CHURCHES TOGETHER IN FARNHAM

November 2014 E-News

Please publicise the items below - and forward to editors for inclusion in church magazines, newsletters and service sheets. Also let us know about YOUR forthcoming events and activities - email to secretary@churchestogetherinfarnham.org.uk or reply to this Email address.

Dear Church Leaders, CTF Representatives, Associates and other Friends

Churches Together in Farnham are delighted to report that the Christmas Day Lunch for people who would otherwise spend the day on their own will again take place this year. The anxious enquiries of the Christmas Lunch steering committee were rewarded last week by the appointment of a **chef**, whom we welcome delightedly. We also congratulate the steering committee for their hard work and perseverance, and are delighted that this has paid off. Praise the Lord!

Further details of the lunch, and requests for volunteer support, are given in the Notices below.

Very best wishes

Andrew Partridge - Secretary, Churches Together in Farnham

NOTICES

CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH

Guests are welcomed to a traditional Christmas Lunch with all the trimmings. Transport is provided if required. There is no charge.

To book a place - please phone Mariola Boyd 01252 716785 or Michael McDonnell 01252 712600 before Friday 12th December.

Would you like to help?

On Christmas Day - A special request for drivers and for people to help in the kitchen, welcome guests, serve lunch or clear up after lunch.

On Christmas Eve - People to help lay tables and set up.

To volunteer please 'phone Jo Rendall 01252 737162.

FARNHAM YOUTH CHOIR IN REMEMBRANCE 'SONGS OF PRAISE'

BBC TV's 'Songs of Praise' was broadcast live from Aldershot's Royal Garrison Church on Remembrance Sunday . Among those taking part was Farnham Youth Choir. The programme is now available on BBC iplayer

'OPEN THE BOOK' BRINGS BIBLE STORIES TO SCHOOLS

This is a new project bringing the Bible to life for children of Folly Hill School and Badshot Lea Village School. A team of volunteers, using props and costumes, present the stories in dramatised form. The Revd Lesley Crawley (Parish Priest) said,"The project is great fun, the kids love it - the adults love it... We feel it is really important that this generation of children know the Bible stories, not only is our faith based upon them but so is much of our culture. If anyone who is a Christian of any denomination would like to join our merry band then ring me on 01252 820537 or email me - revdlesley@gmail.com"

<u>DIARY</u> - Some special events in the next few weeks. Go to the CTF website <u>www.churchestogether.org/farnham</u> for more details of these and other church events, including posters to download for your noticeboard.

Tuesday 11th November – St Andrew's Church – 1.10pm – 'MUSIC WHILE YOU MUNCH' – organ concert on the theme of war and peace – bring your lunch to eat while you listen.

Friday 14th November – St George's Church, Badshot Lea – 7.30pm – FUND-RAISING CONCERT – organ, choral, instrumental music, and family band, finishing with a 'last night of the Proms' theme – then drinks and nibbles in the Church Hall – all for £5.

Tuesday 18th November – St Joan's Centre, Tilford Road – 10.30am - CTF ECUMENICAL PRAYER MEETING – reflective readings, prayers and intercessions. Refreshments to follow. All welcome – just come along.

Thursday 20th November – Farnham Methodist Church – 3pm - Farnham ASSIST 'SILVER SERVICE' for over sixties - followed by tea and cakes.

Wednesday 26th November – St Andrew's Church, Farnham – 10.30am – BACH TO BABY CONCERT – with internationally renowned cellist Gabriella Swallow – the world of the cello from classic to jazz. Coffee served in church at 10am and nursery rhymes to be sung at the end of the concert with Gabriella's cello. Adult tickets £10 at the door, children free.

Saturday 29th November – Farnham United Reformed Church – 10am to 2pm - CHRISTMAS FAIR.

Monday 1st December – Farnham Baptist Church –2.30pm - Farnham ASSIST CAROL SERVICE for over 60s.

Tuesday 2nd December – Farnham United Reformed Church – 1.10pm - MUSIC AT LUNCHTIME – piano recital by Emilie Capulet.

Saturday 6th December – St Thomas-on-The Bourne Church – 10am till 12.30pm. - CHRISTMAS MARKET - in aid of Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice. £2 entry includes coffee and biscuits – children free. Jewellery, gifts, cakes, books, toys, bird food and much more. Tombola, raffle and silent auction.

Saturday 6th December – 1pm – TREE PLANTING in the newly created Community Orchard at St Mark's, Upper Hale.

Saturday 6th December – All Saints Church, Tilford – 3pm and 6.30pm – Tilford Bach Society CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT. Carols and readings – with newly formed Tilford Bach Choir and medieval Christmas music by The Artisans. – Mulled wine and mince pies available. Organ prelude played by Martin Knizia, starting 30 minutes before main concerts.

Saturday December 6th– 7.30pm – St Andrew's Church – WAVERLEY SINGERS' CHRISTMAS CONCERT with readings and carols - Edgeborough School Choir taking part. Tickets £12.50. Students and under 16s - £5. See Waverley Singers' website for details.

Saturday 13th December – 2pm till 5pm – St George's Church, Badshot Lea – CHRISTMAS FAYRE. This is a new community event in Badshot Lea. As well as cake stall, tombola, etc, it is planned to feature craft work of various kinds. Crafters wishing to buy a table from which to sell their wares should email lucy-cynina@hotmail.co.uk.

For more about these and other activities, go to the CTF website www.churchestogether.org/farnham where you will also find links to our member churches' and associates' individual websites, with details of services and other activities.

If you have events for the CTF website or any comments or queries please email secretary@churchestogetherinfarnham.org.uk or reply to this Email address.