunday mornings. If you would like to help with crèche please contact Naomi Davey: ncdavey@gmail.com. For other groups please contact Vanessa Fitzpatrick: yellowrose64@icloud.com