## Ponaghadee Methodist Church

# MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



### What's happening in December

Mon 1st December MWI 1.30pm Christmas

crafts - please bring

green foliage & secateurs

Tue 2<sup>nd</sup> December Advent community

prayer in community

centre 7.45pm

Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> December Coffee & Chat 10-12

Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> December House Group meeting at

Jack Lennie's home

7.30pm

Thur 4<sup>th</sup> December Toddlers 10-11.15

Fri 5<sup>th</sup> December Bible Study 10.30

Sat 6<sup>th</sup> December 12pm Community

Christmas market in

Church carpark & 3pm

on Santa's grotto in hall.

Sun 7<sup>th</sup> December Holy Communion & Toy

Appeal collection

Mon 8<sup>th</sup> December Coffee & Craft 10-12

Tue 9th December Advent Community

Prayer 7.45pm

Wed 10<sup>th</sup> December Coffee & Chat 10-12

Thur 11<sup>th</sup> December Toddlers 10-11.15

Sun 14<sup>th</sup> December Morning Worship 11am

Blue Christmas Service

4pm

Wed 17<sup>th</sup> December Coffee & Chat 10-12

Thur 18<sup>th</sup> December Toddlers Christmas

Party 10-11.15

Fri 19<sup>th</sup> December Bible Study

#### Introduction

This month our Newsletter is a week early as 1st December is a Monday and its a very busy month, we wouldn't want you to miss out on anything. Our Newsletter is available by hard copy in the church and is sent by Whatsapp and email.

#### Coming up in January

Sun 4<sup>th</sup> January Meth

**Methodist Covenant** 

Service

#### **Connexional Collections**

Thank you for giving so generously to all the recent appeals and there are a lot at this time of the year. The final total for WDR was £1,165. We do not yet have a total for the Home Missions appeal. During December, over Christmas and New Year there will be an appeal for the 'Methodist Child Care' Fund. Envelopes will be available in coming weeks and the loose offering on 25<sup>th</sup> December will be going towards this cause.







#### **Ministers Contact Details**

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#### What's happening in December cont'd

Sun 21<sup>st</sup> December Carol Service 4pm

(no morning service)

Thur 25<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Morning

Service 10am

Sun 28<sup>th</sup> December Morning Worship 11am

Wed 31<sup>st</sup> December Last Light Service 4pm

#### **Ards & North Down Circuit**

Rev Louise & Helen attended the first meeting of the new Ards & North Down Circuit Executive on Tue 25<sup>th</sup> November. The CE consists of all the ministers & lay pastors on the circuit, each of the society stewards & 3 circuit officers - secretary, treasurer & property. We are beginning the process very slowly and more info will be provided when it is available.

#### **Whatsapp Group**





Donaghadee Methodist has a Whatsapp group which is an ideal way to get information out to everybody if you are not yet on the group scan the QR code or contact Rev Louise

#### **Counting Team**

The collection counting team for the month of December:

Christine Kennedy

James Kennedy

Fiona Morrison

Alongside Chris Mayor (Church

Treasurer)

#### **BCM Toy Appeal**

On Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December we will be having our usual collection for the BCM Toy Appeal. They really appreciate your continued support each year. They have given some guidance around the gifts to be provided.

**Donate**: We welcome *new*, *unwrapped* toys for children aged 0–16, with a specific need for gifts suitable for teenagers (boys in particular).

Please avoid: Soft toys, Perishable items (food, cosmetics), Toys requiring subscriptions or excessive batteries, Items missing key components (e.g. Nerf guns without darts) Branded items tied to specific sports teams.



#### **Methodist Newsletter**

Subscriptions to the Methodist
Newsletter are now due. If you already receive it and would like to continue please let Kathryn McDaid know. (07814 002256) If you do not yet receive the Methodist Newsletter and would like to know more about it there are some example copies in the porch, then let Kathryn know if you would like to start a subscription. It is £25 for the year and your information and payment will be needed by the end of December.





Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. Isaiah 7:14