

Holy Communion
Third Sunday of Advent

love
faith
hope

99 Christ is the King

Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-end

506 May the mind of Christ my Saviour

Reading: Luke 1:25-36

463 Lord Jesus Christ (During this hymn a collection will be taken)

811 What a friend we have in Jesus

5 Abba Father

437 Lift high the cross (odd numbered verses)

Collect

Almighty God,
as your kingdom dawns,
turn us from the darkness of sin to the
light of holiness,
that we may be ready to meet you
in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ **Amen**

Intercessions Response

Remember us in your love O Lord

We put our trust in you

Post Communion Prayer

We give you thanks, O Lord, for these heavenly gifts;
kindle in us the fire of your Spirit
that when your Christ comes again
we may shine as lights before his face;
who is alive and reigns now and for ever. **Amen**

- ☺ **Renovation Fund** – Many Thanks for all your efforts
 - Pink Envelopes for 9th December £55.83.

- ☺ **Advent devotional evening** - You can still join us for the remaining evening at **Christ Church Denton on Tuesday evening** 18th December at 8.00pm finishing by 9:00 pm. It will take the form of Compline (Night Prayer) with meditation on the theme of the John the Baptist.

- ☺ **Carol Singing at Tameside Hospital** – on Christmas Eve meet at the Hartshead South Reception at 6:15pm. Share the joy of our Saviour’s birth with those who will be in hospital during Christmas. Seasonal refreshments will be provided in the restaurant afterwards

☺ **Reordering Update**

- Tenders for Phase Two are due in Wednesday 19th December
- We have Council and Diocesan permission to remove the ash tree in the stone circle. We are open to suggestions about a replacement tree or bush
- Please pray about the grants we have applied for

Stop Press: A total of **£3,000** received this week from Oldham Trust (thanks to Elsie Ashworth for telling us of this one) and All Churches Trust. Little by little and large (!) the money continues to come in.

Still outstanding are Heritage Lottery Fund and the Manchester Evening News Wish 12, but we won't be hearing from either of these until well into January at the earliest.

Grateful thanks to the Grants Committee for their hard work.





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May you find HOPE, PEACE, JOY and LOVE this ADVENT season as you prepare for the coming of Jesus at Christmas