

in the air to accompany him to earth to share in his (literal or figurative) thousand year rule.

**Postmillennialism:** Christ's Second coming is seen as occurring after the one-thousand years.

*Revivalist Postmillennialism:* the millennium represents an unknown period of time marked by a gradual Christian revival, followed by widespread successful evangelism. After these efforts is the return of Christ foreseen.

*Reconstructionist Postmillennialism:* the Church increases its influence through successful evangelism and expansion, finally establishing a theocratic kingdom of 1,000 years duration (literal or figurative) followed by the return of Christ.

**Amillennialism:** Non-literal "thousand years" or long age between Christ's first and second comings; the millennial reign of Christ as pictured in the book of Revelation is viewed now as Christ reigning at the right hand of the Father.

## Notices 29th November 2009

### Advent Sunday

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

#### The lighting of the first Advent candle

Jesus said, 'Keep awake, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming.'

**Amen. Come soon, Lord Jesus!**

Jesus is the light of the world.

**A light no darkness can ever put out.**

*We sing:*

Advent candles tell their story

as we watch and pray,

longing for the Day of Glory,

'Come, Lord, soon,' we say.

Pain and sorrow, tears and sadness,

changed for gladness

on that Day.

#### Services next week

Morning Prayer at Brundall on Monday at 9.00am  
and Thursday at 9.10am

Holy Communion at 10.00am at Brundall on Tuesday

Morning Prayer at Postwick on

Wednesday at 9.00am

Buggy Service at Brundall Church

on Thursday at 10.00am

#### Sunday 6th December

##### Brundall Church

8.00am Holy Communion

9.50am Christingle and Gift Service  
*in the Memorial Hall*

6.30pm Christingle and Evening Prayer

##### Braydeston Church

11.15am Holy Communion

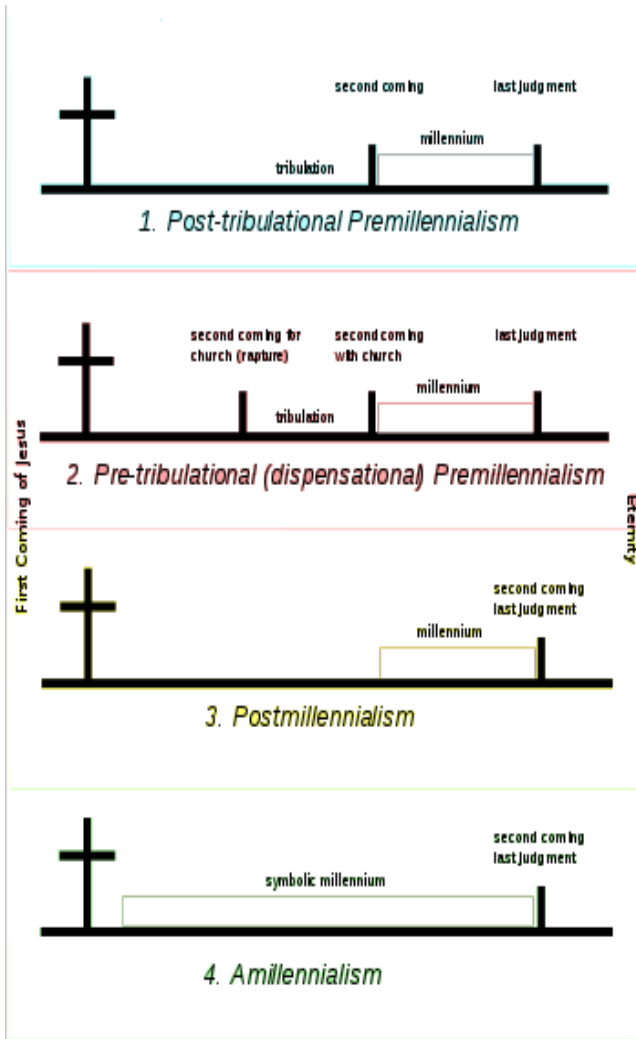
##### Postwick Church

11.15am Service of the Word

#### **Gift Services**

#### **Sunday 6th December**

This year we are supporting the YMCA Norwich and if you are able to bring some of the items listed on the gift service handout and posters, it will be very much appreciated. Any enquiries to Kirsty 717701



**Our mission is to love and to serve  
in the name of Christ**

### Dates for your diary

**Saturday 12th December** Brundall Singers invite you to a Concert of Christmas Music with their friends Bryan Ellum and Jane Berry at 7.30pm in Brundall Memorial Hall, Tickets £5 (including light refreshments) from Doug Clark (713872) or from members of the Singers. This year's charity "Musical Keys" Come and join us plenty of carols for you to sing!!

**Sunday 13th December** Carol Praise 3pm in the Memorial Hall. Everybody welcome

**Saturday 19th December** Brundall Christmas Festival, as in previous years our Churches will be having a stall at the Memorial Hall and serving refreshments in the Church Room. We will need volunteers to help at both venues, so please think about sparing an hour during the day to help. All help will be greatly appreciated. If you are able to help please contact Pat North 715152 or Peta 712773

### House Groups

**Monday Evening (1) at 8.00pm** meets this week at 4, Brandon Court. Enquiries to Jean Callf 712565

**Monday Evening (2) at 8.00pm** for those aged 20s to 40s Details from Andrew Avery 713324

**Wednesday Morning at 9.30am** in the Memorial Hall committee room for women of all ages Enquiries to Gillian Groat 715333

**Thursday Evening (1) at 8.00pm** meets at 22, Holmesdale Rd Enquiries to Diane Stead 716579

**Thursday Evening (2) at 8.00pm** at 6, Oakdale Rd Enquiries to Pat North 715152



There will be a stall at  
70 The Street on

**Saturday 5th December** from 9.30am to 12.30pm, and then none until March 2010.

**Buying Christmas presents on the Internet?** If you use the Church website [www.brundallchurch.org.uk](http://www.brundallchurch.org.uk) (and click on the red box on the right hand side or <http://buy.at/brundallchurch>) you can earn commission for the Church, at no cost to you. Any enquiries to Andy Allen 717701



Coffee Break will be meeting each Wednesday in December, except December 30th, from 9.00am to 11.30am in the Memorial Hall lounge.

Everyone is especially welcome to join us on December 16th for a special Christmas Coffee Break with mince pies and other goodies. If you would like to know more, please contact Carol 713324 or Gillian 715333



**A Buggy Service** every Thursday for 0—5s with their Mum, Dad or Carer. From 9am to 11.30am with a short children's service at 10.00am, an opportunity to meet with friends over coffee and cake.

Details from Carol Avery 713324

During Advent we prepare for the celebration of Jesus' first coming at Christmas but we also look forward to and prepare for His second coming. Today the preaching will focus on Jesus' second coming; next week we will think about judgment and the following week we will be thinking about heaven.

**These are some of the views held by different Christians about the events surrounding Jesus second coming:-**

**Premillennialism:** Christ's Second coming before a literal one thousand year period is preceded by a gradual deterioration of human society and behaviour, and the expansion of evil through an end-time government or kingdom.

**Pre-tribulation Premillennialism:** The rapture of the church occurs just prior to the seven-year tribulation, where Christ returns for his saints to meet them in the air. This is followed by the tribulation, the rise of the Antichrist to world-rule, the return of Christ to the Mount of Olives and Armageddon, resulting in a millennial reign of Messiah over the Jews, centred in restored Jerusalem.

**Post-Tribulation Premillennialism.** The rapture of the church happens after a period of great tribulation, with the church being caught up to meet Christ