Knowing Jesus and Making Him known"

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December 2025

You are very welcome to Downton Baptist Church

Philip, Katy and the Deacons extend a **warm** welcome to you. Please let us know if we can be of any support. If you are new to the Church, then please find a **welcome** pack in the foyer and speak to one of the Pastors.

The PLAYROOM Farm Nativity: Wednesday 3rd December from 9.30am to 11.00am: Welcomes children and their adults to the Farm in the Church field. All Welcome to this FREE event. Please let Katy know if you can help.

The Escape Room Mission: "See the Light!": 8th-12th December: Primary and Secondary School children are being invited to unlock the Christmas Nativity Story by solving puzzles and challenges. Please see Church website for information and times.

Thursday, 11th December Carol Service at 10.30am: Traditional carols and mince pies!

Family Christmas Service: Sunday, 14th December: A lively interactive Service for children and adults led by our Junior Church.

Thursday 18th December : Christmas Service at 10.30am followed by **Christmas Lunch**, please let the Office know if you would like to come to the lunch or you'd like to be involved in helping.

Carol Service by Candlelight: Sunday 21st December at 6.30pm: come, enjoy singing carols, followed by mince pies!

CHRISTMAS DAY MORNING CELEBRATION from 10.30am: Come and celebrate and don't forget to bring a gift to show!

The LARDER Christmas meal, Monday, 29th December at 6.00pm to 8.00pm: a family Christmas meal. To book your place or find dates for the LARDER, see our website.

Deacon Nominations: Forms can be found on the stand in the Church Hall. All Nominations to be handed in by **Noon on Sunday, 28th December.**

Pastoral Support

Philip and Katy are available (Days off: Philip: Sat and Katy: Mon/Sat)

<u>Please Call or Email:</u>

Rev Philip Rhoades, 07468 491143 Philip@downtonbaptist.org Rev Katy Ullyatt, 07786 248880 Katy@downtonbaptist.org

Deacons

Naomi Lloyd-Jones (Chair)

Martin Brueton: (Manse and Car Park)

Renate James (Deacon Admin) Diane Bugden: (Safeguarding) Amanda Ivens-Smith (Fabric)

Jim King

DBC Treasurer: Ian Mitchell

Designated Safeguarding Lead

Chris Anderson (Lead) Francoise Wynn (Deputy)

Family Support

Downton 4Family for confidential support. Tel 07393 933145

Other help available The LARDER: Free food available.

The WARDROBE: Free clothing. The FOODBANK: Food parcels. The GARDEN: Community. The STUDIO: Creating.

DBC Website

"Listen again" to recorded Sermons and to see the full Church diary. The online diary gives a full list.

Mailing List

To be added to our Friends of DBC Mailing List find a Form in the Church Foyer.

Safety and Accessibility

- We ask you not to attend if you have any cold or flu symptoms.
- Please make yourself aware of fire exits and safeguarding notices. (Large print can be made available).
- There is a Loop System for those with hearing aids. Set to 'T'.
- We have a lift and We have a car park

Church Membership

Find out about Church membership by speaking with Philip or Katy.

DECEMBER 2025: Worship Services and Regular

Date	Time	Detail	
Thursday	10.30 am	Refreshments	
4th	11.00 am	Morning Worship	
		(No Lunch) Led by Ron Hart	
	10.00		
Sunday 7th	10.30 am	Morning Advent Worship All Age with Family Communion Faith of Mary: My Soul Magnifies	
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	6.30 pm	DCT Village Carol Service at St Laurence's Church	
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		(No Lunch) Led by Katy Ullyatt	
	10.00		
Sunday 14th	10.30 am	Morning Advent Worship All Age Family Christmas Led by our Young people	
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Thursday	10.30 am	Refreshments	
18th	11.00 am	Christmas Service followed by Christmas Lunch	
		Led by Philip Rhoades	
Sunday	10.30 am	Morning Advent Worship Faith of Mary: Ponder These Thing	
21st		Led by Katy Ullyatt	
		With Junior Church	
	6.30pm	DBC Carols by Candlelight followed by mince pies	
Christmas Day	10.30am	All Age Christmas Morning Celebration	
		Led by Philip Rhoades and Katy Ullyatt	
Sunday	10.30 am	Morning Worship All Age Turning Around	
28th		Led by TBC	

Church Groups	Times	Dates
The LARDER (Mondays)	6.00 pm - 7.00 pm	WEEKLY
The LARDER (Wednesdays)	9.00 am - 10.00 am	
The GARDEN		WEEKLY
(Thursdays and Sundays)	2.30 pm - 4.30pm	
The FOODBANK (Thursdays)	9.00 am - 11.00 am	WEEKLY
The STUDIO (Wednesdays)	3.00 pm - 5.00 pm	3rd
The WARDROBE sort (Friday)	10.00am - 2.00 pm	N/A
The WARDROBE (Friday)	2.00 pm - 3.30 pm	
RNID Drop in Clinic (Thursday)	10.00 am - 12noon	4th
	January 2026	N/A
The WORKSHOP (Saturday)	10.00 am - Noon	6th
The ENGINE ROOM (Saturday)	7.30 pm - 8.30 pm	N/A
The INNER ROOM (Sunday)	7.00 pm - 8.00 pm	N/A

Groups for Young People			
Sundays: All groups start in the morning			
service and go to groups midway through.			
All leaders hold DBS.			
Sundays: PATHFINDER (Preschool)			
Sundays: WAYMAKERS (Primary)			
Sundays: TRAILBLAZERS (Secondary)			
The PLAYROOM Toddler Church			
Term Time : 3rd			
Church Members Meeting Dates 2026:			
25th January–Deacon Elections			
22nd March- AGM			
28th June - Safeguarding			
18th October-Covenant Renewal			

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