Worship takes place every Sunday at Rhos URC at 11am Services are streamed live. Contact Pete Fawcett to arrange an invite or use the links Meeting ID: 407 593 4256 Passcode: 123456





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United Reformed Church Rhos on Sea



Christmas and New Year 2025

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Love Came Down at Christmas

Love came down at Christmas, Love all lovely, love divine; Love was born at Christmas, Star and angels gave the sign.

Worship we the Godhead, Love incarnate, love divine; Worship we our Jesus: But wherewith for sacred sign?

Love shall be our token,
Love shall be yours and love be mine,
Love to God and to all men,
Love for plea and gift and sign.

Christina Rossetti

This poem, now a Christmas carol, is a celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ.

It speaks of the divine love that came down to Earth at Christmas and the love that was born in the form of Jesus.

Wishing you
the Spirit of Christmas
which is Peace.
The Blessing of
Christmas
which is Hope.
From the heart of
Christmas
which is Christ.





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This is the story of Jesus's birth: How God sent his son, down to the earth Caesar Augustus, issued a decree—The census to be taken - Immediately

How many people, live in my empire? I want to know now, it is my desire I am told I'm really good at counting: My talent for it, is quite astounding!

So every person had to go back, to the hometown, so they had to pack for the long journey to Bethlehem

With Mary being pregnant, it was tough for them

So Joseph went with Mary at his side. To find a place to stay, at least they tried There were no guest rooms, available So they had to make do, with the stable

When he was born, she put him in the Manger That was strange, but it was gonna get stranger Shepherd's in the field watching their flocks Were gonna get a fright that would rock their socks!

An angel of the Lord appeared that night They covered their eyes he was so bright He said...

Do not worry I bring good news It will bring joy to all of 'yoous' A saviour has been born in David's town Yeah right now

Just then a host of Angels appeared
The Shepherd said: "Whoa it's getting more weird!"
They sang God's praises for the heavenly birth—Glory to God and peace on Earth!

When the angel had gone, the Shepherds said "Let's go to town just like he said",
So they hurried off to find the Saviour "This is going to look like strange behaviour!"

They knew what the Angel said was true So they found, Mary Joseph and baby too They told him everything from the start And Mary treasured it in her heart

The Shepherd's returned to their sheep There was no way they could sleep They praised the Lord for everything "Glory to God for his new King"

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Calendars

Ecclesiastics 3:1

There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven.

At this time of year our minds turn automatically to calendars - Advent calendars for children to keep track of how many sleeps before Christmas and the new yearly calendars to keep track of important dates throughout the coming year.

The idea of advent calendars came from Germany where the first printed ones appeared in the early 20th century followed in the 1920's by the edition of small windows for each day.

In the 1950's, chocolate or small gifts began to appear behind the windows. Traditional advent calendars show a Christian theme, while the present commercially available ones can feature a range of themes from Father Christmas to elves and reindeer - you name it

'Grown up' calendars: as well as telling us how many days to next Sunday or what the date is, speak of human interactions; appointments to keep, invitations to accept, dates to remember that relate to friends and family

Calendars therefore help us to map out our lives. Whenever we look at a calendar whether sacred or secular, we stand in awe of a God who has mapped out everything that has already happened and everything that is yet to happen.

For God the Trinity is not only three persons in one(Father, Son and Holy Spirit but also the three times in one (past present and future)

Joan Armstrong (Adapted from "At home in Lent" by Gordon Giles)

Christmas Services



- 11.00am 7th December—Advent Service
 - with Songs by Roger Jones
- 11.00am 21st December Traditional Carol Service
 - with RNLI
- Christmas Eve Communion Service at 5.00pm
- Christmas Day Service at 11.00am
- We join with St Trillo's on Sunday 28th December



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