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**Welcome to our services today**

**Key Qn: [UP]** Where does your faith and your actions not match up?

**Challenge:** Ever closer to Jesus

Suggested Reading: James 5

*Luke 1:37 ... No word of God will ever fail*

**Sun 10<sup>th</sup> December**  
***We Come Together for ...***  
**Worship**

John is leading with Karl speaking  
on  
'Patient & Faithful'  
James 5

**Next Week**  
**Sun 17<sup>th</sup> December**  
***We Come Together for ...***  
**Worship**

All Age Nativity led by Karl

4.30pm A Christmas Tea

**Coming up....**

Christmas invite cards are now readily available.

Sunday 17th we have the All Age nativity in the morning - great for all ages.

The afternoon Christmas Tea is quieter but still informal - a chance to sit down with friends over food, carols and a Christmas thought or two.

This is suitable for junior school age and upwards.

Note the morning service on Sunday 24th is a simple quiet reflection time plus some activities in the hall for children. On Sunday 31st the morning service will be a simple all age format.

**Christmas Specials**

17th 10.30am All Age Nativity

17th 4.30pm A Christmas Tea

24th 4.30pm Crib Service

Christmas Day 10am celebration is here, with the Methodist Church joining us

**Rhythm & Diet this Christmas!**

Over the Christmas period keep in mind your basic spiritual rhythms and diet, e.g. your private prayer, meeting with others, and Bible reading. Build in time to reflect on the Christmas story.

If you wish to include items on the newsheet  
please contact Wendy Penn on  
[news@countessely.co.uk](mailto:news@countessely.co.uk)

## ***This week at a glance ...***

Karl's day off is Tuesday

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| <b>Monday</b>    | <b>8.00pm</b>                  | Blokes Groups (contact Darren for venue)                                                        |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>2.30pm</b><br><b>8.00pm</b> | Fellowship Hour<br>Small Group at Ken and Linda's house                                         |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | <b>9.30am</b><br><b>8.00pm</b> | Two by Two baby & toddler Group in the church<br>Small Group (contact Stephen & Kate for venue) |

*Please note the hall is regularly used on Monday mornings (SUN Café); Tuesday mornings and Friday afternoons for Ely Foodbank; Thursday evenings for a ballroom dancing class.*

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### ***Other News....***

Would you like to help serve refreshments at the Christmas Tea on the 17th? Please contact Karl

Thank you to all who supported our recent film night. We raised £190.92

The new one to one discipleship resource is now available on our church website:  
[www.countessely.co.uk](http://www.countessely.co.uk)  
Click the 'Connect' menu, then click 'Resources'

### ***Please pray for....***

Please pray for a successful liver transplant operation for Susan Greydanus' brothers Michael and Mark on Monday 11th December (1pm our time). Also for peace for the family as they await news.

Give thanks that Karen's Christingle Lessons in three schools went really well this week and she felt strengthened by our prayers.

Please continue to pray for Ian and Margaret and Jim and Glenda and their families at this difficult time.

Please keep Carol M in your prayers, for healing of her shoulder and relief from pain.

Serve friends and newcomers by joining the Sunday tea/coffee rota! Helpers typically only have to help once a month. Talk to Karl or Graham to get signed up.