

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 Church-
wardens. 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

Collect

God, our judge and saviour,
teach us to be open to your truth
and to trust in your love,
that we may live each day
with confidence in the salvation which is given
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Cleaning Day

We are holding a church cleaning day on Tuesday
28th October. If you are able to come and help, if only for
a short time, that would be great. We will meet at 10.00
am. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be available

Toilet rolls

Could people save the cardboard tubes from toilet
and kitchen rolls and given them to Beth G (or
leave them at the back of church). They are
needed by her Guide unit. Thank you.



26th October 2025

10.30am Service of the Word

Welcome and notices

Opening words

Song: Come, now is the time to worship

Confession

Collect

Reading: Psalm 65:1-7

Song: When I was lost you came and rescued me

Gospel reading: Mark 4:35-5:20

Sermon

Creed

Song: All my days (beautiful Saviour)

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

Song: In Christ Alone

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.*



NOTICES

Dates for your diary

Sunday 26th October: (Daylight Saving Time Ends)
 8:00am - Communion Service
 10:30am - Service of the Word (guest speaker: Luke Brennan from C.M.S.)

Monday 27th October:
 10:30am - Prayer meeting at Hawthorn Road

Tuesday 28th October:
 10:00 - Cleaning Day
 1:15pm - Stay and Play

Wednesday 29th October:
 1:00pm - Place of Welcome

Sunday 2nd November
 10:30am - Communion Service
 3:00pm - Messy Church
 7:30pm - Confirmation Service at St. John's, Bexley

Christmas Fair



Our Christmas Fair is being held on Saturday 29th 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 at the back of the church - please sign up!!

KEY MINISTRIES



Our next Messy takes place on **2nd November** and we will be thinking about **lost sheep and coins**. 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. This 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. Pets are welcome! 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

Slade Green 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:

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

We pray for our church family and this week we pray specifically for Margaret G, and Beatrice, Isabella, Shaquille and Walton G, and Jean H..

We pray for all those who live or work, travel along Clayworth Close, Crofton Avenue and Wakeford Close.