



Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2019  
**Chislehurst Methodist Church**

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**Prayer for the week**

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing, chosen us in Christ to be holy and blameless, destined us in Christ to be God's children, and granted us through the blood of Christ redemption and the forgiveness of our sins. Amen.

*Based on the Letter to the Ephesians (1st century)*

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**WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS**

Those of our church community who are unwell or who have need for our prayers:  
Ian Spinks, Veronica Crowther, Pam Wallace, Monica Faux, Pam Giles, Myrtle and  
Neill Truman.

All our friends who are in care homes, particularly Arthur Hayes, Les Giles and Joan  
Clements who has settled in splendidly to her new home near Totnes. She would love  
to hear from Chislehurst friends - please contact the church office for her  
address/phone number.

All those who have birthdays this month: Freddie, Louie, Rocco.

As part of the fellowship of Churches Together in Chislehurst and Bickley;  
this week we pray for Churches Together.

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**Stop Press:** Congratulations to Sien Maclean who has achieved 3 A\* grades in her A  
levels and has been offered a place at Cambridge University!

Please take this notice sheet  
home with you

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August at 10.30am**

**Preacher: Joan Mayes**

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

**FIRST HYMN:                    691 What shall our greeting be**

## **PRAYERS OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION**

**FIRST READING:            Proverbs 9: 1-6**

### **Wisdom's Feast**

Wisdom has built her house,  
    she has hewn her seven pillars.  
She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine,  
    she has also set her table.  
She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls  
    from the highest places in the town,  
'You that are simple, turn in here!'  
    To those without sense she says,  
'Come, eat of my bread  
    and drink of the wine I have mixed.  
Lay aside immaturity, and live,  
    and walk in the way of insight.'

**SECOND HYMN:                500 Happy are they who find the grace**

### **The Strange Story of Billy Baker – a Fable**

**SECOND READING:        John 6: 51-58**

I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.' The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' So Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.'

**THIRD HYMN:                125 Praise and thanksgiving, Father we offer**

## MESSAGE

**FOURTH HYMN:            153 Break thou the bread of life**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**OFFERING & DEDICATION**

**FINAL HYMN:            81 Now thank we all our Lord**

**BENEDICTION**



The flowers in church today have been provided by Dorothy Kelly, many thanks.

**Next Sunday:** Rev'd Terry Wright, 10.30am.

If anyone is able to help on the sound desk for this service please let one of the stewards or Sarah in the church office know asap, thank you!

Post Script:

Friends will be sorry to hear of the recent death of Gwen Watson. Her funeral will be held at Eltham Crematorium, North Chapel, at 11am on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August.

