

# Holyhead Road United Reformed Church

## Sunday 13 December 2020



Worship in the building is currently suspended – alternatives are running!  
Also, a **reminder** – for our Advent gifting we are asking for toiletries to support the Salvation Army Life House's work with homeless people.

**Ministers:** Revd Debbie Brown 024 7659 6433; brown\_debbie@sky.com  
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**Lectionary readings this week:** Isaiah 61: 1-4, 8-11; Psalm 126 (or Luke 1: 47-55);  
1 Thessalonians 5: 16-24; John 1: 6-8, 19-28

### Communicating and Worshipping:

Please contact the ministers or Elders with any concerns or prayer requests.

A 'Podcast' service uploaded every Saturday by **Revd Bill Young** is available to listen to at [revdbill.uk/worship-material](http://revdbill.uk/worship-material). The podcast link also allows for downloading a service transcript.

**Revd Debbie Brown** will lead phone-in worship every Sunday afternoon at 4:00. You can join on any telephone by calling the number **0330 606 0403** and listening to the instructions. When you are asked for it, enter the following access code on your phone pad: **442786#**.

### A message from Debbie:

Dear Friends

Advent is a season of joy and hope, a journey towards the Christmas Story. Paul, in speaking of the 'Gift of Love' in his letter to the Corinthians (1 Corinthians 13:13) says, "Faith, Hope and Love remain, and the greatest of these is love." God sent Jesus out of love for humankind.

Advent is a time when we prepare our hearts and minds for the coming of God's Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. The word 'Advent' means 'to come' and the Advent Season focuses on remembering Christ's first coming at Christmas and then also anticipating Christ's second coming/return.

The Christmas Story is filled with journeys and we are on a journey with Jesus Christ, so let's share our stories and be messengers of hope this Christmastime.

God bless you all

**Love, Debbie** (PS: Don't forget to wear your Christmas jumper for Saturday's Christmas Quiz).

**Reminder** - The church building will be open to receive donations of toiletries to support the Salvation Army Life House's work with homeless people on **Tuesday December 15<sup>th</sup> between 10:30-12:00 and 2:00-3:00**. If you have items to donate but are unable to drop items off, please contact your Elder or one of the Ministers.

### Dates for your diary:

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> Dec – 6.00pm:** Christmas quiz via Zoom

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> Dec - 10:30am:** Zoom worship 'The Journey' led by Debbie and Karen.

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec - 10:30am:** Zoom worship 'Shining Lights' led by Debbie; **6:30pm:** Candlelight Service led by Karen

It is possible to join Zoom events by telephone and hear rather than see the other participants. Use one of the following numbers: 0203 901 7895; 0131 460 1196; 0203 051 2874; 0203 481 5237; 0203 481 5240. Calls should cost the same as a standard national number. You will need the Meeting ID and (possibly) the Passcode. For both the quiz and worship at 10.30am on Sunday, the Meeting ID is 232 472 9241 and the Passcode 554Bsu.

