

Some Christmas Resources 2018

Christmas Services

Liturgy

[Christmas Collects for Experimental Use](#)

Pages 4 & 5, SEC (Free download)

"Authorised by the College of Bishops for experimental use by the clergy within the SEC"

[Experimental Eucharistic Prayers for Christmas and Epiphany](#)

SEC (Free download)

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Nativity/Carols

[Come and Sing the Christmas Story](#)

2018 Carol Booklet, Bible Society, (£1.00/20 for £8)

"Produced in partnership with HOPE, this carol booklet features the words to 12 well-known carols. Inside, the Bible story in a nutshell will give people a new perspective on the nativity and its power to change everything."

[Bethlehem Carol Sheets](#)

Embrace the Middle East (packs of 25, donation and postage)

"With these popular sheets of 21 carols in large 24 point font, you can raise funds for vulnerable children born in today's Holy Land through the charity *Embrace the Middle East*". Perfect for every carol-singing event - in church, in the care home, at the pub, out of doors or by the fire!"

[Instant Nativity Script](#)

Bible Society, (Free Download)

"Based on The Mystery of the New Noisy Neighbour children's story, this interactive Instant Nativity is the perfect resource for your Christmas services."

PowerPoints and Videos (copyright permitting)

[Outside/In and Meet the Cast PowerPoint presentations](#)

Lifewords, free download

"Two different PowerPoint presentations great for events and services to introduce the real Christmas story through the cast and key events." (Also see link to booklet below)

[Christmas According to Kids](#)

Youtube - Southland Christian Church

"Hilarious look at the Nativity Story through the eyes of children."

[The Christmas Story](#)

Youtube, St Paul's Church, Auckland

"The story of Christmas acted out by the children of St Paul's Church."

[Wrapping Paper](#)

Go Chatter, Co-Mission

"Fabulous downloadable video for outreach delivering in a powerful way the great Christmas news that despite our mess God still came to find us and loved us enough to restore us."

[Anti, Ranty, Santy](#)

Youtube, 10ofthose

Great video clip challenging our perceptions of God through comparing Jesus and Santa. (for young people and adults)

[Digital Story of the Nativity](#)

Youtube, excentricGrey

"How social media, web and mobile might tell the story of the Nativity. Christmas story told through Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, Google..."

[Bethlehemian Rhapsody](#)

Youtube, B Rob

"Christmas Story sung to the tune of Bohemian Rhapsody by puppets! Watch it and enjoy!"

Resources for congregations and outreach

Small books (to give away)

[An Even Better Christmas: Joy that Lasts All Year](#)

Matt Chandler, Good Book Co. (£2.99)

"In the midst of the gift-buying and food-gorging that is Christmas, this book will help you stop, breathe and refocus your heart."

[Rescuing Christmas: The Search for Joy that Lasts](#)

C. Laferton, Good Book Co. (£2.99)

"An engaging and faithful book showing how the surprising meaning of the first Christmas gives us what we are all seeking- a joy that really lasts."

[The Greatest Gift](#)

Paul Williams, CPO, (£2.99)

"In this book you'll discover the greatest gift at the heart of Christmas and how it can transform how you celebrate Christmas this year."

[A Different Christmas: What Are You Hoping For This Year?](#)

R. Tice & N. Morgan Locke, (£2.99)

"A humorous introduction to Christianity which invites readers to discover how Jesus really is everything they could ever hope for. Accessible for those who have never heard the gospel story."

[Christmas Playlist: Four Songs taking you to the heart of Christmas](#)

A. Begg, Good Book Co. £2.45

"Songs that can change your life, transform your future and cause your heart to sing. A short evangelistic book perfect for giving away to non-Christian friends, family and church guests."

[Christmas Uncut: What Happened and Why it Matters.](#)

C. Laferton Good Book Co. (£2.45)

"This easy-to-read book retells the Christmas story and is about why what really happened at Christmas really matters today. Perfect for giving away to unbelieving family and friends."

[Making the Christmas Connection](#)

J. John, Philo Trust, (£1.99)

"Explores how we can encounter God at Christmas and discover who He really is. Great for accessibly opening up Christmas to a wide range of people."

[Case for Christmas: A Journalist Investigates the Child](#)

L. Strobel, Good Book Co., (£2.39)

"Consulting experts and drawing on credible evidence, Lee Strobel searches out who the child in the manger really was. This book invites you to consider why Christmas matters, to weigh the facts and decide for yourself."

Booklets (to give away)

[OUTSIDE/IN](#)

Lifewords, Free

"The Christmas story is full of unlikely characters. Those on the edges are drawn to the heart of the action. Everyone is invited in. Use this inclusive and accessible booklet to share that invitation and welcome all people in to the good news of the Christmas story."

[Christmas Hope Magazine](#)

Hope Publishing, (10p)

"Includes feature stories, a Nativity for families to read together, a game to play and a competition to enter. A conversation starter which could help your church invite guests to seasonal events."

[Christmas in Three Words](#)

V. Roberts, Good Book Co. (45p)

"Vaughan Roberts shows us how the coming of Jesus into the world is historical, joyful and essential. Reading this booklet will change the way you see Christmas forever."

[How to Have a Happy Christmas](#)

T. Thornborough, Good Book Co. (45p)

"This booklet acknowledges the stress many feel at Christmas and reveals the secret to enjoying the season."

[So This Is Christmas](#)

R. Tice, Good Book Co., (42p)

“Christmas is a time when the good things in life are seen clearest, but also when the regrets and unfulfilled hopes loom largest. Discover how to enjoy Christmas filled with real peace.”

[Christianity Explored: The Real Christmas](#)

T. Thornborough & M. Nodder, Good Book Co., (45p)

“An evangelistic booklet unpacking the real meaning of Christmas based on Matthew 1 v 18-25.”

[Christmas Presence](#)

T. Thornborough, Good Book Co., (10p)

“A short, readable explanation of the Christmas message that explains why Jesus’ birth is such great news for everyone.”

[Why Christmas?](#)

Nicky Gumbel, Alpha, (75p/25 for £17.00)

“Why celebrate Christmas? How can we know if the stories of the birth of Jesus are true? This booklet is excellent for Christmas outreach to give to those beginning to think about faith.”

[Life to the Full](#)

CPO (10p)

“For those who think Christmas is all about fun and life; whilst believing religion is boring.”

A Few Other Things

[Light Up Postcard Book](#)

Lifewords, Free

10 contemporary news photos with verses about Jesus as the Light of the World, creating a thought provoking reflection on what the Christmas story means today. It’s presented as a book of postcards, so you can read it as a booklet, and then take it apart and send the cards to others.

[Joy and Peace Fridge Magnet](#)

CPO (£1)

“Beautifully hand drawn version of Romans 15 v.13, set in a rich festive and warm red as an attractive fridge magnet to give away.”

[Mince Pie Serviettes](#)

CPO (£3 for pack of 50)

“Use our popular serviettes when giving out free mince pies at your Christmas service or outreach event each with a message based on why we eat mince pies at Christmas”

Children and families

Activities

[Christmas Colouring in Card](#)

CPO, (10 for £2.50)

Available in a range of different designs for Children to colour and send at Christmas.

[Messy Christmas Family Time activity booklet](#)

L. Moore, M. Payne & J. Leadbetter, CPO, (£1.99)

“Designed for Messy Churches, it takes a fun and interactive approach to the Christmas story and helps families to develop Christian faith together.”

[Nativity Stick Puppets Craft Kit](#)

CPO, (£15.49 for pack of 30)

“Add faces, clothes and character to these Christmas stick puppets to tell the Christmas story.”

[The Christmas Name Game](#)

CPO, (10 for £2.50)

“Based on God’s message to Joseph in Matthew 1 v 18-23, this game looks at the names given to Jesus and what they show us about who He is and why He came.” Ages 6-12.

[The Christmas Promise Colouring and Activity Book](#)

CPO, (£2.69)

“Discover how God kept His Christmas Promise by sending his Son. 32 pages of colouring, puzzles, mazes and activities.”

[The Real Christmas Cracker Activity Leaflet](#)

A. Mitchell, Good Book Co., (25p)

“A full-colour leaflet for children with Bible passages, puzzles and questions looking at what happened at the very first Christmas.” Ages 6-11.

Comics

[Christmas Bible Comic](#)

Scripture Union, (£1.99)

“A comic strip retelling of the Christmas story with high-quality illustration and text to help children encounter the true story of Christmas.” For under 11s.

[Journey Out of Darkness](#)

Lifewords, Free

“Journey out of Darkness is a full-size comic book presentation of the nativity, bringing out the drama and danger of the Christmas story.”

Small books

[A Very Noisy Christmas](#)

T. Thornborough and J. Davison, Good Book Co., (£2.99)

“This retelling of the Christmas story comes with invitations to make some noise, but it also shows children that at the heart of the Christmas story is something we should all be quiet and see: God’s son.” Ages 2-6.

[The Mystery of the New Noisy Neighbour](#)

Bible Society (£2.00)

“See the nativity in a new way through the eyes of a mystery-solving mouse, as he discovers more about Jesus.”

[The Very First Christmas Day](#)

J. Godfrey and A. Everitt-Stewart, CPO, (£1.99)

“With rich, colourful illustrations and lyrical storytelling, this children’s retelling of the Nativity brings the two thousand-year-old story to new life on the page.”

[Just Hay in the Manger? The Deeper Meaning of the Nativity](#)

CPO (£1.20)

“This short guide takes you behind the scenes of the nativity play to what we know about the time, place and people who played their part in the true story of Jesus’ birth. Ideal to giveaway at nativities or advent church services.”

Booklets to give away

[Countdown to Christmas](#)

A. Mitchell, Good Book Co., (25p)

“Based on Luke 2 v 11, this leaflet is designed to help children understand some of God’s Old Testament promises to send a rescuing King. Coded answers help children to see how God kept those promises by sending Jesus.” Ages 6-12.

[The Best Present Ever](#)

Scripture Union, (10 for £4.99)

“A colourful booklet that centres around the story of the nativity and God’s willingness to come down to earth and be with us.” Ages 5-8.

[The Greatest Gift of All Time](#)

Catalina Echeverri, CPO, (10 for £4.99)

“This booklet helps children to explore the Christmas story and consider their own response. It talks about who Jesus is and why He came.” Ages 6-12.

[Why Did Jesus Come?](#)

A. Mitchell, Good Book Co., (25p)

“Based on Matthew 1 v 18-23, this leaflet comes with Bible passages, puzzles and questions looking at why Jesus came, died and rose again.” Ages 6-9.