

December 23rd Fourth Sunday in Advent

10.30am Family Worship

Christmas Eve

4.00pm Crib and Christingle Service
Everyone welcome

11.30pm Christmas Communion



Christmas Day

10.30am Christmas Celebration

A shorter-than-usual service
for all the family.
Bring a present you have received
to show everyone!



December 30th

10.30am Family Worship

Services conducted by
Revd Martin Ferris
unless otherwise stated



wishes you a very
Happy Christmas

The season of Advent is a time of preparation and anticipation for the coming of God in the form of an infant child born in a stable.

The first Christmas, celebrated over 2000 years ago, was an earth shattering experience for all those who witnessed and encountered God in the frailty of a baby. It was a moment in history when God intervened in a way that was completely beyond expectation and utterly beyond imagination.

Advent is a time for us to look back at the events that unfolded, in the way that the child was formed in Mary's womb which united God completely with all humanity. This reminds us that Christmas is about God's love and commitment to the world.

As we recount the familiar story, let us not forget that Christ did not just come into this world as a Saviour and Redeemer for humankind in general, but he came as the Saviour of individuals; people like you and me.

Advent is also a time for looking forward and to be encouraged, that Christ came for individual people, not just Mary, Joseph and those other characters that we hear so much about in the nativity story. More significantly, it's about God descending into a broken world, to transform lives, that focuses upon the people rather than principles.

I warmly invite you this Christmas to come and join us at one of our services to recapture the true meaning of Advent and the Christmas story.

May this Christmas be a true blessing and season of goodwill for you all!

Revd Martin Ferris

**Sanderstead United Reformed Church
Sanderstead Hill**

December 2nd First Sunday in Advent

10.30am

Family Worship with Holy Communion

6.30pm

Advent Praise

December 9th Second Sunday in Advent

10.30am

Family Festival and Toy Service
with Jon Dean and Revd Martin Ferris



The Children and Young People of the church
present Christmas for today.
Please bring toys for distribution to children
through the charity Christian Family Concern.

December 16th Third Sunday in Advent

10.30am

Family Worship
with Crèche and Junior Church



6.30pm

Candlelit Carol Service

Followed by mulled wine and mince pies

