



NEWSLETTER

December 2025


WELCOME

Morning Prayer

Every Wednesday morning at 9:15am a group of us gather to pray. Our last one of the year will be on 24th December and we will begin again on 7th January 2026.



All Souls

November was a time of remembrance; this image was taken just after our All Souls service. We continue to pray for all those who have lost loved ones recently.



Out and about

It was great to be at the Birchwood Lights switch on, thank you to those who helped hand out invite cards to our Christmas services. Above is a picture of Coral's 1st Baptism. Welcome to the family baby Hugo!

CHRISTMAS CRAFTERNOON

Christmas Crafternoon, Saturday 6th December

We are looking forward to hosting our first Crafternoon! We are still looking for used and clean jam jars for candle making so please bring them along if you can.

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Word of the month

Happy New Year! No I'm not getting ahead to January- I'm thinking the liturgical year! On Advent Sunday we begin a New Year of readings and cycles which we are encouraged to explore and read together as a church nationwide.

Advent is a time to draw closer to each other and to God as the nights draw in early. I took this picture after the lights on this week and was so encouraged by the outline of the building of St. Luke's against the dusk. It reminds me of Romans 13:12 – "The night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light." This imagery of putting on light will also follow us in the liturgy this advent.

Hopefully I will see you at our Crafternoon and/ or Carol service this month. Blessings,

Revd Coral



Prayer for Advent season

God of hope and promise, As we light the candles of Advent, we remember your light shining in the darkness. Bless this community with peace in our hearts, companionship in our days, and courage in our waiting.

May your love surround us in our homes, strengthen us in our bodies, and comfort us in our memories. Prepare us to welcome Christ anew, with joy that is gentle, and hope that endures.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Coming up



**Christmas Crafternoon,
2pm, 6th December**



Carol Service with Birchwood Sings, 3pm, 14th December, with mulled wine and mince pies, St Luke's



**Leslie Manser Christingle,
16th December**



Midnight Communion 24th December, 11:15pm.



**Christmas Day Communion at
St. Georges. 10am 25th December**





ST. LUKE'S BIRCHWOOD INVITE YOU TO
THEIR

CHRISTMAS CRAFTERNOON

SATURDAY 6TH DECEMBER
2-4PM FREE

DIY ORNAMENT MAKING | HANDMADE CHRISTMAS
CARDS | CANDLE CRAFTING | CHRISTMAS WREATHS |
MANGER MAKING |



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Parish Church of Birchwood
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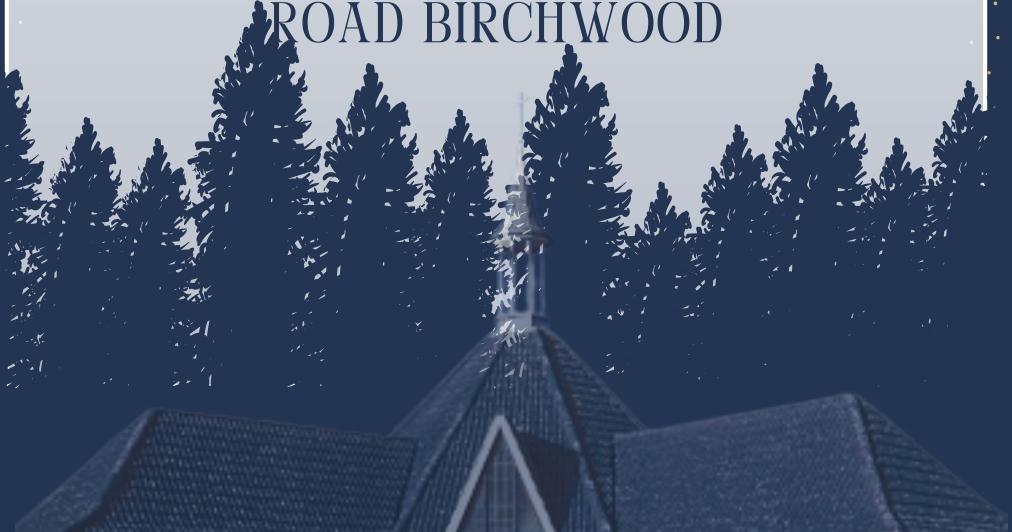
Carol Service

WITH BIRCHWOOD
SINGS

14TH DECEMBER 2025

3PM

ST. LUKE'S, JASMIN
ROAD BIRCHWOOD



ALL WELCOME TO COME AND
SING CAROLS AND HEAR READING

MULLED WINE AND MINCE PIES ARE
SERVED AFTER