

## Events for the week 22<sup>nd</sup> —28<sup>th</sup> November 2015

Sun 22 <sup>nd</sup>	10.30am	Choir Practice	Choir Vestry
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup>	6.30pm	Junior Choir Practice	Choir Vestry
	7.30pm	Full Choir Practice	Choir Vestry
Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Toddler Group	St Michael's
	10.30am	Holy Communion	St Peter's
	10.30am	Morning Prayer	St Michael's
	1.00pm	Toddler Group	St Michael's
	7.30pm	Bell ringing	Bell Tower
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup>	9.10am	Contemplative Prayer	Savage Chapel, St Michael's
Sat 28 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Saturday Prayer Meeting	Savage Chapel, St Michael's

### Next week's services (29<sup>th</sup> November— Advent Sunday)

- 9.30am Storytelling Service
- 11.00am Treacle Service
- 6.30pm Advent Carol Service



#### Electronic version of church notice sheet

If you wish to be included in the list of those who receive the church notice sheet electronically each week, please email Lynne Spedding at [stmikesnotices@gmail.com](mailto:stmikesnotices@gmail.com)



#### Scout and Guide Groups

Macclesfield Parish Church Scout and Guide Group provides youth activities throughout the week for young people aged from 5 - 26 as well as flexible volunteering opportunities for adults. For more details visit [www.mpcsg.co.uk](http://www.mpcsg.co.uk) or email [enquiries@mpcsg.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@mpcsg.co.uk)

*Please remember these activities in your prayers this week.*

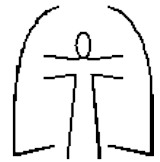
*For more information about any of them, please speak to one of the wardens who should be able to help you.*



### The Collect for Christ the King

God the Father,  
help us to hear the call of Christ the King  
and to follow in his service,  
whose kingdom has no end;  
for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, one glory.

# St Michael & All Angels



## Macclesfield Team Ministry

### Our Purpose

To journey inward and upward to God, whom we know in Jesus,  
To journey outward to other people and to all creation.

### Welcome

If you are visiting, we hope you feel at home. A welcome card is available near the entrance or from a sides-person. If you are new, please complete one and hand it to a sides-person, so that we can keep in touch.



## Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2015

### 9.30 Storytelling Service

**Leader** Matt  
**Storyteller** Gemma  
**Story** The Ark and the Flood

**Roots Leader** Jenny  
**Roots Passage** John 18:33-37

**Adult Leader** Dave

**Songs** Lord of the Dance  
Go, serve the Lord

### 11.00 Holy Communion

**Leader** Lynne Spedding  
**Speaker** Dave Mock

**Bible readings** Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14  
John 18: 33-37

**Hymns**  
MP 379 Jesus shall reign  
MP 465 Meekness and majesty  
MP 162 From heaven you came  
MP 708 To God be the glory

**Roots Leaders** Pam & Rachel  
**Roots Passage** John 18:33-37



**Refreshments** are served between the 9.30 and 11.00 services and after the 11.00 service, and also after our monthly Choral Evensong.



**Gluten-free wafers** are available at all Communion services at this church. If you require these, please say "gluten-free" when you come up for communion.



#### We are a Fairtrade Church

committed to using only Fairtrade tea & coffee.



**Large Print:** We have a number of hymn books and notice sheets in large print format. If you would like one, please ask a sides-person.



**Roots:** Our young people's groups in the 9.30 and 11.00am services are known as "Roots". The young people leave and return to the main service at given points.



**Induction loop:** St Michael's is fitted with an induction loop; please speak to a Warden if you need assistance with this.



**A children's area is available** in the Legh Chapel (on RH side as you come into the church) which is for children, under supervision, during services and at other times. There are bags with books and toys for small children. Please look out for people who may like to use these packs and may not know about them.

# Key Events and Notices



## Advent Carol Service

Please note that next Sunday we shall be holding our Advent Carol Service at 6.30pm—a feast of Advent music and readings. Do come along!



## Church Flowers

The flowers on the Chancel Table have been graciously given by Jo Durbin in loving memory of her beloved Eric and her dearly loved brother George.



## Songs of Praise: 13<sup>th</sup> Dec

Our 11.00 service on 13<sup>th</sup> December will comprise people's favourite hymns and a pot-pourri of Advent readings, poems, etc. If you wish to suggest a hymn, please let Lynne Spedding know, asap - directly, by phone (614819) or by email (lynne.norbron@gmail.com)



## Nativity

We shall be presenting our own church family Nativity on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December at the joint morning service. Please let Lynne Spedding (details above) know if you are willing to take part. No acting or memory skills are necessary. **Everyone** else is invited to come along dressed as a shepherd, an angel or a wise man to take part at the appropriate time!



## Cre8 Boutique

Quality, preloved items at affordable prices; raising money for Cre8.

Following the success of our Autumn Extravaganza opening, the Cre8 Boutique will be open for Christmas shopping. Pop into the Boutique and get presents for your family and friends and a little treat for yourself! And you'll be supporting Cre8 at the same time. Our items are all 'preloved' and sold at very affordable prices.

Open: Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2015: 2 - 4 pm  
At: The Cre8 Building, Mayfield Terrace.

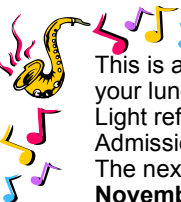
## Donations wanted

We're looking for donations of clothing, shoes, bags, accessories, jewellery and toys for the Boutique. If you're having a clearout before Christmas and trying to de-clutter why not donate your unwanted items to Cre8?!

We're also on the lookout for clothes hangers and baskets

If you'd like to donate please get in touch: 01625 503740 or [katy.wardle@cre8macclesfield.org](mailto:katy.wardle@cre8macclesfield.org)

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## Music at Mike's

This is a programme of concerts for your lunchtime entertainment. Light refreshments are served. Admission free.

The next concert is **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November at 1.15pm**

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## India Direct

### Special Christmas Card/Gift

As you probably know, St Michael's supports two children's homes in India run by India Direct. Please help to give one of the children a great Christmas. All you do is to buy a Christmas card which comes with a stamped-addressed envelope. You sign it, post it and that's it. Each card costs £12 but this also pays for a present for the child, a new outfit and their special Christmas dinner – great value for your £12! Please see Paul Spedding to buy a card (paulspedding@gmail.com, Macc 614819). You must post your card(s) by 3 December to ensure it gets to India on time. Please also gift-aid the amount if you can - forms available.

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## Treacle Market

### Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November

If anyone can spare any time to provide cakes, act as stewards or serve in the kitchen, please could you sign up on the list at the back of church.

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## Christmas Afternoon Tea

Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> December 2.00 - 4.00 pm in St Michael's Church.

You are warmly invited to join friends for an afternoon tea of festive food, fun and entertainment. Please sign on the list at the back of church and obtain a ticket from a Member of the Social Committee. Although there is no charge for this event, donations will be welcomed to cover expenses. Transport can be arranged too - just call Vicky Darlington on Macclesfield 428215.



## Samaritan's Purse

### Operation Christmas Child

St Michael's Church is once again acting as a Collection Point for Samaritan's Purse, Operation Christmas Child. There are just another few days before the shoe boxes will be collected from St Michael's Church. Please ensure yours arrives at Church no later than

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> November.**

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## Planned Giving Scheme

St Michael's operates a Planned Giving Scheme, whereby people can contribute financially to the work and mission of the Church. It

is possible to do this either by using a bank standing order or by using special envelopes which can be given in during the Sunday service. If you would like to join the scheme, please see the Treasurer, Mike Strutt, or any one of the sidespeople.



## People's March for Climate, Justice and Jobs

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November, starting from Park Lane (London) at 12am, proceeding through the West End past Westminster to Millbank.

We know that millions of the world's poorest people are feeling the impact of climate change right now. They are suffering first and worst from the consequences, and yet they are least to blame. If we don't tackle climate change, experts predict far more droughts, floods and extreme weather than we have ever known.

Supported by Christian Aid, Tearfund, CAFOD and many other charities the People's March will raise awareness of the imminent and present dangers of runaway climate change prior to the UN Climate Conference in Paris

For more details go to <http://www.campaigncc.org/29novdemo>, or contact David Mayers at [davidmayers@btinternet.com](mailto:davidmayers@btinternet.com)



## Write for Rights 2015

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December 1230 – 1400 in the 1st floor room. Please join local Amnesty International supporters in writing to political prisoners around the world. The

simple act of writing a letter can make a huge difference to people who have suffered human rights abuses, letting them know they are not alone in their search for justice – your messages together have the power to change lives. Messages from people

like you bring hope and comfort even in the face of the worst abuses. They can also help keep individuals safe, as sack-loads of cards are a sign to prison guards and governments that the world is watching.



## Christingle Service

Our Christingle Service takes place at 4pm on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December. The service will raise funds for the Children's Society who, every year, work with thousands of children in desperate need of help and support. If

you would like to donate to this cause, please pick up a Christingle collection candle from the Narthex at Church in the coming weeks and bring this along to the service. If you are unable to attend the service, but would still like to donate to the Children's Society, you can drop your collection candle off in to the Church Office any time up until 6<sup>th</sup> December.

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Deadline for contributions to the notice sheet: 12 noon the preceding Wednesday.  
E-mail: [stmikesnotices@gmail.com](mailto:stmikesnotices@gmail.com) or hand in to the Team Office. Thank you.

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