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Sun 6th Dec	9.50 am	10 minutes of open prayer in the Parlour
	10.30 am	Sacrament of Holy Communion conducted by Rev Terry Hudson
	6.30 pm	Evening Worship led by Mr Brian Howard
Mon 7th Dec	6.30 - 8.30 pm	Switch
Tues 8th Dec	2.15 pm	Bowls Club in Hall B
	2.30 pm	Worship on Tuesday
	5.45 pm	Supper Club
Wed 9th Dec	10.30 am	Pause for Prayer and Thought
	7.30 pm	Badminton Club
	7.30 pm	Women's Wednesday Group - Cruising on the River Nile with Shirley Lawson
Thurs 10th Dec	8.00 pm	Focus Group Meal 49 Southview Road, Shirley
Fri 11th Dec	7.00 pm	BB Christmas X Factor
	7.30 pm	Choir Practice
Sat 12th Dec	3-5.30 pm	Table Tennis in Hall B all standards welcome
Sun 13th Dec	9.00 am	Sacrament of Holy Communion conducted by Rev Terry Hudson
	9.50 am	10 minutes of open prayer in the Parlour
	10.30 am	All age Worship for Advent led by Rev Terry Hudson
	7.00 pm	In the Link

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 8th December - 'WOT' - Worship On Tuesday. Please come along and share in Worship, Prayer, Thinking and Fellowship not to mention a cup of tea.

SUPPER CLUB - Our next meal will be on Tuesday 8th December at 5.45p.m. for meal prompt at 6p.m. To book your meal (and indicate if you require transport) please sign menu on link or car park notice boards TODAY. All welcome to share in this festive meal - look forward to seeing you.

BB Christmas X Factor - Friday December 11th at 7.00 pm featuring individual and group acts from all sections of the Company in competition with each other. Admission £2 adults, children free. All proceeds to Naomi House Hospice.

Christmas is Coming on December 12th 10.30 am - 1.30 pm a time for coffee and mince pies, carol singing, followed by soup and sweet lunch. Lots of stalls to browse and activities for children. All proceeds towards church funds. All donations to the stallholders please see list on the notice boards.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS in the 'Precinct' with Churches Together In Shirley on Saturday 19th December at 11am. Please break into your Yuletide preparations to sing joyfully of the Saviour's birth. Some helpers to distribute mince pies and Good News Papers would be appreciated.

Soup & Sweet Lunch 12.30pm Monday 21st December all welcome.

General Notices

My thanks for the kind words of condolence, cards and flowers at the loss of my sister. Joan Brown.

SJR Christmas Magazine - available in the 'Link' for Pastoral Visitors to collect and distribute. Many thanks to Don Skinner - editor of this magazine.

EXTRAORDINARY GIFTS - Methodist Relief & Development Fund gift catalogues are in the Link - Buy a gift this year through MRDF or buy online at www.mrdf.org.uk

PRESENT AID - the catalogues for Christian Aid's "Present Aid" are now in the Link. Or you can look on line at www.presentaid.org. Ideal gifts for those people who have everything!

Magnet There is a copy of the current issue 'Identity' in the Link- please borrow it. Amongst many other articles Paul Young author of 'The Shack' discusses the identity of God. To order your own copy for 2010 (£10 for four issues) speak to Gill Robinson.

SCRATCH Basics Bank help to provide emergency food supplies to those in our city who have nothing. Thank you to all who regularly donate tins and packets of food. Please include some 'Festive' food during December. Thank you.

SCRATCH CHRISTMAS COMPLETE is an annual project to provide toys and gifts to children and young people who are suffering the effects of poverty and disadvantage. A CHRISTMAS COMPLETE poster is displayed in the 'Link' for more information and how you could help.

Sunday Morning

Call to worship

Advent Candle

SoF 891 Like a candle flame verse 1 & 2 and chorus

Hymn 243 - Rejoice, the Lord is King

Prayer

Children's address

Choir Anthem

Scripture - Matthew 25:1-13

Hymn 241 - Lo, he comes with clouds descending

Sermon - The Second Advent

Prayers for others

Offering

Hymn 81 - Come, thou long-expected Jesus

Holy Communion

Hymn 242 - Mine eyes have seen the glory

Prayer

Evening Worship

Call to Worship

Hymn 81 Come, thou long expected Jesus

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Hymn 134 'Forgive our sins as we forgive'

Introduction to readings

OT Reading: Isaiah 53, 1-6 (Pew Bible page 740)

NT Reading: 2 Corinthians 5, 16-21 (Pew Bible page 1161)

Hymn 149 One there is above all others

Sermon: 'Reconciliation'

Hymn 776 Make me a channel of your peace

Prayers

Offertory & Dedication

Hymn 79 Of the Father's love begotten

Blessing.