



Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2019  
**Chislehurst Methodist Church**

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**Prayer for the week**

Glory to God, creator of heaven and earth, who has made all things living. Glory to God, Father of all mercies, who has given his only-begotten son to be our Redeemer. Glory to God, fire of holy love, who for our sanctification has poured forth his life-giving Spirit.



*John Hamilton (1512-1571)*

**Minister:** Rev'd Duncan MacBean (Day off - Friday)



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Many thanks to everyone who supported the Macmillan Coffee Morning giving time, items for the sales tables, lovely cakes & biscuits to eat, and money.

Donations from people unable to come and generous giving on the day means that this week I have banked **£645**, which is a truly stunning total.

The people there included those with church connections, friends of friends and so on. There were also at least two local residents who had seen a poster and came into the building for the first time and were impressed at how lovely it was!

A good morning. Gillian Beecher Bryant



**Please take this notice sheet  
home with you**

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 10.30am  
Preacher: Rev'd Duncan MacBean**

## **WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER**

**FIRST HYMN: 5 Father, in whom we live**

## **PRAYERS OF ADORATION & CONFESSION**

**SECOND HYMN: 73 Fill thou my life, O Lord my God**

**FIRST READING: Philippians 4: 10-20**

### **Thanks for Their Gifts**

I rejoiced greatly in the Lord that at last you renewed your concern for me. Indeed, you were concerned, but you had no opportunity to show it. I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do all this through him who gives me strength. Yet it was good of you to share in my troubles. Moreover, as you Philippians know, in the early days of your acquaintance with the gospel, when I set out from Macedonia, not one church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving, except you only; for even when I was in Thessalonica, you sent me aid more than once when I was in need. Not that I desire your gifts; what I desire is that more be credited to your account. I have received full payment and have more than enough. I am amply supplied, now that I have received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent. They are a fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God. And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus. To our God and Father be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

**SECOND READING: Mark 2: 18-22**

### **Jesus Questioned About Fasting**

Now John's disciples and the Pharisees were fasting. Some people came and asked Jesus, "How is it that John's disciples and the disciples of the Pharisees are fasting, but yours are not?" Jesus answered, "How can the guests of the bridegroom fast while he is with them? They cannot, so long as they have him with them. But the time will come when the bridegroom will be taken from them, and on that day they will fast. "No one sews a patch of unshrunk cloth on an old garment. Otherwise, the new piece will pull away from the old, making the tear worse. And no one pours new wine into old wineskins. Otherwise, the wine will burst the skins, and both the wine and the wineskins will be ruined. No, they pour new wine into new wineskins."

## SERMON

### COLLECTION AND BLESSING OF GIFTS & THIRD HYMN:

81 Now thank we all our God

### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

FOURTH HYMN: 667 O watcher in the wilderness

### COMMUNION

FINAL HYMN: 465 Guide me O thou Great Jehovah

### BENEDICTION

Next Sunday, Deacon Maureen Spinks, All Age Service, 10.30am
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The flowers in church today have been provided by Gillian Beecher Bryant, many thanks.

**MONDAY FOCUS:** The meeting this week a service led by Rev'd Terry wright, followed by a sandwich lunch. New people are always welcome! For more information contact Rosemary: 07791 603 668.

**CHANGES TO THE CIRCUIT PLAN 20<sup>TH</sup> & 27<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER:** 20th October - instead of Songs of Praise, the service will be led by Joan Mayes. 27 October - the service will be led by Revd Stephen and Deacon Myrtle Poxon, during which they will baptise their granddaughter Emily.

**CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL – Registration forms are available!** We are always looking for new participants for our Christmas tree festival, if you can think of anyone who you could approach to participate please speak to Sarah or Gillian J.

**AUTUMN QUIZ NIGHT,** New Eltham Community Productions invite you to exercise your brains at an Autumn Quiz Night. Friday 1st November 2019, 7.15 pm for 7.30 pm start. The Centre, New Eltham Methodist Church. Tickets £6.00 per person, 6 people per team. Tickets from 07710 507421 (Judith) or any member. Bring your own snacks

and non-alcoholic drinks.

**1940s AFTERNOON TEA:** Aprils Kitchen will be holding the second 1940s Afternoon Tea on Saturday 19th October. A table for church members has been reserved and tickets are available for a reduced cost of £15.00 for all church members. If you would like to join the "Methodist Table" please contact April on 07952 906071 or email [aprilskitchen@outlook.com](mailto:aprilskitchen@outlook.com).

**CHURCH "SIGNIFICANT" ANNIVERSARY** Monday October 5<sup>th</sup> 2020 will mark the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first service in this church. The stewards would be interested in hearing your ideas of how we should celebrate this significant day. A service of celebration is to be held on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October by Rev. Michaela Youngson.

**THURSDAY SERVICES:** The next lunchtime service will be this Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> October, at 12.45pm. As usual, after the service we gather for a sandwich lunch (£5).

**FIJIAN METHODIST FELLOWSHIP:** Their regular worship is held at our church two Sundays a month. Their next dates are today and 13<sup>th</sup> October.

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October - Christmas Tree Festival Decoration Making Dates (more details to follow)

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November - 7.15pm, Quiz Night, NEMC

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November - PSA Remembrance Concert, NEMC, 3pm (poster on noticeboard)

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November - Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Tree Festival, CMC

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December - Carol Singing at the Glades

### **WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS**

Those of our church community who are unwell or who have need for our prayers: Kath Carpenter who is currently comfortable at Fallowfields, 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.

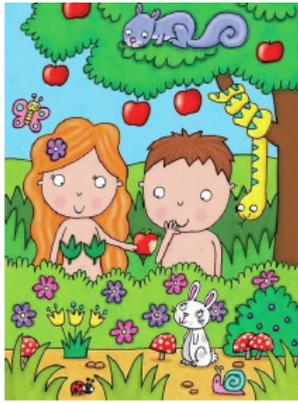
All those who have birthdays this month: Daquone & Davonte.

When visiting those who can't get to church, please do take them a Notice Sheet. They are always welcome.

As part of the fellowship of Churches Together in Chislehurst and Bickley; this week we pray for St Mary's Church.



We welcome you...



**On: 19<sup>th</sup> October 2019, 4-6pm**

**At: Chislehurst Methodist Church, Prince Imperial Road,  
BR7 5LX**

**Come along, to share the story of *Creation*. A fun filled afternoon (crafts, games and more) for all the family. Followed by a shared tea for all!**

Voluntary donations welcomed however this is a free event.