

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 chil-
dren, at risk and in fear, that you would hold
and protect them.

We pray in the name of Jesus,
the Prince of Peace.
Amen.



Collect

God of all mercy,
your Son proclaimed good news to the poor,
release to the captives,
and freedom to the oppressed:
anoint us with your Holy Spirit
and set all your people free
to praise you in Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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My notes

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who supported the
Christmas Card initiative over the Christmas
season.

Jean tells me that, as a result of our efforts, she
has been able to send a cheque for £325 to
Christian Aid in support of three projects - medical
care in crisis, emergency essentials, and send a
child to school.

Pastoral Visiting

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



26th January 2025

10.30am Service of the Word

Welcome and notices

Opening words

Song: Beauty for brokenness (54)

Confession

Collect

Reading: Nehemiah 8:1-10

Song: Who O Lord could save themselves

Reading: Luke 4:14-21

Sermon

Creed

Song: The Lord's my shepherd (637)

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

Song: 10000 Reasons

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 ser-
vice. An auditory loop is available.*

Large print service books are available.



NOTICES

Dates for your diary

Sunday 26th January:

8:00am - Communion Service
10:30am - Service of the Word
3:00pm - Christian Unity Service - URC Hurst Road, Bexley

Monday 27th January:

10:30am - Prayer meeting at Hawthorn Road

Tuesday 28th January:

1:15pm - Stay and Play

Wednesday 29th January:

1:00pm - Place of Welcome
7:30pm - PCC meeting @ vicarage

Sunday 2nd February:

10:30am - Communion Service
3:00pm - Messy Church
3:00pm - Christian Unity Service - URC Hurst Road, Bexley

Deanery Synod

The next Deanery Synod will be held at Christ Church, Sidcup, on 6th February gathering at 7:30pm.

This is an open synod and our Diocesan Bishop, Jonathan, will be coming to speak to us about the Diocesan Vision and Strategy. He will also be taking questions on that, and other issues.

If you are interested in attending there is no need to book - just turn up!!

KEY MINISTRIES



Our next Messy takes place on **2nd February 2025** and we will be thinking about **Jesus' childhood**. 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 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 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 cheese & 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

Those who are either unwell or need special prayers:



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

We pray for our church family and this week we pray for Jenny B and Joan C.

We pray for all those who live or work, travel along Blendon Drive and Blendon Road..