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**Christmas can be a wonderful time to spend with friends and family, giving and receiving presents, generally having fun and also remembering God's gift to us. For some, however, it can be the worst of times. Anyone who is alone this year, whether for the first time or as the latest of many, could feel the pain of that loneliness even more at Christmas time.**

The good news is that once again the members of Gillingham Community Church (GCC) are providing a full Christmas lunch for anyone who might otherwise be alone on Christmas Day.

As before, Waitrose has generously donated all the food and other local organisations are contributing to the event financially or by offering their time and the use of equipment and facilities. The Methodist Church has kindly donated the use of their hall and kitchen on the day.

So, whether you are young or old, single, a couple or a single parent with children: if you would like to spend Christmas with others, you will be very welcome to go and enjoy Christmas lunch. They'll even come and pick you up if you need a lift.

Last year around 50 people from the Gillingham area were there, so don't stay home alone - enjoy a Christmas to remember. Booking is essential, but there's no charge. Call 01747 825341 or 01747 822921 for more details and to book your places by 16 December if possible.

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