

# WELCOME

## *To the Kettering Seventh-day Adventist Church*



## Communion Service

Preacher: Pastor Andrew Rashford-Hewitt

Sabbath 24<sup>th</sup> December 2016

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## SABBATH SCHOOL

10:00 A.M.

### Adult

Subject for the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2016

### 'The Book Of Job'

Lesson Thirteen

### "The Character of Job"

Discussion Leader:

Pastor Andrew Rashford-Hewitt

### Children's Sabbath School

Beginners Leader: Regina McDougall

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11:15 A.M.

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Call to Worship Source: 459

*"Soften my heart, Lord, soften my heart.  
From all indifference set me apart.*

*To feel your compassion, to weep with your tears,  
Come soften my heart, O Lord, soften my heart".*

Welcome and Introit:

Invocation:

Hymn: 143 "Silent Night"

Scripture: Matthew 2:1-12

Offering:

Main Prayer:

Story: Pastor Andrew Rashford-Hewitt

Hymn: 152 "Tell Me The Story Of Jesus"

Sermon:

Communion:

Hymn: 121 "Go Tell It On The Mountain"

Benediction:



The members and friends of Kettering Seventh-day Adventist church, give you a very warm welcome as you join with us in worshipping God on this Sabbath day.

### Next Sabbath:

Adult Sabbath School: Sarah Hayes  
Beginners Leader: Regina McDougall  
Preacher: John Lewis

### To Receive the Bulletin

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<http://kettering.adventistchurch.org.uk>

## Communion Service

Our Communion Service today at 11:15 am., is open for all to take part. As we keep before us the, birth and death of Jesus, we keep before us a reminder of the purpose for His coming to earth in the first place.



## O Come...

As the story goes there was an inquisitive four-year-old who happened to be at the “Why?” and “Tell me” stage of life. The boy was helping his father with the Christmas decorations. Imagine the scene with boxes all scattered around, and listen to the conversation.

“Daddy why are there so many lights?” What do all these colours mean? Did you help your daddy when you were big like me? Tell be again the story of baby Jesus. Why do we bring a tree into the house?

Does that sound familiar? Well it continues. The little boy was helping to sort out the ornaments and said: “Daddy, what does ignore mean?”

The father explained, “Ignore means not to pay attention to people when they call you.”

Immediately the little boy looked up at his father and said: “I don’t think we should ignore Jesus.”

Puzzled the father knelt closer to his animated son and replied: “I don’t think we should ignore Jesus either, son. I think we should give Him our full attention. Why do you say that we ignore Him?”

“But daddy that is what the Christmas Carol says: ‘Oh come let us ignore Him.’”

Children say the funniest things. But sometimes we can get so caught up in the whirl of Christmas preparations, parties, shopping and decorating that it seems we ignore the true meaning of Christmas, and fail to prepare a place in our hearts to come and truly adore Him.

## New Years Eve Get Together

There will be A New Year's Eve get-together at John and Angela's house on 31<sup>st</sup> December with a Bring and Share finger-food buffet pot-luck tea. Bring party games if you have them.

The get-together will begin at 7 p.m. All are welcome. Contact John and Angela Anderson on: 07816-271501 for further details.

## A New Year's Prayer

Lord we pray that the light of Your presence will radiate this coming year, and that Your shadow will be cast over the year that is gone, hiding trouble, sorrow, and disappointment.

We ask that we may use the past as the trees use sunlight, to absorb it, and to make warmth for the future. May we store only the blessings that come from You.

Enable us to bury every fear of the future, fear of poverty for ourselves and our loved ones, fear of loss. May we bury all thoughts of unkindness and bitterness, our resentments, our sense of failure, our disappointment in others and in ourselves, our gloom, our despondency. Let us leave them all buried and go forward with You.

Guide us one day at a time, that we do not fear the days ahead.

Supply us each day with Your wisdom and strength that we may face the future unafraid

*Amen*

## Prayer and Praise

Due to the holiday season our regular prayer and praise has been cancelled. Our next Prayer and Praise at the church is:

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January at 7:30 p.m.

Everyone is welcome.

Please join with us as we meet together to pray for the Holy Spirit's enabling's.

**If God is so keen to hear our prayers, why don't we pray more?**

## Christmas Service collection

The amount collected for 'HomeStart' last week amounted to £300. With grateful thanks to you all for your generosity.