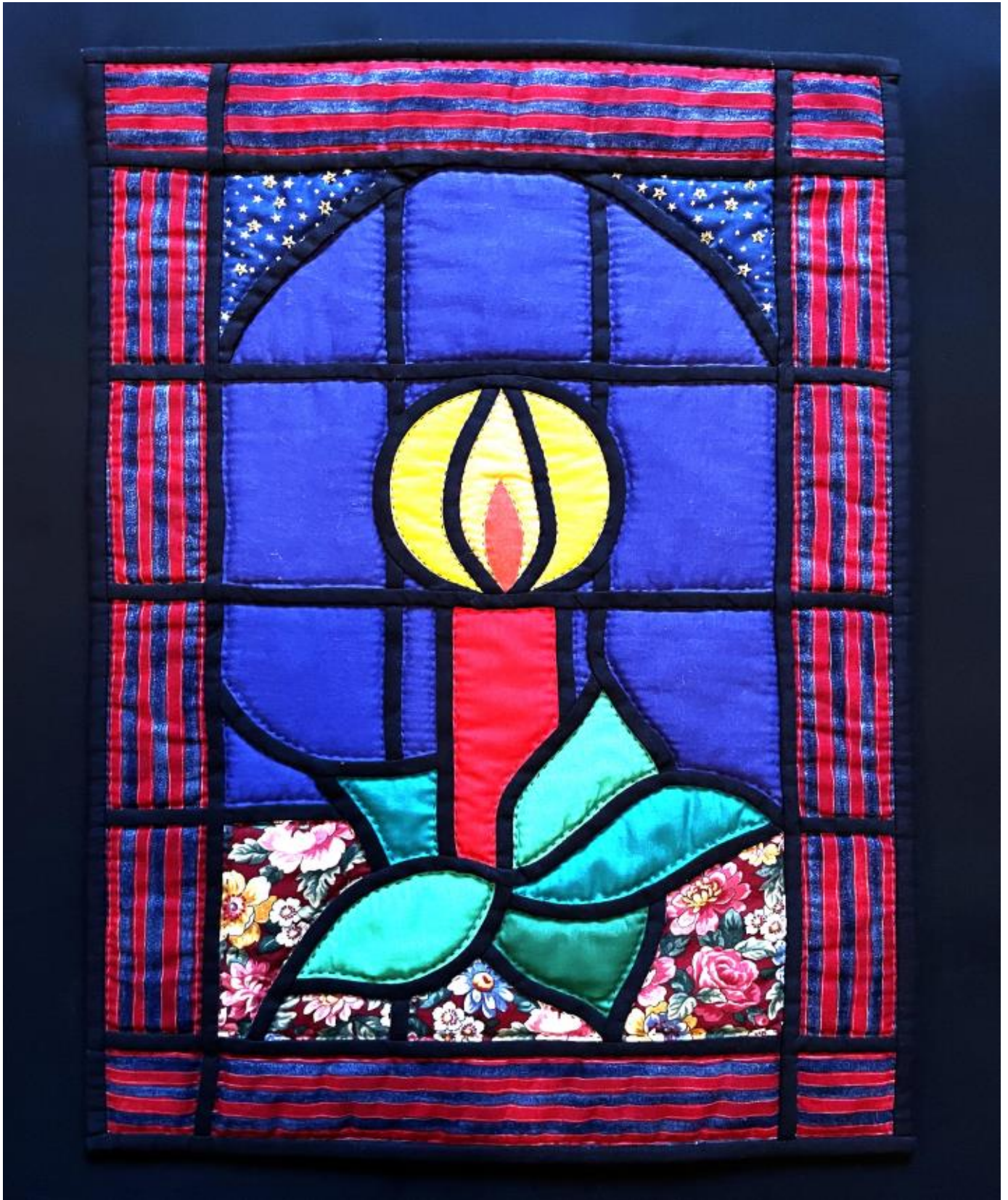


United Church Dorchester



A Beacon of God's Light and Love

A Message from our Minister

In Advent and Christmas this year, we are shining a light on Jesus at the centre of the Christmas Story.

We look forward to warmly welcoming you to the varied activities and services at United Church Dorchester this December, as we seek to live out our Vision “to be a beacon of God’s light and love for all in Dorchester.”

May this precious time of year be filled with Joy, Hope, Peace and Love for you all. With every blessing this Christmas and in the year ahead.

Rev John Yarrien

Advent and Christmas 2024 at United Church Dorchester

Sunday 1st Dec. 1st Sunday in Advent.

10.30am Morning Worship: *Mr Tony Boyden (Holy Communion).*

Wednesday 4th Dec. 10.45am Market Day Service: *Rev Peter Clark. 20 minutes reflection in a busy day.*

Saturday 7th Dec. 11.00am - 2.00pm 'Journey to the Stable': *An inter-active journey into the true meaning of Christmas for all ages.*

Saturday 7th Dec. 5.00pm Concert - 'FluteCakes Joy': *A short concert of festive flute music with refreshments, raising money for Dorchester Child Contact Centre.*

Sunday 8th Dec. 2nd Sunday in Advent.

10.30am Christmas Crib Service: *A special family Christmas service led by Rev John Yarrien. All are welcome to lunch in the Hall at midday.*

Sunday 8th Dec. 3.30pm for 4.00pm until 5.30 pm
'Afternoon Tea and Carols': *Festive 'Tea-Pot' in the Hall.*

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Wednesday 11th Dec. 10.45am Market Day Service:
Rev Neil Riches.

Wednesday 11th Dec. 7.00 pm Dorset for Singing. *Join us for our concert of festive songs.*

Thursday 12th Dec. 11.00am to 2.00pm 'Journey to the Stable'.

Friday 13th Dec. 11.00am to 13.30pm 'Journey to the Stable'.

Friday 13th Dec. 3.00pm 'Quiet Christmas': *30-minute service for those who want to celebrate Christmas quietly, followed by refreshments.*

Saturday 14th Dec. 11.00am to 2.00pm 'Journey to the Stable'.

Sunday 15th Dec. 3rd Sunday in Advent 10.30am
Morning Worship: *Rev Gwyneth Owen.*

Sunday 15th Dec. 11.30 to 2.00pm Dorchester Christmas Cracker Day: *Community carol singing, crafts and mince pies in the Church.*

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Wednesday 18th Dec. 10.45am Market Day Service:
Rev John Yarrien.

Wednesday 18th Dec. 11.30 to 12.30 Carols for Action for Children: *Carol singing outside the Church in South Street.*

Sunday 22nd Dec. 4th Sunday in Advent.
10.30am Morning Worship: *Rev John Yarrien.*

Sunday 22nd Dec. 6.30pm Carol Service:
Rev John Yarrien.

Tuesday 24th Dec. 4.00pm Christingle Service.
A wonderful, creative service for all the family. Christmas starts here!

Tuesday 24th Dec. 11.00pm Midnight Communion:
Our joint Christmas Eve service.
Led by Rev Cora Yarrien and Rev John Yarrien at
St. George's Church, Fordington

Wednesday 25th Dec. 10.30 am Christmas Day Service:
A 45-minute service celebrating the good news of Christmas led by Rev J Yarrien.

Church Shop

51 Charles Street (opposite the library)

Open: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday &
Saturday,

10 am - 12.30 pm for

CHARITY CHRISTMAS CARDS & GIFTS,

FAIRTRADE FOODS & CHOCOLATE,

CDs, CHRISTIAN BOOKS and

GREETINGS CARDS FOR MANY OCCASIONS

Browsers welcome!

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