

Dates for your diary Dec 29th - Jan 19th 2020

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| Sun 29th Dec | 10.30am - 11.30am | Morning worship |
| Thu 2 Jan | 10.00am - 12.00noon | Cambs Hearing Help |
| Fri 3rd Jan | 12.15pm - 2.00pm | Call Inn |
| Sun 5th Jan | 10.30am - 11.30am | Morning Worship |
| Mon 6 — Fri 10th | | PRAYER WEEK |
| Mon 6th Jan | 7.30pm - 8.30pm | Elders Meeting |
| Tue 7th Jan | 9.30am - 10.00am 10.00am - 11.30am | Staff Prayers Coffee Pot |
| Wed 8th Jan | 10.00am - 12.00noon 1.30pm - 3.30pm | Little Steps Toddler Group Tiny Toes |
| Sun 12th Jan | 10.30am - 11.30am | Morning Worship |
| Mon 13th - Wed 15th Jan | All day | Leadership Conference (Fresh Streams) Diana, Martin & Liz away |
| Tue 14th Jan | 9.30am - 10.00am 10.00am - 11.30am | Staff Prayers Coffee Pot |
| Wed 15th Jan | 10.00am - 12noon 1.30pm - 3.30pm | Little Steps Toddler Group Tiny Toes |
| Thu 16th Jan | 7.30pm - 8.30pm | Stretchworks |
| Fri 17th Jan | 11.00am - 12.00pm 12.15pm - 2.00pm | Friday worship—Bible study Call Inn |
| Sun 19th Jan | 10.30am - 11.30am 12.00noon - 3.00pm | Morning Worship Kids Club Leaders Mtg +(Lunch) |

For further information visit our website:

www.shelfordfreechurch.org.uk

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Our Church Coordinator, Iris Considine will be in the church office on

Mon, Tues, and Fridays Office hours 9am—3pm.

Copy for the Link should be with Iris by Thursday morning.

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WELCOME

Sunday 29th December
Matthew 2: Verse 13 - 23
'The holiday of your dreams?'
Speaker: - Paul Joel
All Youth and Children in the Main Hall

Sunday 5th January 2020

Morning Worship

Verse of the year

Speaker Revd: Martin Cockerill

Following the service, if you would like to speak to someone or if you want someone to pray for/with you, then members of the **Prayer Team** (identified by a relevant badge) are on hand to help you.

**Please join us for a drink of tea/coffee/juice after the service in the Hall
Boxes are available near each door for Tithes and Offerings**

Prayer for the Church

As this year comes to an end, we start to think of the one ahead. The overwhelming desire for myself and others is that we wrestle with our role in reaching out to our friends, family and our community. I like many of us struggle to know how or when I should share my faith and encourage others, I'm honest enough to acknowledge my own fears and feelings, however, I am deeply convicted that we have a message of hope and love for a hurting world, that we can speak grace and truth into peoples lives when nothing else will make sense. My hope is that we will be in places to share God's love when inevitably people start to see that the way we live in this world doesn't make any sense without a creator God who loves and cares for us.

My prayer for this New Year is that we are patient when we try yet fail to learn what it means to reach out; that we try our best to play a role in the responsibility we have to share God's love for the world, and if all that is too much for you, I pray that you would cheer and encourage those who are trying with words and prayers.

May you be blessed
With the spirit of the season, which is peace,
The gladness of the season, which is hope,

Mission — your mission team needs you

Are you interested in Mission? Want to be involved with the mission focus at GSFC? Why not join, ask any member of the Mission Team for further information

SSYI Church Representative needed

We need a church representative to attend SSYI meetings and report back any significant points to the church. Are you interested in hearing about what is going on with the youth in our area? The meetings are usually held approximately every 3 months. For further information please speak to a member of the mission team.

Alpha 2020

Alpha will start in January 2020 - how might you help?

- Who could you invite?
- Pray
- Cook a meal for the evening
- Help set up/clear after meal
- Lead/help in a small group



Prayer Week — sign up in the lounge

Prayer Week: January 6th-10th 2020

Things in the church are changing; things in our community are changing. As Christians, we are convinced that guidance for our times will come from a renewed examination of the biblical texts, through guidance of the spirit an examination set deeply within our own contexts.

The week of prayer in January encourages each of us to reflect on biblical texts linked to the '5 Marks of Mission' as outlined by the Anglican Church. Each day, we will consider one of the Marks of Mission alongside a passage of scripture and ask ourselves how we are called to live out those marks in our communities and in our world. It is envisaged that this week of prayer will help us consider their gifts and vocation in God's mission. It will also encourage us to learn more about ourselves, and about what God is calling our community to do, so every participant has something to contribute, and is important to the process.

During the Prayer Week, there will also be a daily focus on the forthcoming Alpha course as well as a special evening highlighting the course.

It is envisaged that the church will be open for prayer
Monday to Friday from 9am until 7pm.
On **Wednesday 8th January** there will be a special evening
which will focus on Alpha.
This evening will commence at 7.30pm.

What are the '5 Marks of Mission'?

The Mission of the Church is the Mission of Christ

1. (Tell) To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom
2. (Teach) To teach, baptise and nurture new believers
3. (Tend) To respond to human need by loving service
4. (Transform) To seek to transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind, and to pursue peace and reconciliation
5. (Treasure) To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth