# **Upminster Methodist Church**

December 2024

# **Sunday 1 December**

**10am** - **All Age Worship** - Deacon Sarah-Jane Rigby including our Toy Service

**7pm** - Contemplative Worship

# **Sunday 8 December**

**10am** - Rev Rohama Asif including the Sacrament of Holy Communion

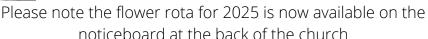
4pm - Cafe@4



7pm Zoom <u>Link</u>

### **Church Flowers**





## Cafe@4

# **Sunday 8 December 4pm**

If you are able to help with refreshments at this cafe worship could you please let Christine Scrutton know.

Thank you

# This week let us pray for:

- the amazing and dedicated people who work and volunteer at Saint Francis Hospice.
- those who are currently being cared for at Saint Francis Hospice and their families.
- those who come to visit the tree festival this week, that they may feel welcomed into our Church community.



# **Christmas Tree Festival**



**Thank you** to everyone who helped **last Sunday** to decorate the Church and prepare for the Festival, it was a great team effort and we are very grateful.

Also **thanks** to the fantastic team of people who worked hard on **Wednesday evening** to get all the trees up and in place.

**Thanks to Allyson and Sara** for their hard work creating the programme and name cards.

**Thanks to Sarah, Sandra and Caroline** for their help with the large number of jobs involved in setting up the festival, sourcing the trees, getting sponsorship, involving the uniformed groups etc.

# There are still some gaps that need filling on the stewarding rota if you are able to help please speak to Anne Ling

If you would like one of our trees (minus the decorations!) after the festival please let Judith or Caroline know, if you haven't already sponsored a tree we are suggesting a donation of £20.

I know the trees have just gone up but sadly we also have to think about taking them down. If you are available to help with this on **Monday 9 December from 9.30am** your help would be much appreciated, especially if you are able to carry the trees out of the church.

email: upminstertreefest@gmail.com

Thank you!



# **Upminster Methodist Church Christmas Tree Festival**

Come and join us for



### Stories and Crafts under the Christmas Tree!



Monday 2 December 3.30pm - 4.30pm in the church

Please note: Children must be accompanied by an adult





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# MEET IN THE CHURCH UPMINSTER METHODIST CHURCH HALL LANE RM14 1AE SUNDAY 8TH DECEMBER @ 4PM

stewards@upminstermethodist.org.uk

# **Whitechapel Mission**

In October we enjoyed an inspiring and thought-provoking Harvest Festival Service led by Tony Miller, director of Whitechapel Mission.

The offertory given at the service (£147.80) has been sent to the Mission, along with a donation of £250 from the church, agreed by our Church Council.

# Whitechapel Mission have asked us to pass on their thanks:

Please accept and pass on our grateful thanks to the members of Upminster Methodist Church for their generous donation which will be used for the Mission's work of providing the daily support for those sleeping rough in London or who rely upon our support.

We are seeing new faces, with new worries — people who are desperately in need of the food, shelter, advice and hope offered at The Whitechapel Mission.

On behalf of everybody here at The Whitechapel Mission, thank you for your support. With your support we are able to continue delivering life changing services to vulnerable people of London, drawing on our many years of experience.

Contact details and Further Information

Rev Rohama Asif - 01708 788783 revrohama@yahoo.com or Penny Masters - 01708 769517 pennymasters12@aol.com

Facebook: www.facebook.com/upminstermethodist

Website: <u>upminstermethodistchurch.org</u>

To submit event details or news for the weekly newsletter, please send the information to upminster.newsletter@gmail.com by Friday morning.

Thank you.

### **Contactless Card Machine**

We have a card machine set up at the back of the Church. This allows you to donate to Church funds without having to use cash.

All you need to do is select your amount, tap your card and you can Gift Aid your donation too!

The URL for the Dona website to make gifts to UMC is:

https://donate.mydona.com/upminstermethodist-church

The QR code to do the same is:



# **Circuit Events**

These events are open to everyone

6th December – At Home at Trinity 11am to 3.30pm (please book in advance) 6th December – New Dimensions Choir Christmas Concert at Harold Wood at 7.30pm 8th December – New Dimensions Choir Christmas Concert at All Saints Hornchurch at 7.30pm

# Has Anyone Seen Bo Peep? A Family Pantomime By Natasha Blaauw

Bo Peep has lost her sheep and doesn't know where to find them. Leave them alone to come home? Not her! She went on a search and now she is missing too! Boy Blue is neglecting the farm, sleeping in the haystack and Mary Contrary's garden has been ruined. The Duke of York and his men are on the case and have launched an investigation to find her, but will they ever discover where she is? What is the Pied Piper scheming to do next? Come and join us for the adventure!

Book in advance to avoid disappointment!

Times/Dates:

Thursday 30th January and Friday 31st January at 8pm Saturday 1st February at 1pm, 3:30pm & 7pm Tickets:

Online: £9 Adults (16+), £7 Conc and £5 Children On door: £10 Adults (16+), £8 Conc and £6 Children Senior Citizens FREE on Thursday and Friday Shows Location:

Upminster Methodist Church, <u>10 Hall Lane, Upminster, RM14 1AE</u>
Book in advance at <u>www.wesley-players.com</u>
Or card/cash on the door
Need to speak to the Box Office? Text 07708 214742

This event is at Wesley's Chapel, City Road, London

