

Prayer meeting

Every Monday we have a prayer meeting (at the moment by zoom) where we pray for the needs of our parish and the wider world. If you would like to join in please speak to Timothy N or Rev Ian.

We also have a **WhatsApp** prayer group - please contact Rev Ian for details.

A Prayer for the Ukraine

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion
to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious children,
at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus,
the Prince of Peace.
Amen.



Pastoral Visiting

If anyone would like the opportunity for a slightly longer chat than time affords after a church service please feel free to contact me. Thank you.

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My Notes

Collect for the week

Holy God,
faithful and unchanging:
enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth,
and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love,
that we may truly worship you,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Mission Partners



We pray for the work of Cribs in Bexley Schools in their mission to support the spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of young people and children in our schools in Bexley.



12th June 2022

10.30am Family Service

Welcome and notices

Introduction

Opening words

Songs: We bow our hearts, we lift our hands

We say sorry to God

We hear God's word:

Song: Cornerstone

We hear God's word:

We think about God

We say what we believe

Song: Great is your faithfulness

We talk to God

We pray for the Ukraine and share the Lord's Prayer

Songs: We want to see Jesus lifted high

Blessing

We leave

Coffee, tea and biscuits are served after the service.

A collection plate is available by the exit as we leave

Large print service books are available.



NOTICES

Dates for your diary

Monday 13th June:

10:30am Prayer meeting via Zoom

Tuesday 14th June:

1:15pm Stay and Play

Wednesday 15th June:

1:00pm Place of Welcome

Sunday 19th June:

10:30am Communion Service



A space which offers coffee, tea, biscuits, cakes and sandwiches along with conversation, board games, computer access, advice and so forth. Please come along or invite anyone who might find it of value.

HELP NEEDED

As many of you will know, Pat and Roger have provided sterling support in helping cater for Places of Welcome, along with Ian and Linda. However, as I am also sure many of you are aware, Pat and Roger hope to be moving within the next couple of months. Is there anyone willing to help cater for PoW? At present it involves making and serving soup, rolls, biscuits/cakes and drinks. The dishwasher is available for the cleaning duties!! I am sure Pat, Roger, Ian or Linda will be happy to talk things through with people, as will Rev Ian.



Our next Messy Church will meet on 3rd July before we take a month off for the summer holiday.

Help is needed to supervise crafts, to cook, chatting to guests and tidying up. Please see Rev Ian or Jenny B for more information.

Stay & Play

Stay and Play runs every Tuesday in term time from 1:15pm. It is an opportunity for parents/carers and their children to meet and play. Please tell folk about it and, if you want a flyer or a card to help, or indeed would like to help support this project, please see Ian.

Fellowship Groups

We recently completed The Bible Course in two homegroups held in the vicarage. The course was very well received as there was a desire to carry on studying scripture together in small groups. If you would like to join, host or lead such a group please let Ian know. If you do offer to lead please do not think it will be down to you to plan sessions - we will make sure accessible resources are provided.

Fellowship groups offer people the chance to meet regularly in order to pray, study and worship together. They often share food as well and people grow together as they share the lives and questions. They have stood the test of time for helping people, and churches, grow as disciples and worshippers. If that is something that you would like to explore please speak to Ian.

Flowers in Church



As you will know, we have a small but dedicated group of people who arrange the flowers each week in church. It is an important ministry, reflecting God's creation around us, giving thanks for it, and enhancing our worship.

If you would like to join in with that ministry, or would like to donate flowers to church to mark a special date, please speak to Sue A or Linda W.

News from the Food Bank

The food bank has an urgent need for::

- ◆ Tinned fruit and veg
- ◆ Fruit juice
- ◆ Long life milk
- ◆ Ready made custard
- ◆ Dried noodles
- ◆ Jam
- ◆ Canned meat products
- ◆ Toothpaste, Shower gel, Deodorant



Prayer Focus



Those who are either unwell or need special prayers:

Ann H, Ken P, Geoff B., Brenda P, Maureen B, Beatrice G, Doreen B, Emma and Ollie, Kay T, Brenda M and her nephew Philip, Thelma, and George and Marie B.

We pray for our church family and this week we pray for Angela D, Karin D. and Penny D. We also pray for all those who live or work, on or have cause to travel along Wellington Avenue and Westerham Drive.