

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.



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

Collect

Almighty God,
give us reverence for all creation
and respect for every person,
that we may mirror your likeness
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

My notes

Giving at St James

If you wish to make a donation towards the ministry
of St. James, or indeed need to pay for a specific
service, please speak to Rev Ian or the Churchward-
ens. Alternatively, you can scan the QR code in this
notice. Thank you.



23rd February 2025

10.30am Service of the Word

Welcome and notices

Opening words

Song: All my hope on God is founded

Confession

Collect

Reading: Psalm 65

Song: To the river I am going

Gospel reading: Luke 8:22-25

Sermon

Creed

Song: Everyone needs compassion

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

Song: Forever

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 23rd February:

8:00am - Communion Service

10:30am - Service of the Word

Monday 24th February:

10:30am - Prayer meeting at Hawthorn Road

Tuesday 25th February:

1:15pm - Stay and Play

Wednesday 26th February:

1:00pm - Place of Welcome

Saturday 1st March:

6:00 for 6:30pm - Pancake Evening

Sunday 2nd March:

10:30am - Communion Service

3:00pm - Messy Church

Pancakes!!



We have decided to mark Lent (which starts on 5th March) having a **Pancake Evening on 1st March with doors opening at 6.00pm for a 6.30pm start.** We will provide pancakes and fillings but if there is something truly exotic you love in your pancakes you need to chat to Ian!!

There will be no charge!! We will be having a raffle to help cover the costs and there will also be a table quiz.

Please invite folk and, if you are intending to come, a heads-up would be helpful but not essential.

KEY MINISTRIES



Our next Messy takes place on **2nd March 2025** and we will be thinking about **Lent**. 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 Cribbs 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.

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 Nicky, David, Beth and Harry G and Grace G..

We pray for all those who live or work, travel along Gwillim Close, Harcourt Avenue, and Howard Avenue..