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





Christmas Fair





Our Christmas Fair is being held on Saturday 30th November from 11.00am-2.00pm.

We are now taking donations for the fair and the following items are especially needed: Books, Children's books, Toys, Bric-a-Brac, Christmas crafts, Jewellery, baskets or gift items for the hamper raffle, Fairtrade items for raffle and cakes, preferably home made and if possible some large cakes. There is also a list for donations for the Fairtrade Hamper a the back of the church-please sign up!! Please can you also save plastic food trays from prepacked fruit and vegetables for use on the Cake stall.

If anyone wishes to help please speak to Jenny B or Rev. Ian. Thank you.

My notes

Collect

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you;

through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. 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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3rd November 2024 All Saints Day

10.30am Communion Service

Welcome and notices

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Large print service books are available.



NOTICES

Dates for your diary

Sunday 3rd November:

10:30am - Communion Service

3:00pm - Messy Church

Monday 4th November:

10:30am - Prayer meeting at Hawthorn Road

Tuesday 5th November:

1:15pm - Stay and Play

7:45pm - Homegroup @ Hawthorn Road

Wednesday 6th November:

1:00pm - Place of Welcome

Sunday 10th November:

8:00am - Communion Service (BCP)

10:30am - Family Service incorporating an Act of Remembrance and Shoebox packing

Sunday 17th November

After 10:30 service the Christmas Choir will start rehearsals.

Shoebox appeal



We are collecting for this year's shoebox appeal and the shoeboxes themselves will be packed during a service later this year.

There is a list at the back of church of the items that we need, along with the numbers we already have. I will do my best to circulate an updated version of this list each week in the email I send out.

Thank you!!

KEY MINISTRIES



Our next Messy takes place on 3rd November and we will be thinking about Remembrance. Please pray for those who plan and deliver this ministry as we look ahead for ideas for upcoming gatherings. Any offers to help with crafts, to cook, chatting to guests and tidying up would be really helpful. 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 s 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 Rev 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.

Mission Partners

We pray for the work of **TEARFUND** and their mission to see people freed from poverty, living transformed lives, and fulfilling their God-given potential. We pray for partnerships with Christians, local churches and organisations around the world, as they seek to equip people to lift themselves out of poverty and fulfil their God-given potential.

News from the Food Bank

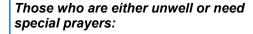
The food bank has an urgent need for::

- Tinned fruit and veg
- ♦ Chocolate/snacks



- ♦ Tuna/hotdogs/meatballs
- Tea/coffee/hot chocolate
- ♦ Long life/evaporated milk
- Ready made custard
- Dried noodles, pasta & rice
- ♦ Pasta/curry sauces
- Stuffing/gravy
- ♦ Jam, honey, spreads
- ◆ Tins of baked beans, beans and sausages, macaroni chesse & chilli con carne
- ♦ Baby products wet wipes, nappies size 4-6
- ♦ Toothpaste, Shower gel, Deodorant
- Shampoo & Razors
- Housecleaning products
- Toilet and kitchen roll

Prayer Focus





Maureen B, Brenda M, Mavis M, Brenda P, Janet C, Mike S, Margaret M, Carol M, Barry G, and Stephen R.

We pray for our church family and this week we pray for Francessca L and Brenda M. .

We pray for all those who live or work, travel along Sherwood Close, Sherwood Park Avenue and Shirley Avenue.