



Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2019  
**Chislehurst Methodist Church**

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**Prayer for the week**

God of miracles and mundanity, God of divine mystery and surprising presence,  
sow the seeds of your compassionate love in our lives.  
God of the well-healed and the un-homed, God of the amply fed and the empty-bellied,  
grow the seeds of your compassionate love in our communities.



God of the vociferous and the voiceless, God of the loved and the loveless,  
may the fruitfulness of your compassionate love be known through our witness and worship,  
by our commitment to justice and our hopeful living, by our inclusive hospitality and our generous presence, that your Church may be the good news of Jesus Christ to all. Amen.

*Helen Kirk, Chester and Stoke-on-Trent District Chair*

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



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Harvest Donations - Thank you for the contributions to  
**All We Can** collected at our harvest service, we raised £110.

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

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October at 10.30am  
Preacher: Deacon Maureen Spinks**

## **WELCOME**

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

**FIRST HYMN: 102ii For the beauty of the earth**

## **PRAYER**

**SECOND HYMN: 510: Says Jesus, Come and gather round**

**THANKSGIVING for Alex Elizabeth Amma Scales**

**THIRD HYMN: 59: Lord, the light of your love**

## **'IT IS NOT THE BIG THINGS!'**

**READINGS 2 Kings 1-4& 9-15 (interactive)**

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favour with his master, because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, 'If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy.' So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, 'Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean.' But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, 'I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?' He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, 'Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, "Wash, and be clean"?' So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean. Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, 'Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel; please accept a present from your servant.'

## OFFERING

**FINAL HYMN:** 455i All my hope on God is founded

## BENEDICTION

Next Sunday, Mrs Joan Mayes, 10.30am

The flowers in church today have been provided by Helen van Teutem, many thanks.

**MONDAY FOCUS:** The meeting this week is a hot lunch at a cost of £8.50, please book in advance by contacting Rosemary. We start at 1pm in the Wesley room as usual. New people are always welcome! For more information contact Rosemary: 07791 603 668.

**CONTACT** – We are planning the next edition of *Contact* for early November, if you would like to submit something to be included, please let Sarah know as soon as possible. All copy will need to be submitted by 31<sup>st</sup> October.

**READER REQUEST** – We will soon be preparing the church rota for the next quarter and we are looking for additional people to go on the readers list for Sunday services. If you would like to volunteer for this, please let Sarah or one of the Stewards know asap. Many thanks.

**CIRCUIT SERVICE – 29<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER,** We will need additional volunteers (4no.) to provide refreshments after the circuit service on 29<sup>th</sup> December, if you are able to help, please add your name to the usual sign up sheet next to the kitchen or speak to Dorothy. Thank you!

**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.

**MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING** - Many thanks to all who supported this event. Donations from people unable to come and generous giving on the day means that we raised £645, which is a truly stunning total.



**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 3<sup>rd</sup> November.

### **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 Patrick'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.