

*A prayer that is very appropriate for the problems facing  
many lands*

*Radiant God,*

*In Jesus Christ your light shines in our darkness,*

*Giving joy in our sorrow*

*And revealing your presence in our loneliness,*

*Fill our hearts with your love*

*That in the darkness of this world*

*Our lives may shine with your eternal splendour.*

*Through Jesus Christ our Lord,*

*Amen*

This morning we welcome Grace Westerduin who is leading our morning service. There is no service in our Church this evening.

*We wish all our readers every blessing for 2018*

Songs for this service 486, 133, 702, 279

Readings Hosea chapter 2 verses v13-20 and Revelation chapter 3 verses 7-21.

Next Sunday—Epiphany

Preacher

AM Sue French

PM Rev'd Jack Jenkins

Duty Steward. Martin Letts

Door Stewards

AM Roger Barton

PM Mavis Daniels

Flowers and refreshments Julie and Iris



## SWANMORE METHODIST CHURCH



Minister—



Rev'd David Moss

31st December



Church website

[www.swanmoremethodistchurch.org.uk](http://www.swanmoremethodistchurch.org.uk)

On Thursday 11 January at 7.30 pm we are having a meeting here in church "Ideas for growing our church". Everyone is welcome. Please come if you can. If you are unable to attend but have an idea, please put it in writing and pass it to a steward. Our Pioneer Missioner Pete Bangs will be at the meeting too.

Our Christmas Day Dinner here at church was a great success with 24 people sitting down to lunch festivities. Our thanks to all who helped, to Gary at Swanmore Butchers and McCarthys for providing the turkey, other meats and the vegetables.

**AMENDMENT TO PREACHING PLAN**

Please note that in the In Touch Magazine under February 4<sup>th</sup> AM Rev David Hollingsworth, will be leading our Church Anniversary service, but there will not now be an evening service with David Boswell. Our friends from St Barnabas have been invited for the morning service which will be followed by a finger buffet. As Jill Letts will be away and Mavis has a prior engagement the refreshments will need to be organised by other members. Could you please see Mavis or Jill as soon as possible if you are able to help.

**Please send any items for inclusion in the next week's notices, in writing, to Jill Sutton, 'Woodbank', Chase Grove, W/Chase tel 01489892824 by 12 noon Thursday next. See details below email [jillessutton@btinternet.com](mailto:jillessutton@btinternet.com) It would be appreciated if any changes to the duty rotas could be given to Jill before the notices are due to be prepared. Thank you.**