

Nov 2025 - Jan 2026

# FAMILY News



Following Jesus Together



God spoke: "Light!"

And light appeared.

God saw that light was good

and separated light from dark.

These are the words that open the pages of scripture in Genesis 1:1-3 as found in Eugene Peterson's The Message paraphrase. They speak of a world with no life, no form and only darkness. But from the nothing, God created.

How did he create? With His voice. When God speaks things change. Life comes, darkness flees, emptiness becomes full.

At the time of writing the clocks have changed and the nights are drawing in. For many people in our world this is not just something in the natural, but it is also how their lives feel emotionally and spiritually.

Cost of living, health struggles, relationship breakdowns are just some of the ways that darkness covers people's lives, some of the ways that it can seem like an inky blackness. But when the darkness feels at its deepest the light seems to shine at its brightest.

We have been looking at what it means to be a people who hear and speak God's word. To be a People of Presence that reveal the truth of who God is. There is an openness to the gospel at this time and increased opportunities for us to speak of God's goodness. Let us be a people who respond to this moment; speaking out truth knowing that these creative Kingdom words have the power to bring forth light and transform lives.

2000 years ago, the world was in darkness, but then the light of Jesus was revealed. When the voice of Heaven spoke, the world was changed forever!

Dan Lush

#### WHAT'S ON

2 Sun 2 Nov ALL IN: Sunday Gathering

Sun 2 Nov Musicians' Jam Session

W/C Mon 3 Nov Family Hubs

**Sat 8 Nov** Saturday Sessions

3 Sun 9 Nov Sunday Gathering

Wed 12 Nov In Pursuit

4 Sun 16 Nov Sunday Gathering

Sun 16 Nov Welcome Lunch

Sun 16 Nov Hope Huddersfield Prayer Meeting

W/C Mon 17 Nov Family Hubs

1 Sun 23 Nov Sunday Gathering

Starts Sun 23 Nov Welcome Course

Wed 26 Nov Learning Together

Sat 29 Nov Aladdin Family Panto

Sat 29 Nov Churches Together Ceilidh

2 Sun 30 Nov ALL IN: Sunday Gathering

Sun 30 Nov Musicians' Jam Session

W/C Mon 1 Dec Family Hubs

Fri 5 Dec Women's Wreath Making Workshop

3 Sun 7 Dec Sunday Gathering

Wed 10 Dec In Pursuit of His Presence

Thu 11 Dec Carols Around Paddock

Sat 13 Dec Worship on the Streets

4 Sun 14 Dec Sunday Gathering

Sun 14 Dec Christingle Service

W/C Mon 15 Dec Family Hubs

Tue 16 Dec Melody Makers Christmas Party

Thu 18 Dec Melody Makers Christmas Party

1 Sun 21 Dec Christmas Celebration

2 Sun 28 Dec ALL IN: Sunday Gathering

W/C Mon 29 Dec Family Hubs

Sat 3 Jan Worship on the Streets

3 Sun 4 Jan Sunday Gathering

Wed 7 Jan In Pursuit of His Presence

4 Sun 11 Jan Sunday Gathering

W/C Mon 12 Jan Family Hubs

1 Sun 18 Jan Vision Sunday

Starts 21 Jan Turn the Battle

2 Sun 25 Jan ALL IN: Sunday Gathering

Sun 25 Jan Musicians' Jam Session

### **Sunday Gathering**

Join us at 10.30am at Jubilee Centre



#### 30 November, 28 December, 25 January

Every month we come as a whole church family, every age, ALL IN together. Starting with a morning cuppa, and breakfast treat, we then sing, dance, listen and laugh as we worship Jesus together. Are you ALL IN?

**Please note:** On Sunday 28th December there will be no breakfast and coffee will be at the end.



#### 21 December

Join us for our Christmas Celebration! All ages are welcome as we celebrate the birth of Jesus together.



#### 18 January - Vision Sunday

Join us for a very special Sunday gathering as we look back at what God has done in 2025 and look forward with expectation to 2026.

We'll hear from the leadership, pray and then feast together. Bring a packed lunch for yourself and then something to contribute to the dessert table!

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

8 March Pioneer Sunday

23-26 July Wildfires



Sunday 2 Nov, 30 Nov & 25 Jan 12:15pm (No session in December)

We're having a great time at the musicians' jam. A new sound is coming as budding musicians start to play and worship together.

Why not join us whatever age you are?

If this is something you're interested in, then sign up using the link which will be in the Midweek News Email just so we have some rough numbers for the day and know which instruments we've got!

Family Hubs are our small group gatherings where we work out our faith in community. They take place mid-week in people's homes or online via Zoom.

For more info Contact familyhubs@cchud.co.uk

#### Week commencing Monday:

- 3 November 17 November
- 1 December 15 December 29 December
- 12 January 26 January



Since the days of the Old Testament, the people of God have set time apart to leave their homes and gather for a few days to worship and hear the word of God together.

In 2026 we'll be gathering for 3 days at The Quinta in Shropshire. We'd love you to join us!

We don't want finance to be a barrier for people. Please speak to a member of the leadership team if you need support in this area.

Full booking sheet (including cost) is available from the Church Office or use the link in the Midweek News Email to book your place.

# For the curious

Tru Alpha

#### **DATE TBC**

Curious about faith? Need a space to explore the Christian faith? Then you are invited to join us for Alpha.

Alpha is a space to come and ask the big questions.

If you are interested, please get in

Also, If you would like to help at Alpha please get in touch!





#### Welcome Lunch

Sunday 16 November After the Sunday Gathering.

Are you new to Community Church? Would you like to find out more?

Then join us for lunch after the Sunday meeting when you'll have a chance to hear from the leadership team, ask questions, eat together and meet some friendly faces.

#### Welcome Course

Sunday 23 & 30 November After the Sunday Gathering.

Following on from our Welcome Lunch we will be running our Welcome Course for those who would like to explore membership of Community Church.

WEDNESDAYS | 2.15PM-4PM



JUBILEE CENTRE

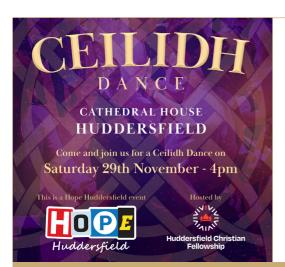




#### PRAYER MEETING

Sunday 16 November Holy Trinity Church, 6:30pm

Join us as we join together with other churches to worship and pray for a move of God in our time.



Doors open at 3:45pm, with live music from the Dogsbody Ceilidh Band.

Alongside the lively dancing, enjoy a free pulled pork sandwich and mulled apple juice!

This is a Hope Huddersfield event for all ages, aimed at helping build community between churches across our town. Bring your friends, family and plenty of energy.

Cathedral House, St Thomas Rd, Huddersfield, HD1 3LG



For more information and to book tickets, scan the QR code above or visit: www.ticketsource.co.uk/cathedralhouse



#### WED 26 NOV | 7:30PM | JUBILEE CENTRE

#### THREE FEASTS OF ISRAEL

Our Learning Together sessions are currently focussed on helping us understand how the Old Testament points to Jesus.

This term we are looking at the Three Feasts of Israel and how they point to Jesus and the Church. In November's session we'll look together at The Feast of Tabernacles.



#### 21-23 JANUARY | 7.30PM | JUBILEE CENTRE

# TURN THE BATTLE UK & IRELAND

"We sense a decisive moment — a spiritual battle at the gate — calling the Church to respond with urgency, unity, and humility."

We'll gather each night to seek God with a fresh commitment to prayer, consecration and bold living.

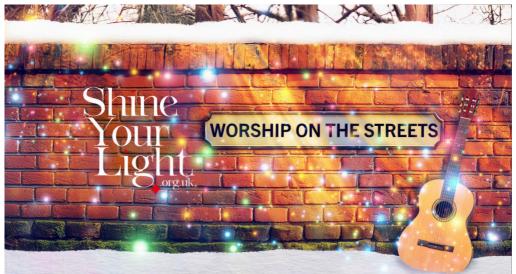
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# MONDAY MORNING ZOOM PRAYER SESSIONS

We meet every Monday morning on Zoom at 8am.

See the link in the Midweek News Email.





Matthew 5:14 in The Message says, "You're here to be light, bringing out the God-colours in the world. God is not a secret to be kept. We're going public with this, as public as a city on a hill."

#### SATURDAY 13 DECEMBER | 11.00AM

In December we'll be gathering with people from other churches for a very special Worship on the Streets, as we sing Christmas carols, give out treats and bless our town together! All as part of the national Shine Your Light campaign. *Please note the date is the 13th not the 6th.* 

#### SATURDAY 1 NOVEMBER & 3 JANUARY | 11.00AM

We meet in the town centre once a month a couple of guitars, some songs (planned and unplanned) and hopefully with you. Together we'll make space for God to move. There is no sign up to be involved but it would be helpful to join the information only WhatsApp group, to receive the location on the day. The link will be in the Mid-week News Email.

# Saturday Sessions

**Rooted in Community** 

#### Saturday 8 November, 9:30am-2:00pm

Join us for a morning of community and learning together as we work through our four discipleship pillars. In November we will look at what it means to be ROOTED IN COMMUNITY. There will be teaching, worship, children's work and a chance to dig into the practical together.

We are delighted that Mike Reid from Elim will be speaking during our main session. Alongside this we'll be eating breakfast (provided) and lunch (bring your own) together

Sign up through ChurchSuite or on a Sunday morning.

# CHRISTMAS







### FAMILY PANTO ALADDIN

**£8** per person, Jubilee Centre. Doors open at 2.30pm. Performance starts at 3pm.

BOOK IN ADVANCE TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT thebranch.uk/calendar





## CAROLS AROUND PADDOCK

**Free, Paddock.** 6.15pm. We will be gathering to sing carols around our local community in Paddock.



### WREATH MAKING WORKSHOP

Free, Jubilee Centre. Women Only. Join us for a Christmassy evening, making a beautiful wreath to take home. Hosted by globe arts. Drinks & nibbles will be provided.

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# CAROL SINGING IN TOWN

Free, Town Centre. 11am –12 noon. We will gather to sing Christmas carols, give out treats and bless our town together.









### CHRISTINGLE SERVICE

Free, Jubilee Centre. 4–5pm Join us for a joy filled celebration of the light of Jesus. All ages are welcome to join us with every child getting a Christingle to take home.





#### MELODY MAKERS CHRISTMAS PARTY



£7 per child / £3 per adult, Jubilee Centre. 10.00am – 12 noon. Refreshments, brass band and carols. Toys, crafts and games. Santa's grotto and present.

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#### CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

**Free, Jubilee Centre.** 10.30am. Join us for our Christmas Celebration! All ages are welcome as we celebrate the birth of Jesus together.





### CHRISTMAS DAY MEAL

Free, Jubilee Centre. 12 noon – 4.00pm. A Christmas day meal and celebration for all those who would either be on their own, or for other reasons wouldn't have a merry Christmas at home. Free transport may be available.

TO BOOK A PLACE OR TO VOLUNTEER CALL 01484 551551





# Dig Deep Branch Out

This Christmas many in our community are facing hardship, struggling to afford food, stay warm, and feel connected.

You can help The Branch provide emergency food, essentials and long-term support.

Make a donation (one-off or monthly) at www.thebranch.uk



Share our mission with family and friends

Organise a fundraiser

Follow and support us on social media #DigDeepToBranchOut



# The Branch









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Are you out of work due to health issues? Feeling isolated or unsure of your next steps? Wellness Works is here for you.

Join us for:

Coffee mornings, gentle exercise and creative workshops

Support groups to improve your mental health and wellbeing

Help with CV's, volunteering and skills development

Foodshare, uniform exchange and practical support

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There will be no pressure, just people who care.



all us on 01484 551551



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