## **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.



## **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

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# My notes

#### Sue and Tim M

I am pleased to tell you all that Sue and Tim are hoping to pop into Place of Welcome on 26th November and to come to the Christmas Fair next Saturday. I am sure folk will be looking forward to the opportunity to say hello and catch up.

#### Collect

God the Father, help us to hear the call of Christ the King and to follow in his service, whose kingdom has no end; for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, one glory. Amen.





#### 23rd November 2025

#### 10.30am Service of the Word

Welcome and notices

Opening words

Song: Let all the world in every corner sing

Confession

Collect

Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Song: Blessed be your name

Reading: Revelation 11:15-18

Sermon

Creed

Song: Meekness and Majesty (445)

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

Song: How great is our God

Blessing and Dismissal

If you have a word, a vision or a story to share, please speak to lan or one of the welcomers before the service. An auditory loop is available.

Large print service books are available.



# **NOTICES**

### **Dates for your diary**

#### **Sunday 23rd November:**

8:00am - Communion Service

10:30am - Service of the Word

12:00pm - Christmas Choir Practice

#### **Monday 24th November:**

10:30am - Prayer meeting

#### **Tuesday 25th November:**

1:15pm - Stay and Play

#### Wednesday 26th November:

1:00pm - Place of Welcome

#### **Saturday 29th November:**

11:00am - Christmas Fair

#### **Sunday 30th November:**

8:00am - Communion Service

10:30am - Café Church

12:00pm - Christmas Choir Practice



#### 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 a the back of the church - please sign up!!

The church will be open on Friday 28th from 1:30-4.00pm and then from 6.00pm for set up. It will also be open from 9.00am on the 29th. If anyone wishes to help please speak to Jenny B or Rev. Ian.

# **KEY MINISTRIES**



Our next Messy takes place on 7th December and we will be thinking about Christmas. 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.

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### **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**

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, 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 Carol M., Mary and Timothy Nunns, and Onyeka O.

We pray for the families of Vera A and Ray J in their grief. .

We pray for all those who live or work, travel along Oakley Park, Overcourt Close and Park Mead.