



Stavanger Congregation Anglican Chaplaincy of Norway December 2018

We are an international congregation with people from many different Christian traditions and denominations. We seek to be a caring community that offers spiritual and practical support as well as opportunities for personal growth. You are warmly welcome to any of our services and events.

Dear Friends,

Here in Advent we prepare ourselves for the coming of Jesus. For most of us it will seem like just getting ready for another lovely winters celebration. Advent, however reminds us that Jesus plans to return, this time not as a helpless baby but as the king of heaven and earth. Although we do not know when Jesus will return, this Christmas or some other time of God choosing, our commission is to be ready and joyful, doing his will now in expectation of the blessings to come.

Our task is to be practically and spiritually ready, living lives for God, lives where we place the needs of others before ourselves, promoting goodwill and peace to all. In serving others this Advent and Christmas may you be truly blessed, ready for Jesus and for the challenges of a new year.

Rev. Peter Hogarth

Diary for December

All services are held at Det Norske Misjonsselskap (NMS), Misjonsmarka 1, 4024 Stavanger, unless otherwise stated.

December 2nd	15.00	Christingle @ Domkirke Rev. Peter Hogarth
9th	10.30	Crib service Rev. Peter Hogarth
16th	10.30	Family Communion Rev. Peter Hogarth
23rd	10.30 18.00	Holy Communion Rev. Peter Hogarth Carol service @ Domkirke
25th.	10.30	Christmas Day Family Communion Rev. Peter Hogarth
30th		No Service
7th January	10.30	Café Church Rev. Peter Hogarth

Prayer Points

- o- Pray in Advent and at Christmas tide for all in poverty or suffering under violence and trouble.
- o- Children in Romania that they know peace, hope and love from our gifts.
- o- For the White Nile congregation and their friends and relatives still in South Sudan for peace and a better future.

Bethel @ NMS each Sunday

10.00 – 10:30am Coffee & Refreshments
10:30am Worship service will begin

The main door will be locked at 10.30 at the start of the service. Please phone 48604061 if you arrive later than 10.30, the person on welcome duty will let you into the building.

Women's Connect Group Study & Fellowship

Contact Amanda, Juliet or Cheryl for next meeting and events

CHILDREN'S & YOUTH CHURCH

Children's Church activities generally take place on the 2nd & 4th Sundays during the morning services

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Pathfinder and CYFA activities will be notified to the groups during the month.

BIBLE STORY CLUB

The Bible Story Club is held at BISS (British International School of Stavanger) on Thursdays 15.15–16.00, during term time. Contact Denise Johnson

CONGRATULATIONS!



December Birthdays

3rd Liv Jordheim
10th Esomchi Iro-Ukpai
Anja Samantha Gjøvaag
17th Anne-lise Rhodes
19th Paula Achije

Make sure you write your Birthday in the book so we can sing you *Happy Birthday!*

UK Military Chaplaincy at NATO

Chaplain Hogarth visits the JWC NATO base at Jåttå on Thursday each week, usually to include the Bible study group at 11.00.

If you need assistance or would like to speak with the chaplain, please phone or leave a message for Peter at the UK Support Unit office.

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Sun, 2nd December	Christingle @ Domkirke
Leading : Welcome/Clear Up: Reader: Music: Coffee:	Revd. Peter Hogarth Sarah Deniel Ijeoma Iro-Ukpai Caroline Townsend Caroline Townsend
Sun, 9th	Crib Service
Leading : Welcome/Clear Up: Reader: Music: Coffee:	Revd. Peter Hogarth Rumi Achije Various Veronica Nagel-Alne Jean Peacock
Sun, 16th	Family Communion
Leading : Welcome/Clear Up: Reader: Intercessions: Communion Cup: Music: Coffee:	Revd Peter Hogarth Omieari Briggs Tonye Briggs Ijeoma Iro-Ukpai Cheryl Hogarth Halvard Lund Cheryl Hogarth
Sun, 23rd	Holy Communion with Children's & Youth Church
Leading : Welcome/Clear Up: Reader: Intercessions: Communion Cup: Music: Coffee:	Revd. Peter Hogarth Sarah Denuiel Sarah Denuiel Revd. Peter Hogarth Ijeoma Iro-Ukpai Music Group Jane Todd
Tues, 25th	Christmas Day Family Communion
Leading : Welcome/Clear Up: Reader: Intercessions: Communion Cup: Music: Coffee:	Revd. Peter Hogarth Jane Todd ----- Revd. Peter Hogarth Cheryl Hogarth Music Group Cheryl Hogarth
Sun 30th	No service
Sun, 6th January	Café Church
Leading : Welcome/Clear Up: Reader: Music: Coffee:	Revd. Peter Hogarth Ijeoma Iro-Ukpai Ijeoma Iro-Ukpai Halvard Lund Ijeoma Iro-Ukpai

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Bethel Community need volunteers Can YOU help?

We need help in the following areas:
Children's Church (both leaders & helpers)
Worship Group Singers & Instrumentalists;
Welcome/Clear Up
PA & Sound System
Intercessions & Prayers

If you feel that you are able to help in any of these areas please speak to Pastor Peter.

Giving

Bethel congregation members often ask how they can help us work in our community. You can financially support the work of our church in many ways:

- ✓ **Donating in the Sunday** collection basket.
- ✓ **Registering as a member**, which means that the state and kommune give us money. The government gives the chaplaincy approximately 800 NOK per person, per year. The payment is made for anyone with a personnummer, whether adult or child. **Membership forms are available at the back of the church.**
- ✓ **Giving tax efficiently** by donating directly to the main chaplaincy account in Oslo (account number 7029 05 14973). If you complete your personnummer on the form and donate annually 500-30,000 NOK, you will receive a tax rebate.
- ✓ **Giving directly** through your bank to Stavanger Bethel Congregation (account number: 3201 08 90631). If you intend to give regularly to this account, please let our treasurer, Rumi Achije know at talk2rumi@yahoo.com.

Deadline for the January 2018 newsletter
21st December

Please submit items/information to:
Pastor Peter: revpastorpete@yahoo.co.uk

Readings for December

2nd Dec Christingle

Advent Sunday

Jeremiah 33: 14-16

1 Thessalonians 3:9-end

John 11:32-4

9th Crib Service

2nd Advent

Malachi 3: 1-4

Philippians 1: 3-11

Luke 3: 1-6

16th 3rd Advent

Zephaniah 3:14-end

Philippians 4: 4-7

Luke 3: 7-18

23rd 4th Advent

Micah 5:2-5a

Hebrews 10: 5-10

Luke 1: 39-45

30th Christmas I (no service)

1 Samuel 2: 18-20, 26

Colossians 3: 12-17

Luke 2:41-end



If you have suggestions or anything you wish to discuss, please contact Revd. Peter Hogarth or one of the Stavanger Committee.

Stavanger Committee Members

Rumi Achije	9683 7193
Sigurd Robert Jacobsen	9570 8834
Erik Jordheim	9247 9048
Sarah Denuiel	9854 3363
Ijeoma Iro-Ukpai	4557 3983
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Jane Todd	9058 3248



Come and join us at

NMS

Misjonsmarka 1

10.30 am Sunday 9th Dec

Dress as your favourite Nativity
character:-

Animal, Angel, Wiseman, Shepherd or Holy family

Stavanger Anglican Congregation

For more information contact:

Pastorpete 48604061



9 Lessons and Carols

6.00pm

23rd December

Stavanger Domkirkre