

Littlehampton United Church



January 2025
Newsletter

Greetings

The start of 2025 brought a huge change to our worship patterns at Littlehampton United Church. The licencing agreement with Trinity Church has resulted in vibrant worship on Sunday mornings led by Trinity Church. Singing is led by a talented worship band, younger children use the Knight Hall and Hurndall rooms for their classes. To see our building full of people of all ages on a Sunday Morning is delightful.

Meanwhile those who prefer a traditional style of service have visited St Andrew's URC in Holmes Lane and have found a warm welcome. The increased congregation has encouraged the existing members.

On Friday mornings many of our fellowship have come together at 10.30am to join our slightly less formal service and enjoy the opportunity for coffee and chat both before and after the service.

This Newsletter is one way of keeping each other together but the Leadership Team is also thinking of what events we might arrange for all to meet together. I feel that we might be like the recipients of Paul's Letters, often directed to Jewish Converts to Christianity but living in the "Diaspora" or dispersion. These communities, in the first century, provided a network of strategic bases from which Christianity quickly spread to the surrounding Gentile world.

It would be too bold to suggest that our own dispersion might produce similar results to the Christian church of the 21st century but I do sense an uplifting of spirits as a result of new opportunities and the encouragement we can give to others. Paul often ends his letters with messages to or from individuals, so keep in touch with one another.

Peace be with the whole community, and love with faith from God the father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Ephesians 6, 23.

Chris

Preachers and services in January and February

Sunday services will be led by Trinity Church under the leadership of Martin Garratt

Note: Meet in the coffee lounge from 10.00am for tea/coffee

Friday services are mainly be taken by Chris Azzaro, Norman Croft or Nigel Stapley

Commencing on 3rd January 2025, The Friday morning service will start at 10.30am and will last for 35-40minutes. Tea/Coffee is available before and after the service. Donations for the refreshments support the Feeding programme at Unity School, Mombasa.

Friday 10th January John Carr

Friday 17th January Chris Azzaro

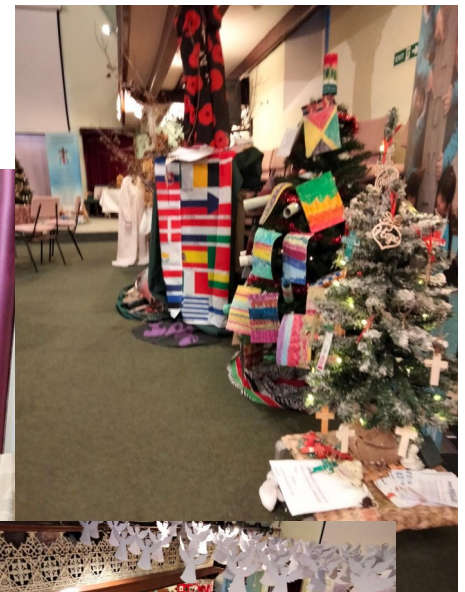
Friday 24th January Chris Azzaro

Friday 30th January Chris Azzaro

February—to be announced.

Services at St Andrew's URC commence at 10.30am, refreshments follow the service.

Tree and Crib Festival pictures



The Trustees of the Friends of the Mombasa Children are grateful to all the help given in raising funds over the Christmas Period. The total raised now stands at over £1500.

Next event is a curry night at Monsoon's in Rustington on March 13th, and the Sale of Everything is on April 5th at Rustington Methodist. Please talk to Chris or Karyn for more information.