

## 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

Faithful Creator,  
whose mercy never fails:  
deepen our faithfulness to you  
and to your living Word,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

## Mission Partners



We pray for the work of the Church Mission Society and their ministry in supporting people at the edges and introducing them to the love of Jesus.



**26th June 2022**

**10.30am Service of the Word**

Welcome and notices

Opening words

Song: Strength will rise

Confession

Collect

Reading: Galatians 5:1, 13-25

Song: I will follow

Gospel reading: Luke 9:51-end

Sermon

Song: This I believe

Prayers

Prayer for the Ukraine

Lord's Prayer

Song: Before the throne of God above

Blessing and Dismissal

*If you have a word, a vision or a story to share, please speak to Ian or one of the welcomers before the service. An auditory loop is available.*

**Large print service books are available.**



# NOTICES

## Dates for your diary

### Monday 27th June:

10:30am Prayer meeting via Zoom

### Tuesday 28th June:

1:15pm Stay and Play

### Wednesday 29th June:

1:00pm Place of Welcome

### Sunday 3rd July:

10:30am Communion Service

3:00pm Messy Church



We are all aware that our planet faces some serious challenges as a result of human activity leading to climate change. Sometimes these challenges seem overwhelming and that there is not a lot we can do as individuals. However, there is that African proverb which goes along the lines of 'if you think you're too small to make a difference, try spending a night in a room with a mosquito'!!

One thing we can do is look at how much carbon we produce. One website which is quite helpful is here:

<https://www.climatestewards.org/offset/>

I am not suggesting you pay the cost of offsetting your footprint (although, of course, you could).

Rather that we start being intentional about making decisions which reduce our footprint.

# KEY MINISTRIES



Our next Messy Church will meet on 3rd July before we take a month off for the summer holiday. We will be thinking about how God led the Israelites through the wilderness in the Exodus story.

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 ministry, please see Ian.



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.

## Eltham Choral Society

Eltham Choral Society will be performing Haydn's *Creation*, with an orchestra, in St John's church, Eltham, at 7.30 pm on Saturday 9th July. Tickets are £12 on the door. *Creation* is an oratorio masterpiece depicting and celebrating the creation of the world as described in the Book of Genesis – and great fun! If you want further details please speak to Mary or Timothy N.

## 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, Brenda P, Maureen and Geoff B, Emma and Ollie, Kay T, Brenda M and her nephew Philip, and George and Marie B.

We pray for our church family and this week we pray for Sian, Janet and Graham C and Janet C. We also pray for all those who live or work, on or have cause to travel along Albany Close, Albany Road and Arcadian Road.