

WELCOME TO GREYFRIARS

1 DECEMBER 2019

It's wonderful to have you with us today.
Please complete one of the welcome cards if you would
like to get connected.

ADVENT SUNDAY

Isaiah 40:1-11, 28-31

9.30am - Holy Communion
Refreshments from 9am

Leader Jane Peters
Preacher David Walker
Prayer Jim Dibley
Reader Adrian Shury

11.30am - Formal Service
Refreshments from 11am

Leader John Freeman
Preacher Chris Greaves
Prayer John Roper
Reader Melinda Lewis

6.30pm - Informal Service
Refreshments from 6pm

Leaders John Freeman &
Graham Bettes
Preacher David Walker
Prayer Ros Johnson
Reader Ben Amey

Student Meal - students come and
join us for a meal at 5pm in the
Centre each Sunday.

Christmas Services Invites are now
available at the back of church.
Please use them to invite friends and
family to the Carols on 15 December.

15 December Services

Due to the three Carol Services at
3pm, 5pm & 7pm there will be no
morning services on 15 December.

Last Chance Today to sign up for the
Nativity Orchestra which will help to
lead worship at the 10am service on
22 December. Pick up a green form at
the back of church to register or
email: worship@greyfriars.org.uk

Mission Partners Christmas gifts

A retiring collection will take place
today only after each service. Cash or
cheques made out to 'Greyfriars
Church'. Bank transfers can be made
over the next two weeks to: a/c
00151138, sort code 30-96-96 with ref
'MP Christmas collection'.

A new way to make a
one-off donation -
scan this image and
follow the directions



How we communicate

We are keen to reduce the levels of paper produced at church and to improve our communications with all the congregations. This will bring a change to the way we communicate about prayer, events and notices. As a result we will not be continuing with the Bulletin in its current form in the new year.

Greyfriars Bookshop We are taking orders for the Bible Reading notes for 2020 so please take a form from the back of the church, complete your choices and return to the bookshop with the appropriate payment. Thank you. Tel: 0118 9516703.

Burn 24/7 - Fri 6 Dec, 5-11pm

At New Hope. Non-stop worship with Christians from across Reading. All welcome!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 2 Dec Together at Two
- 15 Dec Family Carols at 3pm
Carols by Candlelight at
5pm & 7pm
- 22 Dec Nativity Service 10am
- 24 Dec Midnight Communion 11pm
- 25 Dec Christmas Day 10.30am with
HC to follow
- 7 Jan - Alpha Course
- 11 Feb

Together at Two - Mon 2 Dec, 2-4pm in the West End. A meeting space for those aged 55 or over for friendship and fun.

Bereavement Journey from 22 January

The 6 week course at Greyfriars is for anyone who is working through grief and the loss of a loved one, whether recently or dating back several years. (It is advisable that at least three months have passed since your bereavement.) Each evening starts at 7.30pm with refreshments, short talks, and an opportunity for discussion in small groups. If you would like to come on this course booking will be open soon, in the meantime for more details or to book a place please email:

lizziewhite@yahoo.com

Praying for the General Election

The Evangelical Alliance website has some resources to help us as we prepare to vote and pray for the coming General Election:

<https://www.eauk.org/resources/general-election-2019>

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