



VINE WEEKLY

THIS WEEK

Sunday 16 December: Jim Davis is coming back to visit and will be talking on *Jesus the Son* as we continue our series *A Legacy of Faith*. You can catch up on previous talks from the series [online](#).

Carols by Candlelight Sunday 16 December 18:30 @ VEC. Please invite friends, there will be mulled wine and mince pies!

NEXT WEEK

Sunday 23 December: Glenn Walsh will be speaking to us on *Jesus* as part of the *A Legacy of Faith* series.

Tuesday 25 December: Join us as Aaron and Louise Garrett lead in our Christmas Day celebration, 10:30 @VEC.



WALKING OFF THE TURKEY



Saturday 29 December - Church family walk followed by refreshments at VEC. Meet at church at 09:30. Bring your leftover mince pies, chocolates, cakes etc and after the walk we will share whatever there is over a warming

cuppa. If you can't walk then meet at the church around 11:00 for refreshments . Everyone welcome. For more info contact [Sue and Alan](#).

COLLECT YOUR USED STAMPS

A reminder to save any used stamps as they will be collected and donated to a Christian charity. They can actually be collected all year round, so if any can be brought from home of the office etc please either give them directly to Laura Hagley or leave them in the pigeon hole for her to collect. Thank you!



...15-17 February 2019 RIPZ and Soul Purpose weekend at Carroty Wood. To confirm you are going please see [Lloyd](#) and put down a deposit of £10 by 16 December.



If you play an instrument and are interested in joining the worship band, or if you have a good ear for music and would like to hear more about joining our team of sound technicians, please come and chat to [David Perkins](#) - we'd love to hear from you!

CHOOSE LOVE

With all the hype around Christmas shopping, what would happen if we bought items that could make a real difference to someone's life? [Choose Love](#), the world's first store where you can buy real gifts for refugees, contains practical items like tents, nappies and sleeping bags. But instead of taking them home, each purchase buys a similar item for someone who truly needs it. Read all about it and get involved [here](#).



FAMILY NEWS

VEC COMMUNITY

SEVENOAKS WELCOMES REFUGEES

All welcome at the end of year meeting and social on Wednesday 19 December, 19:30 @VEC. We'll be celebrating the progress we've made together this year and setting out what we're aiming to achieve for the refugees next year. There will be food and drink to enjoy. Everyone is encouraged to bring something to the table – literally! Please bring along some food to share. During the evening we will also have a charity auction and tombola to raise funds. **We're looking for donations for the auction and tombola** – please let us know if you can contribute things that we can re-cycle into cash e.g. a box of chocolates, a bottle of wine (or something stronger), restaurant vouchers.

CRIB TRAIL 2019

12 churches and over 30 shops will take part in this year's Crib Trail in Sevenoaks, Riverhead, Otford, Seal and Westerham. The churches will be open for 2 1/2 hours from 10:00 to 12:30 on December 29 to enable members of the public to come in and see their Nativity Scenes or Cribs. This is a wonderful opportunity for families to enjoy a morning walk visiting the churches and looking at the different ways each depict the birth of Jesus. Some will be offering a welcoming cup of tea. Plan your route to take in the shops as well and try to find the cribs in their windows. Some are quite small, so keep looking! The list of all participating churches and shops will be on the 'Crib Sheet' handout, available at your first church.

WHAT'S ON...

To see what's going on at VEC this week go to the website and take a look at the [Events Calendar](#). Here you will find out which groups, meetings and activities are taking place along with timings and details.

SERVICE ROTA

Date	16 Dec	23 Dec	25 Dec	30 Dec	06 Jan
Leader	Chris Stiven	Max & Sue Sinclair	Louise & Aaron Garrett	Glenn Walsh	David Garrett
Speaker	Jim Davis	Glenn Walsh		Glenn Walsh	tbc
Coffee	Pauline & Guy Knight	Beth Garrett Maureen Lewis	tbc	Merrie Reynolds Glenda Newholm	Beth Garrett Demi Whatty
Welcome	Beverley South Glenda Newholm	Merrie Reynolds Glenda Newholm	tbc	Pauline & Guy Knight	Glenn & Kim Tainio
Sound Technician	Paul South	Sam Fletcher	tbc	!Help needed!	!Help needed!
Computer	David Kiddu	Kim Tainio	tbc	!Help needed!	!Help needed!
Chairs	Margaret Lewis	David Owen	tbc	Lloyd Mullins	Chris Brown
Communion	Beverley South	Maureen Lewis	tbc	Iain Hemington	Tsitsi Danga
Worship Band	Gail Villacorta	Chris Stiven	Gail Villacorta	Dan Cole	tbc
Fire	tbc	tbc	tbc	tbc	tbc

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All items for VW to news@vec.org.uk
 by Wednesday



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