

**Next week at Springdale  
Sunday 11 December**

**Church Flowers** will be provided by Tom Varty. Thank you.

**Stewards** on duty – Barbara Mead, Dorothy Clulow & Sheila Sanders

**10.30am – Holy Communion**

*Worship will be led by*

Rev Donald Ryan

*Door Stewards* – Ruth Hipgrave & Liz Green

*Bible Reader* – Audrey Grainger

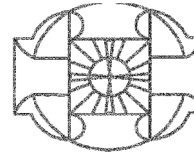
**6.30pm**

*Worship will be led by*

Mr Harold Salt

*Door Steward* – A Steward

*Bible Reader* – Sheila Sanders



**Welcome to  
Springdale Methodist Church**

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**Sunday 4 December 2011**

**Thought for the Week:**

Faith is not believing God can, it's knowing that He will. *Unknown.*

**Flowers** have been provided by Lisa Weighton. Thank you.

**Stewards** on duty – Sheila Evans & Bernard Davis

**10.30am – Toy Service/Parade**

'The Light of the World'

*Worship will be led by*

Rev Robert Ely

*Door Stewards* – Andrew Cook &

Ann Humpherson

*Bible Reader* – Parade

**6.30pm – Holy Communion**

*Worship will be led by*

Rev Robert Ely

*Door Steward* – Pat Hitch

*Bible Reader* – John Hodgson

**Offertories for the week of Sunday 27 November**

Cash	£ 33.56
Envelopes	£ 257.93
Envelope Gift Aid (approx)	£ 64.48
Weekly Standing Orders	£260.00
Standing Orders Gift Aid	£ 65.00
Water Aid Collection	£126.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£806.97</b>

Thank you

**Give Light, Give Hope  
Responses for Lighting Advent Candles**

**Second Sunday of Advent: The Prophets**

We light this candle for all God's prophets confronting justice and restoring the dream of a world of freedom and peace.

**God, as we wait for your promise, give light, give hope.**

**If you are a visitor** and would be interested in knowing more about worship here at Springdale then please have a chat with one of the Church Stewards (who will be wearing a badge) and they should be able to help you. **In cases of special need or illness** please communicate with Robert or Richard as soon as possible (contact details are at the top of this page). **Please pray** for our worship and the preachers today and remember too, all the activities of our church.

## Springdale News & Events

**\*New this week**

**\*Car park.** This now has the spaces marked out and it includes three reserved for disabled users. Please be sensible in the use of these and if you think there will be users more infirm than you are please park elsewhere. The hatched area by the pedestrian access and fire door should always be kept clear. The spaces by the scout hut are narrow, so please use these if your car is small. The ones by the boiler room are for short vehicles. Richard Gould

**\*Poetry Group:** Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December, 10.15am for 10.30am – Christmas Poems.

**\*Prayer Group 1:** Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 11.45am.

**\*Quiet Communion** with Robert on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 10.00 am, all welcome.

**\*Christmas Eve Orchestra** - usual place, usual time! Rehearsal the night before - set up at 6.45 for a 7pm start. Bring your music stands! If you are interested in joining us this year please have a word with me! Rehearsal will be followed by an orchestra social at mine - please let me know if you will be coming. Helen (330040)

**\*Carol Singing:** we are hoping to take a group Carol Singing at the Co-op, Warstones Drive, on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 3.00pm in aid of Action for Children. If you would like to be part of the group please speak to Val or Denis today.

**\*Carol Singing** - Youth Club Chat are really enthusiastic about carol singing this year and so we are taking them out and about (our usual haunts) on Thursday 22 December at 7pm. Everyone is welcome to join us - and I know many in the locality really look forward to what has become an annual visit! If you can't sing or don't enjoy singing why not come and shake a pot?!

**For the four Sundays of Advent** we shall learn a new Advent hymn from Singing the Faith: number 174 'Light a candle in a darkened place'.

**Penn Churches Christmas Tree Festival** is to be held at United Reformed Church on 16th, 17th and 18th December from 10.30am - 6.30pm each day. We have been asked to provide a team of helpers for 2 slots on the Saturday morning from 10.30am - 12.30pm and 12.30pm - 2.30pm. If you would like to help please let Jacqueline Fyfe or Helen Cook know. Thanks in anticipation.

**Christmas Greetings Sheet** Please give your name and donation, in lieu of money you may have spent on cards to individuals at Springdale, to Nicola by 11th December. The sheet/card will be given out on 18th December.

## Other News & Events

**City of Wolverhampton Choir presents Messiah.** 7.30pm - **17th December** at St John's in the Square. Tickets cost £12 and £10. If you would like a ticket see Helen or Lucy Cook.

**John Howard is hoping to organise a trip for adults to Rwanda in August 2012.** He is holding a meeting on Thursday 12th January 2012 at 7:30pm. at Beckminster Methodist Church in Wolverhampton. Full details are on the flyer on the Church notice board.

