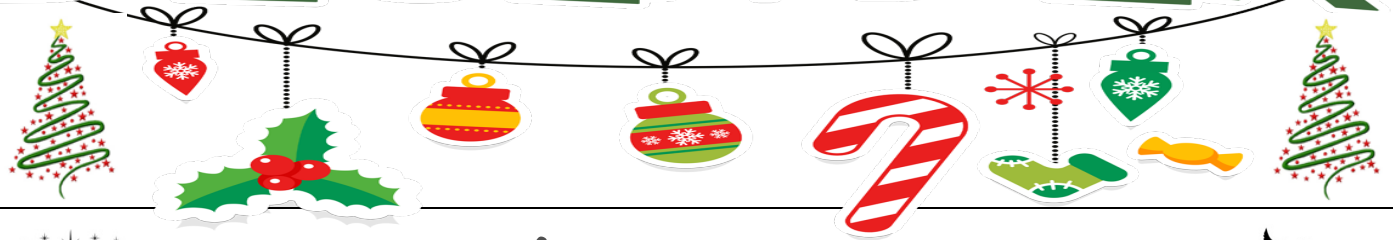


# DECEMBER



## CBC NEWSLETTER



### ALL-AGE DEVOTIONAL: THE LETTER 'X'



**MERRY XMAS**

How many like doing Mathematics? There's adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing. Then later on comes ALGEBRA. This is more difficult with letters in the problems.

The usual letter is  $X$ . It stands for a number you don't know.  $X$  is the unknown. When you have found out what  $X$  is, you have the answer.

If you break an arm or a leg, the hospital gives you an X-ray. They are called X-rays because the person who first discovered them did not know what they were.

Have you noticed that many people put an  $X$  when they write Christmas? It may be because the world has forgotten what it's all about. It's a feast to celebrate  $X$  - an unknown.

It's a time for eating, drinking, getting together as families and enjoying ourselves. But it's far more than that. When we find out what the  $X$  is, we have the answer. Christ is the answer; it's CHRISTMAS, not Xmas. **'Everyone who loves has been born of God, and knows God' (1 John 4:7)**

### Ladies Prayer Chain

Any requests, general or confidential to phone Christine on 01252 659249 or 07957 568545

### Speakers & Leaders for Sunday Mornings in December

- 1<sup>st</sup> - Alastair speaking (1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent), Patricia leading
- 8<sup>th</sup> - Bob Smith speaking (2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent), Ali leading + Communion
- 15<sup>th</sup> - Tim speaking (3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent, All-Age Service), Pete leading
- 22<sup>nd</sup> - Alastair speaking (4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent), Ali leading
- Carols by Candlelight @ 6pm (Alastair leading & Tim speaking)
- 25<sup>th</sup> - Short Christmas Morning Service @ 10am, Alastair leading & speaking
- 29<sup>th</sup> - Pete speaking & Patricia leading

### Birthdays



Ayo (3<sup>rd</sup>), Theo Y (14<sup>th</sup>) & Eva (18<sup>th</sup>)

### Christmas Service at Lavender Lodge



Sun 15<sup>th</sup> Dec  
@ 3pm

Jesus is the *light* of our Christmas, the *joy* of our hearts, the *hope* of our world.

**Prayer Meeting**



Last meeting is Tues 10<sup>th</sup> Dec -  
Restarting Tues 7<sup>th</sup> Jan 2025

**Bible Study**



Last meeting is Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> Dec -  
Restarting Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> Jan 2025

**Morning Service**

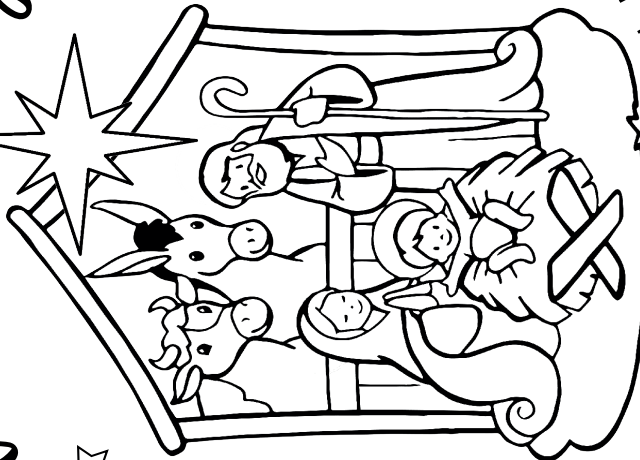


Every Sunday @ 10.30am

*All-Age Puzzle*

**BIRTH OF JESUS**

*The Nativity*



**QUIZ**

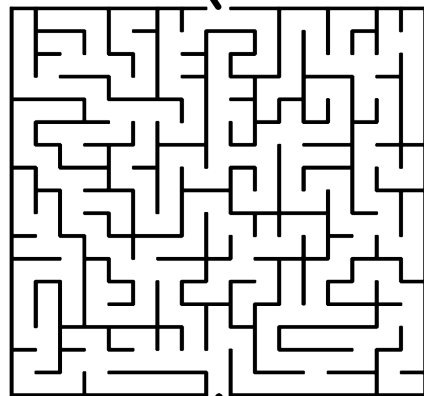
You can Read the Christmas Story in the Bible in Luke chapter 2\*

1. What is the name of Jesus' Mother?  
a) Elizabeth b) Gabriel c) Mary
2. What town was Jesus born in?  
a) Galilee b) Bethlehem c) Judea
3. What did Mary place Jesus in after he was born?  
a) a bed b) a manger c) a basket
4. Who told the shepherds that Jesus had been born?  
a) the Innkeeper b) Joseph c) an Angel
5. Who said: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to those on whom his favour rests."  
a) Mary b) the Angels c) the Shepherds

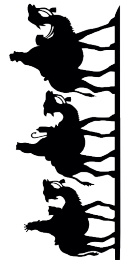
\*all the answers are in the Bible passage.

**MAZE**

Follow the Star through the maze to find the Baby Jesus



TIC-TAC-TOE - Have a go!



**WORD SCRAMBLE**

Can you unscramble the following words?

- HPHERESDS \_\_\_\_\_
- MEEHTEBHL \_\_\_\_\_
- EMNRAG \_\_\_\_\_
- GALNE \_\_\_\_\_
- EIWS ENM \_\_\_\_\_
- EPOJSH \_\_\_\_\_
- AYBB EUSJS \_\_\_\_\_

How many STARS can you find on the page?

**WORDSEARCH**

B E T H L E H E M  
U H B F G I A O R Y  
S T F I G F N S R Y  
E L F P P I G E P I  
J O R N A F E L H N  
S E L B A T S Y G  
S H E P H E R D S

- BIRTH ANGELS SHEPHERDS STABLE
- BETHLEHEM GIFT MARY JOSEPH JESUS

Can you find the words above in the Wordsearch?