



The Community for Spiritual Formation

Friday 27th–Saturday 28th November 2026

An online overnighter event

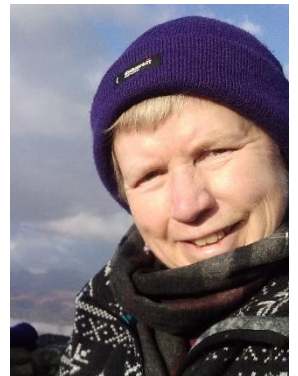
Advent Expectations



With presentations from **Jill Baker** (Community trustee, Methodist Local Preacher and devotee of all things Advent), the Community for Spiritual Formation will host another in a series of short online events to help us prepare for this significant season in the Christian year.

Jill writes: What does it mean when we sing, 'Come, thou long-expected Jesus' during the Advent season? What part does expectation play in

the narrative of the Bible, in the great story of incarnation, in our own preparations for the season of Christmas? Using hymns and bible readings from the Advent season, with an occasional dip into poetry, I hope we can explore our own expectations of God, whilst still retaining that element of wonder and surprise, of course!



Outline programme

Friday 7:30pm – 9:00pm

- 7:30 Gathering, welcome & orientation
- Guided reflections
- Night Prayer
- 9:00 Disperse (participants keeping silence overnight if they wish/are able to do so)

Saturday 9am – 1pm

- 9:00 Morning Prayer
- Reflecting together
- Guided reflections
- Silence (individually off screen)
- 12noon Reflecting together
- 12:45 Midday Prayer and close

The Community for Spiritual Formation operates as the British expression of **The Academy for Spiritual Formation** (<https://academy.upperroom.org/>).

The Community for Spiritual Formation Trustee Board (2026)
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