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.



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 Churchwardens. Alternatively, you can scan the QR code in this notice. Thank you.



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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

My notes

MacMillan Coffee Morning



After the 10:30am service on 21st September we will have a MacMillan Coffee Morning. Donations of cakes, biscuits and savouries would be very welcome. Please speak to Sue A for details.

Collect

Almighty God, you search us and know us: may we rely on you in strength and rest on you in weakness, now and in all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord.. Amen.





14th September 2025

10.30am Family Service

Welcome and notices

Opening words

We sing: Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord

We say sorry to God

We pray the collect

We sing: Who O Lord could save themselves

We hear God's word: Luke 15:1-10

We think about God

We sing: Jesus Christ I think upon your sacrifice

Song: We believe in God the Father (643)

We talk to God

We pray for the people of the Ukraine

We pray the Lord's Prayer

Songs: Amazing Grace (my chains are gone)

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

Sunday 14th September:

8:00 - Communion Service (BCP) 10:30am - Family Service

Monday 15th September:

10:30am - Prayer meeting at Hawthorn Road

Tuesday 16th September:

1:15pm - Stay and Play

Wednesday 17th September:

1:00pm - Place of Welcome 7:30pm - PCC meeting (Garden Room)

Sunday 21st September:

10:30am - Service of the Word

Women's Refuge

We have been in contact with an organisation which runs a Women's Refuge and hope to supply morse bags containing practical essentials for those fleeing domestic violence.

We still need the following items:

- Toothbrush and holders
- Shampoo
- Deodorant
- Soap boxes
- Fluffv socks
- Hairbrushes/combs
- Makeup/baby wipes
- Flannels
- Hand towels
- Sweets
- Colouring books/felts
- Notebooks
- Tovs

KEY MINISTRIES



Our next Messy takes place on 5th October and we will be thinking about harevst. 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 ministry of CRiBS in our Bexley Schools. Since 1993 CRiBS have supported the Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural development of children and young people in Bexley, seeking to inspire them to grow in faith and promote living values.

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

Praver Focus



Those who are either unwell or need special prayers:

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

We pray for our church family and this week we pray specifically for Christopher and Janice A and Keith A...

We pray for all those who live or work, travel along Westerham Avenue, Westerham Drive and Westwood Lane.