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Sunday 12th December 2021

We offer ourselves to God in worship

Welcome and Notices

Gathering Moment

Call to Worship

Hymn **MP-1227 The splendour of the King**

Hymn **The longing of my soul**

All Together Time – Pictures and News (Rev Scott Burton, Linzi Matheson)

Praise **God's love is the best love**

We ask for God's help and listen for Him speaking to us

Prayer and Lord's Prayer (Rev Scott Burton)

Scripture Reading: Isa 9:2-3,6-7; John 14:1,7-11,18-23 (Marion Zacks)

Prayer of dedication and for others (George Mann)

Hymn **MP-451 Love came down at Christmas**

Message

We respond to God

Hymn **MP-539 Once in royal David's city v1, 4-6**

Benediction and Threefold Amen



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Changes and Updates are highlighted in blue

Welcome to Worship, keep in touch and informed

Church is not a building – it is the family of God’s people, and we are delighted that you are able to join us today. We are on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and YouTube as well as our church website www.brightonschurch.org.uk. You can download material from the website as well as revisiting previous sermon videos and texts.

Thy Kingdom Come Prayer – 12th to 25th December

Christians across the UK have been setting time aside for prayer at 7pm on a Sunday and we would like to encourage this. **New prayer points** are on the web prayer page.

Teas and Coffees after the service

In the light of recent concerns about the new Omicron variant, and out of an abundance of caution, it has been decided that these should be suspended for the time being. This will be kept under review.

Invitation to join the next Huddle

In the all-together time, you’ll hear from Linzi and Scott about Huddle – a means of growing in faith and being equipped as a disciple. We are launching a new Huddle after the February break, which will meet fortnightly for a year. There are 6-8 spaces available. If you would like to be involved, please contact either individual directly or via the church office.

Guild Christmas Lunch

The Guild Christmas lunch will be tomorrow at the Canalside – 12.15 for 12.30pm.

Christmas Events – Out of the Box

“Steve the Shepherd”, a Christmas musical for the whole family will be taking place on **Friday 17th at 6.30pm** in the church. Please tell anyone you know who would be interested.

Christmas Events – Nativity Service

Next Sunday’s service will be an all-age family service and the Sunday Schools will be presenting their Nativity – 11.00 as normal.

Christmas Events – Nativity Fun Day

The Nativity Fun Day will be next **Sunday 19th December between 2pm and 5pm**. Lots to do for the whole family, including craft, songs and stories. For all families with children under eight (older brothers and sisters also welcome). Come and learn more of the Christmas story.

New Year litter pick

We are planning on holding a litter pick on **Tuesday 4th January 2022**. Come along and meet friends for a spell outdoors helping to tidy-up our local community. We will meet in the station car park (2nd one) at 2pm. Equipment will be provided, just wear appropriate clothing and gloves. All welcome but any children must be accompanied by an adult. No need to book but if you want more information contact Roy Graham on 07504 062924.

Thursday Evening Live Prayer

Join us for a time of prayer on Thursday evening from 8.15 pm – on YouTube, Facebook and Zoom – if you would like to join then email info@brightonschurch.org.uk for login details.

Thanks to those who contributed in different ways to today's service

Linda Clarke, Jill Dickson, Laura Eckles, Alan Macfarlane, George Mann, Adam Matheson, Neil Matheson, Richard McManus, Jean Meek, Andrew Philp, Eric Smith, Marion Zacks.