



# Broadfield Christian Fellowship

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## NewsFlash!



### Christmas and New Year 2018/19

**This morning (16th)** 10.30am: Morning Worship in the Social Hall, including communion  
*Worship: Kevin Gordon; Speakers: Dave & Viv*

*We offer a warm welcome to all visitors to our worship today  
If you would like to know more about us, please ask one of the leaders*

<b>Monday 17th</b>	6.45–7.45pm: Prayer time in the Church
<b>Tuesday 18th</b>	7.15pm: House Group at Ben & Pauline's home
<b>Wednesday 19th</b>	9.15am: Christmas Coffee Shop in the Social Hall
<b>Thursday 20th</b>	3.30–5.00pm: Messy Christingle in the Church
<b>Saturday 22nd</b>	11.00am: Carol singing on Broadfield Barton
<b>Sunday 23rd</b>	9.00am: Open up and set up hall for worship 9.30am: Prayer meeting 10.00am: Tea and coffee 10.30am: Christmas Worship in the Social Hall
<b>Christmas Eve</b>	4.00pm: Christingle Service in the Church
<b>Christmas Day</b>	10.30am: Christmas Celebration with the Church of England in the Church
<b>Sunday 30th</b>	No BCF service in the Social Hall <i>You are welcome to join with the Church of England in the Church at 11.00</i>
<b>Friday 5th Jan</b>	5.00pm: Friday Meal in the Social Hall
<b>Sunday 6th Jan</b>	9.00am: Open up and set up hall for worship 9.30am: Prayer meeting 10.00am: Tea and coffee 10.30am: Morning Worship in the Social Hall 7.00pm: Town-wide service at Crawley Baptist Church

### Thought for the Week – from Caroline

#### “The Son of God” by Jeffrey Archer

He was born in a barn, his father a carpenter, and his mother a decent woman, but they were of no significance, and certainly couldn't have afforded to give the boy a private education. And yet, as a teenager, he was arguing the toss with his elders and betters in the council chambers. He never got a proper job, just roamed around the countryside, unshaven, and living off bread and water and the occasional fish, while offering his opinions to those who cared to listen. He became the manager of a football team known as The Disciples, not one of them a star, in fact the twelfth man rather let the side down by accepting a transfer fee of thirty pieces of silver to play for the opposition. The authorities eventually arrested him as a rabble-rouser, but couldn't decide what to charge him with, other than the fact he claimed he was the Son of God. They strung him up with a couple of criminals, and when he finally gave up the ghost, rather assumed that would be the last they'd hear of him. The Disciples were relegated at the end of the season, in fact the captain claimed on more than one occasion that he'd never been a member of His team. When He died at the age of thirty-three, there were no obituaries in the local press reporting his achievements, no glossy supplements highlighting his colourful career, no radio programmes to discuss his legacy, and no box sets recording any of his miracles. But then, He'd never relied on focus groups to advise him on current trends, or advertising gurus to spend millions promoting his brand, or spin doctors to sharpen his image, and he didn't require social media to keep his followers up to date, so you could be forgiven for assuming he'd be forgotten in a few days. So how can one explain that over two thousand years later, Jesus Christ is still the best-known celebrity on Earth? Could it just be that He was the Son of God?

### Diary Dates

**Friday 8th – Sunday 10th March 2019:** Church Weekend at Ashburnham Place with Faith Forster & Ben Trigg

**Saturday 3rd – 10th August 2019:** Revive 2019 at Ashburnham Place – bookings now open at [revivelive.co.uk](http://revivelive.co.uk)

*Beloved, I pray that in all respects you may prosper and be in good health, just as your soul prospers. (3 John 2)*