

Littlehampton United Church

November 2023
Newsletter



Good afternoon Friends, As I write this piece, awaiting the time to watch the six o'clock news, I dread what I am going to see. We watch the news and hear reports of so many people caught in conflicts across the world, the atrocities just seem to mount up. We see distressing scenes that we wish were not happening. We clearly live in troubled times. Yet as Christian people it is wonderful to be able to affirm the truths of God's Word: "*Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and You are exalted as head over all.*"
1 Chronicles 29; 11

However this of course is not simply a truth designed for our personal, individual lives, but rather, as Ambassadors of the King, we have a message to share: a message of love for those impacted by hate, hope for those in despair and peace in the midst of conflict.

Chris

On September 31st we hosted the 20th Anniversary Thanksgiving service with the Friends of the Mombasa Children.

The service was attended by the Mayor of Littlehampton. Contributions were made by Trustees of the Charity as well as the teaching staff and students at Unity School who had sent video clips. The service was followed by refreshments and an opportunity to look at a display of pictures and information chronicling the 20 years of the Charity's work.

There will be another opportunity to see the videos at the Tree and Crib Festival

Trustees with the Mayor, Cllr Freddie Tandy



News of the family

Please remember Jill Belchamber and her daughter, Sarah in your prayers.

Dates for your diary

Trees and Cribs for 23

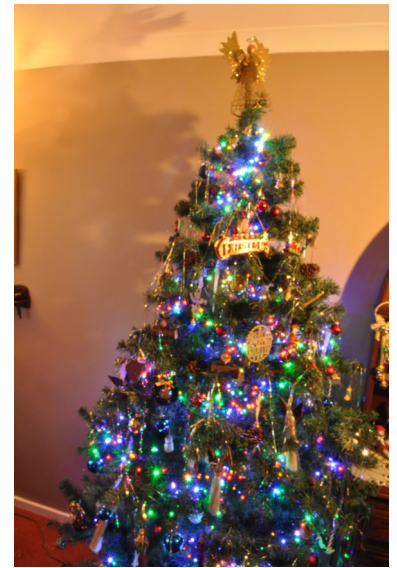
Our Tree and Crib Festival looks like being bigger and better than ever. The display will be in the church; tea, coffee and mince pies will be served in the coffee lounge and the Friends of Mombasa Children will be holding their sale in the Knight Hall.

The Festival will be open from 3.00pm—6.00pm on Friday 24th November and from 10.00—4.00pm on Saturday 25th November.

If you are able to help at any time on these two days please talk to Chris. We need people to welcome visitors into church and the coffee lounge, to serve refreshments and help sell goods in the Knight Hall.



Pictures from 2022



Preachers in November/December

Sunday 19th November	Chris Azzaro
Sunday 26th November	Revd. Tony Brazier (Communion)
Sunday 3rd December	Revd. Rosemarie Clarke
Sunday 10th December	Chris Azzaro
Sunday 17th December	Revd. Tony Brazier



Coffee time

Sunday 24th December 10.30am and Christmas Day 25th December 10.00am

Joint services at St Andrew's Church, Holmes Lane, Rustington, led by Revd. Norman Croft.

Sunday 31st December Revd. Nigel Stapley

Friday services are mainly be taken by Chris Azzaro or Revd Norman Croft

On Friday mornings the church is open from 10.15am until 12.00 The short service is at 11.00am. Tea/ Coffee is available before and after the service. Donations for the refreshments will support the Feeding programme at Unity School, Mombasa.